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| **Invitation for Minneapolis Neighborhood Environment Committees & Community Groups** to help implement our new **Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan** by helping with   * **strengthening** **City-Wide Action Campaigns, City-Community Collaborative fundraising/Federal Grants** * **neighbor to neighbor & business** **Outreach** to share **City-Wide Action Campaigns** to invite residents & businesses to take specific actions <http://rccmn.co/minneapolis> | | | | |
| **Let’s build up our neighborhood outreach capacities together!** | | | | |
|  | **Current Outreach Capacities** | **2024** – Strengthen city-wide action campaigns | | **2025** – Share our updated city-wide action campaigns |
| **BASIC LEVEL** | **Neighborhood Green Teams & Community Partners** engage Neighbors & businesses to take action by developing their **own campaigns** and by sharing  **City-wide action campaigns** (Spring Tree Sale, Adopt a Drain, etc.) shared in Minneapolis Sustainability E-News  **Minneapolis Green Teams Meet Ups**  Quarterly City-wide meet ups  (MCA, RCC, Frayeo) volunteers & staff  Sharing ideas to strengthen teams  and sharing action campaign ideas | **Neighborhood Green Team volunteers & nonprofits** meet with **City Staff** in **Strategy Teams** to strengthen **City-Wide Action Campaigns** i.e. home energy squad, IRA Ambassadors.  Neighborhoods ask NCR, SHHE, City Council to include **1k Neighborhood Climate Liaison Stipends** in 2025 City Budget  **Mpls Green Teams** City-wide Meet upsinvite SHEE Staff, CEAC & EVAC to share updates | | **Neighborhood Associations** begin receiving annual **1k Stipends** for a  **Neighborhood Liaison for the Climate Equity Plan (**volunteer or staff) on top of $15k NCR Contract  Neighborhood Green Teams Share  **City-Wide Action Campaigns** with neighbors and busineses  **Mpls Green Team Meet ups**  Quarterly City-wide meet ups AND  **Ward based meet ups** withneighborhood green teams & CBOs |
| **MID**  **LEVEL** |  | **2024 & 2025** – Neighborhood Associations & non-profits contribute In Kind volunteer and staff time to collaborate with City Staff on  **City-Wide Strategy Teams** to   * strengthen **City-Wide Action Campaigns** * develop & launch Strategy-Specific **Pilot Projects** & * brainstorm & develop outcomes, deliverables and training for the strategy specific outreach contract opportunities   **City-Community Collaborative Federal Grants Workshop – Feb 2024**   * **City-Sponsored Federal & State Grant Applications** (could request outreach $ and $ for specific local projects) * **Community-Based, Nonprofit Sponsored Fed & State Grant Apps** (Smaller nonprofits could partner with larger nonprofits to send in Topic-Specific grants for local projects & outreach city-wide | | |
| **ADVANCED LEVEL**  **Paid Outreach Contracts** |  | **Launch PAID OUTREACH CONTRACTS with interested Neighborhood & Community Based Organizations** (to pay for existing staff &/or new staff)   * NGOs sign up for **streamlined contracting** with Mpls & Hennepin Co. * NGOs **receive notices** from city, county & large nonprofits on strategy- specific outreach contracts, and choose ones they want to **OPT IN** for | | |
| **A group of women posing for a photo  Description automatically generated** | | | **Collaborative City-Community Implementation**  of our **Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan**  **Let’s brainstorm** how **SHHE staff CEAC, EVAC, SHEE and neighborhood & community partners can co-launch**  **(1) Collaborative Strategy Teams,**  **(2) Collaborative Grants**  **(3) Collaborative Outreach** – neighborhood & ward teams,   * city wide action campaigns, * outreach contracts   **(4) Collaborative Strategy Engagement** | |
| **Possible collaborative partners** SHHE staff, CEAC, EVAC, Home Grown Council, Hennepin County, State Agencies  Minneapolis Green Teams, Just Transition, Cumulative Impacts Coalitions, [Great Lakes TcTAC](https://greatlakestctac.umn.edu/), [Blacks in Green TcTAC](https://www.blacksingreen.org/team) | | | | |
| **ONE - Collaborative Strategy Teams**City staff- agency and nonprofit staff, community & business partners **–** meeting as needed (similar to teams that developed the Climate Equity Plan strategies) i.e. Air, Food, Healthy Homes, Trees, to   * **Work to solve urgent Issues** **together** (i.e. Smith Foundry Air Permit Violations) **Strategy AIR.2.** Co-convene, quarterly City/ county/community air quality working group meetings to maintain mutual transparency & accountability to act on air quality data**.** *Lead(s): SHHE, MPCA, and Hennepin County* * **Co-Develop and Share city-wide campaigns to engage residents and businesses** - i.e. **HEH.3.4 Pilot: Engage in an educational home electrification campaign**in concert with metro cities. [mncee.org/electrifyeverythingmn](https://www.mncee.org/electrifyeverythingmn) * **Co**-**Develop & Roll out Pilot Projects** (with strategy maps, building on insights from previous work) and **Strategy Specific Outreach Contracts**(with roles and deliverables for paid sub-contractors) - i.e.  **HEH.1.3 Pilot: Begin whole home weatherization and electrification retrofit pilot** to understand sequencing, build knowledge, develop work force, and coordination with metro cities’ initiatives using $1.4 million ARPA & EECDBG federal $. | | | | |
| **TWO - Collaborative Grants,** (see below) **to co-implement Phase I Strategies** (including outreach) Let’s Coordinate between the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin Co, interested nonprofits & CBOs with **SHHE** [UMN Great Lakes TC TAC,](https://greatlakestctac.umn.edu/) Mpls Fdn, McKnight,   * to track, review and coordinate applying for current and future funding opportunities (the City or County can apply for some while coalitions of community groups can apply for other grants) We are missing out on applying for relevant RFPs (EPA EE 2023 $50k deadline just passed) **BIG RFPs are coming up soon -** * **EPA CPRG** w MPCA & Met Council (Governments apply) <https://engage.eqb.state.mn.us/climate-priorities> * **EPA Community Change** (CBOs) [www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program](http://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program) | | | | |
| **THREE - Collaborative Outreach -**SHHE, CEAC, EVAC, Just Transition & Minneapolis Green Teams working together to engage  **Neighborhood Green Teams, Ward Teams & community-based groups** to City Departments, Partners & City Council Members to engage neighbors and businesses in taking action to implement Phase I strategies through -   * **City-wide education/action campaigns**, to engage neighbors i.e. home energy squad, tree planting, etc. * **Facilitating City and County Strategy-Specific Outreach Contracts** with neighborhood associations, nonprofits & CBOs | | | | |
| **FOUR - Collaborative Strategy Engagement** (option to explore) [**Insight Vision**](https://www.insightformation.com/insightvision) **Strategy Engagement Platform** with [training/coaching](https://www.insightformation.com/csea-2023) to **maintain mutual accountability and transparency** between city departments, implementation partners, NGOs, CBOs, commissions as we collaboratively implement the Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan & manage & report on federal grants. [St. Paul Climate Action Dashboard](https://climateaction.stpaul.gov/). Duluth is using [Get Green](https://www.getgreen.eco/getgreenduluth.html)  **Possible Shared platforms** for tracking goals 🡪 benchmarks 🡪 actions 🡪 strategy maps 🡪 team members 🡪 funding sources 🡪 project outcomes/case studies 🡪 reporting | | | | |

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| A logo with a tree and text  Description automatically generated | **Let’s Co-Organize a City-Community Federal Climate Grant Workshop**   * **When** – February 2023 * **Why** - access **state & federal funds** to support neighborhood climate outreach * **Co- hosts -** CEAC, EVAC, SHHE & NCR staff, U of MN Great Lakes TcTAC, RCC Mpls Green Teams, Unidos, Just Transition Coalition, Hennepin Co., MPCA, etc. * **Participants -** Partner nonprofits,community based & EJ organizations & neighborhood associations, to apply for state and federal funding related to Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan Strategies. | | | | |
| **Draft Agenda - Welcome, introductions**   * **Overview of Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan goals & strategies and relevant MN & Federal funding** the City has received and plans to apply for. How the city plans to staff grant implementation (including sub contracts.) * **Overview of upcoming Federal grants & how community groups can apply for** **them** with the Great Lakes TC TAC and a panel of community groups that have successfully secured federal or state funding * **Topic/Goal/Strategy Break Outs** – (1) review relevant MPLS CEP Goal/Strategy (2)community groups and city/county staff to share what they are working on & hope to work on (3) review upcoming state and federal funding opportunities (4) participants mingle and self-organize and decide to apply individually or together. | | | | | |
| **Example Funding Opportunities**   * **Community Change** [www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program](http://www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/inflation-reduction-act-community-change-grants-program) * **EPA Carbon Pollution Reduction Implementation Grants** (Due April 1) MPCA, Met Council, Cities apply ($200 to $500 million) <https://engage.eqb.state.mn.us/climate-priorities> | | | | | |
| **Minneapolis Climate Equity Plan Implementation Strategies** | | **Lead Contacts - City staff and nonprofit & partners** | **Current City funding**  Franchise fee & grants | **New Grants**  **City applies** | **New Grants**  **Nonprofits apply** |
| **AIR.2.4** **Pilot:** residential programs to **monitor & improve indoor and outdoor air quality** | | SHHE, MPCA, SRC,  Clean Air MN, EJ Table  Cumulative Impacts | City of Mpls EPA Air Monitoring grant |  |  |
| **AIR.2.6** Program: **Increase neighborhood tree planting** on blocks experiencing high levels of outdoor air pollution | | Public Works  MPRB  Great River Greening | Mpls $8 million forestry (over 5 years)  [EPA $10 million 5-yr to](https://www.greatrivergreening.org/blog/exciting-news-great-river-greening-awarded-10-million)  [Great River Greening](https://www.greatrivergreening.org/blog/exciting-news-great-river-greening-awarded-10-million) | New MN DNR Forestry Grants |  |
| **HEH.3.2** TISH Energy Reports  **HEH.3.4** home electrification educational campaign | | SHHE, CPED, CEE, CERTS,  [Electrify Everything MN](https://www.mncee.org/electrifyeverythingmn)  Coalition of metro cities | MN Dept of Commerce  IRA Tax Credits |  |  |
| **HEH.1.3** Pilot: Begin whole home weatherization and electrification retrofit pilot | | SHHE, CPED  CEE, SRC  Community Power, | $1.4 million in ARPA and EECDBG funding.  IIJA LIHEAP Funds |  |  |
| **Healthy Food Access/ Resilience**  Home Grown Food Council  Resilience Hubs | | EPIC Indoor Farm  Little Earth Farm  Sweetie Pie, etc. |  |  |  |
| **Zero Waste** Mpls & Hennepin Co and Metro-wide Zero Waste Plans  Organics, Plastics, etc. | | Minneapolis Public Works  Hennepin Co/ Tri County  Eureka, EJ Table, Legislators | EPA City of Minneapolis  [$4 million SWIFR grant,](https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2023-09/City_of_Minneapolis_SWIFR.pdf) |  |  |