COLLABORATIVE MODELS TO SCALE UP CLIMATE ACTION AND RESILIENCY EFFORTS SECOND NATURE | FEB 2020

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STATE OF CLIMATE AND RESILIENCY **COMMITMENTS IN HiEd.**



IMPERATIVE TO EXPONENTIALLY DRIVE CLIMATE PROGRESS

FOUR STRATEGIC GOALS:



ACCELERATE signatory and network performance through both responsive and proactive services



IMPROVE Second Nature's signatory and network administrative systems



LEAD higher education's cross-sector, subnational climate action



TEST programmatic and institutional growth opportunities with Second Nature's climate services



FOR IMPLEMENTATION DURING 2019-2022

ACTIVE CLIMATE LEADERSHIP COMMITMENT SIGNATORIES



Second Solutions Center



Carbon Offsets

CARBON OFFSETS

() Large	G Small Net Cost	🗃 Doable
🗴 <1 year	🖌 Low / None	🛧 Hmm. Okay.



Geothermal Ground Source Heating and Cooling

ALTERNATIVE SUPPLY SYSTEMS, ENERGY SUPPLY

0	Enormous	0 N	let Savings	1	A Big Lift
ø	10 years +	PL	ow / None	*	That's pretty cool.



ENERGY DEMAND, ENERGY EFFICIENCY

G Large	0	Net Savings	
0 1-2 years		Moderate	1





Some Challenges

★ That's pretty cool.

CROSS-UNIVERSITY RESEARCH PAPERS

"Higher Education's Role in Adapting to a Changing Climate"



Higher Education's Role in Adapting to a Changing Climate

What is Climate Adaptation?

The current concentration of carbon dimide in the atmosphere is more than 390 parts per million (ppm) - well over the previous peaks of about 280ppm over the past 800,000 years. To preserve relatively stable climatic conditions, we need to keep the concentration of CO, below 350ppm. While efforts are underway to return to those levels, it is clear that we will inevitably experience the impacts of climate change within our lifetimes - indeed, we already are.

Spotlight 1: Adapting *Core Systems'

The following are some ways that govern

Transportation: Failing mails and

Agriculture: Shifting to discont resistant

Business: Examining and altering supply

chains: increasing transperency and

Infrastructure: Ensuring current public

Water: increasing protection for wellands;

installing permeable pavement, green roofs

investments are informed by climate

wanarable to flooding, extreme heat,

Public Health: Identifying ways to

reduce urban heat stand effect; assessing

minerabilities to emergency response

Ecosystems: Planing for movement of hebitat, changes in tocal plants and

Land Use: Changing building codes;

planning "retract" from easi level essi

systems in the face of axtreme weather

disclosure regarding climate risk.

charge bands and projections

and rain and water gardens Energy: Protecting or moving production and distribution facilities/equipment

disucht or weather events

amintals, sea loval rise

runways; increasing culvert sizes;

crep variables, re-training termars,

emphasizing local agriculture

nants and organizations are adapting core

for Climate Resilience

strangthening bridges

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The federal Interagency Climate Change Adaptation Task Force noted in its interim progress report to the White House in 2010 that "Climate change impacts pose significant social, economic, and environmental risks to the United States and the global community. As documented in the latest U.S. National Climate Assessment (NCA) report, Global Climate Change Impacts in the United States, and the National Research Council's report series on America's Climate Choices, communities across the Nation are already experiencing a range of climatic changes, including more frequent and extreme precipitation events, longer wildfire seasons, reduced snowpack, extreme heat events, increasing ocean temperatures, and rising sea levels. The impacts from these changes are affecting livelihoods, infrastructure, ecosystems, food production, energy supply, national security, and the cultural heritage of populations and communities. Certain communities and ecological systems are particularly vulnerable to these impacts. We know enough about climate risks to take actions now that ensure a safer, more resilient and prosperous future." (CEQ, 2011, p.2).

The term dimate adaptation refers to the need for society to prepare for these "core system" climate impacts that have become unavoidable. A technical definition of adaptation is "adjustment in natural or human systems to a new or changing environment that exploits beneficial opportunities or moderates negative effects" (NRC, 2010, p.19).

Also referred to as 'climate preparedness' or 'climate resilience,' in practice, climate adaptation means preparing for and responding to increased infrastructure vulnerability, public health



stakeholders from:

- University of Arizona
- **Tufts University**
- Alfred State College
- Ithaca College
- Louisiana State University
- Antioch University New England
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- **Columbia University**
- Paul Smith's College of Arts and Sciences •
- **Bristol Community College**

Driven by Second Nature and Clean Air, the paper received input by higher education



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Participants with active ratings

OP-1: GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Part 1 – INVENTORY

Publicly available greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions inventory

Part 2 – REDUCED GHG PER BASELINE

Institution reduced its adjusted net emissions.

Part 3 – LESS THAN A MIN THRESHOLD Institution's emissions less than the minimum performance threshold

THE UNIVERSITY CLIMATE CHANGE COALITION (UC3) **CROSS-NATIONAL**

UC3 University Climate Research Assets

The University Climate Change Coalition is working to identify climate assets at each campus to facilitate more transparency and ease of collaboration with external stakeholders. Use the link below to explore the beta version of the data and dashboard



University Climate Climate Research Assets Change Coalition (Phase 1 Results)



Universities from the United States, Canada, and Mexico committing to helping local communities transition to a low-carbon future





UC3 PURPOSE

UC3 provides thought leadership on and fosters a robust exchange of best practices and lessons learned in pursuit of reducing greenhouse emissions and building community resilience.

They share this knowledge with fellow coalition members, the higher education sector, their communities, and partners in the public and private sectors by serving as models for climate solutions and reexamining the scientific community's research agenda to accelerate place-based climate action.

UC3 GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Build institutional consensus to pursue cross-sector climate work by bringing together liaisons from academia, institutional liaisons).
- forum.
- monthly meetings, coalition events, public events and other networking opportunities.
- and gaps in the climate solutions research agenda.
- **Collaborate cross-sectorally** and build solutions.

operations, and administration (via the

Identify & convene local, cross-sector stakeholders by holding a cross-sector

Share knowledge across institutions via

Identify and evaluate research priorities

cross-sector partnerships to accelerate

UC3 University Climate Change Coalition 2019 IMPACT REPORT





URBAN CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH NETWORK



- A consortium of > 1000 individuals dedicated to the analysis of climate change \bullet mitigation and adaptation from an urban perspective.
- Includes scholars and experts from universities and research organizations, spanning a broad range of expertise



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>	Eco-Reps Networking/Session at AASHE: 1 item(s)
>	EcoRepsNational! 🛞: 2 item(s)
>	ECOS Online Forum- March 12 at 6PM Central Europe,
>	Ecosystem services webinar: 1 item(s)
>	Education and Outreach position at George Mason U
>	Education-Sector Focussed Info Session - Tuesday, Ju
>	Effect of Adding Enviromental Science programs on E
>	Electric Buses: 2 item(s)
>	Electric Kick Scooter Policies: 4 item(s)
>	Electric Vehicle Charging Station Policies: 1 item(s)
>	Electrical sub meters to energy star portfolio manager
>	Electronic Time Reporting: 1 item(s)
>	Eliminating plastic bags: 2 item(s)
>	Emergency/Guaranteed Ride Home Programs: 4 item(s
>	Endicott College Director of Sustainability Job Posting
>	Energy and Sustainability Master Planning Partners: 1
>	energy and water project tracking: 1 item(s)
>	Energy and/or Sustainability organizational structure
>	Energy Budget Models: 2 item(s)
>	Energy Costs for Colleges & Universities: 7 item(s)
>	Energy Dashboards: 2 item(s)
>	Energy Efficient Food Service Machinery: 1 item(s)
>	energy manager job description: 2 item(s)
>	Energy Manager Position: 2 item(s)
>	Energy Manager, Smith and Amherst College: 1 item(s
>	Energy Monitoring: 1 item(s)
>	Energy Olympics Inquiry: 2 item(s)
>	Energy Workshop for Students: 3 item(s)
>	Engaging Board of Trustees in Sustainability: 3 item(s)
>	Engaging facilities staff in sustainability: 5 item(s)
>	Engaging students in climate advocacy, an info sessio
>	Enrolling: 9-Day Course in Fukushima, Japan - Disaste
>	Enterprise fleet mgmt, GHG reduction goals?: 1 item(s
>	Entry-Level Sustainability Fellowship at University of N

, 12PM East Coast, 9AM Pacific: 1 item(s)

Jniversity: 1 item(s)

ine 12, 2pm ET, Harvard Executive Education for Sustainability Leadership: 1 item(s)

inrollment Numbers: 9 item(s)

r: 4 item(s)

g: 1 item(s)

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at your institution ?: 2 item(s)

on with Citizens' Climate Lobby: 2 item(s)

er Mitigation & Nuclear to Renewable Transitions: 1 item(s)

Mississippi: 1 item(s)

WHY IS TOGETHER BETTER?



scale, and increase influence to achieve goals faster and more cost efficiently.

- practice, leverage
- tandem can share best
- Universities working in

City Partnerships



Formal partnerships with cities means that universities can advise city climate policy, and vice versa

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State systems can leverage climate decisions under their brand, distributing policy to all connected campuses

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By conducting cross-university research efforts, universities can save both time and money

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Storytelling networks can create large collaboratives that share ideas and best practice



Resiliency + Climate Adaption

Collaboratives focused on resiliency and climate adaptation work proactively, planning for future scenarios



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Carbon **Reduction +** Offset



Collaboratives focused on carbon reduction and climate offsets work planning to offset present carbon emissions



EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

NORTHEAST CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY COALITION

BOSTON GREEN RIBBON COMMISSION



PITTSBURGH HIED CLIMATE CONSORTIUM

THE OFFSET NETWORK

GREATER ATLANTA

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PITTSBURGHHECC (HIGHER ED CLIMATE CONSORTIUM)



CITY OF PITTSBURGH'S CLIMATE GOALS

2030 GOALS:

CITY OPERATIONS

100% renewable elect. **100%** fossil fuel free fleet Divestment of City pensions

CITY OF PITTSBURGH

50% energy & water use **50%** transport emission Zero waste



HIGHER ED CLIMATE CONSORTIUM CITY OF PITTSBURGH



STUDENT POPULATION

PITT CCAC CMU DUQUESNE ART INSTITUTE ROBERT MOR. POINT PARK CHATHAM CARLOW LAROCHE 28,600 26,800 14,500 9,300 6,200 5,200 4,100 2,300 2,300 1,500

HIGHER ED CLIMATE CONSORTIUM CITY OF PITTSBURGH

HECC MISSION: REDUCE THE GHGs OF PITTSBURGH

...by actively engaging all Pittsburgh region colleges and universities to:

- 1) COLLABORATE,
- 2) SHARE INFORMATION, AND
- 3) SET GOALS REGARDING:
 - research agenda
 - education curricula,
 - operations,
 - outreach activities, and
 - commitments that reduce GHG emissions

University of Pittsburgh Carnegie Mellon University PC Chatham







DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY PennState Center

Pittsburgh



HECC COMMITMENT & BENEFITS

- Willingness to share!
- Shared inventory methodology
- Consensus on calculator

(CA-CP, now SIMAP)

- All schools conducted baseline
- Shared GHG process (comparability)
- Data sharing
- 2030 District reporting
- Group resources and information sharing
- Learning tours
- Volunteer opportunities for students





PITTSBURGH'S OAKLAND NEIGHBORHOOD



Challenges

- Long-Term Residential Communities
- **Diverse Businesses**
- **Energy Use**



Opportunities

- Leverage Ability
- Transportation
- Housing
- Stormwater Management
- **Resilience** Planning
- **Green Power Purchase Price**
- **Resiliency Planning**
- Food, Waste, and Clothing

City of Pittsburgh's Greenhouse Gas Breakdown - 2013





PITTSBURGH 2030 DISTRICT[®]

2018 ENERGY REDUCTION





figure 4





Note: The 2030 District adjusted the Aggregate Baseline in FY 2019.

Pitt Greenhouse Gas Emissions



Source: University of Pittsburgh 2017 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory

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Penn State Penn State hathan CMU Villanova

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University of Pittsburgh Greenhouse Gas Emissions Comparisons

Select Institutions Multiple values

Normalize by Net Emissions

hover to interact and compare trends

University of Pittsburgh Greenhouse Gas Emissions Comparisons



Select Institutions Multiple values

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Normalize by Full-Time Student

hover to interact and compare trends

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY	PLEDGE DATE	CARBON NEUTRAL BY	ENROLLMENT	COMMITMENT
Allegheny College	6/2/2016	2020	1,729	climate
Bucknell University	2/5/2008	2030	3,718	carbon
Chatham University	10/2/2015	2025	2,098	carbon
Community College of Philadelphia	10/9/2015	?	16,889	carbon
Dickinson University	1/10/2007	2020	2,357	climate
Drexel University	12/21/2010	?	15,481	carbon
Franklin & Marshall College	4/12/2007	2030	2,000	carbon
Gettysburg College	9/1/2007	2032	2,616	carbon
Haverford College	6/4/2007	2060	1,235	carbon
Lafayette College	1/8/2008	?	2,595	climate
Mercyhurst University	9/10/2007	2030	2,708	carbon
Messiah College	8/10/2007	2050	3,182	carbon
Millersville University of Pennsylvania	10/2/2015	2040	6,408	carbon
Montgomery County Community College	7/11/2007	?	3,870	carbon
Slippery Rock University	11/12/2009	2037	9,062	carbon
Swarthmore College	5/5/2010	2035	1,641	carbon
Thomas Jefferson University – East Falls	5/9/2011	2035	3,511	carbon
University of Pennsylvania	5/11/2007	2042	35,860	resilience
University of Pittsburgh	2/28/2020	2037	34,934	carbon
Ursinus College	8/24/2007	2060	1,565	carbon
Villanova University	5/17/2007	2050	9,085	carbon
Washington & Jefferson College	5/4/2007	2042	1,443	carbon
West Chester University of Pennsylvania	10/20/2010	2025	15,622	carbon


Hydropower for Pitt

10x

The hydropower plant will produce enough electricity each year to power the Cathedral of Learning 10 times over.

In 2023, 25% of Pitt's electricity will be hydropower

Sustainability Goal: 0 By 2030, 50% of Pitt's electricity will be renewable 2017 2018 2019

able Electricity - Tariff





Make My Trip Count 2015







Source: Green Building Alliance

Single Occupancy Vehicle Use



Source: Pittsburgh 2030 District 2018 Progress Report



To Oakland



Green Building Alliance

PITTSBURGH NEEDS MORE EV CHARGING STATIONS

Source: EPRI, 2018 | US DOE EVI-Pro, 2018

Existing Pittsburgh Fleet:

- 1,823,800 total vehicles
- 1,400 EVs (0.08%)

Projected 2025 Pittsburgh Fleet:

- -2025 = 1.9% of fleet; 35,000 EVs
- -2030 = 4.5% of fleet; 82,000 EVs
- -2035 = 8.3% of fleet, 150,000 EVs

Existing Pittsburgh Charging:

- Workplace L2:
- Public L2: 214 plugs
- DCFC:

Projected 2025 Pittsburgh Charging:

- Workplace L2: 800 plugs
- Public L2: 600 plugs





Unknown

43 plugs

110 plugs

EV PRESENT & FUTURE

Context

- Port Authority
 - -2 electric buses (out of 720)

City of Pittsburgh

- Fossil fuel free fleet by 2030
- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 - -25% state passenger car fleet BEV & PHEV by 2025.

Higher Ed EV Future

- **Older Chargers**
 - 2012 wave
 - New state-wide Funding
- Fleets
 - Vehicle types & uses
 - Seasons
- Challenges:
 - Pitt = 16 Shuttles, ~1 million rides
 - CMU, Chatham, UPMC also have shuttles









A LOT OF FRAMEWORKS!

UNIVERSITIES NEEDED TO LEAD ON ALL OF THEM

PITTSBURGH FOR ALL

SUSTAINABLE GOALS





City of Pittsburgh CLIMATE ACTION PLAN 3.0 -





EcoDistricts

OUR Vision

A future which is a Pittsburgh for all while retaining character, neighborhoods and people who built our great city.

OUR Responsibility

The United Nation's 17 SDGs are a litmus for the World's sustainable future. Pittsburgh has adopted these goals and will map efforts against them.

OUR Value-Set

Our sustainability values based on people, place, planet and performance. We understand the URA will utilize the p4 Pittsburgh scoring on future projects.

OUR Commitment to Equity

PEI uses 80 indicators in assessing progress toward equitable outcomes for all Pittsburghers and to inform the city's investment decisions moving forward. A new Gender Equity Report from Pitt identifies opportunities to fill gaps in health, income, employment and education.

OUR Climate Mitigation Plan

CAP 3.0 takes approach to climate change mitigation by presenting action plans and strategies regarding six key areas and presents Pittsburgh's Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Goal of 80% GHG by 2050.

OUR Resiliency Plan

First comprehensive resiliency strategy with measurable results. The plan, according to Grant Ervin our CRO, has 12 Goal areas organized around the p4 Pittsburgh values and over 45 initiatives with measurable outcomes of success for Pittsburghers.

OUR Neighborhood Planning Framework

Our City is incorporating the EcoDistricts Protocol into our Neighborhood Plan Guide (under review). EcoDistricts embraces equity, resilience and climate protection as key imperatives for sustainable, healthy communities.

BOSTON GREEN RIBBON COMMISSION





Longy School of Music Episcopal Divinity School

Harvard University

Cambridge College

New England College of Optometry

St. John's Seminary Boston College

Boston University

Wheelock College **Boston Graduate** School of Simmons College **Psychoanalysis** Emmanuel Col Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Science

Harvard Medical School

Newbury

New England Institute of Art

School of

of Art Wentworth institute of echnology.

Boston Conservatory

Bunker Hill Community College

Hult International Business School

 Suffolk
 University Fisher College . Urban College Emerson of Boston College Bay State ··College Tufts New England Medical 118 10 n 167 School of Law School

Berklee College Benjamin Franklin Institute of of Music

New England Conservatory University **Boston University Medical School**



The mission of the Green Ribbon Commission is to convene leaders from Boston's key sectors to support the outcomes of the City's Climate Action Plan.

BOSTON'S GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

GHG REDUCTION CHALLENGE

- 2015: 7.2 Million MTCO₂e
- 2/3s in Building Sector
- 85% of building stock projected in 2050 already exists



BOSTON CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

GHG REDUCTION TARGETS

- 2007 Climate Action Plan
- 2005 Base Year
- 25% by 2020
- 80% by 2050
- 2016 update:
 - Carbon Free by 2050

A Climate of Progress

City of Boston Climate Action Plan Update 2011

UPDATE REP





LEADERSHIP

- Mayor
- 35 Largest Real Estate Holdings, Stakeholders, & Climate Leaders
- Sector Working Groups
 - Higher Ed
 - Commercial RE
 - Healthcare
 - Cultural Institutions



HIGHER ED WORKING GROUP

- Boston University
- Harvard University
- MIT
- Northeastern University
- UMass Boston

Affiliate members:

- Tufts University
- Emerson College



HIGHER ED WORKING GROUP

Executive Group

Task Forces

- Climate Action Planning Support
- Research Collaboration
- Knowledge Transfer & Cross Sector Collaboration



COLLABORATION

- Subject Working Groups
 - Transportation
 - Climate Ready Boston
 - Carbon Free Boston
 - Greenovate Boston



- 1. High Level Engagement
 - Bi-annual meetings
- 2. Working Groups
 - Monthly meetings



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 - Bi-annual meetings
- 2. Working Groups
 - Monthly meetings
- 3. Convenings Climate Action Plan Update

ENGAGE in Boston's Climate Action Planning

Monday, March 24, 5:30 pm GSU Backcourt

sustainability @ BU It's what you do.





CONVENINGS

- 1. High Level Engagement
 - Bi-annual meetings
- 2. Working Groups
 - Monthly meetings
- 3. Climate Action Plan Update
- 4. Preparing for Climate Change
 - Sea level rise
 - Increased heat
 - Storm intensity
 - Resource Availability



CONVENINGS

- 5. Green Labs Symposium
 - 1day
 - Cross sector event
 - Wendell Brase et. El. UC Irvine
 - I²SL
 - Utilities



About Us / News & Events / Schools & Units

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TOPICS PROGRAMS ACTION

Green Labs Symposium

Bringing together lab experts from the higher education, health care, and biotech sectors to explore shared challenges and solutions to making our labs more sustainable.

CONVENINGS

6. Renewable Energy

- Purchasing Network
- 1/2 day Forum
- Renewable Energy Prize
- Full day Workshop
- Outcomes
- Endicott/Tufts aggregation
- MIT/BMC/POSA aggregation
- BU Wind



Financial Model Power Purchase Aareement (PPA) Initial Cost/kWh Escalation Rate Price Floor Burout Schedule · Risk

CONVENINGS

- 7. Public Health & Climate
 - 1 day
 - Cross sector event
 - City leaders
 - Gina McCarthy
 - Schools of Public Health
 - New York Times



CONVENINGS

8. First Movers

- 1/2 day
- Cross sector event
- Renewable Energy
- Energy Efficiency
- Thermal Geo-Exchange



CONVENINGS

9. Large Scale Renewables

- 1 day
- Cross sector event
- Follow up to First Movers
- Criteria setting
- Deal structure
- Market factors
- Risk factors
- Outcomes
- Municipal aggregation for over 100 communities
- 6 real estate & healthcare
- 7 universities



CONVENINGS

10. Bring Your Own Problem

- 1/2 day
- Higher Ed sector focus
- Second Nature
- ENGIE
- Ohio State University



PLACED-BASED SCIENCE DRIVEN SOLUTIONS

RESULTS

- 2016
 - Boston Research Advisory Group (BRAG)
 - Climate Ready Boston
 - Renewable Energy Procurement
- 2017
 - Lab Energy Benchmarking
- 2018
 - Financing Climate Resilience
 - Lab Energy Update



Boston Area Laboratory Energy Benchmarking Study

Year 2 Data Analysis Report: University Labs

A Report from the Higher Education Working Group Boston Green Ribbon Commission

Managed by the Harvard Office for Sustainability

Higher Education



HARVARD Office for Sustainab



PLACED-BASED SCIENCE DRIVEN SOLUTIONS

RESULTS

- **2018**
 - Financing Climate
 Resilience
 - Lab Energy Benchmarking
 - Harbor Barrier Study
- **2019**
 - Carbon Free Boston
 - Carbon Free Boston Social
 Equity
- **2020**



BUILDING ENERGY REPORTING & DISCLOSURE ORDINANCE (BERDO)

RESULTS

- Development
- Support
- Training



BUILDING ENERGY REPORTING & DISCLOSURE ORDINANCE (BERDO)

EXECUTION

- Portfolio Manager
- Buildings over 35ksf
- 5 year cycle
- Energy Audits
- 15% EUI reduction
- Emerging Carbon Metric



BACKBONE SUPPORT

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- Dedicated Organization
 - Direction from the top
 - Skilled team
 - Financial support
- Organization
 - Working groups
 - Tasked to deliver
 - Develop programs



BACKBONE SUPPORT

SUPPORT

- Barr Foundation
- Bank of America
- The Grantham Foundation
- Henry P. Kendall Foundation
- The Boston Foundation
- Boston Properties
- Avalon Bay Communities
- Sherry and Alan Leventhal Family Foundation
- Equity Residential
- Arbella Insurance
- Eversource
- National Grid
- Turner Construction
- Orsted









HENRY P. KENDALL FOUNDATION





Creates the environment we need for us all to achieve our sustainability goals




Dennis Carlberg carlberg@bu.edu

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HEALTHY EMORY, HEALTHY COMMUNITIES, HEALTHY PLANET





A comprehensive approach to sustainability















UNITED NATIONS NAMES GREATER ATLANTA AN RCE

A Regional Centre of Expertise (RCE) for education on sustainable development (ESD) is a **network** of individuals, institutions, organizations, and experts who are:

committed to using formal, nonformal, and informal education as a collaborative tool for increasing collective impact to build a sustainable future.







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GeorgiaClimateProject.org

questions.

We're building a non-partisan statewide network to answer these

Georgia can lead on this issue by managing the risks that come with a changing climate and seizing the opportunities that come with tackling this challenge head-on. The Georgia Climate Project is designed to support this work. Founded in 2018 by Emory University, the University of Georgia, and the Georgia Institute of Technology, it now includes nine colleges and universities, working in partnership with governmental, nongovernmental, and private sector stakeholders across the state. KEY

PRIORITIES



PROJECTS

Growing Georgia's knowledge base

Georgia Climate Research Roadmap: Over 40 experts identified and ranked the top 40 questions for which answers will benefit climate policymakers, practitioners, and scientists in the state. Released May 2018. Roadmap.GeorgiaClimateProject.org



Creating a healthier dialogue on climate

Georgia Climate Stories: An interactive map that highlights personal stories of what climate change means for Georgians. The product features original storytelling as well as stories produced media outlets. Released November 2019. by Stories.GeorgiaClimateProject.org



STRONGER

NETWORK

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Shaping a positive vision for Georgia's future

Georgia Drawdown: Identifying the most promising solutions for carbon neutrality in Georgia; currently underway. GeorgiaDrawdown.org

Carbon Reduction Challenge: Teams of students partnering with organizations to develop strategies for reducing carbon footprints while saving money. <u>CarbonReductionChallenge.org</u>



2019 Georgia Climate Conference: The conference brought together more than 430 participants from more than 180 organizations across Georgia for the second-ever statewide convening climate on change. Conference.GeorgiaClimateProject.org

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www.GeorgiaDrawdown.org

GEORGIA DRAWDOWNTM

Launched by the Ray C. Anderson Foundation, Georgia Drawdown will bring a Georgia lens to the foundational work of Project DrawdownTM, which identified 100 global solutions for reducing emissions to the point that levels of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere begin to decrease. As a first step, experts from the Georgia Institute of Technology, Emory University, the University of Georgia, and other partner organizations are **assessing each of the 100 global solutions to determine their impact in Georgia**. In addition, this group is exploring **other possible solutions** that are not on the global list. The team is looking not only at the emissions impacts, but also the benefits that go **"beyond carbon"**: providing new economic opportunities for the state, advancing equity, and improving health.

Leadership Team

- Marilyn Brown, Regents' Professor and Director, Climate and Energy Policy Lab, Georgia Tech
- Kim Cobb, Professor and Director, Global Change Program, Georgia Tech
- Michael Oxman, Managing Director, Ray C. Anderson Center for Sustainable Business, Georgia Tech
- Daniel Rochberg, Instructor and Chief Strategy Officer, Climate@Emory, Emory University
- Marshall Shepherd, Professor and Director, Program in Atmospheric Sciences, UGA
- Beril Toktay, Professor and Director, Ray C. Anderson Center for Sustainable Business, Georgia Tech

Working Group Leads

- Electricity Generation: Marilyn Brown and Santiago Grijalva, Georgia Tech
- Transportation: Rich Simmons, Georgia Tech
- Built Environment & Materials: Dan Matisoff, Georgia Tech
- Food Systems: Sudhagar Mani and Jeff Mullen, UGA
- Forestry and Land Use: Puneet Dwivedi and Jacqueline Mohan, UGA
- Beyond Carbon: Michael Oxman and Laura Taylor, Georgia Tech; David Iwaniec, Georgia State

Timeline

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EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

NORTHEAST CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY COALITION

BOSTON GREEN RIBBON COMMISSION



PITTSBURGH HIED CLIMATE CONSORTIUM

THE OFFSET NETWORK

GREATER ATLANTA

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ST. LOUIS REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION SUSTAINABILITY CONSORTIUM (STL-HESC)

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Topics have included Consortium engagement Economy Network, and participation in experiences like move-out, curriculum, and freshman orientation.





Southern Illinois University

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with AASHE, networking with the Illinois Green Recyclemania. Semesterly coffee-talks address



NYC CARBON CHALLENGE

Established in 2007, the challenge was designed for universities and hospitals to reduce city GHG emissions 80% by 2050 (from 2005 baseline)

17 NYC universities committed to buildingbased GHG reductions through tracking and optimizing









UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

UC- Policy on Sustainable Practices text components:

- Green Building Design
- Clean Energy
- **Climate Protection**
- Sustainable Transportation
- Sustainable Building Operations for Campuses
- Zero Waste
- Sustainable Procurement
- Sustainable Foodservices
- Sustainable Water Systems
- Sustainability at UC Health



"The University of California is should be living laboratories for sustainability, contributing to the University"

committed to responsible stewardship of resources and to demonstrating leadership in sustainable business practices. The University's locations research and educational mission of the

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

64 campuses, altogether one of the state's largest energy consumers



ENERGY	FOOD
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SUSTAINABILITY BENCHMARKING

A workbook intended to implement a set of tiered guidelines for SUNY dining and retail_purchasing

GEORGIA CLIMATE PROJECT

The Georgia Climate Project is building a network of experts across the state to advance four strategic priorities.



Science

Synthesizing what is known and analyzing what is not in order to improve understanding of climate impacts and solutions in Georgia.

Learn more >



Stronger conversations

Fostering a constructive, nonpartisan discussion about how climate change affects Georgia and what can be done about it.

Learn more >



Solutions

Working with partners to enable Georgians to take practical steps to respond to climate change and its impacts.

Learn more >



Climate@Emory



Founding partners











Stronger network

Bringing together experts working to understand and act on climate.

Learn more >

Academic partners





CLIMATE EDUCATION PARTNERS



San Diego, 2050 Is Calling. HOW WILL WE ANSWER? FACING THE FUTURE: e Can Help Prepare San Diego Regional Leaders For Climate Change WHY 2050? 💎 📎 🍰 🌔 🍕

SAN DIEGO, CA

COASTAL FLOODING To address more frequent and widespread coastal flooding, we can use smart infrastructure and natural buffers to safeguard residents and busin

San Diego research and higher education institutions partnering to educate San Diego leaders about climate change and its effect on the region's quality of life

The coalition collects climate data, develops educational materials for community members, and models regional climate collaboration for replication by other communities









THE NORTHEAST CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY CONSORTIUM (NECSC)

A network of sustainability officers committed to meeting annually to advance education related to sustainability in higher education



Conference History

Since 2004, NECSC steering committee members have committed to hosting annual gatherings. As planning continues for the next 10 years, additional host institutions will emerge.

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2008	New Jersey (Princeton)	2017	1
2009	Vermont (Middlebury and the University of Vermont)	2018	(
2010	Montreal (McGill University)	2019	1
2011	Pennsylvania (Carnegie Mellon)	2020	1
2012	New York (Syracuse University)		



- Maryland
- Rhode Island (Brown University)
- Massachusetts (University of Massachusetts)
- Massachusetts (Wellesley College and Babson College)
- New Hampshire (Dartmouth College)
- Connecticut (Wesleyan University)
- Maine (University of Southern Maine)
- Montreal (McGill University)

THE OFFSET NETWORK

A coalition of partners dedicated to sharing and creating high quality resources, templates, and peer evaluation for institutions interested in implementing carbon offset plans, especially for Scope 3 emissions







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EXAMPLE GUIDES FROM THE OFFSET NETWORK



CLIMATE RESILIENCE IN URBAN **CAMPUSES AND COMMUNITIES (CRUX)**

Multi-city partnership supported by a Kresge Foundation grant

Project goals include

- Implementing a **nationally-scalable** strategy for climate resiliency in communities and campuses
- Learning with and from the partners as they complete benchmarking by creating a campus/community task force, and completing a resilience capacity assessment



Partners

Institutions participating in CRUX include:

Los Angeles

- Northridge Vision
- Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council

Phoenix

Portland

- Portland State University Mt. Hood Community College Portland Downtown Neighborhood Association City of Gresham · City of Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability



- California State University, Northridge
- Los Angeles Valley College

 Arizona State University · South Mountain Community College Habitat for Humanity Central Arizona

ECOLEAGUE EcoLeague



Student Opportunities

Faculty Opportunities

Free xChange

Eco-Reps

Green Devil Certification

EcoLeague

- Consortium for Sustainability
- EcoLeague Resources for Faculty

CONSORTIUM FOR SUSTAINABILITY



WHAT IS THE ECOLEAGUE?

The EcoLeague is the only college consortium in the United States dedicated to sustainability education and the active pursuit of environmental studies within a liberal-arts framework. Dickinson was inducted into the 12-year-old multischool consortium in 2014.



EcoLeague consortium members include: • Alaska Pacific University, • College of the Atlantic, • Dickinson College, New College of Florida, Northland College, and Prescott College.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SYSTEM







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UPPER MIDWEST ASSOCIATION FOR CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY





- Volunteer organization founded in 2005 to share information on sustainability between college campuses in the Midwest
 - Research, programming, facilities/maintenance
- Originally funded w/ grants from MN Office of **Environmental Assistance and EPA**
- Today, entirely volunteer-run



GREATER ATLANTA RCE





A Regional Centre of Expertise (RCE) for education on sustainable development (ESD) is a network of individuals, institutions, organizations, and experts who are:

a sustainable future.







committed to using formal, nonformal, and informal education as a collaborative tool for increasing collective impact to build

REGIONAL CENTRE OF EXPERTISE ON EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Boston

Summary Report 2019

Carbon Free

CITY of BOSTON

Dear Mayor Walsh,

Working Group, we are honored to present you with our Carbon Free Boston report ions of strategies to reduce gree house eas emissions across our energy, buildings, transportation, and waste sectors It is intended to provide an analytical framework for the City of Boston and its key cices about which specific strategies and usual to achieve the poal of being carbon neutral by 2050.

sions, the City of Boston can also improve the quality of life for its residents - reduce

congestion, make our streets safer, improve transit access, create more green space uce noise and air pollution and improve public health. We are proud to note that

drivesses the potential impacts of different policies on social equity and acknowledges that socially just solutions are as in

In 2015 you signed the Metro Mayors Climate Mitigation ity by 2050. In that same year, you asked the Green Ribbon Commission to establish a Working G the development of strategies to achieve those emittings targets. In response we set up the Carbon Free Boston Working Group omprising GRC members and other leaders in the energy, finance, and communications sectors. We subsequently partne sity's institute for Sustainable Energy (ISE) to develop a sophisticated analytical platform to assess the impe of a broad range of strategies and policies on the City's emissions. The Boston University team worked with a team of consultant and five different Adv Groups representing more than 120 experts in the fields of energy, transportation, buildings, waste an ocial equity. These experts came from a wide variaty of organizations, including city and state government, regional planning

the graat magnitude of the change needed to achieve carbon neutrality. It incuires an elecwable sources of energy and a large-scale reduction in the use of oil and natural gas for trarid that is powered by re a heating and hot water it remains immediate and dramatic afforts to make buildings more energy afficient it entails recipient g travel in personal vehicles with greater use of public transportation, cycling and walking, while eliminating the use of internal us for remaining whiches, and it nerves tates sending zero, waste to jandfills and inciserators. These nerves ation and transformation in our city's core systems. And we will head to make these changes in -

to know that the delivery of this report is just one step on the City's read to carbon ne ientation strategies, the members of the GRC stand with you to provide support and experts to test concepts and help scale those that make sense for the City, and to reach deep into our sectors to muster support for the atsition that you will lead. Please call on us. We look forward to

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Businesses, institutions, and civic action strategies aligning with the **City's Climate Action Plan**







leaders reporting and sharing climate

HIGHER ED CLIMATE CONSORTIUM CITY OF PITTSBURGH

HECC MISSION: REDUCE THE GHG OF PITTSBURGH

... by actively engaging all Pittsburgh region colleges and universities to:

- **COLLABORATE**,
- 2. SHARE INFORMATION, AND
- **SET GOALS REGARDING:** 3.
 - research agenda
 - education curricula,
 - operations,
 - outreach activities, and
 - commitments that reduce GHG emissions









