

“Why Climate Collaboration in Pierce County? Change is inevitable but PNW Heat Dome X2 is not”

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by Climate Pierce County, October 13, 2021

Our Mission Statement: Climate Pierce County is an umbrella coalition committed to a carbon-free future for Pierce County. We aim to work collaboratively with all organizations endeavoring to fight climate change and environmental injustice, with the goal of creating a healthy, sustainable, and resilient future for all Pierce County residents.

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Climate Action Resource Packet

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Referenced in our Presentation

1. [Puyallup Tribe Climate Emergency Resolution](#), 2016
2. [City of Tacoma Climate Emergency Resolution](#), 2019
3. [IPCC 6th Assessment Report, Summary for Policy Makers](#), 2021
4. [Pierce County Rural Climate Dialogues](#), 2021
5. [2016 Puyallup Tribe Climate Change Impact Assessment and Adaptation Options](#)
6. [Sustainability 2030: Pierce County Green House Gas Reduction Plan](#), 2021
7. [Northwest Seaport Alliance Clean Air Strategy](#), 2021
8. [Puyallup-White River LIO Ecosystem Recovery Plan](#), 2021
9. Funding Opportunities

Additional On-line Resources that may be of interest

10. [Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan](#): a collaboration between Lacey, Tumwater and Olympia. 2020
11. [Joint Letter of Commitment](#): example of climate collaboration intent between 17 cities and towns in King County, 2019. They are the [K4C](#).
12. [WA Climate Assembly](#), 2021
13. [Office of Financial Management: Prioritizing Actions and Investments for Climate Resiliency in Washington](#), 2020

Funding Opportunities

- Port of Tacoma Local Economic Development Investment fund, \$250,000:
<https://www.portoftacoma.com/community/community-funding-application>
- Washington State Department of Commerce Clean Energy Fund:
<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/clean-energy-fund/>
- Washington State Department of Commerce Energy Efficiency and Solar Grants:
<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/energy-efficiency-and-solar-grants/>
- USDA :*Rural Energy for America Program Renewable Energy Systems & Energy Efficiency Improvement Guaranteed Loans & Grants*: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/rural-energy-america-program-renewable-energy-systems-energy-efficiency>
- PSE Custom Grants for Energy Efficiency Upgrades. Requires PSE business electric or gas customer. <https://www.pse.com/en/business-incentives/commercial-retrofit-grants/custom-grants>
- EPA Water Infrastructure and Resiliency Finance Center:
<https://www.epa.gov/waterfinancecenter>
- US Climate Resilience Toolkit, Funding Opportunities:
<https://toolkit.climate.gov/content/funding-opportunities>
- EPA Federal Funding and Technical Assistance for Climate Adaptation:
<https://www.epa.gov/arc-x/federal-funding-and-technical-assistance-climate-adaptation>
- Biden’s American Jobs Bill Funds: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/03/31/fact-sheet-the-american-jobs-plan/>
- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program – aimed at local governments:
<https://www.energy.gov/eere/wipo/energy-efficiency-and-conservation-block-grant-program>
- Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loans: Tacoma received one for modernizing the Central Wastewater Treatment plant electrical distribution system:
<https://www.epa.gov/wifia/wifia-projects>
- Surface Transportation Block Grant Program: flexible funding for projects to preserve and improve the conditions and performance on any Federal-aid highway, bridge and tunnel projects on any public road, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, and transit capital projects, including intercity bus terminals: <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/specialfunding/stp/>