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# Annual City-County Climate Action Conference

Meet with teams from 40 MN cities and plan collaborative next steps to advance low-carbon buildings, energy, transportation, green jobs, equity & resilience



## THURSDAY, October 6 Two Options In-Person & Virtual Event on ZOOM

- **In-Person** at the Minneapolis Central Library 300 Nicollet Mall, Mpls, MN 55401 (transit access, on-site parking)

**Free Event Please RSVP** to join us with your team to benefit from all six topic sessions.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND?** City & county staff, elected leaders, commission & community volunteers and community, nonprofit, business implementation partners.

Please RSVP <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/city-county-climate-action-conference-tickets-392722743297>

Zoom Link <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5156358735?pwd=K1FMVGdjVHJvVlc5UHhDSHpWNnhjUT09>

Sessions Speakers & Resources <https://rccmn.co/city-county-climate-action-check-in-events/>

**In-Person Participants** - please bring your laptop to participate in zoom break outs & share ideas on Event Jam Board.

**Questions?** Contact: Sean Gosiewski, E.D. RCC, 612-250-0389 [Sean@rccmn.co](mailto:Sean@rccmn.co)

**TWO OPTIONS to attend!** We're inviting cities to invite teams to benefit from more topic sessions!

### Afternoon In-Person & Zoom Workshop

Thurs Oct 6, Noon to 3:00pm On Zoom

11:00 a.m. Optional Networking

Noon **Keynote/City Updates/Lunch** Becky Alexander, RII

1:00 p.m. **Topic Sessions**

2:00 p.m. **County Clusters** 3:00 p.m. Reception/Vendors

### Evening In-Person & Zoom Workshop

Thurs Oct 6, 6:00pm to 8:00pm On Zoom

5:00 p.m. Social Hour/Food/Networking (optional)

6:00 p.m. **Keynote & Discussion** Becky Alexander, RII/LHB

6:30 p.m. **Topic Sessions**

7:15 p.m. **County Clusters/Next Steps**

**Topic Sessions** Experienced cities will share high-impact actions they've taken (25 High Impact Actions) Meet resource people & teams available to support your city. Plan next steps to stay on track to meet GHG targets

- Efficient Buildings (Commercial & residential) benchmarking, sustainable buildings, TISH, electrification
- Clean Energy - Sol Smart, solar-ready construction, procurement, community solar gardens, tax credits
- Transportation - E.V. charging funds & tax credits, mobility hubs, hybrid commuting, VMT (parking, TOD)
- Resilience - adaptation (heat, flooding & air quality) green infrastructure, forestry, natural resources
- Green Jobs - equitable workforce & small business development for all the topics listed above
- Zero Waste - review & add your feedback to Hennepin County's draft Zero Waste Plan

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**Two Options - In-Person & Virtual Conference** [Zoom Link](#)

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**Afternoon** Noon to 3:00pm or **Evening** 6:00pm to 8:00pm

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**We're inviting your city to share a recent inspiring action!**

Then **connect over lunch**, at **topic sessions** & the **social hour** with peers to find & share practical support for your city's next steps!

**Benefits** Connect with peers from other cities with experience taking the actions your city wants to take

- Learn how to make the most of new [Federal IJIA funds & IRA Tax Credits](#) for local priorities.

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## HIGH-IMPACT ACTIONS FOR LOW-CARBON MN CITIES

We're asking your City's GreenStep or Sustainability Coordinator to fill out our [short survey](#) in the next week to let us know **which high impact actions your city has already started** (and can share on) &/or is interested in

**During Topic Sessions on Oct 6** for each [High Impact Action](#) ([25 High Impact City Actions](#))

- **Experienced cities** will share how they approved & are implementing the actions
- **Resource people** will share current resources & multi-city teams available to support cities
- **Together** we'll brainstorm ways to overcome barriers that would prevent cities from taking the actions
- **Learn how to join multi-city implementation teams** and **launch new teams** to support our cities' work

**BUILDINGS** [www.rccmn.co/buildings/](http://www.rccmn.co/buildings/)

- Action 1. **B3 public building benchmarking.** [GSC 1.1](#)
- Action 2. **Adopt an Energy Benchmarking Ordinance - Efficient Buildings Collaborative** [GSC 2.3](#)
- Action 3. **Adopt a Sustainable Building Policy** [EBC](#)
- Action 4. **Update City's PUD Ordinance** [GSC 8.3](#)
- Action 5. **Truth in Sale of Housing Energy Inspections**
- Action 6. **1-Stop Residential/Commercial EE Funding**
- Action 7. **Low Income Access to EE Improvements**

**TRANSPORTATION** [www.rccmn.co/transportation/](http://www.rccmn.co/transportation/)

- Action 8. **Compact Development** [GSC BP#7](#)
- Action 9. **TOD Zoning Complete Neighborhoods** [GSC 8](#)
- Action 10. **Adopt a complete streets policy** [GSC 11](#)
- Action 11. **Fund bike/walk infrastructure.** [GSC 11](#)
- Action 12. **Reduce/eliminate parking minimums** [Guide](#)
- Action 13. **Adopt a TDM ordinance.** [GSC 14](#)
- Action 14. **EV standards for parking lots.** [E.V. Ready](#)

**ENERGY** [www.rccmn.co/energy/](http://www.rccmn.co/energy/)

- Action 15. **City Purchasing Policies** for EE & RE [GS 15.2](#)
- Action 16. **Solar-ready community** [GSC 26.7](#) [Sol Smart](#)
- Action 17. **PACE for commercial EE/RE** [GSC26.3](#) [Pace](#)
- Action 18. **Residential & commercial solar** [GSC 26](#)

**GREEN JOBS** [www.rccmn.co/green-jobs/](http://www.rccmn.co/green-jobs/)

- Action 19. **Support MWBE businesses.** [GSC 15.3](#)

**RESILIENCE** [www.rccmn.co/resilience/](http://www.rccmn.co/resilience/)

- Action 20. **Adopt urban tree canopy goals** [GSC16.3](#)
- Action 21. **Adopt Tree** &/or **Landscape** Ordinance
- Action 22. **Protect buildings & infrastructure** [GSC 29.5](#)
- Action 23. **Emergency Preparedness & Community Connections & Food Access** [GSC 29.1](#) [GSC 29.3](#) [GSC 27](#)

**ZERO WASTE** [www.rccmn.co/zero-waste/](http://www.rccmn.co/zero-waste/)

- Action 24. **Reuse & organics collection** [GSC 22](#)
- Action 25. **Construction & demolition waste** [GSC 22.8](#)

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