



Climate Equity Advisory Council

Purpose:

We are pleased to announce a partnership with Detroit City Council's Green Task Force, led by Councilman Benson, to help us work alongside Detroiters to resume public outreach and engagement. The Green Task Force is a body of longtime environmental justice activists and sustainability leaders that has been working on climate solutions for more than a decade. We are excited to share new opportunities to join us in co-creating a strategy that is deeply rooted in equity.

The Climate Equity Advisory Council (CEAC) will consist of residents from the most vulnerable communities, local climate justice leaders, and City Officials, charged with supporting the development and implementation of the City's climate planning and action implementation work. The CEAC will advise the City to help create an equitable planning process and ensure equitable outcomes. The CEAC will play a significant role in the climate equity assessment.

Structure

- The CEAC will meet on a regular basis to support the development of Detroit's Climate Strategy, review progress towards the City's Climate goals, and discuss emerging issues as identified by the Office of Sustainability, Green Task Force Chairs, and residents.
- The agenda for CEAC meetings will be collectively set by the Office of Sustainability, Green Task Force Chairs, and the members of the CEAC.
- The CEAC will meet approximately 7 – 9 times over an 8 month period. Tentative meeting topics include:
 - Equity Training
 - Scope Overview (1 session)
 - Implementing an Equity Lens
 - Greenhouse Gas Assessment (1 session)
 - Climate Vulnerability Analysis (1 session)
 - External Engagement (1 session)
 - Climate Resiliency Toolkit (1 session)
 - Climate Mitigation

Estimated time commitment for members: 35 hours



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Roles

- The CEAC will support the Office of Sustainability in the development of Detroit's Climate Strategy by:
 - Meeting regularly to weigh-in on all parts of the Climate Scope
 - Guiding integration of equity in the Climate Vulnerability Analysis
 - Providing guidance for the creation of the Community Resiliency Toolkit
 - Promoting community forums, focus groups, and climate preparedness events
 - Promoting the Resiliency Pilot Projects opportunity
 - Framing climate and resiliency goals
 - Providing technical expertise on topics on which they or their organizations have expertise
 - Providing feedback on key initiatives