





### Climate Change Initiatives

# Louisville





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### U.S Conference of Mayors Climate Protection Agreement

- Mayor Jerry Abramson signed the agreement in April 2005
- Partnership for a Green City's (PGC) mission aligned with Agreement goals
- Partners include:
  - Louisville Metro Government
  - Jefferson County Public Schools
  - University of Louisville



### PGC Climate Change Committee

- Climate Change Committee (CCC) of the PGC was formed in 2007
  - APCD chairs the CCC
  - Unique from other PGC committees
- Goal: Develop and recommend emission reduction strategies to PGC



### **CCC** Working Groups

- Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy
- Outreach & Education
- Local Impacts
- Utility Regulations, Policies & Practices
- Land Use, Transportation & Urban Forestry
- Waste
- Greenhouse Gas Inventory & Mechanisms



#### GHG Inventories Project Scope

- Community inventories
  - 1990 Baseline year
  - 2006 Most current available data
- Community inventory projections
  - **2012**
  - **2020**
- PGC entity GHG inventories 2006 (~5% of County-wide total)
  - Jefferson County Public Schools
  - Louisville Metro Government
  - University of Louisville
- Other entity (quasi-governmental) inventories 2006
  - Louisville Regional Airport Authority
  - Louisville Water Company
  - Metropolitan Sewer District
  - Transit Authority of River City

## Reducing Metro Government's Carbon Footprint

- Solar-powered streetlight pilot project
- Free public transit for Metro employees
- Fleet Improvements
  - B5 biodiesel blend
  - More hybrid vehicles
  - Revised purchasing guidelines





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- Building Improvements
  - Energy audits
  - Implementing recommendations
    - Retrofitting windows
    - Occupancy sensors on light switches
  - Green roof





## Reducing the Community's Carbon Footprint

- Conversion to LED traffic lights
- Wide-spread recycling programs
- Significant carbon sink from landfill methane capture
- Louisville Energy Alliance

http://www.louisvilleenergyalliance.com/







### Going Forward...

#### **Early 2009**

- Complete the final report with recommendations to the full committee
- Present to the Partnership Leaders of UofL, JCPS, Metro for an announcement to the Community
- Initiate GHG reduction projects throughout various Sectors of Louisville

### For more information Please visit

http://www.louisvilleky.gov/APCD/ClimateChange/

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http://www.louisvilleky.gov/GoGreen/

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