

Cities As Green Leaders™ — Edmonton



**A
White Paper
by a
City's Youth**

Community Engagement



21st Century Fluencies

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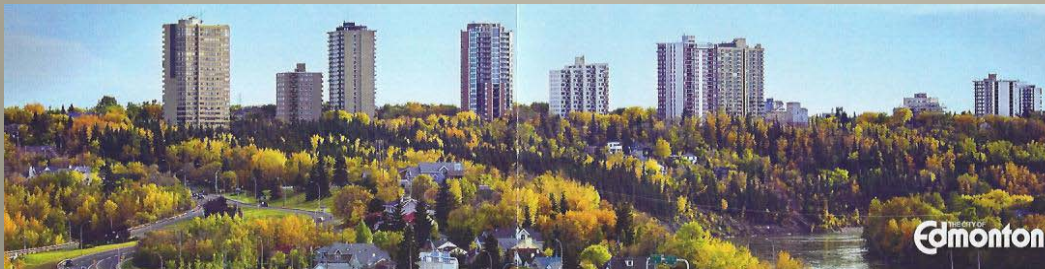
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CoE/ The Way We Green

Process

- **Apr. 16 – Speaker Series**
- **Apr. 18-May 9 - Training**
 - Complexities of climate change
 - Orientation – online technologies
 - Research CoE environmental plans/goals
- **May 15 – Virtual Town Hall**
 - Speakers
 - Breakout Sessions (3) questions
- **May 16-18 – Synthesis and Analysis**
- **May 17 – Vote & Prioritize**
- **May 25 -26 - Weekend Writing Retreat**
- **May 27 – Publish & Present**

Trained in Complexity...



Google Docs



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INSPIRE INFORM INVOLVE



Poll Everywhere



Linked through Technology

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1. Transportation

How can the City of Edmonton reduce Edmonton's carbon footprint through transportation?



1. *Transportation*

1. ACCELERATE expansion of the LRT (Light Rail Transit) system.
2. PRIORITIZE the creation of a transportation system with bus routes planned to effectively connect neighbourhoods.
3. REDEFINE transit centers to become neighborhood hubs, integrating them into neighborhood life and activities.

2. Building Stock and Infrastructure

How can the city of Edmonton use its building stock and infrastructure to reduce our carbon footprint?



2. Building Stock and Infrastructure

1. REDUCE the consumption of energy sources used in buildings and move towards the development of more sustainable energy supplies.
2. PROVIDE the incentives and the means for citizens to access greener infrastructure and improvements to existing facilities.
3. DESIGN neighborhoods and industrial locations to provide complementing services within neighborhoods to reduce wasted GHG emissions from urban expansion.

3. Energy Production & Consumption

How can Edmonton take actions to improve green energy production and consumption to reduce greenhouse gases?



3. Energy Production & Consumption

1. TRANSITION from a heavy reliance on high carbon fossil fuels such as coal to cleaner alternative forms of energy.
2. PROVIDE incentives for users and producers of renewable energy in order to increase demand for these energy sources.
3. PROVIDE a means to address a lack of access and availability of renewable energy to the general public.

4. *Engagement*

How can the city of Edmonton engage the populace to make this happen? How can Edmonton's youth engage in action with the city?



4. *Engagement*

1. ENRICH school curriculums and programs to align with city initiatives within the context of the school neighbourhoods.
2. ENCOURAGE student-led green programs that engage the community to address unique neighbourhood issues and opportunities.
3. EDUCATE youth on their political power and voice in addition to the resources existing and necessary to empower them.

NEXT STEPS

- Communicate with media.
- Make Councillors and MLA's aware of report.
- Connect with your School Trustees.
- Connect with your School Councils.
- Build alliances and partnerships.

Personal Appeal



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