

Municipal Energy Planning

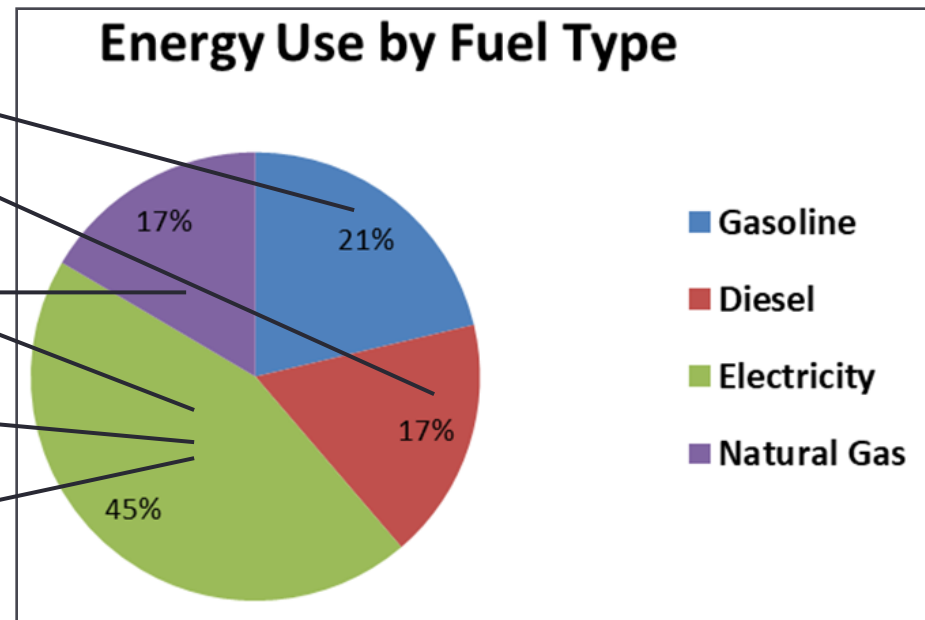
EAC – three key roles

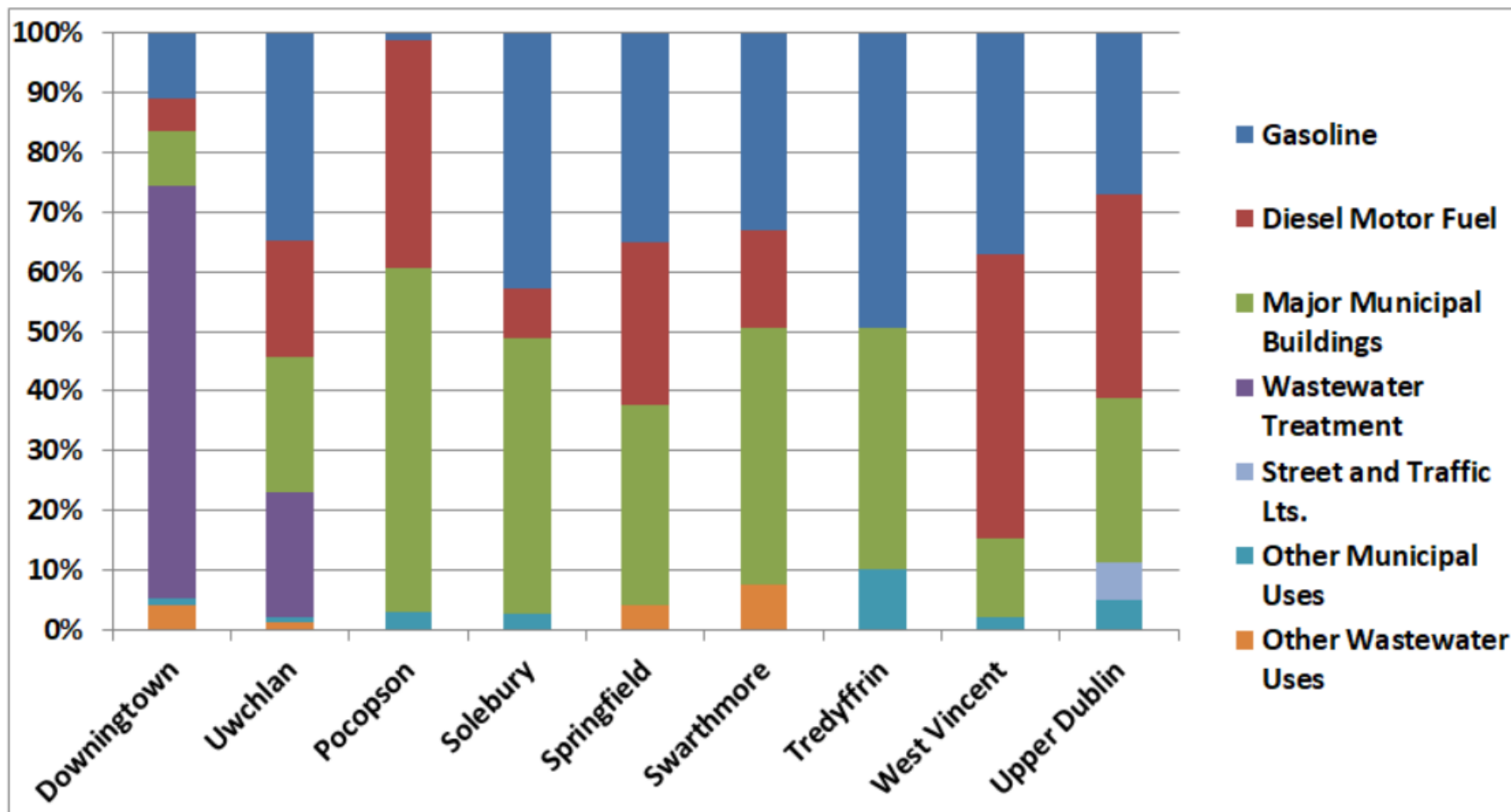
- Leading by example in municipal operations
- Guidance for enabling policy and removing road blocks (governance issues)
- Resilience of community

Municipal Energy Planning

What are the sources of municipal GHG emissions?

- Fleet fuel usage
 - Light-duty vehicles
 - Heavy-duty vehicles
- Municipal building
- Outdoor lighting
- Wastewater facilities





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Energy Usage
Contributing to GHG
Emissions

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Facility Nickname	Total Annual Electric Consumption (kWh)	Total Annual Gas Consumption (Ccf)	Liquid Fuels (gallons)	Facility Type	Street Address
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	740,276			Other-Utility	460EAGLEVIEW BLVD SWR PLT
Uwchlan Township - Gasoline			35,000		
Uwchlan Township - Diesel			17,000		
SUPERVISORS OF UWCHLAN TWP		15,980		Government Office	715N SHIP RDEO RT 100
UWCHLAN TWP	199,827			Government Office	715N SHIP RDWRHSE
SUPV OF UWCHLAN TWP ADMIN BLDG	97,663			City Hall or City Center	715N SHIP RD
Street Lighting	45,260				
SUP OF UWCHLAN TWP GROUNDS MAIN		3,168		Government Office	715N SHIP RD
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	20,169			Other-Utility	715N SHIP RDPUMP STATION
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	18,647			Other-Utility	0PUMP STAPUMP STA
SUPERVISORS OF UWCHLAN TWP	9,565	434		Government Office	114BELL-TAVERN RD
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	5,546			Government Office	0DEVON DR
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	4,803			Government Office	0POTTSTOWN PIKEAT SHIP RD
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	3,852			Street lighting	1201DOWLIN-FORGE RDPOND
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	3,834			Other-Utility	0SHELMIRE RD
UWCHLAN SANITATION DEPT	3,630			Other-Utility	20RUTGERS DR
SUP OF UWCHLAN TWP	1,892			Government Office	0VILLAGE AVE
SUPERVISORS OF UWCHLAN TWP	1,750			Government Office	0RUTGERS DR
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	1,259			Government Office	253SPRING-RUN LN REAR
UWCHLAN SANITATION DEPT	849			Other-Utility	0N OAKLAND DR
UWCHLAN SANITATION DEPT	849			Other-Utility	0POTTSTOWN PIKE
UWCHLAN SANITATION DEPT	849			Other-Utility	0NORWOOD RD
UWCHLAN SANITATION DEPT DOWNING RDG MTR CHAMBER	812			Other-Utility	0CREEK RDPUMP
SUPV OF UWCHLAN TWP ADMIN BLDG	706			Government Office	220DOWLIN-FORGE RDPARK LTG
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	658			Property Management	715N SHIP RDCAR CHARGING STN
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	480			Property Management	715N SHIP RDLIGHT SERVICE
UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP	415			Government Office	0PARKSIDE DR
UWCHLAN TWP	0			Government Office	0PECK RDSIGN
TOTAL	1,163,591	19,582			
Facilities		Sewage-related		Liquid Fuel	
Street Lights					

How to get electrical and gas data



Municipality authorizes you to receive information



Then either:

Request the information you need on a one time basis, or

Get municipality access usage data on [PECO.com/MyAccount/](https://www.peco.com/MyAccount/) (preferred)



Place data into spreadsheet (yearly usage)



Make sure that you get all of the accounts. Some are sometimes in strange places.

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Building
heating and
lighting



Benchmarking
and
assessments



Springfield
study (to be
covered by
Joy)



Water and
wastewater



More efficient
pumps and
aerators



Process
modifications

Collection of motor vehicle gasoline and diesel information

Police vehicles
(lots of vehicles,
long hours, lots
of idling)

Other light-duty
vehicles (code
enforcement,
fire marshal)

Heavy-duty
(dump trucks,
street
sweepers)

Off-road
equipment
(backhoes)

Preliminary Analysis of Electrification of Vehicles

West Goshen Township Fleet:

- 77 Vehicles
 - 40 Light-duty gasoline vehicles
 - 6 Medium-duty diesel vehicles
 - 31 Heavy-duty and specialty vehicles
- Vehicles considered for electrification:
 - 40 Light-duty gasoline vehicles
 - 6 Medium-duty diesel vehicles

Preliminary Analysis of Electrification of Vehicles

VEHICLE	Gasoline	Diesel	MPG	Police Idling	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031
	Miles driven per year (plus fuel idling calculated as miles for police cars)															
Ford Police Interceptor - #52-36	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Interceptor 4-Door SUV - #52-37	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Interceptor 4-Door SUV, marked - #52-38	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Car #18 - White Explorer (Zoning)	292.74		23.5		6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879	6,879
Chevrolet Tahoe Silver - #52-24	1198.37		18.5	30%	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821	28,821
Ford Taurus unmarked - #52-29	407.52		20.0	30%	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596	10,596
Ford F-350 Crew Cab Pickup - Truck #206		347	10.0		3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472	3,472
Ford F-350 3/4 Ton Pick-up, Mark - Truck #122		1058	10.0		10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578	10,578
Ford Explorer XLT - #52-28 / #52-04	623.79		23.5	30%	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057	19,057
Ford Int Sedan, marked - #52-35	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Explorer XLT, - #52-02	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Int. SUV, marked - #52-34	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford F-350 Crew Cab Pickup -Truck #203 / #205		933	10.0		9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329	9,329
Car #19 - White Explorer (Pool Car)	110.23		23.5		2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590	2,590
Car #20 - Explorer (Twp. Manager's Car)	647.78		23.5		15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223	15,223
Car #21 - Explorer (Asst. Twp. Manager's Car)	445.62		23.5		10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472	10,472
Chevrolet Colorado Pickup, unmarked - #52-39	740.00		23.0	30%	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126
Ford Explorer 4-Door SUV, unmarked - #52-03	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Explorer Int. SUV, marked - #52-43	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Chevrolet Tahoe Police Interceptor - #52-45	740.00		18.5	30%	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797
Chevrolet Tahoe Police Interceptor - #52-46	740.00		18.5	30%	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797	17,797
Ford Explorer XLT SUV - Truck #100	621.38		23.5		14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602	14,602
Car - Ford Explorer	400.00		23.5		9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400
Ford F-350 Pickup Truck - Truck #204		1602	10.0		16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024	16,024
Ford Explorer 4-Door SUV - CSU - #52-49	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Int SUV Black, unmarked - #52-47	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Exp. unmarked Black SUV - #52-41	335.63		23.5	30%	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253	10,253
Ford Explorer - #52-01	740.00		23.5		17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390	17,390
Ford F-150 Responder Crew Cab, Unmarked - #52-40	1055.17		23.0	30%	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550	31,550
Ford Explorer White - #52-48	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Explorer 4-Door SUV - CSU - #52-15	654.87		23.5	30%	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006	20,006
Ford Explorer White, marked - #52-20	1774.53		23.5	30%	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212	54,212
Ford Explorer White, marked - #52-21	1170.54		23.5	30%	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760	35,760
Ford F-150 Responder Crew Cab, unmarked - #52-44	740.00		23.0	30%	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126	22,126
Ford Explorer #10 Police as of 2015	400.00		23.5		9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400	9,400
Ford Int Sedan, marked - #52-26	740.00		23.5	30%	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607	22,607
Ford Int SUV Black, unmarked - #52-27	2028.75		23.5	30%	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978	61,978
Car #16 - Ford Pick-up (Codes)	258.91		23.0		5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955	5,955
Car #17 - Ford Pick-up (Codes)	208.26		23.0		4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744	4,744
Ford Exp XLT Pool Car - #52-A1 / #52-42	1036.83		23.5	30%	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675	31,675
Ford Int Sedan, marked - #52-26	894.46		23.5	30%	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326	27,326
Ford Int Sedan, marked - #52-33	712.81		23.5	30%	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776	21,776
Ford F-350 Pickup - Truck #302		740	10.0		7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400
Ford F-350 3/4 Ton Pick-up - Truck #111		550	10.0		5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501	5,501
Ford F-350 3/4 Ton Pickup - Truck #125		740	10.0		7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,400
Car #15 - Ford Hybrid Escape (Pool Car)	78.12															

Keeping but not replacing

Preliminary Analysis of Electrification of Vehicles

Source	Demand over Time Used	Average Demand over Year
Existing	178 KWs over year	178 KWs over year
Light-duty and medium-duty vehicles	115 KW over 250 10-hour periods	33 KW over year
Electrification of municipal complex heating	226 KW over 150 day heating season	93 KW over year
Heavy-duty vehicles	~90 KW over 250 10-hour periods	~26 KW over year

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Installing solar arrays

Power purchase agreement (PPA)

- City of Phila., U. of Penn, SEPTA
- For a good presentation on how this is done:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/16td6b-sePT2xjIP5DhDFyAA76J7acCVC>

Purchasing of RECs (Renewable Energy Credits)

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Governance issues

- Inclusion of energy planning in comprehensive plan
- Revision (or adoption) of solar and wind ordinances
- Encouragement of energy efficiency measures
- Capability for future EVs charger installation and solar installation in new construction



RENEWABLE SPRINGFIELD

OUR PATH TO A CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE

- - Springfield, Montgomery County
 - Just outside Philadelphia
 - 20,000 residents
 - Committed to “Ready for 100” in January 2019
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“Ready for 100”

- Sierra Club framework for municipal pledge:
 - 100% renewable electricity by 2035
 - 100% vehicles and building heat by 2050
- Both municipal operations and community-wide



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Three new muni buildings in 2017

- Library (with green roof)
- Police/Admin
- Public Works
- Designed to be green, ***but not LEED***
- We assumed all was well with HVAC, lighting etc.



Practical Energy Solutions

- Energy auditor in Chester County
- Philadelphia's energy consultants for 10+ years
- Urged us to do energy audits on new building -- a hard sell to commissioners!
- Started with energy benchmark, comparing our buildings to their "peers" in the area.



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The audit process

- The energy benchmark showed:
 - Our public works building was better than most PW buildings.
 - Library and police/admin buildings were underperforming.
- So now we had hard data, and...
- The commissioners then authorized the **full** audit.
- Surprising results:
 - HVAC was set to “hospital quality” air.
 - Heat and A/C were sometimes both on in the same room.
 - Automatic light timers weren’t optimized, etc.



Anticipated savings

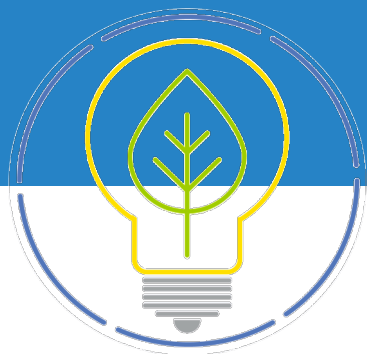
- Township staff quickly implemented all recommendations.
- When “back to normal,” PES anticipates our **annual savings** will be:
 - \$16,000 reduction in electricity costs.
 - 200,000 pound reduction in CO₂ emissions.
- This was just the winter audit.
- We hope to do a summer audit this year. PES estimates our **additional** annual savings will match the winter audit.



What we learned

- We should have paid for LEED commissioning!
- If the price of the full audit seems too high, start with the auditors doing an energy benchmark. That will tell you if and which buildings are underperforming.
- Springfield recovered the cost of the full audit in less than six months.
- Benchmarking and audit reports from PES are online:
- <https://www.springfieldmontco.org/renewable-springfield/energy-efficiency/>





RENEWABLE SPRINGFIELD

OUR PATH TO A CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE

Questions?

Thanks, and let's stay in touch!

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- Springfield (Montgomery County) Environmental Advisory Commission
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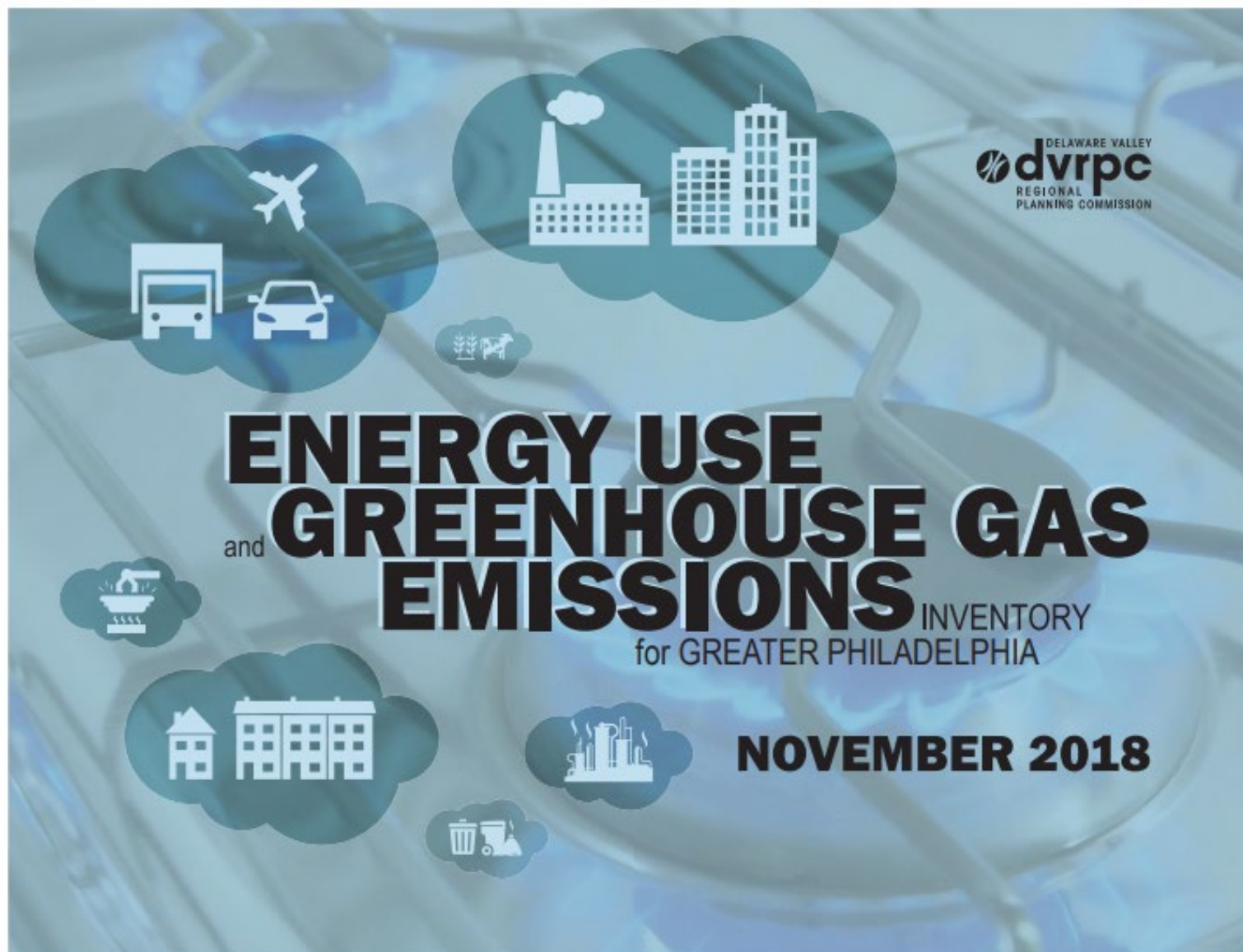


The background image shows a group of people from a top-down perspective, gathered around a table. They are engaged in a collaborative activity, with hands visible writing on papers and pointing at diagrams. Overlaid on this scene is a large, intricate diagram. At the center is a large yellow circle containing a lightbulb icon. Surrounding this central hub are various other elements: a red circle with an open book icon, a blue circle with an eye icon, a green circle with a computer monitor icon, and an orange circle with a coffee cup icon. There are also several gears, a magnifying glass, and various arrows (solid, dashed, and curved) connecting these elements. Handwritten text includes 'INS' at the top, 'DESIGN' in the middle, and 'RESEARCH' at the bottom. Letters 'A' and 'B' are also present near some of the circles. The overall theme is one of collaborative planning and innovation in the energy sector.

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Community Outreach

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Strategy Evaluation for GHG Reduction Southeastern PA Area

Impact of Building Energy Efficiency Standards and Conversion to Electric Vehicles

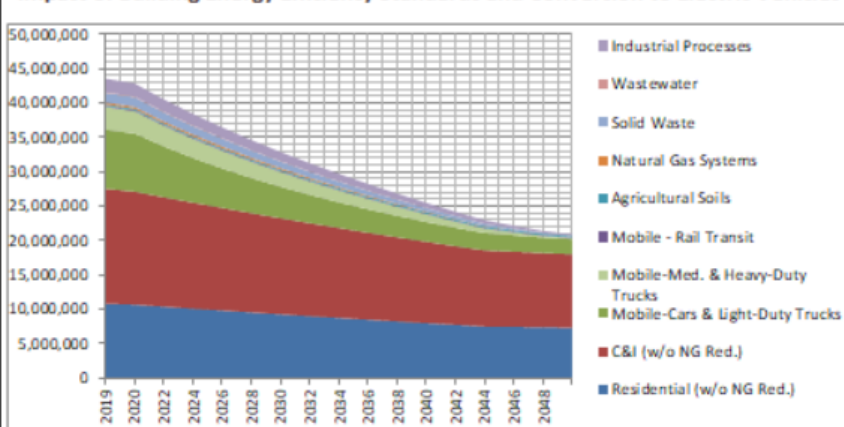
Residential Strategies	Participation Rate/Yr	Change/Yr.	Commercial & Industrial Strategies	Participation Rate/Yr	Change/Yr.
Highly efficient new housing	0.5%	45%	Highly efficient new commercial and industrial buildings	1.0%	40%
Increased thermal efficiency for existing houses	4.0%	24%	Increased thermal efficiency for existing buildings	4.0%	24%
Electrical Efficiency Increase	4.0%	24%	Electrical Efficiency Increase	4.0%	24%

Strategies for Non-Energy GHG Emissions			Mobile Source Strategy	Default	No. Input
	Default	No. Input			
Agricultural Soil - No Change (Reserved)	0.0%	0.0%	Rail Transit - Electrification of Locomotives	0.0%	1.5%
Natural Gas Systems - 6.0% reduction per year after 2034	4.5%	4.5%	Conversion to electric cars	3.5%	3.5%
Waste Management - Reduction of solid waste	3.2%	3.2%	Increase in the miles per gallon for vehicles with internal combustion engines (ICEs)	1.0	1.0
Wastewater Management - (general assumption)	0.0%	3.2%	Reduction in VMT due to reduction in number of trips	0.3%	0.3%
Industrial Processes - No Sources	0%	3.0%	% decrease in emissions from 2019 for medium and heavy-duty trucks	3.2%	3.2%
			Improvement of public transit to limit vehicle miles of travel (VMT) increase of cars	0.3%	0.3%

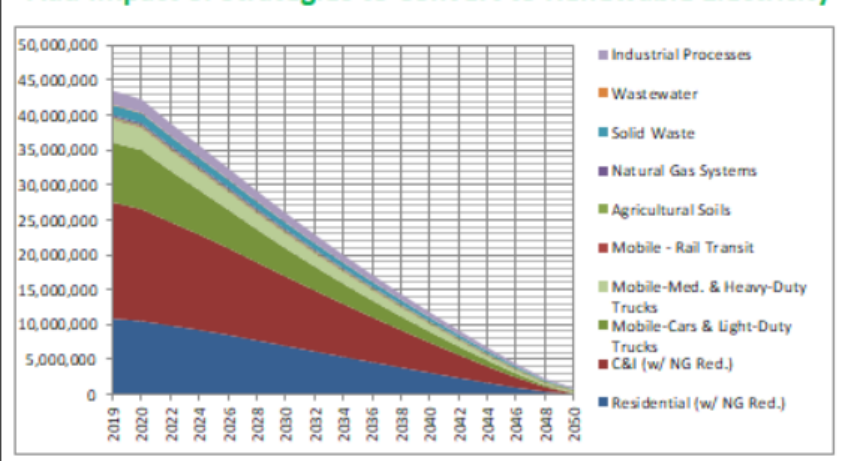
Add Impact of Strategies to Convert to Renewable Electricity

Strategies for Fuel Switching in Buildings			Strategies for Renewable Energy		
Natural Gas Elimination Starting in 2026	4.5%	4.5%	Growth in Renewable Electricity	3.2%	3.2%
Residential Oil and LPG Phaseout	3.5%	3.5%	Solar Electric Supply within Area		10.0%
C&I Oil and LPG Phaseout	3.5%	3.5%	(Reserved)		0.0%

Impact of Building Energy Efficiency Standards and Conversion to Electric Vehicles

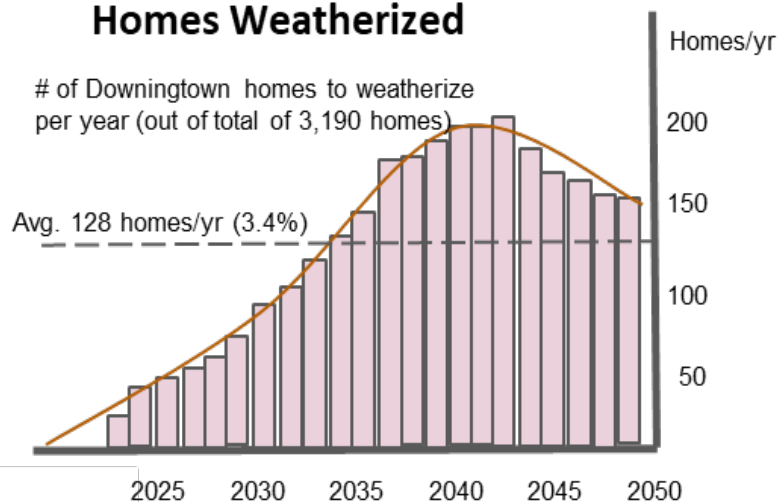


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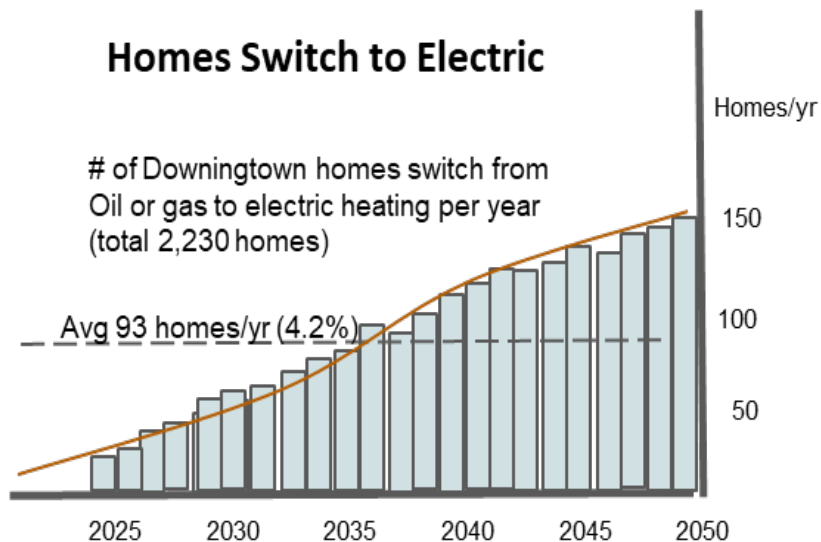


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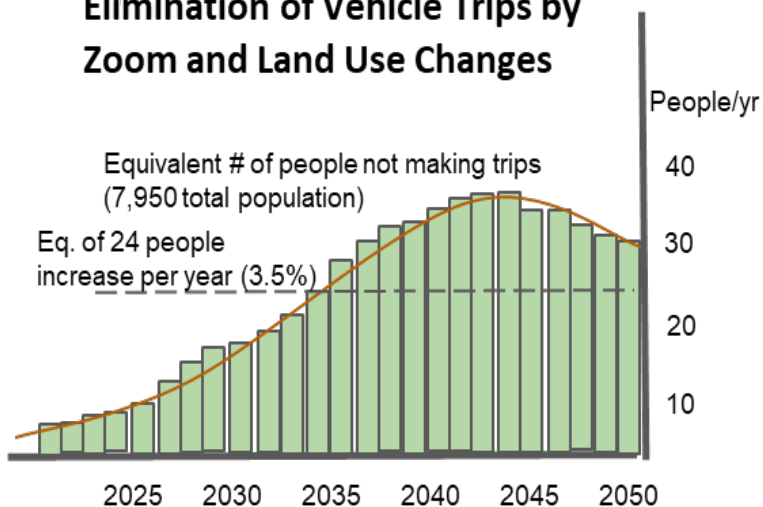
Homes Weatherized



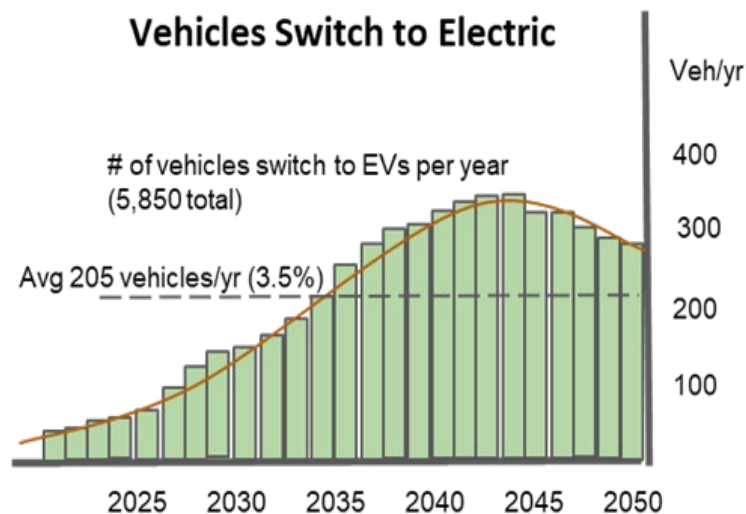
Homes Switch to Electric



Elimination of Vehicle Trips by Zoom and Land Use Changes



Vehicles Switch to Electric





Abington Township Environmental Advisory Council

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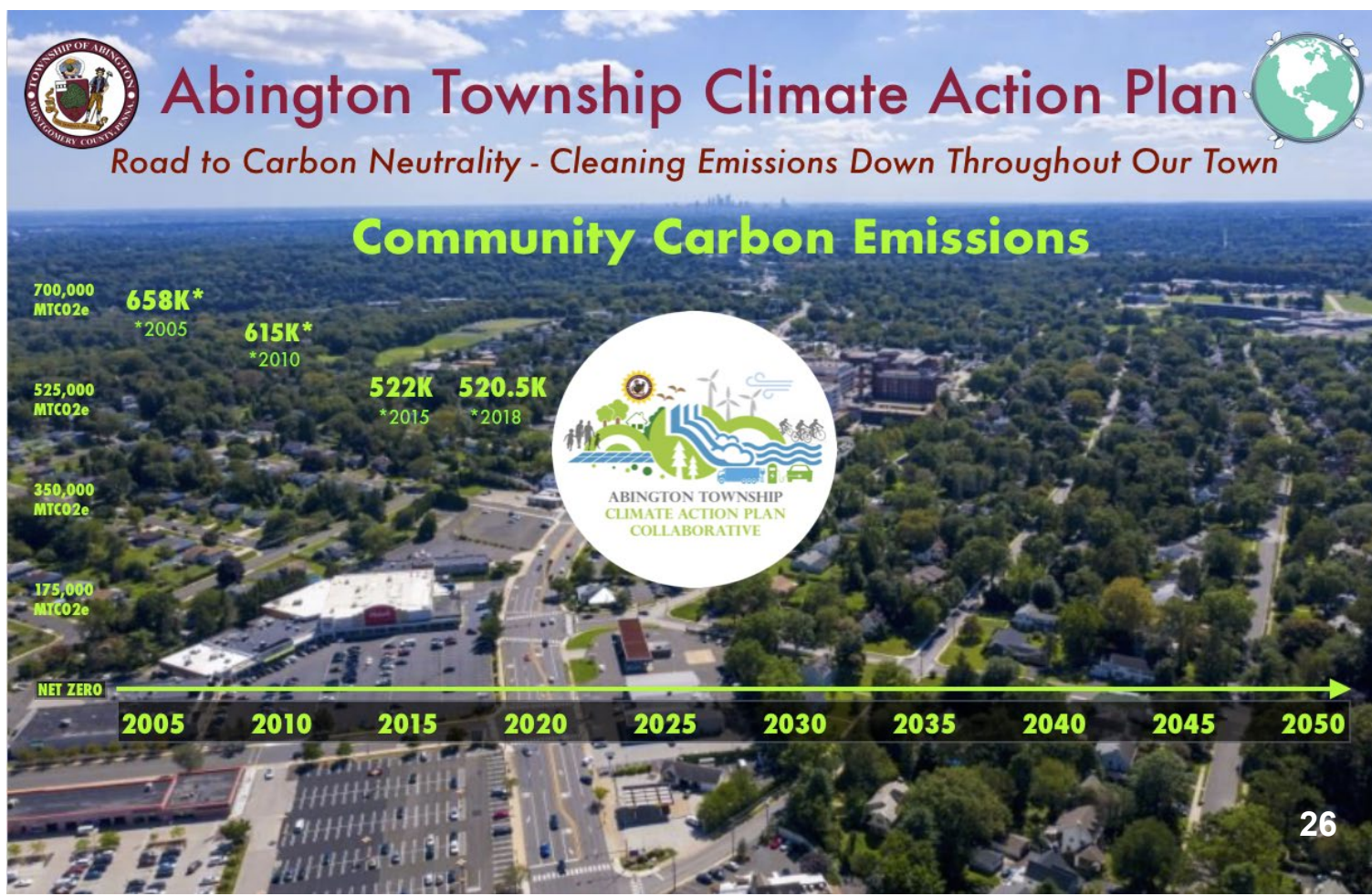
ETP Integration into a Local Climate Action Plan

EAC Network Conference

February 26, 2022

Cakky Braun Evans,
LEED AP BD+C

Abington Township
EAC Volunteer
Member



CESP Four Focus Areas - Current Priority Strategies and Actions

Area & Team Members	Strategy	Rationale & Resources
Energy Procurement EAC: 3 EAC Members Twp: Mgr's Special Assistant and Finance Dept.	1. Short term: forgo RECs-Switch to broker bids for electric & NG 2.Leverage PECO data 3.Long term: Multi muni PPA	100% Tx Wind RECs added \$7K/year for 2018-2021 • 2022 RECs approx. \$37K/year • Redirect \$ to muni projects to attain CO2e reduction goals
Energy Efficiency 1.WWTP uses half Twp electricity 2.10 of 70 accounts = 86% of usage 3. EAC FY 2022 Budget Requests	1.Twp WWTP Director enrolled in PA DEP's SWIFt training program 2.Leverage PECO cost, usage & demand data and Portfolio Mgr 3.Leverage other munis BMPs	• Decrease costs • Lead by example • Bryn Mawr students' work • West Chester, Springfield, Plymouth
EVs, Infrastructure & Fleet Mgt EAC Associate; Twp Mgr's Special Assistant and Public Works staff	1.Leverage other munis BMPs 2.Leverage PA DEP & PECO support 3.Fleet replacement analysis for 100% EV fleet by 2030	• Decrease emissions & costs • Leadership by example • DVRPC Muni EV Tool & Plan maps • Springfield Police Hybrid SUVs
Renewable Energy Production Two EAC Members Twp Mgr's Special Assistant, Public Works, Shared Energy Mgr	1.Short term: Renewable energy feasibility study to replace Twp Building HVAC system 2.Long term: Multi-Muni ETP + Solar PPA	• HVAC system inadequate • Plymouth's PES Bid • Lead by Example Opportunity

Key Actions Rollout

June 2016 Abington Township certified as a [3 STAR Community](#)

June 2019 Abington Township [Ready for 100 Clean Energy Resolution](#): A Vision for a 100% Clean Energy Future:

- Striving to transition to 100% clean renewable electricity, community-wide by 2035
- Striving to transition to 100% clean renewable energy when replacing hot water & space conditioning, vehicles & transportation equipment community-wide by 2050
- Striving to transition Township vehicle fleets to 100% electric vehicles by 2030
- At the request of the Board of Commissioners and Township Manager, the EAC will draft an energy transition plan for achieving these goals

March 2020 [USGBC LEED for Cities and Communities Recertification Scholarship /LFC Guide](#) and Abington's [Current Project Plan](#)

August 2020-May 2021 Five EACers "Abington Clean Energy Plan Team" (ACEPT) attend Ready for 100's Clean Energy Strategic Planning Series (CESP)

August 2020 Abington Selected for [PA DEP Local Climate Action Program](#) (training Sept 2020-June 2021)

January 2021 [EAC's Brief Presentation to Abington Township Board of Commissioners on 1. Clean Energy Transition Plan, 2. Climate Action Plan \(CAP\), and 3. Supporting PA joining Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative](#) → unanimous BOC [RGGI Endorsement Letter](#)

Jan-present Township Outreach to Form Climate Action Plan Collaborative ([Invite Letter](#) and expectations, [Invitees](#), and [Members](#))

Township creates [CAP hub site](#) to rollout Abington Township Climate Action Plan Public Meetings (April 2021 - June 2021)

July 2021 Board of Commissioners unanimously pass [Climate Collaborative Resolution](#) establishing GHG reduction goals (45% reduction by 2030 from 2010 emissions & net zero by 2050) and equity, transparency and inclusion principles

July 2021 Township submits [DRAFT CAP](#) (still being revised for adaptation, emergency management and monitoring)

August 2021 PA DEP Selects Abington for [Shared Energy Manager Program](#); Focus on high emissions/energy facilities and feasibility study for replacing Township Administration Building HVAC system including renewable sources

December 2021 Township Board of Commissioners unanimously approve [EAC FY 2022 Requests](#)


Abington's Waste Water Treatment Plant enrolled in [PA DEP's SWIFt program 2021-2022 cohort](#) to receive energy utility benchmarking, [US Dept. of Energy training](#), and a free [level 2 energy audit](#)

Current initiatives include drafting a [Land Review Sustainable Certification Checklist](#) and [CO2 Sequestration via Plantings](#)

How PA Local Climate Action Program works


Local CAP Template

[Jurisdiction]
Climate Action Plan



Local Actions and Policies to Reduce [Jurisdiction]’s Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Approved by [Local Authority]
[Date Approved]
[Reference to Public Record]
[Reference to Further Information]
Produced by [Name of Lead Department or Task Force]
Through partnership with ICLEI – Local Government for Sustainability (ICLEI)



Local Climate Action Program (LCAP)

- ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability – USA hired as contractor
- College student matched with local government
- ICLEI trains student on ClearPath inventory tool (fall semester) and climate action planning (spring semester)
- Final result: 41 GHG inventories & 40 local climate action plans

dep.pa.gov/LocalClimateActionProgram



The jurisdiction is responsible for community outreach and partnerships

Abington Township Climate Action Plan

Road to Carbon Neutrality - Cleaning It Down Throughout Our Town

2020 Sep Nov 2021 Mar May Jul Sep 2021 2022

Complete
Community
GHG Inventory

Sep 15 - Dec 15

Co-develop community engagement strategy and
Abington Climate Action Plan (CAP) Collaborative

Jan 9 - Jul 31

Complete a climate vulnerability assessment

Feb 2 - Mar 15

Forecast business-as-usual emissions
and set emissions reduction targets

Feb 1 - Apr 25

Develop and post public survey and hold
1st Public Workshop on Earth Day

Mar 1 - May 15

Develop and model mitigation and
adaptation measures

Mar 15 - May 15

Develop implementation and
monitoring plan

Mar 26 - May 15

Hold 2nd Public Workshop

May 15 - May 30

Finalize draft CAP, post for public comment,
and hold 3rd Public Workshop

May 31 - Jul 31

We are here!



Finalize and adopt CAP by Abington Township Board of Commissioners

August - September 2022



Additional Free Resources

PA Climate Leadership Academy

Climate Leadership Activator Series

This online training program builds a foundational understanding of the risks and opportunities that climate change poses for state/local government agencies, infrastructure organizations, and businesses in Pennsylvania. It examines the impacts of climate change on organizational mission, operations, and constituents; analyzes and identifies opportunities to advance readiness and solutions grounded in economic vitality, public health, and security. This program is ideal for senior leaders in the public and private sectors who want a solid grasp of the knowledge base on climate change, its impact upon their organizations and communities, and available tools and resources to mitigate and adapt.

Certified Climate Change Professional (CC-P)

This two-month online program is designed to help participants build competencies to effectively integrate climate change into their decision-making and professional activities, as well as to advance their entrepreneurship and leadership skills. Leveraging a combination of on-demand online training resources and in-person cohort training, this workshop series will prepare attendees for the CC-P® exams and CC-P® Candidate entrance exam, and will satisfy the [geographic elective requirements](#)* for the CC-P® credential. The curriculum in this training series is regionally tailored for Pennsylvania and the mid-Atlantic United States.

For more information about this presentation, please feel free to contact Cakky Evans at EAC@AbingtonPA.gov or ClimatePlan@AbingtonPA.gov

Community -Wide Energy Action

Jim Wylie, SAC
Vice-Chairperson
West Chester Borough
West Chester Area
Climate Action Future

Community Engagement

West Chester Area Approach

- 6 Municipalities within the WC Area COG are Collaborating
- Steering Cmte w/ Reps from each EAC/SAC
- Weekly Zoom meetings
- Staff participation, reports to officials

Community Engagement

West Chester Area Approach

- 4 Stakeholder Groups:
 - Residents
 - Small Business
 - Big Business (Corp)
 - Education
- Public Meetings (zoom)
for each – hosted by
rotating municipalities

Community Engagement

West Chester Area Approach

- Surveys, Blog articles pushed through Municipal social media and email newsletters
- In 2022 we'd like to do more:
 - media interviews
 - collaboration with elected officials
 - bigger Community Day events
 - targeted stakeholder meetings

Community Engagement

<http://wcaCleanEnergy.org>

WCA Clean Energy Future

- Dedicated website – managed by the Steering Committee (EAC members)

West Chester Area
Council of Governments

WCA COG

Neighborhood U

CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE

CEF Blog

Log In



West Chester Area Clean Energy Future

Cleaner Energy for a Cleaner West Chester

The West Chester Area Council of Governments (COG), is comprised of West Whiteland Township, East Goshen Township, West Goshen Township, East Bradford Township, Westtown Township and West Chester Borough. The COG has partnered to develop a plan to meet energy transition targets for the entire West Chester area, with the specific goals of:

100% RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY BY THE YEAR 2035

100% RENEWABLE ENERGY BY THE YEAR 2050

A Common Website for Any PA Community



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Clean Energy Solutions for Pennsylvania Communities

This site is under construction. To offer a suggestion or see what others have offered, [contribute to this Google Doc](#).

Pennsylvania County, Township and Borough Leaders, Business and Facility Managers, Commuters, Students, Residents:

Let's Work Together to Reduce, Electrify and Transition our Communities to Renewable Energy

This website provides resources and examples that we can all use to develop and implement our community's Climate Action Plans (CAP) or Energy Transition Plans (ETP).

Resources For The Public



Public Facing - Public Action

Community Engagement Opportunities

Get involved in your community's journey towards clean renewable energy.

Help your community leaders identify barriers to adopting clean energy. Connect with project leaders in your town to learn about policies, projects and proposals. Tour the ever expanding library of webinar recordings to help homeowners, business leaders and non-profit entities to reduce their carbon footprints and energy budgets.

Also, find materials that you can share with your employer, school or book club about clean energy. Share your stories on social media and perhaps invite your municipal leaders to join this forum, if they are not here already.


[Take The Clean Energy Survey →](#)
[Climate Leader in Your Community →](#)
[Learn \(Presentations & Recordings\) →](#)
[Become A Clean Energy Ambassador →](#)
[Share On Social Media →](#)
[Invite A New Municipality To Join →](#)

Resources

[Energy Profiles In Your Area →](#)
[Efficiency First →](#)
[Electrify Everything →](#)
[Clean Energy Options →](#)

Resources For Municipal Officials and EACs

Resources for Municipal Governments:

- Elected Officials
- Municipal Staff
- EAC Members

Developing a Plan
Climate Action
or Energy Transition

Planning

Enabling Policy
and Projects

Policy

Transportation:
EVs and Charging

Transportation

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Energy Education
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A Shared Platform For Community Engagement

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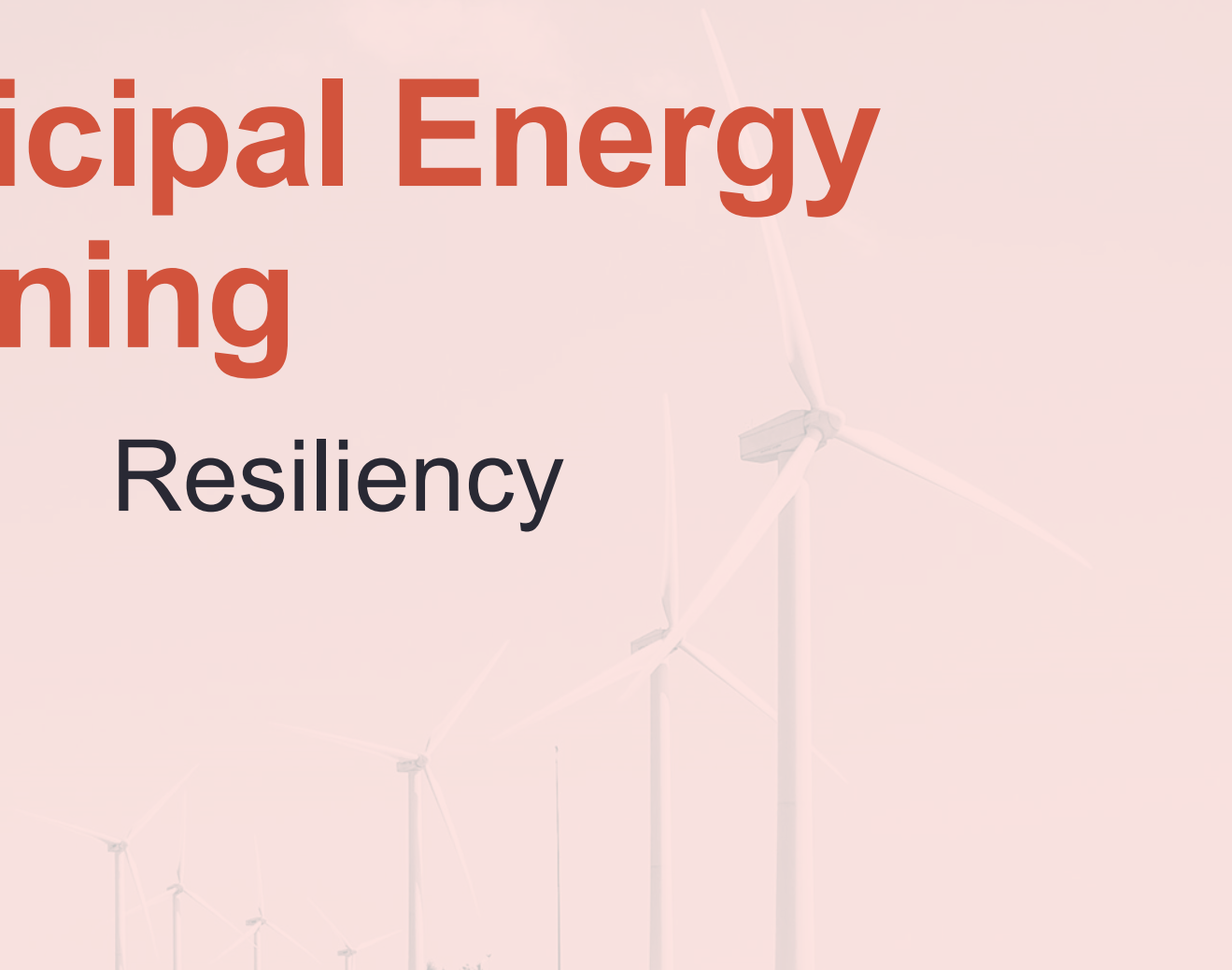
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- jim.wylie@verizon.net

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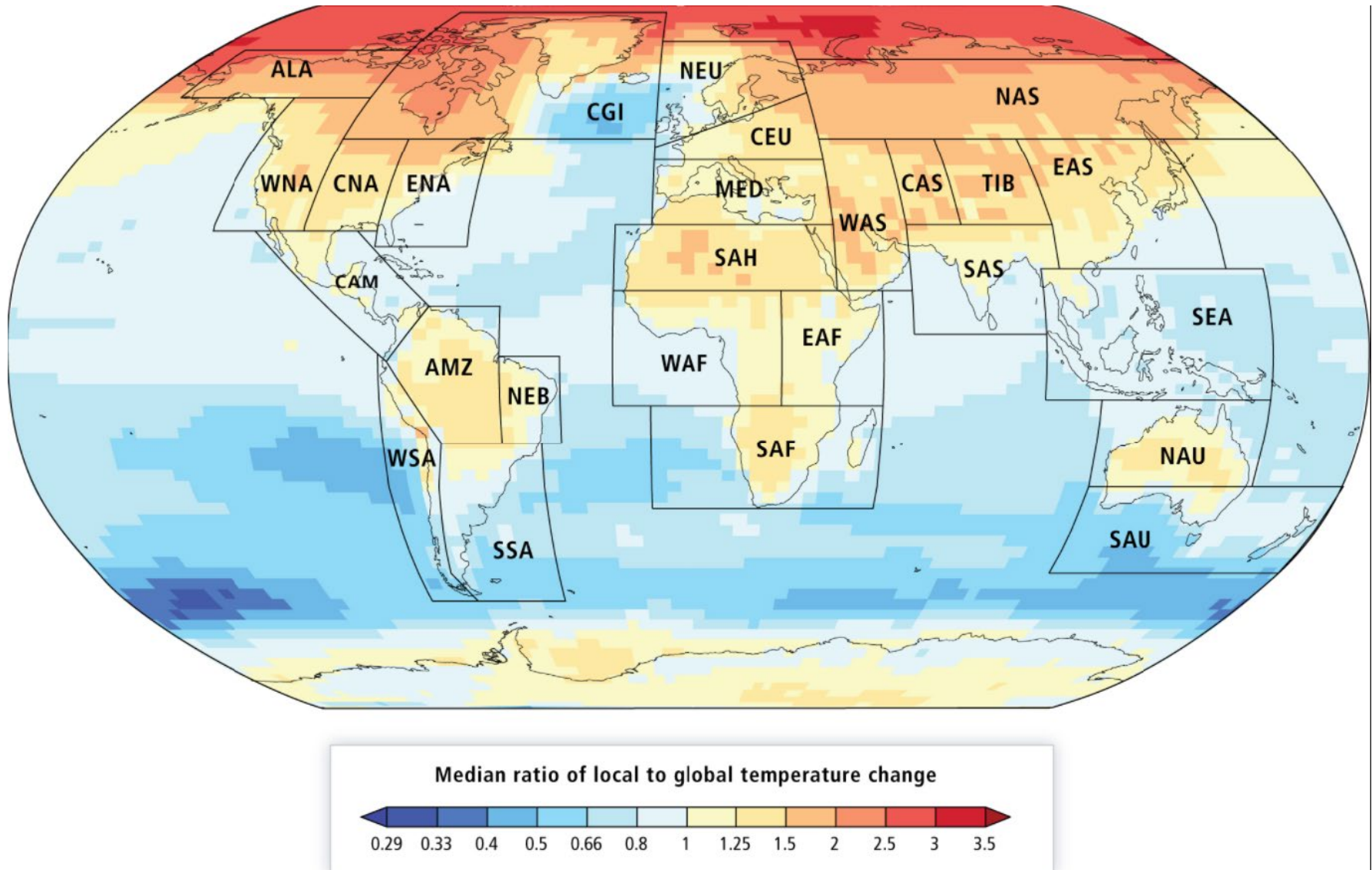


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Resiliency



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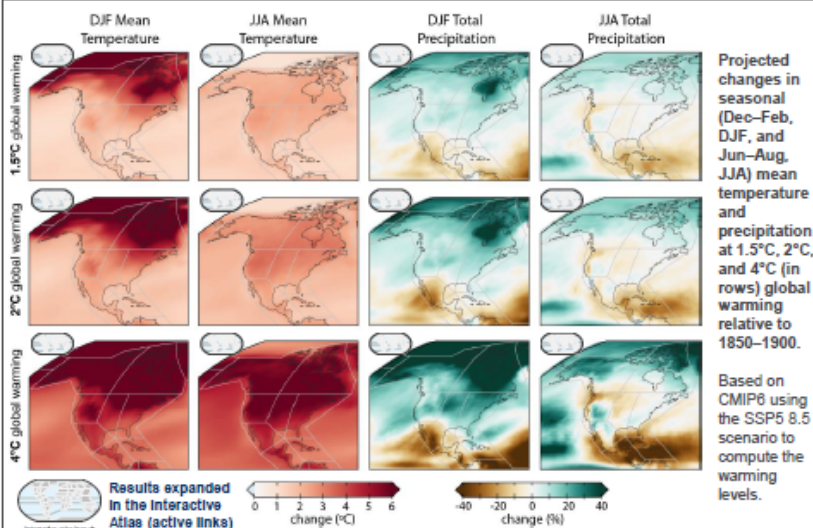
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INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Regional fact sheet – North and Central America

Common regional changes

- North and Central America (and the Caribbean) are projected to experience climate changes across all regions, with some common changes and others showing distinctive regional patterns that lead to unique combinations of adaptation and risk-management challenges. These shifts in North and Central American climate become more prominent with increasing greenhouse gas emissions and higher global warming levels.
- Temperature change (mean and extremes) in observations in most regions is larger than the global mean and is attributed to human influence. Under all future scenarios and global warming levels, temperatures and extreme high temperatures are expected to continue to increase (virtually certain) with larger warming in northern subregions.
- Relative sea level rise is projected to increase along most coasts (high confidence), and are associated with increased coastal flooding and erosion (also in observations). Exceptions include regions with strong coastal land uplift along the south coast of Alaska and Hudson Bay.
- Ocean acidification (along coasts) and marine heatwaves (intensity and duration) are projected to increase (virtually certain and high confidence, respectively).
- Strong declines in glaciers, permafrost, snow cover are observed and will continue in a warming world (high confidence), with the exception of snow in northern Arctic (see overleaf).
- Tropical cyclones (with higher precipitation), severe storms, and dust storms are expected to become more extreme (Caribbean, US Gulf Coast, East Coast, Northern and Southern Central America) (medium confidence).



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Northern North America (NWN and NEN)

- Temperature increases are projected to be very large compared to the global average, particularly in the winter (high confidence).
- Will experience annual precipitation increases (mean and extremes, high confidence) and in December–February (likely) snow amount in far northern parts of subregions (also see Introduction and Polar Fact Sheets).

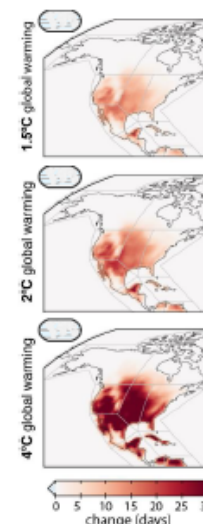
Central and Western North America (CNA and WNA)

- Increases in drought and fire weather in WNA and CNA in observations and will continue to increase in the future particularly at higher warming levels (high confidence, but medium confidence for fire weather in CNA)
- Projected increase in extreme precipitation (very likely)
- Projected increase in river and pluvial flooding (medium confidence)
- Projected increases in precipitation in northern part of CNA in winter (medium confidence).



Eastern North America (ENA)

- Increases in mean and extreme precipitation (very likely).
- Expected increase in river and pluvial flooding (medium confidence)



Projected changes in number of days with daily maximum temperatures over 35°C in summer at 1.5°C, 2°C, and 4°C (in rows) global warming relative to 1850–1900.

Based on CMIP6 using the SSP5 8.5 scenario to compute the warming levels.

Results expanded in the interactive Atlas (active links)



Northern, Southern Central America and Caribbean (NCA, SCA, and CAR)

- Anticipated decrease in NA Monsoon precipitation (medium confidence).
- Mean annual and summer precipitation is likely to decrease, throughout the subregions but with large uncertainty regarding amount.
- Observed increase in droughts in NCA, SCA, and CAR, and these will continue in the future (high confidence).
- Fire weather is projected to increase in NCA (high confidence) and SCA (medium confidence).
- Projected temperature increases will be similar to the global mean change in Central America, but less than the global mean in CAR.

Links for further information:

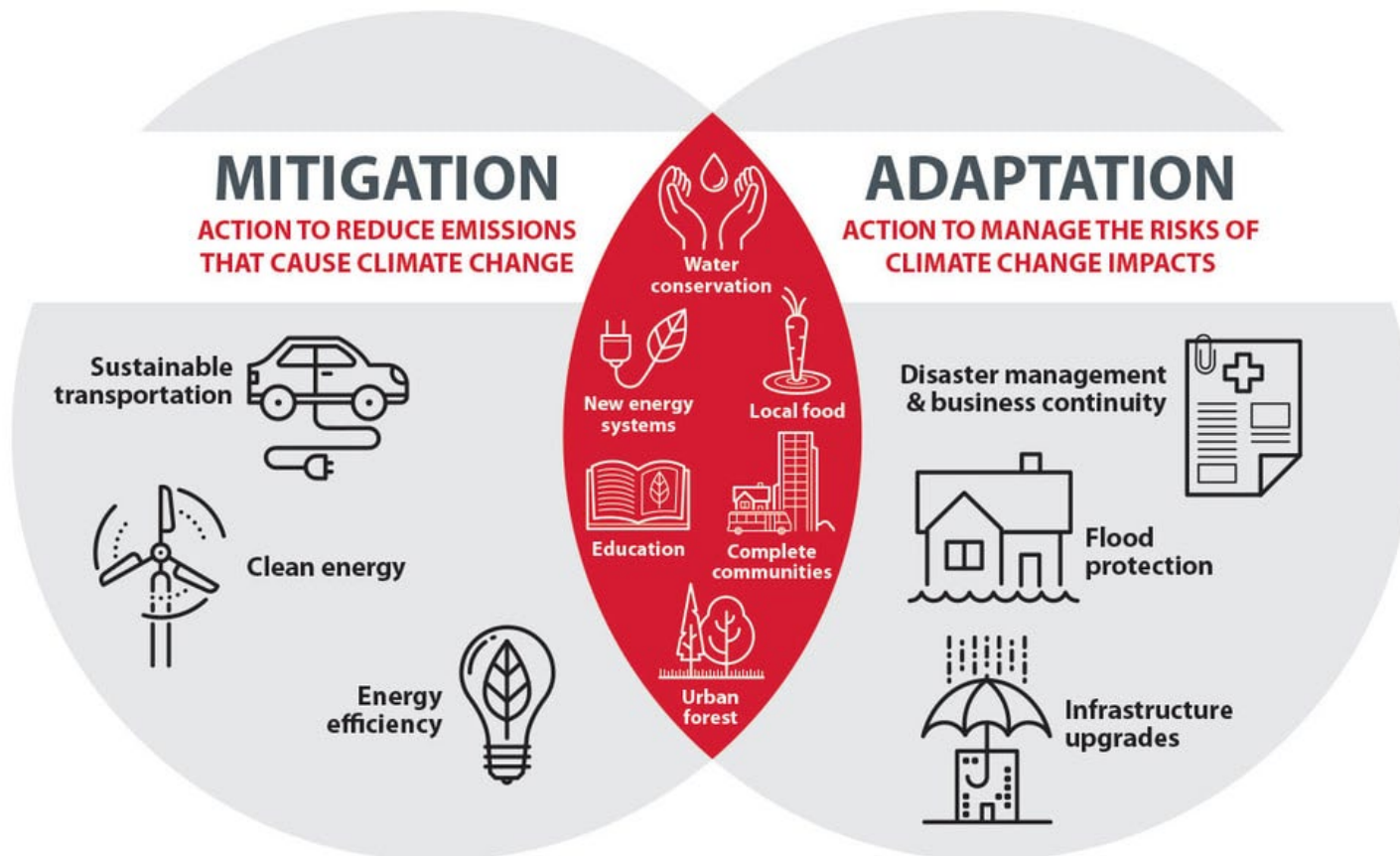
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Climate impact on Pennsylvania


- By 2050, five-fold increase in dangerous heat days
- Extreme weather: Drought severity increase of 50%
- Increased amount and concentration of rainfall
- Heightened flooding and stormwater runoff damage
- 20% to 60% reduction in snowfall
- Increased crop damage by heat, pests, and summer drought

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AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

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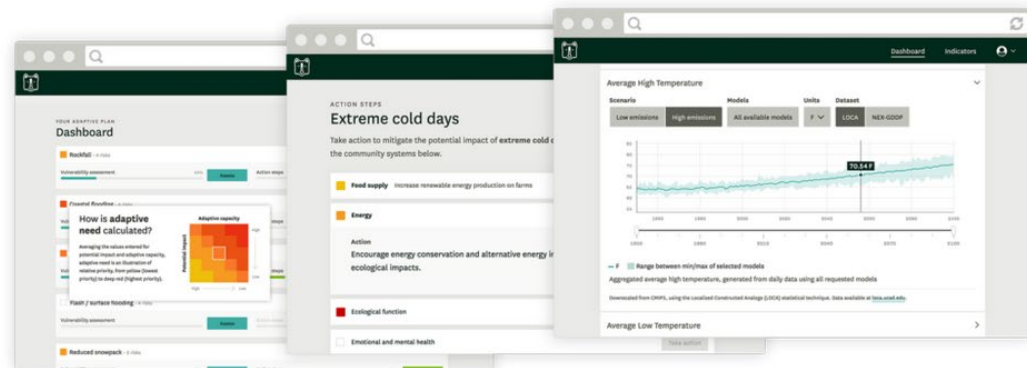
- A proven and widely-recognized adaptation framework
- Program features are flexible and tailor-able to your municipality
- Builds internal capacity and multi-stakeholder collaboration
- Access to innovative tools and resources
- Collaborate with experts and peers in other municipalities
- Prepare for costly and extreme weather events
- Make informed decisions to improve resilience



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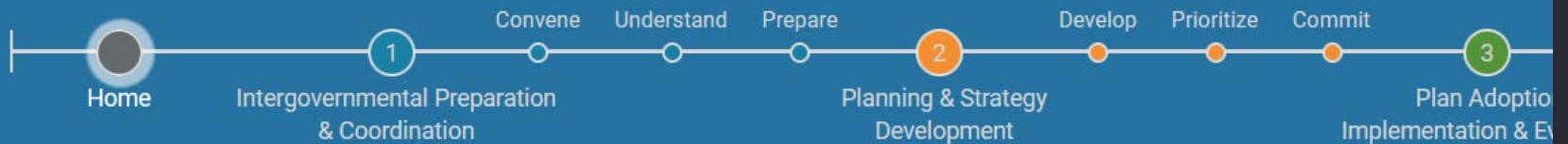
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Temperature Adaptation Planner

Resilience Roadmap

A Collaborative Approach to Multi-Jurisdictional Planning



To mitigate hazards and risks, the Resilience Roadmap offers comprehensive guidance for federal, state, and local entities to effectively convene at the regional level for adaptable and holistic planning. This multi-jurisdictional approach requires major cooperation across boundaries, considerable reliance on partnerships and multi-agency collaborations, and significant utilization of interdisciplinary teams.

Step-by-Step Process

To constructively lead intergovernmental planning efforts with tangible outputs, follow these steps in order:

- 1 Intergovernmental Preparation and Coordination
- 2 Planning and Strategy Development

WHAT IS RESILIENCE?

The ability to anticipate, prepare for, adapt to changing conditions, withstand, respond to, and recover from disruptions through holistic planning and technology.

Contact [Eliza Hotchkiss](#) with questions about the resilience planning process.



**TURN ON EMAIL
NOTIFICATIONS**

Small Communities

Small communities and rural areas (defined as municipalities with a population under 50,000 people) face unique climate adaptation challenges. Small communities often have limited administrative capacity within government, less diversified economies, more dependence on natural resources, and greater physical isolation from critical infrastructure and services. This page includes resources to help policymakers understand, plan, and prepare for impacts of climate change in rural areas and small communities.

Where relevant to the concerns of small communities, some resources from suburbs and counties with larger populations are also included.

If you are interested in these issues, please sign up for email updates to receive monthly notifications about all the latest resources on rural and small community adaptation.

ADAPTATION PLANS & PROGRESS ▼

FIND STATE AND LOCAL ADAPTATION PLANS

The Georgetown Climate Center tracks progress states are making in implementing their adaptation plans and provides quick access to local plans in every state on their main website.



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EQUITABLE ADAPTATION LEGAL & POLICY TOOLKIT

Many local governments and community-based practitioners are incorporating principles of equity into their climate adaptation planning and implementation. This toolkit highlights best and emerging practice examples of how cities are addressing disproportionate socioeconomic risk to climate impacts and engaging overburdened communities. This toolkit will further explore how cities are moving beyond equitable adaptation planning and implementing policies that address both social equity and climate resilience. The toolkit is intended to aid local governments and community-based organizations nationwide that are centering equity in their adaptation initiatives. In comparing promising practices and case studies across cities, the toolkit draws lessons from different approaches and provides frameworks to help practitioners craft similar legal and policy options for their own jurisdictions in ways that will help them advance equitable responses to the impacts of climate change.

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Community-Driven Climate Resilience Planning: A Framework

By Rosa Gonzalez in affiliation with NACRP

Published 2020

Learn how Community-Driven Climate Resilience Planning is a vital opportunity for cities to reorganize resources, foster meaningful relationships, and develop placed-based innovations that support all people to thrive despite climate disruption.

CHARACTERISTICS OF COMMUNITY-DRIVEN CLIMATE RESILIENCE PLANNING



EFFECTIVE

Solutions developed and driven by the people most impacted by the problem are more responsive and have better success in achieving their stated outcomes. Community-Driven Climate Resilience Planning supports public processes for developing the solutions that people really need by building the local expertise, relationships, and human power necessary to implement them. Community-driven processes work to build the conditions for resilience even before the plans have been implemented.



PLACE-BASED

The causes and consequences of climate change are global in nature while the most viable solutions for addressing them are local and regional. Effective climate resilience plans are those that are rooted in the cultural and ecological assets of a given region, address the unique challenges of that region, and facilitate meaningful participation among its residents, thus contributing to an increased sense of 'place.'



EQUITABLE

In both content and process, Community-Driven Climate Resilience Planning processes actively address the inequities that contribute to vulnerability. Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) help to identify and address barriers to participation so that vulnerable and impacted residents have equal voice in the planning process. All stakeholders work to ensure that resiliency plans include equity indicators and the necessary policy and systems change efforts to achieve equity.



DEMOCRATIC

Community-driven processes support healthy decision-making by: building the capacity of residents to participate in public policy and planning; nurturing a culture of participation in neighborhoods; and educating decision-makers so that they can more effectively represent the resiliency needs and interests of their constituents, and engage communities as assets to preparedness and resilience.



COLLABORATIVE

Climate resilience requires us to collaborate in new ways to develop solutions that are grounded in shared values and an understanding of the problems impacting vulnerable communities. Collaborative structures, such as partnerships and alliances, are vital to community-driven planning processes because they increase human capacity to implement solutions.



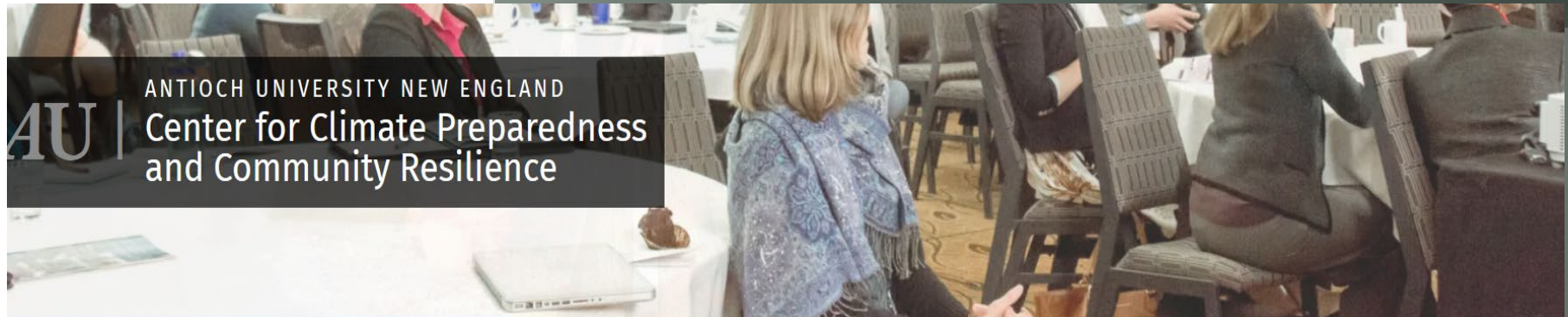
LIFE-AFFIRMING

Community-driven processes breathe life into the work of preparing communities for change and serve as an antidote to bureaucratic planning processes that can limit resident participation. They value living cultures by acknowledging not only the historical traumas that contribute to vulnerability, but also the cultural wealth and ecological wisdom of communities that is consistently ignored by conventional planning models. By integrating culturally relevant, creative, and embodied expression throughout the process, planning can rekindle connection to people and place, which is so vital to community stewardship.



INTEGRATIVE

Community-driven processes engage multiple sectors and disciplines in a "whole systems" approach to understanding problems and developing solutions. In this way, they foster multi-stakeholder partnerships that can more effectively carry out implementation.



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WEBINARS

Thank you for joining us for the **Weathering Change: Local Solutions for Strong Communities** webinar series, co-sponsored by NOAA. Stay tuned for information about our next webinar.

You can use the **Past Webinars** link below to view the recordings of any of our past webinars in the Weathering Change webinar series.

Over this past year, we launched a new webinar series

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NEW: How do we build community resilience to disasters in a changing climate? A review of interventions to improve and measure public health outcomes in the Northeastern United States

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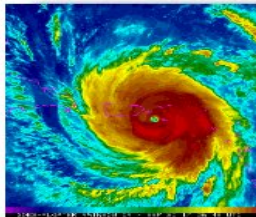
Tuesday, March 16th, 2021

Thank you to all of the participants in our 2021 Virtual Local Solutions: Climate Preparedness Communities of Practice

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Hurricane Maria Long Term Recovery

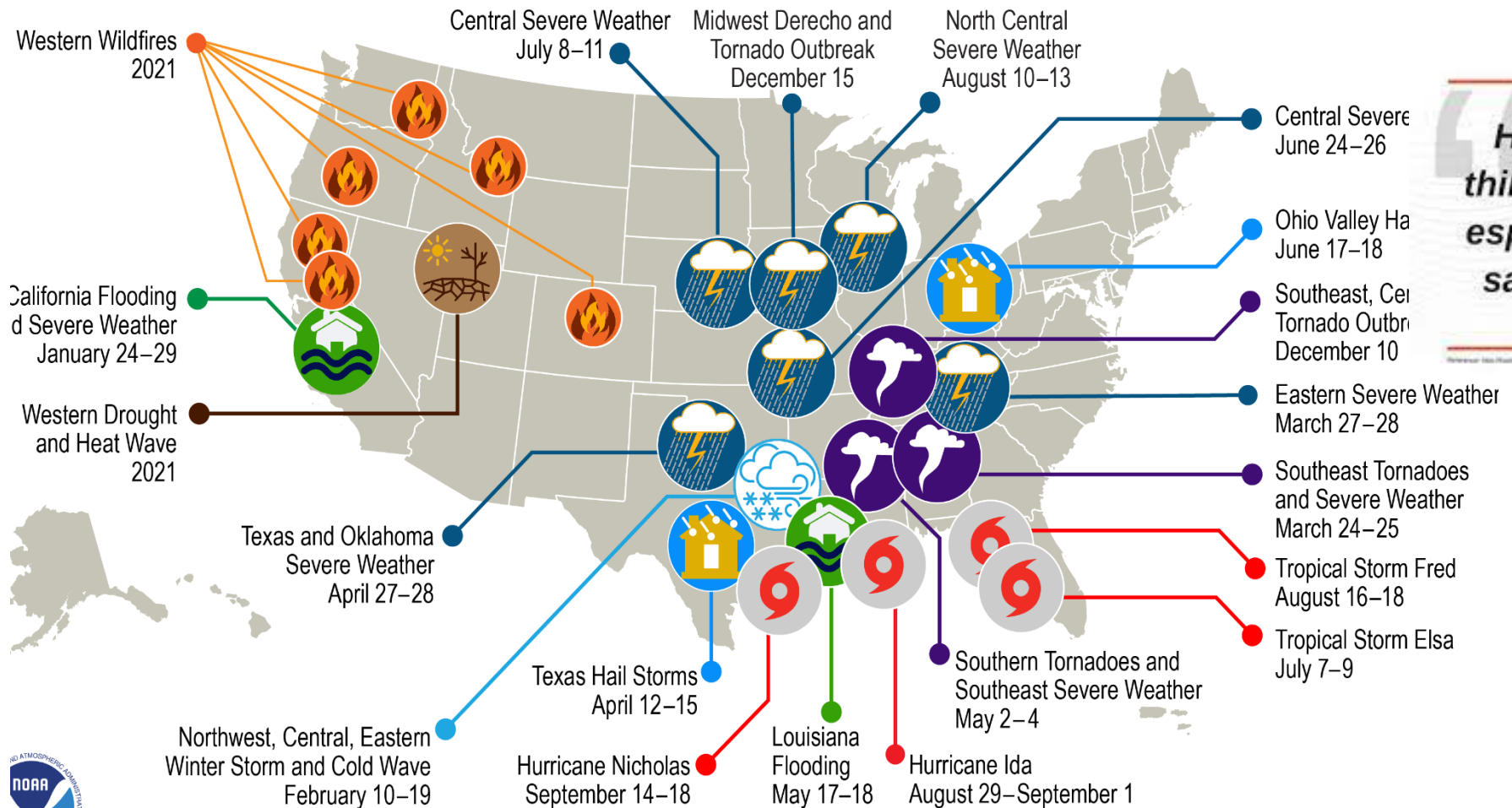
The Greater Philadelphia Long Term Recovery Committee helped residents of Puerto Rico who have relocated to Pennsylvania in the wake of the devastation caused by Hurricane Maria in September 2017. SEPA VOAD members join various faith-based, non-profit, governmental, business, and other community-focused agencies and organizations to help with a multitude of disaster-related needs.

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U.S. 2021 Billion-Dollar Weather and Climate Disasters

Drought/Heat Wave
  Flooding
  Hail
  Hurricane
  Tornado Outbreak
  Severe Weather
  Wildfire
  Winter Storm/Cold Wave



This map denotes the approximate location for each of the 20 separate billion-dollar weather and climate disasters that impacted the United States in 2021