Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission



Metro Milwaukee Climate Action Plan Environmental Justice Task Force

September 10, 2024

Pollution Reduction Grant

- ➤ SEWRPC, in close coordination with the City of Milwaukee, received a \$1 million planning grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Covers the 4-county Metropolitan Statistical Area: Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Washington, Waukesha
- ➤ The City of Milwaukee's Climate and Equity Plan will serve as the foundational document







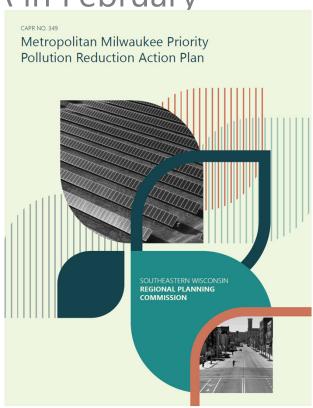






Completed Activities

- The Commission submitted Metropolitan Milwaukee Priority Pollution Reduction Action Plan to U.S. EPA in February
 - Priority Measures
 - Greenhouse Gas Inventory
 - Benefits Analysis
- The City of Milwaukee submitted an Implementation Grant application (\$10M)
- ➤ Presented to Community Partners, EJTF
- > Held Coordinating Workgroup meetings
- ➤ Met with key organizations
- Conducted student outreach
- Next: Comprehensive Climate Action Plan: December 1, 2025







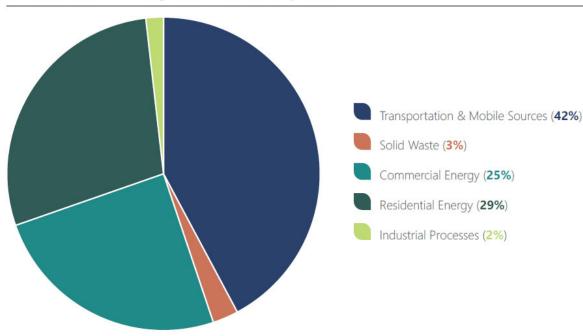






Priority Plan Highlights

Milwaukee MSA: Percentage of GHG Emissions by Sector



Note: Percentages may not equal 100 due to rounding.

Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Energy Information Agency, ICLEI, and SEWRPC; Revised 4/2024

- ➤ Buildings and
 Transportation are largest
 sources of greenhouse gas
 emissions in the four
 counties
- Many communities and organizations are already pursuing strategies
- The strategies will have multiple benefits including cost savings, job growth, improving public health, and expanding transportation access











Priority Plan Strategies

- Increase building energy efficiency and solar for public sector and commercial buildings. Strategies to achieve this include a commercial building resource center that can be used to support voluntary programs and/or commercial building energy policy and direct funding for municipal energy efficiency projects.
- Increase adoption of electric, hybrid, and clean fuel vehicles in municipal fleets and develop a regional public charging network.
- ➤ Establish a program for regional sustainability assistance, including shared sustainability staff for participating communities to embed climate pollution reduction practices in local governments.
- Contribute to greening the grid through utility scale solar, including funding for programs that allow municipal and county governments to subscribe to large scale projects.
- ➤ Implement Complete Streets principles, including improved and expanded bicycle networks and facilities.
- Build new, affordable, net zero housing.











Tabling at community events with Public Involvement and Outreach













Potential and On-going Outreach

- Community forums by County
- > Student engagement
- > Interviews with local leaders and organizations
 - Please recommend leaders and organizations
- Support existing community activities
- > Serve as a convenor where it makes sense
- Workforce Development Stakeholder meeting(s)
- Website and email updates
- Please share your additional recommendations!











