



# A<sup>2</sup>ZERO

Updates and Ways to Engage



Community Chaice Aggregation	\$3,245,000	784,000	35.8%	\$4	
Bulk Purchase of Renewables	\$605,000	85,000		\$7	Coming
Community Solar Program	\$205,000	11,500	0.5%	\$18	Soon
Landfill Salar Project	\$80,000	23,000	1.7%	\$3.5	
Electrification	\$7,100,000	362,200	16.5%	\$ 20	
Electrify All Buses	\$80,575,000	13,800	0.6%	\$ 5,839	
Bulk Purchase EVs	\$700,000	122,900	5.6%	86	Coming
Private EV Fleets	\$123,000	0	0.0%		Soon
City EV Fleet	\$4,000,000	1,100	0.7%	\$3,636	
EV Infrastructure	\$42,000,000	0	0.0%		
Bulk Purchase of Energy Efficiency	\$7,100,000	242,500	16.5%	84	
Building Code Requirements	\$80,575,000	48,300	0.6%	\$ 40	
LED Lighting	\$700,000	2,600	5.6%	\$1,208	
Benchmarking	\$123,000	0	0.0%		
Logn Loss Reserve	\$4,000,000	0	0.0%		
Energy Concierge & Community Education	\$42,000,000	0	0.0%		Coming
Net Zero Energy Affordable Housing	\$800,000	400	0.0%	\$2,000	Soon
Green Rental Housing Program	\$530,000	0	0.0%		
Green Business Challenge	\$700,000	0	0.0%		
Aging in Place Efficiently	\$150,000	0	0.0%		
Weatherization Expansion	\$1,550,000	0	0.0%		
Non-Motorized Plan	\$3,245,000	60,400	2.8%	\$40	
Expand Local and Regional Transit	\$605,000	93,200	4.3%	\$7047	
Park and Ride	\$205,000	28,400	1.3%	\$5,986	Coming
Duples/Triples/ADUs	\$80,000	2,200	0.7%	\$114	Soon
Mixed-Use Zoning	\$365,000	0	0.0%		
Parking Rates	\$4,500,000	0	0.0%		
Year Round Composting	\$26,000,000	400	0.1%	\$65,000	
Expand Commercial Recycling	\$18,400,000	5,600	0.3%	\$3,286	
Sustainable Material Use and Reuse	\$270,000	0	0.0%		Coming
Circular Economy	\$270,000	0	0.0%		Soon
Plant-Based Diets	\$208,400	0	0.0%		
Refrigerant Recycling	\$179,400	0	0.0%		
Resilience Hubs	\$5,025,000	2,500	0.1%	\$2,010	
Neighborhood and Youth Ambassadors	\$350,000	0	0.0%		
Tree Canapy	\$1,160,000	450	0.0%	\$2,578	Coming
Neighborhood Asset Mapping	\$300,000	0	0.0%		Soon
Emergency Kris	\$350,000	0	0.0%		
Sensors and Data Monitoring	\$300,000	0	0.0%		
Equity Programs	\$200,000	0	0.1%		
SA2T Grant Program	\$1,000,000	0	0.0%		Coming
Internal Carbon Tax	\$75,000	0	0.0%		Soon
Offsets	\$9,440,000	298,500	13.6%	\$32	
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#### ANN ARBOR'S LIVING CARBON NEUTRALITY PLAN

MARCH 2020

#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF SUSTAINABILITY ACTIVITIES IN ANN ARBOR









Together, creating and implementing a just transition to carbon neutrality by the year **2030**.





# A Quick Look at A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Today

# A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Strategies



#### **STRATEGY 1:**

Power Our Electrical Grid with 100% Renewable Energy

#### **STRATEGY 3:**

Significantly Improve the Energy Efficiency in our Homes, Businesses, Schools, Places of Worship, Recreational Sites, and Government Facilities

#### **STRATEGY 5:**

Change the Way We Use, Reuse, and Dispose of Materials

#### **STRATEGY 2:**

Switch our Appliances and Vehicles from Gasoline, Diesel, Propane, Coal, and Natural Gas to Electric

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#### **STRATEGY 4:**

Reduce the Miles we Travel in our Vehicles by at least 50%

#### **STRATEGY 6:**

Enhance the Resilience of Our People and Our Place

#### **OTHER STRATEGIES:**

This strategy covers the remaining programs and activities that don't fit into other areas. It also includes greenhouse gas emissions offsets to close out any

Ann Arbor Office of Sustainability and Innovations

### THE ACTIONS



- 1. Community Choice Aggregation
- 2. On-Site Renewable Energy Generation with Battery Storage (Bulk Buys)
- 3. Community Solar Program
- 4. Landfill Solar Project
- Home and Business Electrification Policies and Support
- 6. Electrify Buses
- Support Community Electric Vehicle and Solar Bulk Buys
- 8. Electrify City Fleet
- 9. Electrify Private Fleet
- 10. Expansion of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure
- 11. Support Transition to More Energy Efficient Homes and Businesses
- 12. Update Building Codes
- 13. LED Powered Streetlights and Traffic Signals
- 14. Energy Disclosure / Benchmarking
- 15. Loan Loss Reserve

- **16.** Energy Concierge and Community Education
- 17. Net Zero Energy Affordable Housing
- 18. Green Business Illenge
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- 32. Move Toward a Circular Economy
- 33. Support a Plant Rich Diet
- 34. Enhance Refrigerant Recycling and Reuse Program
- 35. Invest in Resilience Hubs
- **36. Foster Neighborhood and Youth Ambassadors**
- 37. Preserve & Enhance Local Tree Canopy
- 38. Conduct Asset and Needs Mapping of Neighborhoods
- 39. Assist in Assembling and Disseminating Emergency Preparedness Kits
- 40. Implement Sensors to Monitor Heat, Air Quality, Waterways, and Flooding
- **41. Equity Programs**
- **42.** Sustaining Ann Arbor Together Grant Program
- 43. Internal Carbon Price
- 44. Greenhouse Gas Emissions Offsets

# Renewable Energy

A2ZERO
EQUITABLE - SUSTAINABLE - TRANSFORMATIVE

- Designed over 4MW of solar at City facilities
- Over 2.5MW of solar installed through Solarize\*\*\*
- Landfill solar: 20MW of solar; PUD amendment approved; community solar commitment\*\*\*
- Began exploration of a Sustainable Energy Utility\*\*\*
- Intervenor in rate cases\*\*\*
- Exploring large-scale programs



## **Beneficial Electrification**











- Drafted and started to implement whole-home A<sup>2</sup>ZERO assessment
- Sticker replacement campaigns\*\*\*
- Contractor training and badging program\*\*\*
- Designing an all-electric campaign
- EV Readiness Ordinance
- First Fast Chargers and tripling of L2 chargers in system
- City fleet is nearing 20% electric
- Exploring electrification collaboration with other vanguard climate communities

# **Efficiency / Energy Waste Reduction**





- Passed Benchmarking ordinance; city buildings reported
- Rental Efficiency Standard initiated\*\*\*
- Home Energy Reporting Disclosure Drafted
- Working with AAHC on net zero energy housing sites & EV charging
- Completed first **15** homes for Aging in Place Efficiently; waitlist full; fundraising now
- Pushing for adoption of updated Building and Energy Codes\*\*\*
- Applied for WAP E&I grant to get ~30 low-income homes to net zero
- Collaboration with 2030 District and lots of community engagement



# **Mobility**



- Supported development and implementation of Vision Zero and tie to zero emissions
- Supported federal applications for transit expansion locally and regionally
- Bicycle discount programs
- Establishing telecommuting project
- Supporting AAATA with sustainability initiatives including fuel propulsion study



# **Circular Economy**



- Launched education series on plant-rich diets; moving forward more sustainable food options for City facilities
- Returnable container program (A<sup>2</sup>R<sup>3</sup>)\*\*\*
- Launched zero waste challenge: Resident Race to Zero\*\*\*
- Applied for grants to advance circular economy locally
- Moved to year-round composting
- Developing circular economy strategy
- Electronics takeback with U
- Zero Waste Challenges fun and educational!



# **Natural Systems**





- Launched 10,000 Trees Initiative; 3,000 trees planted
- Launched community tree planting program\*\*\*
- Developed soil carbon tool with UM students
- Developed tree maintenance and care app
- Undergoing Master Rain Gardener training to help design rain gardens\*\*\*
- Purchased air quality monitors
- Pollinator habitat expansion\*\*\*
- Fertilizer management\*\*\*

### Resilience





MAKE A PLAN

**BE INFORMED** 

**BUILD A KIT** 

- Distributed over 200 emergency kits\*\*\*
- Supported Emergency Relief Station
- 3rd cohort of A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Ambassadors\*\*\*
- Holistically integrating climate change into MHMP update\*\*\*
  - Relaunching neighborhood-based work\*\*\*
  - Working on second and third resilience hubs

# Community Engagement\*\*\*





- Equitable Engagement Steering Committee
- Climate, Coffee, Conversation
- A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Sustainability Forums
- Food and Emergency Kit Distribution
- Meals on Wheels and Energy kits
- Earth Day
- Arbor Day
- A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Week
- A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Collaborators
- Neighborhood Meetings
- Summerfest Tabling
- Scavenger Hunt
- AAPS Collaboration
- Observer, CTN
- The Ann Arbor Distilling Company







#### Net Zero Energy Fire Station

• First east of the Mississippi



#### First Decarbonized Neighborhood in Midwest

- Bryant community engagement
- Fundraising
- Co-design strategies
- Transformation



# **Get Involved**

## 10,000 Trees Initiative





### **Host an Event**







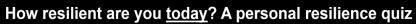
### **Join Listserv and Volunteer**



### A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Ambassadors







#### **RELATIONSHIPS**

- I have good friends who support me
- I have a mentor or guide
- I support others
- I am empathetic
- I have healthy boundaries
- I trust my close friends
- I have a network/community that I identify with and can turn to for support

#### INITIATIVE

- I communicate effectively
- I try different ways to solve a problem
- I have regular, healthy hobbies
- I seek out new knowledge and perspectives I am open to new ideas
- I laugh often
- I am able to say "no" I can ask for help
- I have skills to help me relax and manage stress

#### INTERNAL BELIEFS

- Being of service is important to me
- I know my personal strengths
- I am creative
- I have strong beliefs and values
- I am hopeful about the future and practice active hope
- I have a clear sense of purpose in life
- I maintain a positive attitude during difficult situations
- I can sit with uncertainty and sadness

#### SELF-CONTROL

- I express my emotions and can label my feelings
- I set limits for myself
- I am flexible
- I can calm myself down
- I know how to turn stress into positive energy
- I practice self-care and have healthy outlets and





## Join a Board, Commission, and More



## **Sustaining Ann Arbor Together Grant**







# **Thank You**

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