



FORUM BY THE NUMBERS

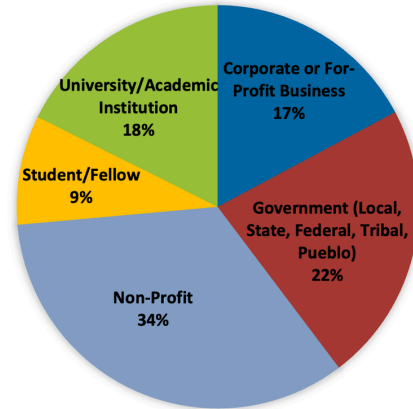
The 7th National Adaptation Forum was held May 12-14, 2026 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Here are just a few of the highlights!

ATTENDANCE

912 participants from 46 U.S. states, plus Washington D.C., Puerto Rico, the U.K., South Africa, Nigeria, Mexico, and Canada

Attendee Sector Breakdown



PROGRAM

Two plenaries, three field trips, 90 concurrent sessions (symposia, working groups, trainings) and **110 posters** covering 37 adaptation topics- resulting in an average of 12,700 steps per day*, fueled by 275 gallons of coffee over the three days

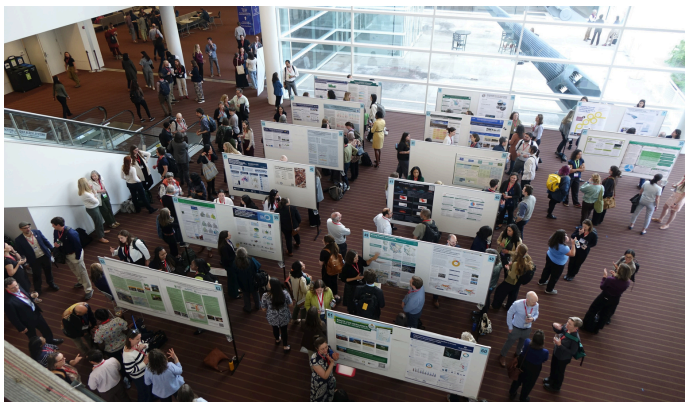
*average steps per day by Team EcoAdapt. Those were some long hallways!

What participants had to say...

“Having that space is so incredibly important, and meant a lot to me to connect with so many people in the adaptation sphere” -Marie-Claire Erskine, Resilience Planner

“As an undergraduate student, interacting with multiple people... who shared a commitment to both building better communities and acting on climate was both uplifting and informative.” -Luke Heller, Dickinson College

“We should be fearless in talking about adaptation in the years ahead. We need much more awareness building (and the funds to support it!)” -Doug Parsons, America Adapts



The 2026 National Adaptation Forum poster session

Most Attended Sessions

- Insurance Innovation for Climate Adaptation in the Northeast
- Beyond Grants – Innovating Finance for Adaptation and Resilience
- Social Resilience & Transformation
- From Assessment to Reality: Helene’s Lessons for Community-Centered Resilience

The Forum is a program of





FORUM BY THE NUMBERS

SUPPORTING LOCAL ADAPTATION

As part of our Travel Guilt Offset Fund, we raised \$3817.25 for **UpstreamPgh**, a community non-profit organization leading environmental stewardship and education to build watershed resilience in the Pittsburgh area.



UpstreamPgh's Aaron Bird discusses green infrastructure during the Negley Run Watershed field trip

ATTENDANCE SUPPORT

Eighty-five Forum participants benefited from nearly \$96,000 in attendance support provided by the **CO2 Foundation**, **Barr Foundation**, **Robert & Patricia Switzer Foundation**, the **Kresge Foundation** and **EcoAdapt**.



MARGARET A. DAVIDSON ADAPTATION CAREER EXCELLENCE (MAD ACE) AWARD

The MAD ACE was awarded to Dr. Jordan West (formerly U.S. Environmental Protection Agency) and David Herring (formerly National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, Climate Program Office) for their decades of service to supporting and innovating in the field of adaptation.

Big thanks to our amazing sponsors who stepped up early and in a big way to ensure the 7th National Adaptation Forum would happen at a time when we certainly all needed it!

Thank our Sponsors

The Forum is a program of

