City of Menlo Park Climate Action Planning

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CA Climate Action Planning Conference 2015
* 2005 Green Ribbon Panel - 100 participants
* 2005 1st Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory
* 2008 Approval to develop a Climate Action Plan (CAP)
* 2009 1st CAP drafted and approved
* 2011 CAP update
* 2013 CAP update and adoption of 27% GHG reduction goal from 2005 levels by 2020
* 2014 CAP update
* 2015 CAP update in process

*From 2005 to Today*
**Who Has Input**

* Residents, businesses, non-profits, and staff
* City’s Environmental Quality Commission (EQC)
* City Council

**Budget**

* City’s General Fund, operating budget for Environmental Programs
* Capitol Improvement Plan (CIP)
* Grant Funding

**CAP Measure Selection**
**Infrastructure**

* Solar PV on 4 Civic Buildings
* 40% of Street Lights converted to LED
* EV Chargers
* Bike Lane Enhancements
* Public and Private Shuttle Service
* CCE(?)

**Programs**

* Energy Efficiency Workshops for Residents
* Green Business Program
* Energy Watch for Small Business Program
* Solar Education

**Example Measures Selected**
**Sustainability**

* Green Building
* LEED Silver
* General Plan
* Water Conservation
  * $150K in FY14/15 rebates
  * Monthly classes
  * Student programs

**Compliance**

* Solid Waste, Recycling, Organics
* Stormwater Pollution Prevention
* Litter
* Hazardous Materials
* HHW
* WELO

**Other Sustainability - Environmental Programs**
Results to Date
* Plan Infrastructure Improvements
* Opportunistic Synergy
* Accumulate Small and Large Wins