

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENERGY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN ROOM 318 OF THE
PUTNAM COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512**

Members: Chairwoman Sayegh, Legislators Addonizio & Montgomery

Monday

6:30 P.M.

March 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 P.M. by Chairwoman Sayegh who requested that Legislator Addonizio lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, Legislator Addonizio, Legislator Montgomery, and Chairwoman Sayegh were present.

Item #3 - Approval of Minutes – February 21, 2019

The minutes were approved as submitted.

Item #4 - Discussion/Climate Smart Communities/Hudson Valley Regional Council/Planner & Clean Energy Communities Coordinator Europa McGovern

Chairwoman Sayegh made a motion to waive the rules and accept the additional; Seconded by Legislator Montgomery. All in favor.

Carla Castillo of the Hudson Valley Regional Council (HVRC) stated she would give an overview of what the HVRC does before going into the Climate Smart topic. She gave the attached PowerPoint presentation. She stated the HVRC's work focuses on providing technical assistance, educational materials and learning opportunities. She stated the HVRC assists municipalities with gaining access to federal funding to create or maintain jobs, primarily through infrastructure expansion and upgrades. She stated the HVRC provides statistical reports for the region and one shows unemployment distress in Carmel.

Legislator Sullivan requested clarification on the unemployment distress.

Ms. Castillo stated it only meets one (1) criteria for distress in the data tracked by the census. She stated this means Putnam County is doing quite well economically. She gave an overview on some projects the HVRC have been involved in.

Legislator Montgomery thanked Ms. Castillo for providing an overview of what the HVRC does. She stated Putnam County should utilize programs through the HVRC more often.

Europa McGovern continued the attached PowerPoint presentation with information on Climate Smart Communities. She stated all of the initiatives deal with clean energy and energy efficiency. She stated in addition to the municipalities listed in the PowerPoint, the Village of Nelsonville has also passed the Climate Smart Communities Pledge (Pledge) and the Town of Putnam Valley is considering it. She stated the first immediate benefit of passing the Pledge is

that you can access free assistance with the process through the HVRC. She stated it also allows the County to receive preferential scoring on Climate Smart Communities grant applications. She stated those grants will be announced in May, with applications due in July. She stated many municipalities, including the Town of Philipstown and Dutchess County, find it useful to appoint a coordinator or form a task force to make the process more efficient. She stated Philipstown is participating in an initiative to take inventory of their greenhouse gas emissions and develop action plans to reduce emissions. She stated this includes looking at energy usage and the opportunities for savings. She went over the model resolution for the Pledge. She stated there are over 120 potential actions, which each have their own point value, which can be pursued as a Climate Smart Community. She stated Putnam County has most likely completed many actions that would fit into the program. She stated the grants would require the County to match the funds, and that time worked towards the project goal can be used as part of the match. She stated the HVRC would be happy to provide more information and assistance on the Climate Smart program.

Legislator Gouldman questioned what the cost would be to the County.

Ms. McGovern stated there is no associated cost. She stated the first step would be passing the resolution, and then electing which actions to pursue moving forward.

Ms. Castillo stated the HVRC is funded by the Clean Energy program through the State.

Legislator Gouldman questioned approximately how long the process would take, assuming none of the actions are completed yet.

Ms. McGovern stated she believes the County already has completed some applicable actions. She stated it depends on how active the community and coordinators are in the progression. She stated Dutchess County has a goal of 12-18 months from passing the Pledge to becoming a certified Climate Smart Community.

Legislator Addonizio questioned what is required monetarily of the County.

Ms. McGovern stated there is none, unless the County elects to pay its coordinator.

Legislator Addonizio questioned how many points are necessary for certification.

Ms. McGovern stated a minimum are 120 points.

Legislator Montgomery stated when Ameresco presented at the Physical Services meeting, they were talking about doing a lot of this work already. She suggested having these tasks included in Ameresco's project in the County. She stated she would be willing to be the coordinator for the County's initiative, as she is already familiar with the program.

Chairwoman Sayegh questioned if the County is already undertaking projects that would be part of the Climate Smart program, what is the benefit to becoming a Climate Smart Community.

Ms. McGovern stated preferential scoring on grant applications is a direct benefit. She stated it would increase the County's capacity to access funding and resources.

Legislator Addonizio noted for the 2018 grant awards, Philipstown was awarded \$6,000.

Ms. McGovern stated there was also a \$9,000 award for Philipstown as well.

Legislator Addonizio stated the grants are not large amounts.

Ms. McGovern stated it depends on the category of the grant and noted that it is competitive statewide. She stated the Town of Fallsburg received a \$160,000 grant and the City of Ithaca received a \$460,000 grant.

Legislator Albano stated the County has been working on the Article Nine (9) and PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) Program projects. He stated any grants and technical assistance would be a big help.

Legislator Montgomery stated she would like to get ahead of this initiative because she believes it will not be long until it is mandated by the State.

Legislator Nacerino stated it appears there are more municipalities taking the Pledge as opposed to counties. She questioned which counties have taken the Pledge.

Ms. McGovern stated five (5) of the seven (7) counties in the Hudson Valley region have taken the pledge. She stated the counties are Orange, Sullivan, Dutchess, Ulster, and Westchester.

Legislator Nacerino stated she had brought this forward in the past but it was not moved forward. She stated she is glad that Legislator Montgomery has brought this forward again.

Ms. McGovern stated the difference now is that there is support available to get the program up and running, in addition to providing guidance for the future.

Legislator Gouldman questioned how long the certification is for.

Ms. McGovern stated it is five (5) years.

Legislator Gouldman questioned if it is easier to recertify.

Ms. McGovern stated it depends on the actions taken, as some actions are certified for 10 years.

Legislator Sullivan stated he would encourage moving forward so that Putnam County can be the healthiest community possible.

Legislator Montgomery noted that Philipstown receives lower grant awards due to being a smaller community. She stated she would like for the Pledge to be approved at the April Economic Development & Energy Committee meeting.

Legislator Nacerino suggested inviting Commissioner of Planning Sandra Fusco to said meeting, as she can be an integral part of the process.

Chairwoman Sayegh stated the first step would be to draft a resolution, and then a task force would be assembled to determine the scope of the program. She stated it is important to have the Planning Department on board because it directly affects them.

Item #5 - FYI/Unemployment Report – Duly noted.

Item #6 - FYI/Foreclosure Report – Duly noted.

Item #7 - Other Business – None.

Item #8 – Adjournment

There being no further business, at 7:09 P.M., Chairwoman Sayegh made a motion to adjourn; Seconded by Legislator Addonizio. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Administrative Assistant Ed Gordon.

HUDSON VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Presentation to the Putnam County Economic Development & Energy Committee
March 18, 2019



HVRC REGIONAL INITIATIVES

- Economic Development Administration
- NYS DEC 604(b)
- Regional Platforms
- City of Kingston Organics Diversion Plan
- Putnam Clean Heating & Cooling
- Clean Energy Communities Program



Hudson Valley Regional Council



HVRC HIGHLIGHTS – 2016 THRU 2018

106 PARTNERS representing county planning departments & solid waste managers, CACs, nonprofits, state agencies, & regional councils

county & municipal officials & staff, residents, & volunteers messaged thru community meetings & **42** events **6,062**

65 green infrastructure case studies and publications on water resource laws, policies, & watershed protection

202 COMMUNITIES engaged | **127 ACTIVELY** engaged

technical assistance for EDA funding to **17 ENTITIES** in 5 counties



representing **1,935,904** residents in Hudson Valley towns, village, & cities

\$2 MILLION in **FUNDING** facilitated for **42 counties and municipalities** through NYSERDA CEC Program and NYSDEC CFA and ZEV



Hudson Valley Regional Council

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

HVRC Direct Technical Assistance:

- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, with annual updates
- Hudson Valley Region Distress Criteria Statistical Report
- County Profiles
- Distress Maps
- Direct Audience with EDA Administrator
- Technical assistance for EDA funding



Technical Assistance

**WATER
QUALITY
PLANNING –
604(b)**



- Financial Support:
 - Pass-through funding for Lower Hudson Coalition of Conservation Districts' Green Infrastructure Plans
 - Annual Stormwater Conference
 - Annual Hudson River Watershed Alliance Conference
- Sponsorship of LHCCDs
- Outreach & Education:
 - County water quality and MS4's
 - Green Infrastructure practices for water quality protection and restoration
 - 500 recipients
- 4 Regional Workshops, including:
 - Trash Free Waters, SUNY Orange
 - Regional Conversation on Water, Hotel Thayer
 - Local Government Resiliency Training, OCCC Kaplan Hall
 - 495 attendees

Educational Resources

**HUDSON
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PROGRAM**



Educational Workshops and Resources on Regional Watershed Issues in Partnership with Pace University Land Use Law Center:
Water Policy and Laws & Perspectives for Stream Protection

- Protecting Drinking Water in the Sawkill Watershed
- Water Quality and On-site Wastewater Systems in the Roundout Watershed
- Emerging Stormwater Management Options in the Sparkill Watershed
 - 180 attendees
- Protecting and managing Hudson River streams: Overview, scales, and definitions
- Protecting and managing Hudson River streams: Stream buffer protection and management
- Regulating Water Withdraws in New York: The Water Resources Protection Act
- Watershed Rules and Regulations for Protection of Drinking Water in New York
- Moodna Creek Watershed Intermunicipal Council
- Strategies for Sustainable Tributaries: A Guidance Manual

Educational Resources

REGIONAL PLATFORMS



Mid-Hudson Regional Sustainability Coalition:

- **Origin:** *Mid-Hudson Regional Sustainability Plan*
- **Participants:** 88 distinct organizations from 7-county region, representing local colleges & universities, NGOs, government agencies, private businesses, individuals
- **Purpose:** track sustainability progress and projects in region
- **Projects:** expand HVRC website to present HV sustainability progress & projects

Materials Management Group:

- **Participants:** solid waste & recycling representatives from 7-county region + NYS DEC
- **Purpose:** professional network for sharing of ideas, programs, and issues
- **Discussion areas:**
 - hazardous waste disposal
 - recycling
 - composting
 - organics waste-stream reduction
 - prescription drug disposal
 - agricultural plastics
 - e-waste

Regional Engagement & Collaboration

KINGSTON ORGANICS DIVERSION PLAN



KINGSTON ORGANICS DIVERSION PLAN -- MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS WASTE SORT REPORT

Participants:	City of Kingston, Kingston Conservation Advisory Council, Climate Smart Kingston Commission, Hudson Valley Regional Council
Buildings Included:	7: Andy Murphy Midtown Neighborhood Center, Rondout Neighborhood Center, Everett Hodge Community Center, City Hall, Central Firehouse, Rondout Fire Station, Uptown Firehouse
Date:	Saturday, December 15, 2018
Sort Time & Location & Temperature:	10am-1pm, Forsyth Nature Center Horse Barn Temperature Week of Sort: 36F - 45F Temperature Day of Sort: 45F

Total Pounds Trash Collected				Total Percentages		
Compostables Pounds	Waste Pounds	Recyclables Pounds	Total Pounds Trash	Compostables	Waste Pounds	Recyclables
350.00	501.00	481.75	1,332.75	26.26%	37.59%	36.15%
			1,332.75			100.00%

Contamination	
Total Pounds Contamination	228.50
Total Percentage Contamination	17.15%
Greatest Contamination	See SortNotes Tab.

Building:	Murphy NC	Rondout NC	Hodge CC	City Hall	Central Fire	Rondout Fire	Uptown Fire (Frog Alley)
Total Compostables (as percentage of total trash collected at specific building):	39.24%	36.17%	47.61%	31.32%	29.91%	43.82%	18.10%
Facility Walk-Through Recommendation:	Conduct facility walk-through of all buildings above the average compostables collected. Only Uptown Fire would not be included.						

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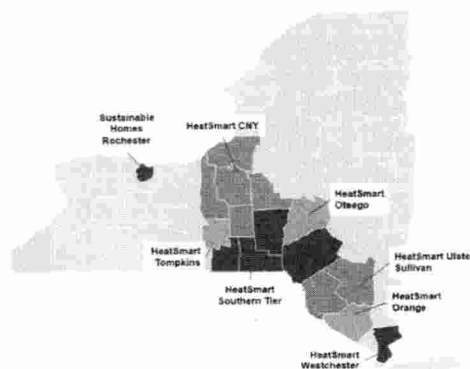
KINGSTON ORGANICS DIVERSION PLAN



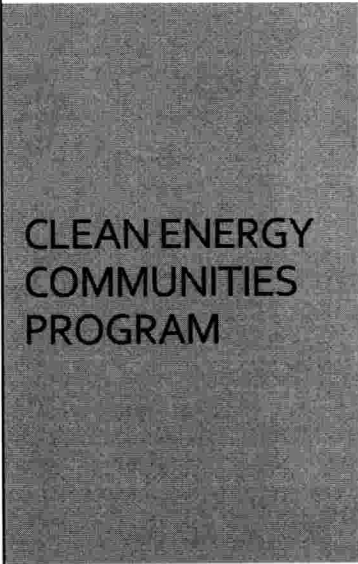
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PUTNAM CLEAN HEATING & COOLING CAMPAIGN

- Partners
- Program
 - Installation of clean heating & cooling tech
 - Working with local municipalities & volunteers
- HVRC Role
 - Strategic direction
 - Outreach
 - Data analytics



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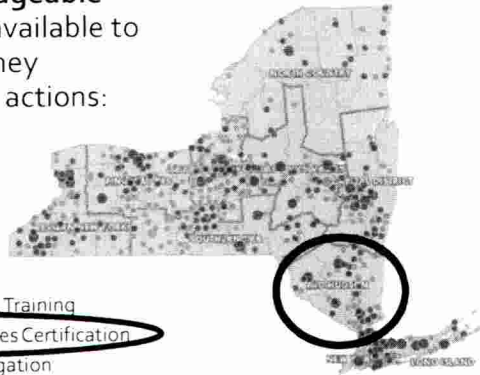


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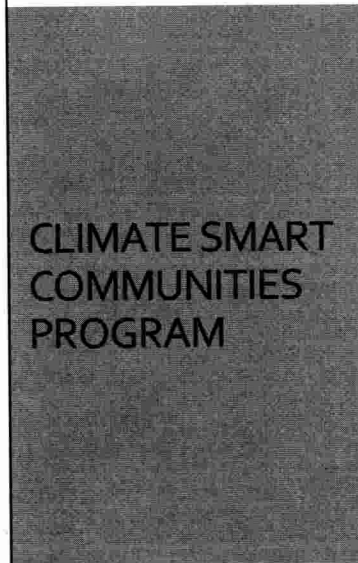
- Mid-Hudson Region NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities Program administrator

• **Dedicated and knowledgeable local coordinators** are available to assist communities as they implement high-impact actions:

1. Benchmarking
2. Clean Energy Upgrades
3. LED Street Lights
4. Clean Fleets
5. Solarize
6. Unified Solar Permit
7. Energy Code Enforcement Training
8. **Climate Smart Communities Certification**
9. Community Choice Aggregation
10. Energize NY Finance



CEC Program Overview



- 87 Mid-Hudson communities have adopted the CSC Pledge
- Orange ,Sullivan & Ulster Counties = 'certified' CSCs
- Dutchess County
 - Recently appointed CSC Task Force & Co-coordinators
- Town of Poughkeepsie
 - Recently appointed CSC Task Force & Coordinator
- Philipstown
 - Adopted CSC Pledge June 2017
 - Appointed CSC Task Force & Coordinator (paid stipend)
 - Recipient of two 2018 CSC grants
- And many other local participating communities...

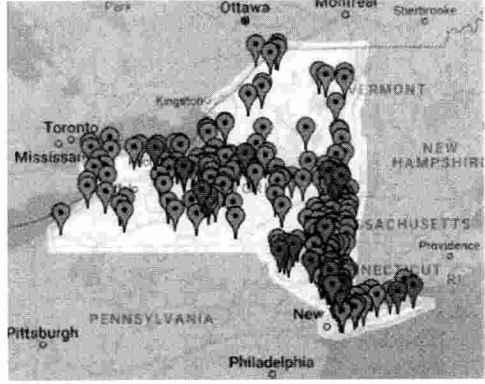


Mid-Hudson Climate Smart Communities

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PROGRAM



- NYSDEC-administered program
 - 251 participating communities state-wide
- First Step:
 - Take the CSC Pledge
 - Become a registered CSC
 - Access technical assistance & grant funding
- Next Steps:
 - Appoint CSC coordinator & task force
 - Work towards CSC certification



Next Steps

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PROGRAM



COUNTY OF DUTCHESS
MARCUS J. MOLINARO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

TO: Climate Smart Communities Task Force Members

FROM: Dutchess County Executive Marcus Molinaro & Legislative Chairman A. Gregg Pulver

DATE: November 23, 2018

RE: Formation of the Dutchess County Climate Smart Communities Task Force

The Climate Smart Communities (CSC) program creates a network of New York municipalities seeking to increase energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy sources, while reducing the amount of greenhouse gas emissions produced and increasing communities' resiliency to impacts of climate change. Dutchess County leaders, the County Executive and the Chairman of the Legislature, have determined that involvement in these programs can help reduce overall energy usage and its associated costs and increase the use of renewable energy sources, both in government facilities and the community at large. The program also provides guidance to local governments on best practices for mitigating and adapting to climate change and offers a source of matching grants for projects that advance stated goals. The Dutchess County Department of Planning is charged with securing such grants.

In July 2017, the County Legislature requested the Dutchess County Environmental Management Council (DCEMC) provide recommendations on actions that the County can take to reduce fossil fuel usage, both within County Government and encouraged in the County at large, and to recommend fossil fuel reduction goals. In its report to the Legislature, the EMC recommended pursuing certification in the CSC program and a related Clean Energy Communities (CEC) program, sponsored by NYSDERDA.

Dutchess County CSC Task Force

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2019
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CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

Model Resolution

Any city, town, village, or county government in New York State can take a stand by adopting the Climate Smart Communities pledge. Local governments may amend the preamble of the pledge below, but all ten points of the pledge must be adopted verbatim by the highest body of elected officials (e.g., town board or city council). The final resolution document must include a signature from the municipal clerk verifying the authenticity of the resolution and indicating the date of passage. Local governments should then designate a primary contact person to complete the online registration form and upload the resolution by following the steps at <https://climate-smart.ny.gov/actions/certification/getting-started/>. After the registration is reviewed, the community will be designated a Registered Climate Smart Community and be added to the online list. Join us!

Councilmember _____ moved and Councilmember _____ seconded that:

WHEREAS, the Town/Village/City/County of _____ (hereinafter "local government") believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments and is primarily due to the burning of fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the effects of climate change will endanger our infrastructure, economy, and livelihoods, harm our farms, orchards, and ecological communities, including native fish and wildlife populations, spread invasive species and exotic diseases; reduce drinking water supplies and recreational opportunities; and pose health threats to our citizens; and

WHEREAS, we believe that our response to climate change provides us with an unprecedented opportunity to save money, and to build livable, energy-independent and secure communities, vibrant innovation economies, healthy and safe schools, and resilient infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, we believe the scale of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions required for climate stabilization will require sustained and substantial efforts; and

WHEREAS, we believe that even if emissions were dramatically reduced today, communities would still be required to adapt to the effects of climate change for decades to come.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Town/Village/City/County of _____, in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate, adopts the New York State Climate Smart Communities pledge, which comprises the following ten elements:

- 1) Build a climate-smart community.
- 2) Inventory emissions, set goals, and plan for climate action.
- 3) Decrease energy use.
- 4) Shift to clean, renewable energy.
- 5) Use climate-smart materials management.
- 6) Implement climate-smart land use.
- 7) Enhance community resilience to climate change.
- 8) Support a green innovation economy.
- 9) Inform and inspire the public.
- 10) Engage in an evolving process of climate action.

CSC Pledge: Model Resolution

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RESOLUTION IS _ AGREEING TO ADAPT TO A CHANGING CLIMATE

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Union Vale acknowledges that there is a high probability that human activities over the passed fifty years have warmed our planet. The industrial activities that our modern civilization depends upon, have caused much of the observed increase in Earth's temperatures over the past 30 years.

WHEREAS, most climate scientists agree the main cause of the current global warming trend is human expansion of the "greenhouse effect" — warming that results when the atmosphere traps heat radiating from Earth toward space. Certain gases in the atmosphere block heat from escaping, re-emitting them in all directions warming the surface of the earth and the lower atmosphere. Long-lived gases that remain semi-permanently in the atmosphere and do not respond physically or chemically to changes in temperature are described as "forcing" climate change.

WHEREAS, earth-orbiting satellites flown by NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) have enabled Scientists to collect data on a global scale that demonstrates the heat trapping nature of carbon dioxide and other gases. Gases that contribute to the greenhouse effect include water vapor (H₂O), carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O), and Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) (now largely regulated).

WHEREAS, The planet's average surface temperature has risen about 2.0 degrees Fahrenheit since the late 19th century, a change driven largely by increased carbon dioxide and other human-made emissions into the atmosphere. At the end of the last ice age, when the Northeast United States was covered by more than 3,000 feet of ice, average temperatures were only 5 to 9 degrees cooler than today. We recognize that small changes in temperature correspond to enormous changes in the environment.

WHEREAS, additional examples of negative effects of temperature changes are: shrinking ice sheets in Greenland and Antarctica, retreating glaciers around the world including the Alps, Himalayas, Andes, Rockies, Alaska and Africa, Arctic sea ice is "expected to become essentially ice free in summer before mid-century", global sea levels expected to rise from one to four feet by year 2100, ocean acidification increases as the acidity of surface ocean waters has continued to absorb carbon dioxide by about 2 billion tons per year.

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Town of Union Vale: 2018 CSC Pledge

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

Action Name	Legacy Action #	Legacy Name	Points	Type/Status
PE1: Build a climate-smart community.				
PE1 Action: CSC Task Force	1.2	Create a community Climate Smart Community task force focused on climate mitigation and adaptation.	20	Mandatory
PE1 Action: CSC Coordinator	1.9	Appoint a Climate Smart Community coordinator	10	Mandatory
PE1 Action: National/Regional Climate Program	1.5	Join a national or regional climate campaign or program	3	
PE2: Inventory emissions, set goals, and plan for climate action.				
PE2 Action: Government Operations GHG Inventory	2.1	Develop a government operations GHG emissions inventory	18	Priority, CSC Grants
PE2 Action: Community GHG Inventory	2.2	Develop a community GHG emissions inventory	18	Priority, CSC Grants
PE2 Action: Government Operations Climate Action Plan	2.5	Develop a government operations climate action plan	12-16	Priority, CSC Grants
PE2 Action: Community Climate Action Plan	2.6	Develop a community climate action plan	16	Priority, CSC Grants
PE3: Decrease energy use.				
PE3 Action: Government Building Energy Audits	3.1	Conduct energy audits of local government buildings	8-16	Priority
PE3 Action: Interior Lighting Upgrades	3.2	Upgrade interior lighting	1-5	
PE3 Action: HVAC Upgrades	3.3	Upgrade HVAC equipment	1-5	
PE3 Action: Water-efficient Fixtures	3.4	Install water-efficient fixtures	1-4	
PE3 Action: Building Energy Management System	3.5	Install a building energy management system (EMS)	1-5	
PE3 Action: Energy Benchmarking for Government Buildings	3.32	Adopt an energy benchmarking requirement for government-owned buildings	2-4	
PE3 Action: Green Building Standard for Government Buildings	3.7	Adopt a green building standard for local government buildings and facilities	2-4	
PE3 Action: Green Building Certification	3.8	Build a new green building	15	
PE3 Action: Fleet Inventory	NA	NA (This is a new action under version 3.1)	4	CSC Grants
PE3 Action: Fleet Efficiency Policy	3.10	Adopt a vehicle fleet efficiency policy	2-3	CSC Grants
PE3 Action: Fleet Right-sizing	3.11	Right-size the local government fleet	1-3	
PE3 Action: Advanced Vehicles	3.12	Replace traditional vehicles with advanced vehicles	2-10	
PE3 Action: LED Street Lights	3.15	Convert streetlights to LED	5-10	
PE3 Action: LED Traffic Signals	3.16	Convert traffic signals to LED	1-4	
PE3 Action: Outdoor Lighting Reduction	3.17	Reduce number of outdoor lighting fixtures	1-4	
PE3 Action: Outdoor Lighting Upgrades	3.18	Upgrade outdoor lighting (other than streetlights and traffic signals) to more efficient and/or solar technology	1-4	

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CSC Actions Checklist

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES GRANTS

Part of the New York State Environmental Protection Fund

The Climate Smart Communities Grant Program is a competitive 50/50 matching grant program for municipalities. It was established in 2016 under Article 54, Title 15 of Environmental Conservation Law, an excerpt of which is below. The program funds climate change adaptation and mitigation projects and includes support for projects that are part of a strategy to become a Certified Climate Smart Community. This fact sheet only provides an overview of the program; please refer to the current Request for Applications (RFA) for details on eligible project types for the current grant cycle.

Project Types

§ 54-1523 Climate adaptation and mitigation projects.

1. The commissioner is authorized to provide on a competitive basis, within amounts appropriated, state assistance payments to a municipality toward the cost of any climate adaptation or mitigation projects. Such projects shall include:

- a. the construction of natural resiliency measures, conservation or restoration of riparian areas and tidal marsh migration areas;
- b. nature-based solutions such as wetland protections to address physical climate risk due to sea level rise, and/or storm surges and/or flooding, based on available data predicting the likelihood of future extreme weather events, including hazard risk analysis data if applicable;
- c. relocation or retrofit of facilities to address physical climate risk due to sea level rise, and/or storm surges and/or flooding based on available data predicting the likelihood of future extreme weather events, including hazard risk analysis data if applicable;
- d. flood risk reduction;
- e. greenhouse gas emission reductions outside the power sector;
- f. enabling communities to become certified under the Climate Smart Communities Program, including by developing natural resources inventories, right sizing of municipal fleets and developing climate adaptation strategies; and
- g. climate change adaptation planning and supporting studies, including but not limited to vulnerability assessment and risk analysis of municipal drinking water, wastewater, and transportation infrastructure.

Implementation Projects

Grants of up to \$2,000,000 are available for implementation projects in two major categories: adaptation and non-power mitigation (i.e., projects that reduce greenhouse gases from sources not related to the generation or consumption of electricity). These project types are described above in **sections a. to e.**

Certification Projects

Grants of up to \$100,000 are available for assessments and planning activities that enable local governments to become Certified Climate Smart Communities, as described above in **sections f. and g.** Applicants under this category should review the online Climate Smart Communities Certification Portal at <https://climatesmart.ny.gov> to learn more about the certification program.

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 - On-demand technical assistance
 - Step-by-step guidance
 - Case studies
 - Model ordinances
 - Project development support
 - Tools and resources
 - CSC certification support

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