



OUR CLIMATE FUTURE

OCF PLAN AND BIG MOVES

WELCOME TO FORT COLLINS' OUR CLIMATE FUTURE PLAN

This Plan is our community guide to creating the carbon neutral, zero waste and 100% renewable electricity future we desire while improving our community equity and resilience. **Our Climate Future articulates an unwavering commitment to mitigating and adapting to climate change with a comprehensive approach that puts people first. Our Climate Future implementation intensifies our efforts towards these primary environmental goals:**

- Reduce 2030 greenhouse gas emissions by 80% below 2005 baseline levels;
- Provide 100% renewable electricity by 2030 with grid and local sources and
- Achieve zero waste, or 100% landfill diversion, by 2030.

PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST

Our Climate Future recognizes that if everyone is to benefit from these efforts, we must intentionally put people at the center of the work to harness the skills and passion of the residents and businesses who call Fort Collins home. When we redesign our efforts to put people, their respective communities and community-defined priorities at the center of our approach, with technical solutions serving and uplifting those priorities, climate action becomes a catalyst for addressing many of our challenges, from affordable housing, to a healthy economy, to convenient ways to get around.

Our Climate Future embodies a systems-approach for solutions which address climate, energy and waste goals while positively impacting the daily lives of residents, business operations and supporting community-defined sustainability priorities. Together, Big and Next Moves increase community capacity to:

- Draw down greenhouse gas emissions, waste and energy use, while increasing renewable electricity, carbon sequestration and waste prevention;
- Co-create and share community leadership to develop partnerships for implementation;
- Adapt to a changing climate to improve community resilience;
- Plan for investment in a portfolio of strategies which provide net benefits;
- Ensure all parts of the community are included and see themselves in the solutions proposed; and
- Track the goals to measure success and progress toward achieving sustainability and resilience.

BIG AND NEXT MOVES

Big Moves is the Our Climate Future way of describing the transformational outcomes which connect our specific goals for climate, energy and waste with the community's definition of a sustainable Fort Collins. Next Moves are the specific strategies and tactics that lead to transformational outcomes of the Big Moves. Each Big Move has an associated set of Next Moves. The Next Moves are evaluated for their impact on goals, benefits and costs, potential results for improving equity and resilience.



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THIRTEEN BIG MOVES FOR OUR CLIMATE FUTURE¹

BETTER TOGETHER

1 - Shared Leadership and Community Partnership: Centered in equity and leading with race, all parts of our community lead, implement and benefit from Our Climate Future.

2 - Zero Waste Neighborhoods: We can all share and reuse so we don't have to buy things we won't regularly use and are able to recycle or compost the rest.

3 - Climate Resilient Community: People, buildings, watersheds and ecosystems are prepared for the threats of climate change.

LIVE BETTER

4 - Convenient Transportation Choices: It is safe, easy, fast and affordable to get around without a car.

5 - Live, Work and Play Nearby: No matter where we live, we all can meet our basic daily needs without driving across town.

6 - Efficient, Emissions Free Buildings: Everyone lives and works in healthy energy and water efficient buildings which transition to become emissions free.

7 - Healthy Affordable Housing: Everyone has healthy, stable housing they can afford.

8 - Local, Affordable and Healthy Food: Everyone has access to healthy and affordable food, sourced or rescued from local and regional producers.

RESOURCE BETTER

9 - Healthy Local Economy and Jobs: The community supports a healthy innovative local economy with new opportunities for all people and businesses to thrive.

10 - Zero Waste Economy: Business, industry, institutions, and government collaborate to recirculate resources and eliminate waste.

BREATHE BETTER

11 - Healthy Natural Spaces: We all are stewards of healthy natural spaces and honor the deep and historical human connection to this land.

12 - 100% Renewable Electricity: Everyone in the community receives affordable and reliable 100% renewable electricity, including from local sources.

13 - Electric Cars and Fleets: Residents can afford and use electric cars, including shared electric cars, and conventional fleets are converted to electric.



OUR CLIMATE FUTURE AND YOU

This plan is about you and is an invitation to lead. Because this plan is about all of our futures, it will take all parts of our community to ensure the future is equitable, climate resilient, carbon neutral, renewable, and zero waste.

Whether you are a resident, business owner, community institution, or visitor, consider this an invitation to get involved and find your place of action and leadership in Our Climate Future. See the Our Climate Future Action Guide for a starting point of ideas to get started.

¹ The Big Move numbering is for easy referencing; the order does not imply priorities of any kind.