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*Nashville's Sustainability Outlet*

Interview with Jaclyn Mothupi, Associate Director of Social Innovations at Wond'ry Innovation Center, Vanderbilt University. Formerly Regional Director of External Affairs, TN Dept of Environment and Conservation (April 2020)

Q: What are you are working on as part of the Mayor's Sustainability Advisory Committee?

A: Serving as Co-Chair on the Adaptation Committee which is responsible for drafting the Adaptation Plan within Nashville's Climate Action Plan

Q: How/ why did you become passionate about sustainability?

A: I've always been drawn to things bigger than me. Sustainability is one of the biggest challenges of this generation. It's been a privilege dedicating my professional career towards making Tennessee a better place to work, live, and play.

Q: What is your top sustainability tip for others?

A: Keep it simple. Invest in local experiences rather than more material things.

Q: What is your vision for a more sustainable Nashville?

A: My vision and mission is to ensure inclusivity is at the heart of Nashville's sustainability plans.

Q: How are you celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Earth Day?:

A: I plan to plant our gardens with my two boys—it's important for me they understand how to grow their own food while rolling up their sleeves and getting their hands dirty. Every day is Earth Day in their backyard.