



**Mark Lichtenstein, Executive Director
SyracuseCoE Center for Sustainable Community Solutions**

Expertise and/or Research

Collaborative governance and leadership, volunteer service/community and civic engagement, sustainable materials management (solid waste and recycling), environmental finance, international relations and security, conflict management, organizational development, construction/deconstruction, green infrastructure, citizen participation in decision-making, LEED GA

Education

MPA (Public Administration), The Maxwell School of Syracuse University
Certificates of Advanced Studies in Conflict Resolution and Public Administration, The Maxwell School
Graduate Studies in Environmental Science, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (ESF)
BS Environmental Studies, SUNY ESF

Special Interests

Devotion toward building a sustainable materials economy, progressive rock and eclectic music, Alhambra by Jon Mark, ecotourism, World War II history, teaching, learning from indigenous people, nature

Quirky Sustainable Solution

I try to heed Albert Einstein's advice by looking deep into nature so that I will gain a better understanding of the actions I need to continue to take to leave as small a footprint as possible—to "be the change I want to see in the world" (Mahatma Gandhi). There are many examples, including working with my wife to design our garden to take advantage of natural "pesticides", to supporting local agriculture and indigenous food. However, my attention is where I may dwell in hypocrisy, trying to do better every day.

You wouldn't know it, but...

I wanted to be a spy. I'm also an entertainer at heart, particularly for children. See photos: Me as Disney's Pluto and Oswego County's (NY) ORC the Trashasaurus (which I helped design).