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Abstract: New strategic approaches are needed in order to position libraries as sustainable, socially responsible leaders. By holistically addressing three corporate sustainability dimensions (economic, environmental, and social), libraries can positively impact their bottom-line. Panelists will demonstrate how academic libraries play a crucial role in institutional transformative change. Recognizing economic incentives gained by streamlining operations, reducing carbon footprints, and ensuring an equitable, socially just workplace environment, empowers libraries to justify and embed sustainable values into their organization.