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# JUNE Dakota County Cluster Meet Up

Thursday June 15, 2023, 12:30pm to 2pm [Zoom Link](#)

Connect with staff, commission & community volunteers from 8 Dakota Co cities to share updates. Learn about new Federal and State energy and resilience funding opportunities & Legislation.

Questions? Please contact **Maria Tomczik**, Dakota Cluster Coordinator [maria@rccmn.co](mailto:maria@rccmn.co) or **Sean Gosiewski**, RCC, Exec. Dir. 612 250-0-389 [sean@rccmn.co](mailto:sean@rccmn.co)



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An Xcel Energy Community Collaboration



AN ENERGY ACTION PLAN FOR  
**INVER GROVE HEIGHTS**



- **City and County Updates** - City staff, county commissioners and citizen groups will share short updates on their current sustainability initiatives.
- **Partners in Energy** - Staff and volunteers from Rosemount, Inver Grove Heights and Hastings (invited) will share how they created & launched implementation of Community Wide Energy Action Plans with support from [Partners in Energy](#)
- **MN 2023 Legislative Update** – New environmental policies & funding approved in 2023 – Rep Rick Hansen, Chair, House Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy (invited) [Link](#)
- **New Federal & State matching funds for Cities** - Pete Wyckoff Division of Energy Resources, Assistant Commissioner, MN Department of Commerce (invited) will share updates on IIJA and IRA and new state funding programs for MN Cities. [Link](#)
- **MPCA & Met Council EPA Climate Action Planning with Cities EPA Climate Planning** - Faith Krogstad, MPCA & Eric Wojchik, Met Council (invited) will share how cities can share their priorities during the summer of 2023 to make it easier to apply for Climate Pollution Reduction grants in 2024 [Link](#)
- **Opportunity for Cities to develop Climate Action Work Plans** using Met Council’s new GHG Scenario Planning Tool [Link](#)
- **Brainstorming our Dakota Co Cluster Next Steps**
  - Several cities joining Partners in Energy together?
  - Developing 3-year climate action work plans together?
  - Dakota County cities applying for Federal funding together?
  - Bison Tour, habitat restoration, visiting compost facilities, etc.

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