

## Climate & Energy Initiatives

Overview

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#### 2007 – 2019 Climate & Energy Highlights











2011 -2012 2013 -2014 2017 -2018

July 19, 2018

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**Green Building Policy** 

Sustainable Development Policy

EPA Green Power Partner, Energy Star Partner

Natural Landscaping Guidelines APA Award, Tysons Comprehensive Plan

1st PHEV purchased

E-cycling program established

FCPA, Great Parks, Great Communities 2010-2020

MWCOG, Electric Vehicle Readiness Plan 1st LED building retrofitted

1st EV purchased

NACO Award, FCPS/DPWES, A Field Guide to Fairfax County's Plants and Wildlife Environmental Vision update

Tree Action Plan update

Public energy dashboard launched for FMD, FCPA facilities

Natural Landscaping update Fairfax Green Initiatives Board Matter

C-PACE Ordinance, Program Administrator

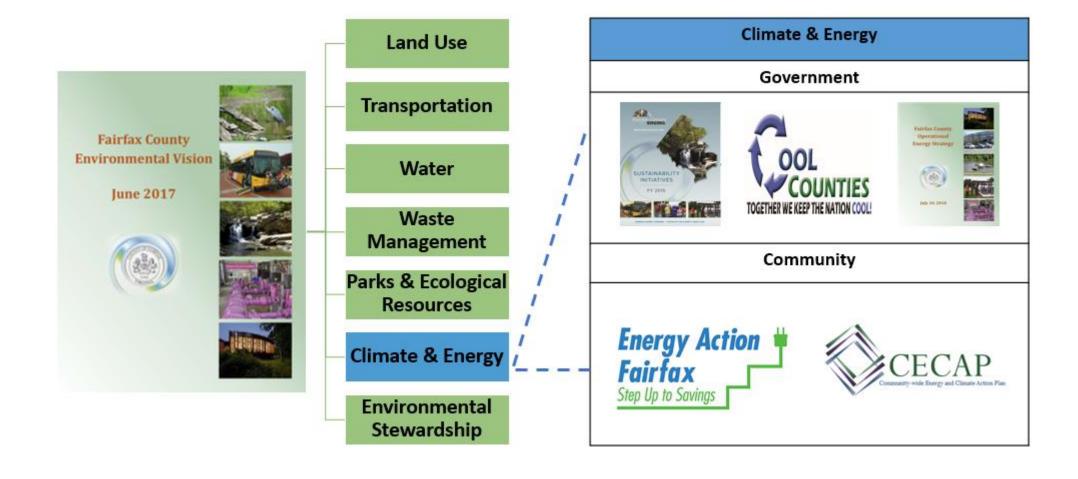
Solar PPA

RPP, EV charging equipment at county facilities

JET



#### Overview



#### Cool Counties Climate Stabilization Initiative



#### **Local Governments**

Reduce operational GHG emissions.

Develop a GHG emissions inventory.

Implement policies, programs and operations to achieve significant, measurable and sustainable reductions of operational GHG emissions.

#### Regional

Reduce regional GHG emissions by 80% below 2005 levels by 2050.

Develop regional GHG emissions inventory and Climate Action Plan.

#### Federal

Enact multi-sector national program of requirements and mandatory market-based limits/incentives to reduce GHG emissions 80% below 2005 levels by 2050.

Enact CAFE standard that achieves at least 35 mpg within 10 years for cars and trucks.



#### **Energy Action Fairfax Programs**





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Program	Goal	Updates
Fairfax Employees for Environmental Excellence (FEEE, est. 2010)	Foster a greener workplace culture in Fairfax County.	<ul> <li>Employee Composting Pilot Program</li> <li>Blog</li> <li>Quarterly newsletter</li> <li>Monthly meetings</li> <li>Earth Day 2020 Fair</li> </ul>
LED Lightbulb Exchange (est. 2018)	Educate residents about energy and costs savings associated with the adoption of LED lightbulbs.	<ul> <li>12 events in 2018 – 2019</li> <li>12,000 LEDs distributed</li> <li>Estimated 270,000 kWh saved</li> <li>Estimated \$30,000 saved/year</li> </ul>
Energy Masters Pilot Program (2020)	Promote efficiency in low-income housing.	Expected kickoff Spring 2020
Solarize Fairfax County (est. 2017)	Educate residents and businesses on opportunities to adopt solar.	<ul> <li>57 contracts signed in 2019, equal to ~563 kW</li> <li>Returning Spring 2020</li> </ul>
Green Business Partners (est. 2016)	Recognize local businesses that are leaders in environmental stewardship.	<ul> <li>20 Green Business Partners</li> <li>5 Small Green Business Partners</li> </ul>



#### Fairfax County Sustainability Initiatives Highlights





# **Operational Energy Strategy Highlights**





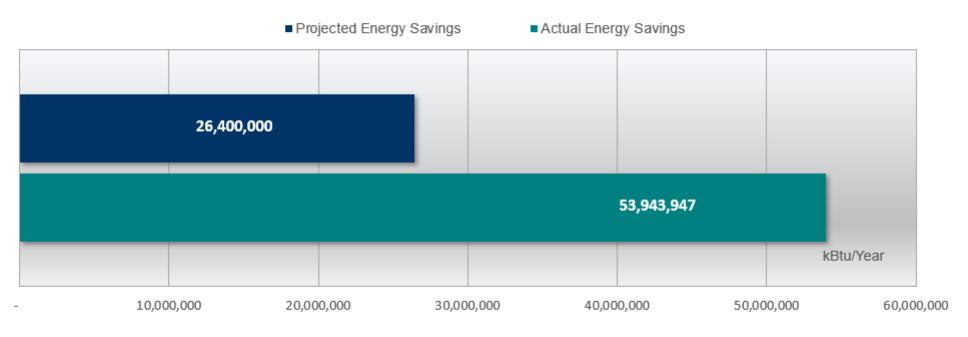
## **Operational Energy Strategy Highlights**

Focus Area	Goal	Target	Updates
Energy Use & Efficiency	Reduce electricity and natural gas use in existing county facilities and operations.	Reduce energy use 20% from 2019 to 2029, equivalent to a reduction of 2% per year over the 10-year period.	<ul> <li>Energy Improvement         Projects     </li> <li>LED Streetlight         Conversion Program     </li> <li>ESCO Pilot Program</li> </ul>
Innovative Energy Solutions	Reduce fossil fuel consumption through the application of innovative concepts and technologies.	Implement a rooftop solar pilot project at the Springfield Warehouse capable of generating electricity equivalent to the warehouse's expected annual electricity consumption.	<ul><li>Solar PPA</li><li>113 facilities</li><li>7 FCPS projects underway</li></ul>
Green Buildings	Ensure that new construction and major renovations of county facilities are energy- and water-efficient.	Achieve LEED Silver or equivalent on all new facility construction, additions and renovations with an occupied area greater than 10,000 square feet.	<ul> <li>16 LEED Silver projects</li> <li>15 LEED Gold projects</li> </ul>
Electric Vehicles (EVs)	Minimize energy used in the transportation of county staff and goods and the delivery of services.	By 2025, ensure that Level 2 charging infrastructure is installed at up to 20 major gov't facilities and by 2030 5% of gov't passenger vehicle purchases are electric or plug-in hybrid.	EV Charging RFP closed     November 2019



### Operational Energy Strategy Highlights, con't

Progress Through FY 2019 Energy Efficiency Target



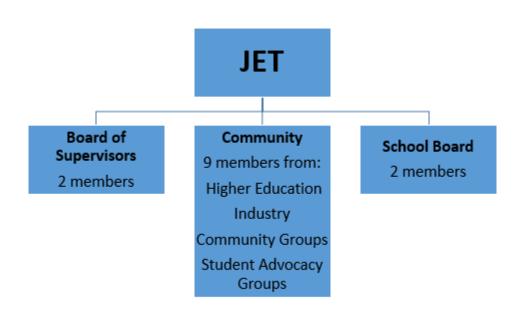
Within the Energy Use & Efficiency focus area of the Operational Energy Strategy, the county's goal is to reach overall energy savings of 264M kBtu by 2029.

# Fairfax Green Initiatives Implementation Matrix

Action Item		Complete	Ongoing	CECAP	Anticipated Consideration	
					CY2019	CY2020
1. Direct the County Executive to report to the						
Environmental Committee no later than June 2019						
on:						
1a. A draft process, resources and timeline to	OEEC	Х		Х		
develop a CECAP.						
1b. A process for contracting with an ESPC or						
recommend other such initiatives that produce a	DPMM	x				
similar outcome and timeframe.						
2. Refer to the Development Process Committee for						
discussion and consideration whether County staff						
should review and report back to the Committee on						
the costs and benefits of the following:						
2a. Comprehensive Plan and Zoning changes that						
would incentivize and support more environmentally	DPD		x	х		
sustainable development.	5.5					
2b. Building design and code changes, including the						
International Green Construction Code, that could			x			x
inspire and expedite energy saving practices on all						
new construction and significant renovations.						

A complete update to the Fairfax Green Initiatives Implementation Matrix may be found at: https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/boardofsupervisors/board-supervisors-environmental-committee-meeting-feb-4-2020.

#### Joint Environmental Taskforce (JET)



- Joint political and administrative capabilities of FCG and FCPS systems to:
  - Proactively and equitably address climate change and environmental sustainability
  - Establish aggressive goals in areas of common FCG and FCPS operations and influence
- Focus areas include:
  - Energy
  - Transportation
  - Workforce
  - Waste Reduction/ Recycling



## Community-Wide Energy & Climate Action Planning



Program	Goal	Updates
CECAP	Develop community-wide climate mitigation goals and strategies.	<ul> <li>Focus Group and Task Force kickoff meetings occurred in January 2020</li> </ul>
C-PACE	Facilitate energy efficiency and renewable energy projects for commercial building owners.	<ul> <li>Virginia PACE         Authority         designated         Program         Administrator in         Fall 2019</li> </ul>

#### For More Information

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## Glossary

- APA American Planning Association
- **CECAP** Community-Wide Energy and Climate Action Plan **GHG** Greenhouse Gas
- C-PACE Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and
   JET Joint Environmental Taskforce Resiliency Program
- **DPWES** Department of Public Works and Environmental Services
- **EAF** Energy Action Fairfax
- **EECBG** Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant
- **ESCO** Energy Service Company
- **EV** Electric Vehicle
- **FCG** Fairfax County Government
- FCPA Fairfax County Park Authority
- **FCPS** Fairfax County Public Schools
- **FCSI** Fairfax County Sustainability Initiatives
- **FEEE** Fairfax Employees for Environmental Excellence

- FMD Facilities Management Division

- kBtu 1000 British thermal units
- **kW/kWh** kilowatt/ kilowatt-hour
- **LED** Light-emitting diode
- **MWCOG- CEEPC** Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, Climate Energy & Environment Policy Committee
- NACo National Association of Counties
- OES Operational Energy Strategy
- **PHEV** Plug-in Electric Vehicle
- **PPA** Power Purchase Agreement
- RFP Request for Proposal