
Partners in Energy

Louisville

Decarbonization Planning

September 7, 2023



AGENDA

Time	Agenda Item
12:30 – 12:40 PM	Welcome and Updates
12:40 – 12:50 PM	Vision Feedback
12:50 – 1:30 PM	Goal Setting & Scenario Modeling
1:30 – 2:15 PM	Strategy Brainstorming & Prioritization
2:15 – 2:30 PM	Wrap-Up & Next Steps

Workshop 2 Objectives:

- Share draft vision statements
- Share draft goals
- Present “big levers” necessary to drive toward identified goals and identify related strategies
- Share strategy modeling and conduct a strategy prioritization exercise to inform:
 - Louisville-specific approach
 - Sequencing and timing of key activities

PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM

Xcel Energy		Community Facilitators		City of Louisville
				
Sofia Trautman Partners in Energy Program Manager	Iffie Jennings Area Manager	Sarah Kaye Lead Facilitator	Terry Hatfield Facilitator	Kayla Betzold Sustainability Manager

STAKEHOLDER EXPECTATIONS



Actively and respectfully
participate and engage in
process



Educate team members on
related topics so we all can
learn

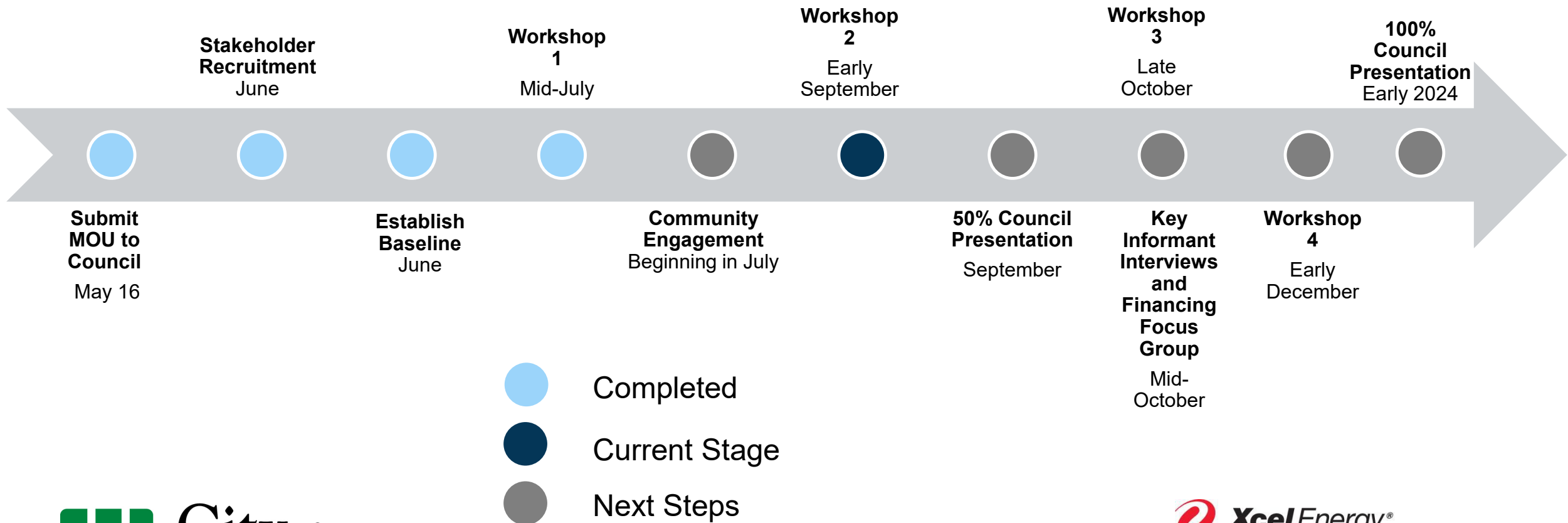


Represent your
organization to share what's
useful and what's not



Be a critical eye for
credibility, transparency,
and accuracy

PLANNING TIMELINE





VISION FEEDBACK

CRAFTING A VISION STATEMENT

A good vision statement....



Represents diverse
community values



Describes future
conditions



Serves as the “north star”
for our plan framework

DRAFT VISION

Louisville will be a healthy, vibrant, and thriving city for future generations, by drawing down carbon from the building, energy supply, and transportation sectors. Louisville will take a balanced approach, and ensure every resident and business has the opportunity to benefit along this decarbonization journey.



Image Source: City of Louisville



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GOAL SETTING AND SCENARIO MODELING

WHAT ARE WE MODELING?

Building Efficiency and Electrification

- **Increase in energy efficiency and building electrification over baseline**
 - *Participation in Xcel Energy utility programs*
 - *Increased heat pump adoption, trackable through HVAC programs*

Transportation Electrification

- **Increase in electric vehicle adoption over baseline**
 - *Total registrations from Boulder County DMV data*
 - *Existing EV adoption and trends through EValueCO Dashboard*

Energy Supply

- **Increase in renewable energy over baseline**
 - *On-site systems plus subscriptions, prioritizing programs that help Louisville's carbon footprint*
 - *Define X kWh increase in renewable energy programs, Y kW in on-site solar*

LANDSCAPE OF OPPORTUNITY

- **Energy Use:** How much energy is Louisville using today, and how is it anticipated to change? In what sectors?
- **Carbon Free Electricity:** What is the current level and trends of renewable energy in Louisville? In what sectors?
- **Electric Vehicles:** What are current vehicle adoption rates and charging opportunities?
- **Energy Efficiency & Building Electrification:** What utility programs is Louisville leveraging? Where can we increase for the highest impact?

HOW ENERGY UTILITY DATA GET USED

- ▶ Show where energy is used in your community
- ▶ Show past program participation
- ▶ Support decision making on focus areas, goals, and targets
- ▶ Support scenario modeling during the planning phase
- ▶ Help track and report once plan is in implementation

ENERGY UTILITY DATA 101



15 x15 Data Privacy Rule

Must be greater than 15 entities
No single entity can account for more than 15 percent of the usage



Caveats of data processing

“Premise” ≠ “Customer”
Customer types

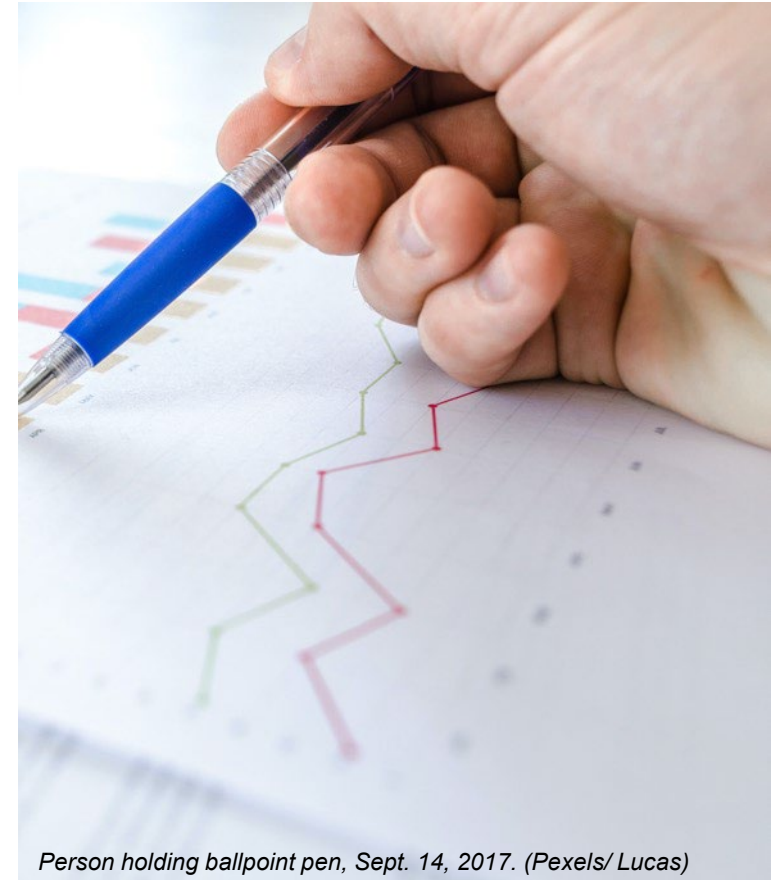


Data includes:

Xcel Energy: 2016-2022

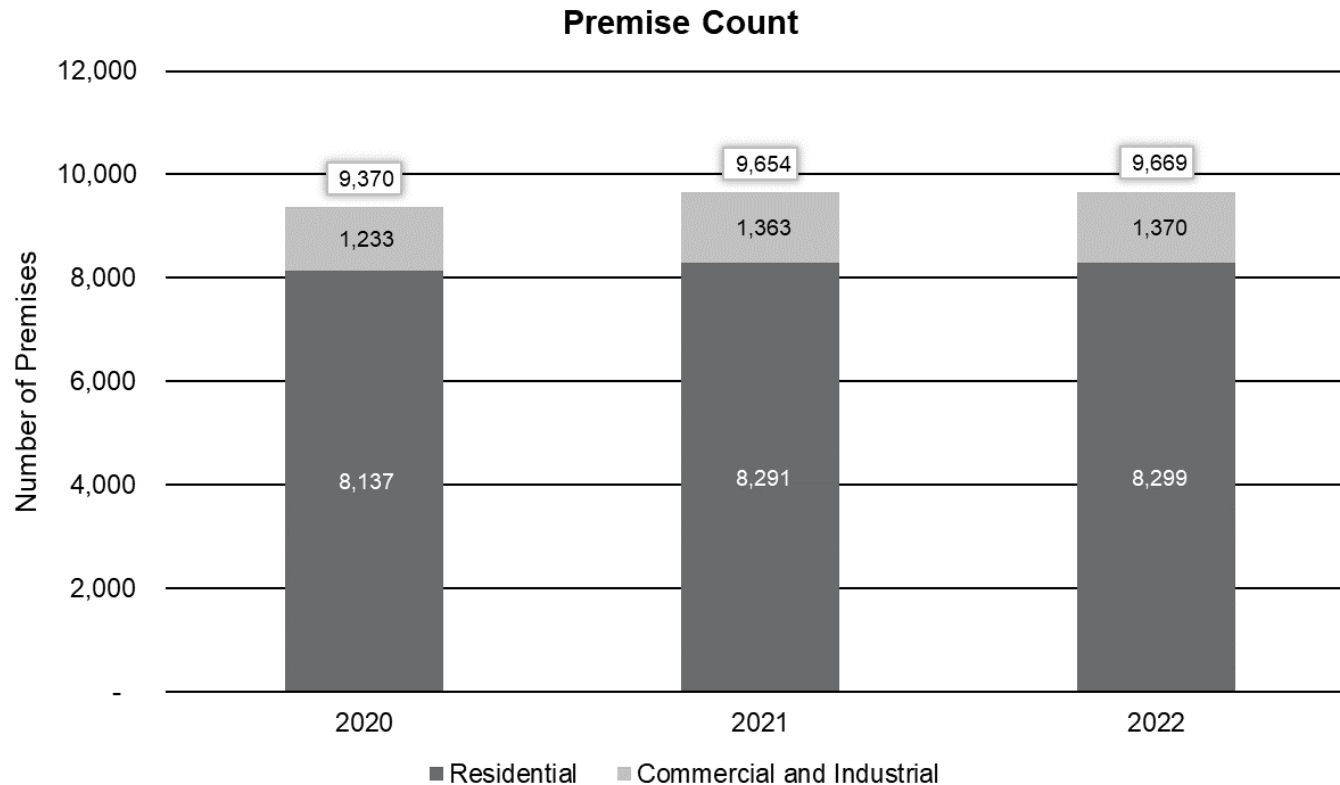


Data are unofficial for planning purposes, and results may change slightly over time



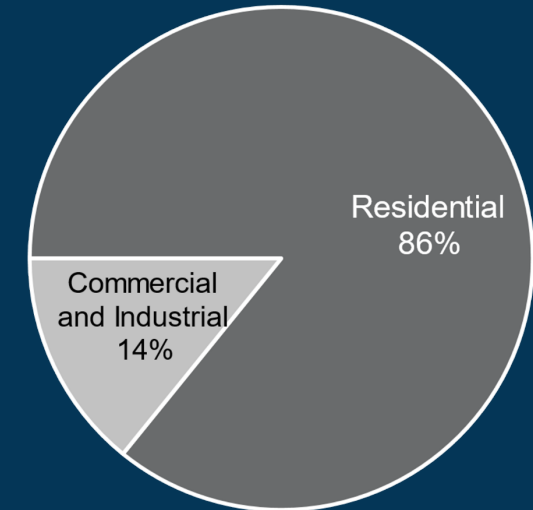
Person holding ballpoint pen, Sept. 14, 2017. (Pexels/ Lucas)

REVIEWING COMMUNITY GROWTH THROUGH UTILITY PREMISES



Source: Partners in Energy dataset

2022 Premise Count
9,669

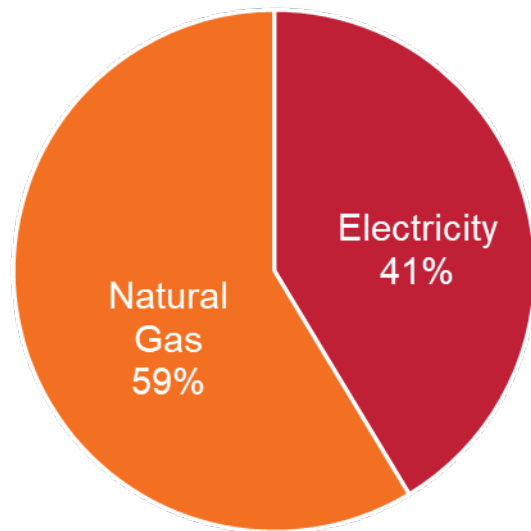


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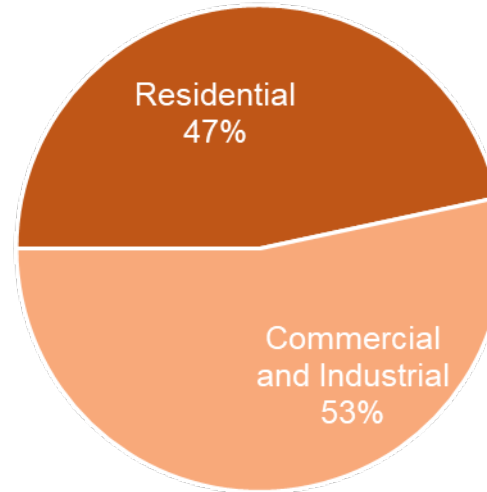
- 5% growth in premises overall
- 15% growth in C&I
- 4% growth in residential

COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL ENERGY USE IN LOUISVILLE

2022 Energy Use Breakdown
Total Energy (MMBtu): 1,683,197

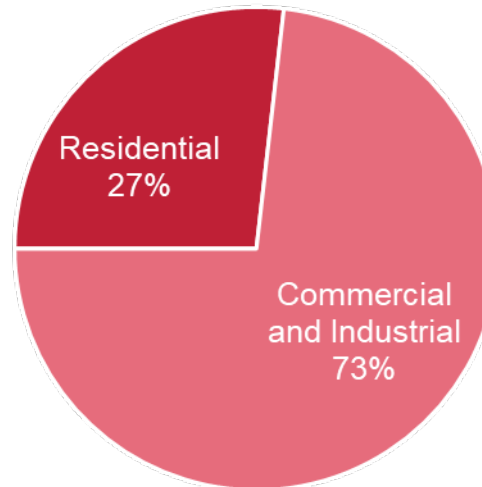


Sources: Partners in Energy dataset; [EIA RECS 2015](#),
[EIA CBECS 2012](#)



Natural Gas (9.87M therms)

- More evenly split across sectors
- Primarily from space heating & water heating

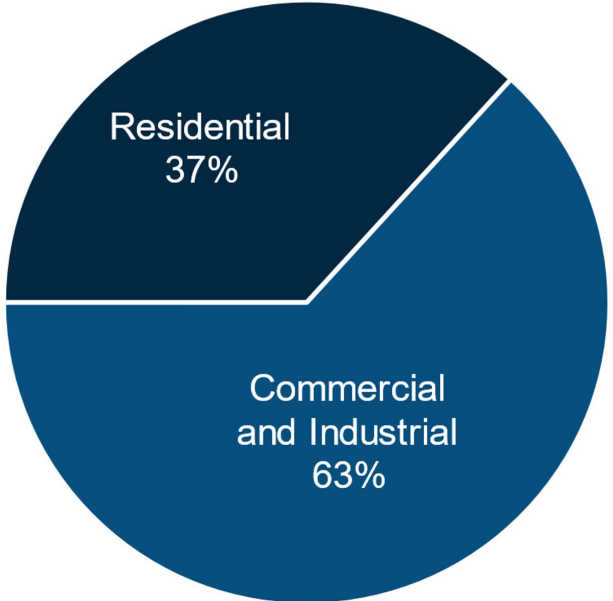


Electricity (204.0M kWh)

- Driven by commercial sector
- **Residential:** Primarily from AC, lighting & electric water heating/space heating
- **Commercial:** Primarily from HVAC, lighting, and refrigeration

ADDING CONTEXT TO LOUISVILLE'S ENERGY USE

2022 Energy Costs (\$)
\$30,878,633



Residential Energy Use

\$1,400

Annual spend on energy for a typical Louisville home

**6,600
kWh**

Annual electricity use for a typical Louisville home

**550
therms**

Annual natural gas use for a typical Louisville home

Commercial Energy Use

\$14,200

Annual spend on energy for average Louisville business

**109,000
kWh**

Annual electricity use for average Louisville business

**3,800
therms**

Annual natural gas use for average Louisville business

BENCHMARKING LOUISVILLE'S ENERGY USE

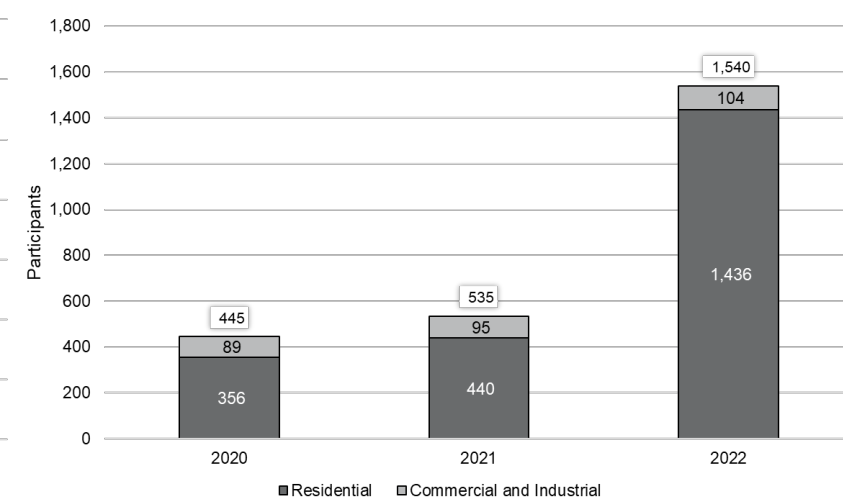
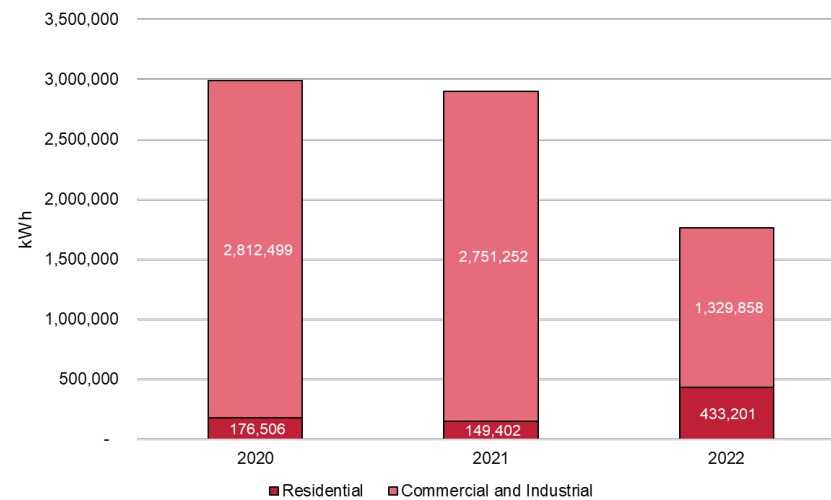
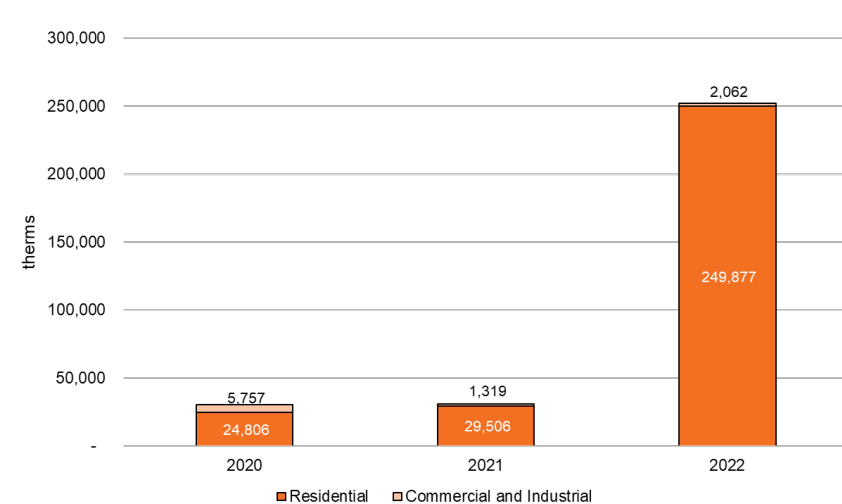
Metric	Louisville	Superior	Lafayette	L'Ville	Superior	Lafayette
Residential						
Residential annual energy cost (\$)	\$1,368	\$1,740	\$1,470			
Residential annual average electricity use (kWh)	6,592	7,868	7,144			
Residential annual average natural gas use (therms)	555	729	574			
Commercial						
Commercial annual energy cost (\$)	\$14,250	\$4,773	\$8,575			
Commercial annual average electricity use (kWh)	108,987	36,749	63,460			
Commercial annual average natural gas use (therms)	3,845	1,047	2,192			

Lower average residential energy

Higher average commercial energy

WHAT ARE LOUISVILLE'S RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES DOING TO SAVE ENERGY?

Sector	Average Natural Gas Savings	Average Electricity Savings	Average Program Participation
Residential	101,400 therms	253,000 kWh	744 participants
Commercial	3,000 therms	2,300,000 kWh	96 participants
Total	104,400 therms annually	2,500,000 kWh annually	840 participants annually



Source: Partners in Energy dataset

ADDING CONTEXT TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM EFFORTS

Average Participant Savings

\$98
per year

Average **energy cost savings** per **resident** that participated

\$2,200
per year

Average **energy cost savings** per **business** that participated

Residential Energy Efficiency Stats

9.0%

Percent of Louisville **residents** who participated

17%

Percent **savings** on a typical Louisville **home combined utility bill**

Commercial Energy Efficiency Stats

7.3%

Percent of Louisville **businesses** who participated

11%

Percent **savings** on a typical Louisville **business combined utility bill**

Source: Partners in Energy dataset

WHAT ARE LOUISVILLE'S RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES DOING TO SUPPORT RENEWABLE ENERGY?

Residential Renewable Energy Program Stats

1,256 Residential Participation (Total)

15% Residential Adoption (%)

2.9 MW On-site solar¹

3.9 million kWh Subscriptions to renewable energy

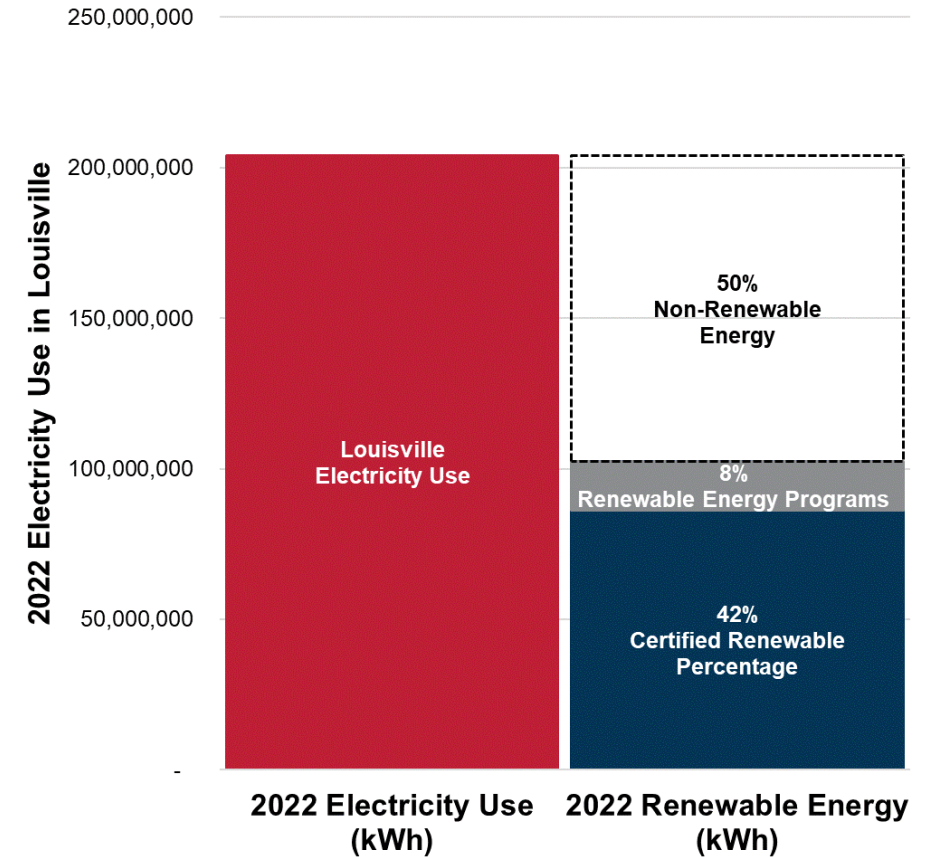
Commercial Renewable Energy Program Stats

92 Commercial Participation (Total)

7% Commercial Adoption (%)

1.2 MW On-site solar¹

11.5 million kWh Subscriptions to renewable energy



¹on-site solar represents a cumulative total capacity of systems installed since 2016 and does not represent a full accounting. It is estimated that the vast majority of solar has been installed since 2016.

BENCHMARKING LOUISVILLE'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY PARTICIPATION

Metric	Louisville	Superior	Lafayette	L'Ville	Superior	Lafayette
Residential						
Residential DSM Participation Rate (%)	9%	10%	6%			
Residential Renewable Energy Participation Rate (%)	15%	12%	17%			
Commercial						
Commercial DSM Participation Rate (%)	7%	3%	3%			
Commercial Renewable Energy Participation Rate (%)	7%	1%	2%			

Middle of the pack residential adoption

Higher commercial adoption

BATTERY ELECTRIC VEHICLE REGISTRATION IN LOUISVILLE

Type	2021 Total
Total Registered Vehicles	17,666
Battery EVs	468
BEVs % of Registration	3%
Plug-in Hybrids and Hybrid EVs	1,041
BEVs and Plug-in Hybrid/Hybrid % of Registration	9%

EVs % of Registration (2021)	
Boulder County Average	3%
Colorado Average	1%
National Average	0.8%

EV DASHBOARD

Partners in Energy Interactive EV Map

Step 1
Colorado

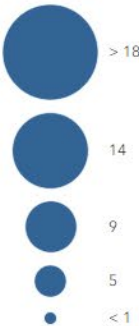
Step 2 (option a)
Select a County

Step 2 (option b)
Louisville

Instructions: First select the appropriate state, and then select your county or city/town of interest. You must reset your county or city/town selection in the associated drop down menu before making another selection.

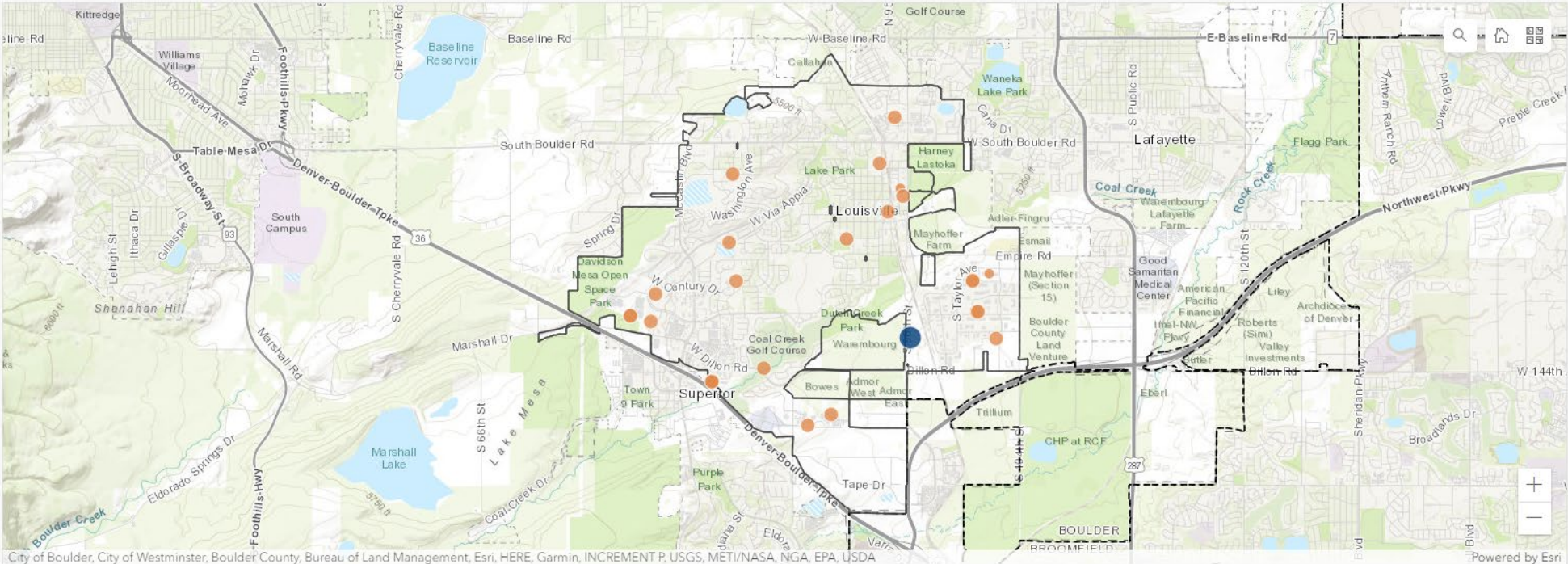
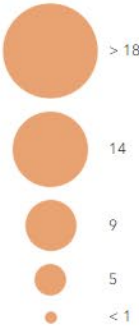
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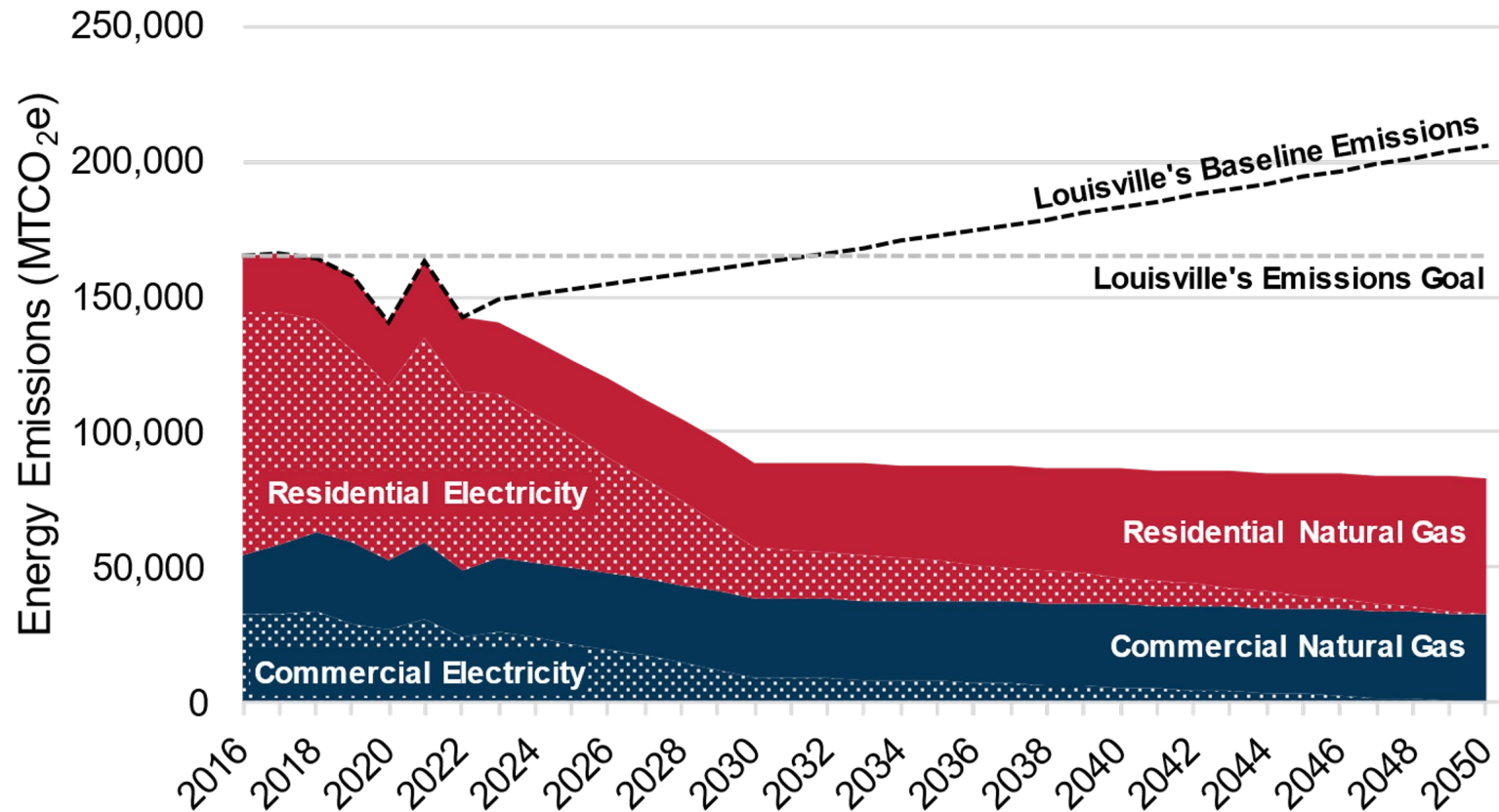


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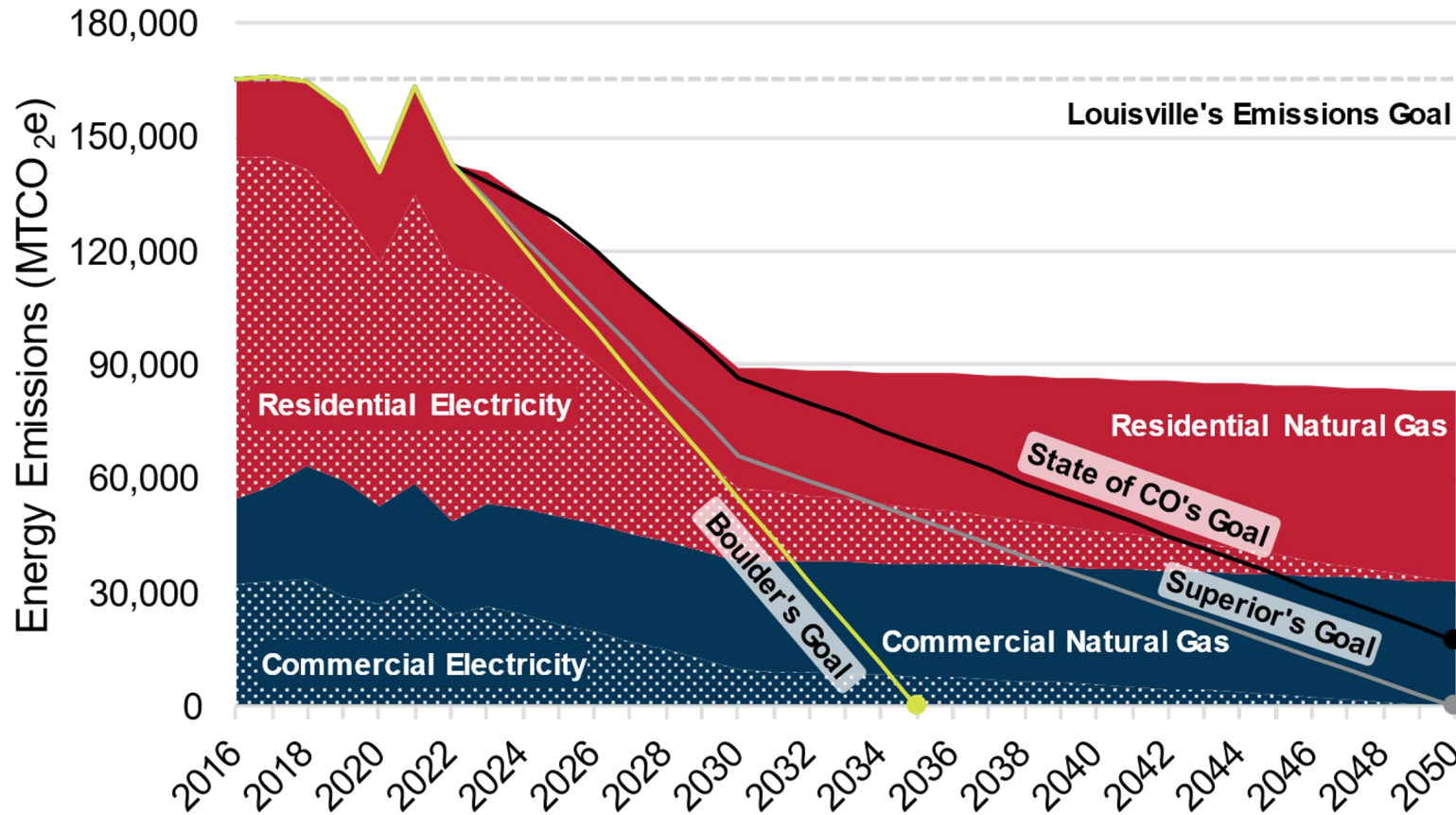


City of Louisville Energy Emissions Forecast



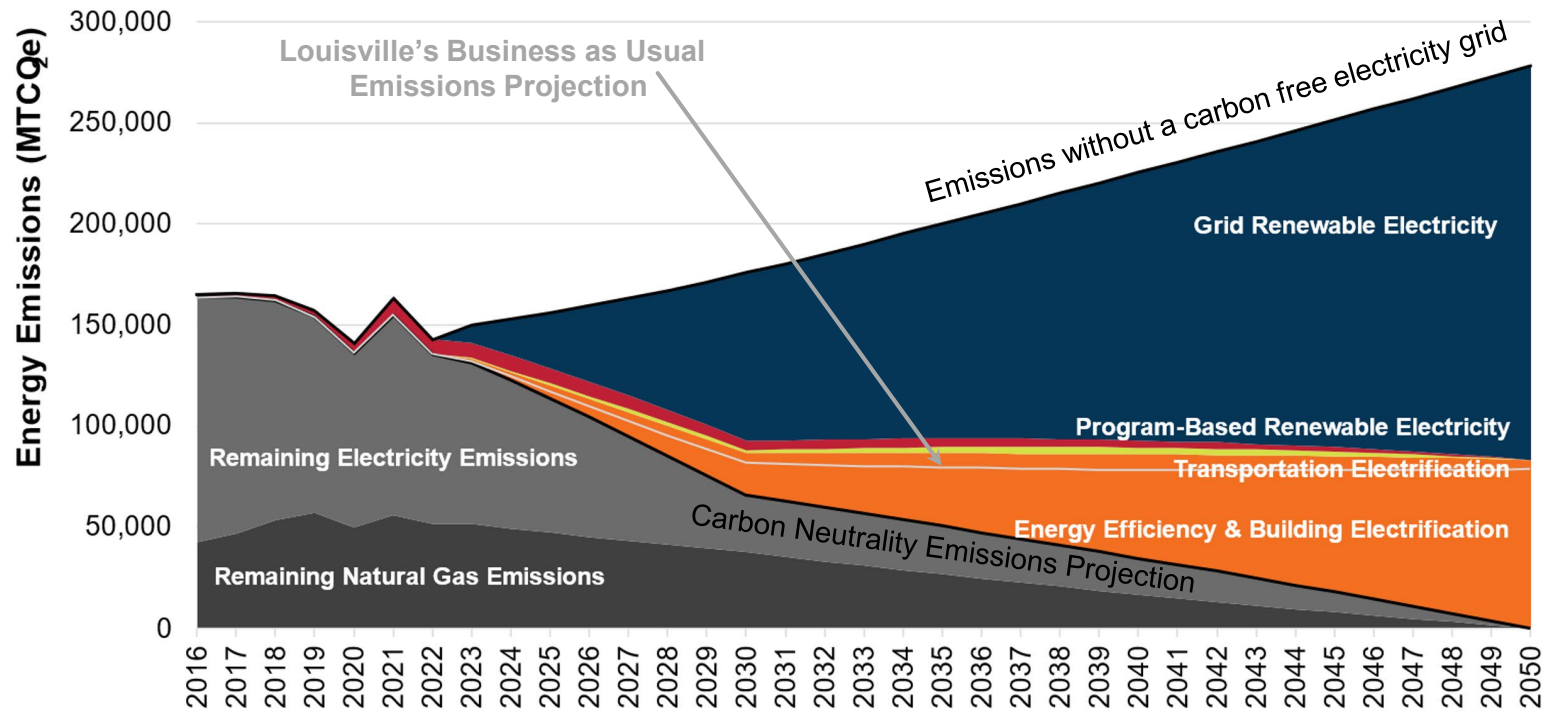
WHERE ARE
LOUISVILLE'S
EMISSIONS
HEADING?

City of Louisville Energy Emissions Forecast



ALIGNING WITH SUPERIOR'S GOAL...

60% below 2016 GHG emissions by 2030 and net-zero GHG emissions by 2050



HOW ARE WE GOING TO ACHIEVE CARBON NEUTRALITY?

Xcel Energy
Greening the
Grid

Renewable
Energy Program
Participation

Adoption of
Electric Vehicles
& Charging
Infrastructure

Energy
Efficiency &
Building
Electrification

ASSOCIATED TARGETS (ANNUAL)

	Metric	Residential	Commercial	Total
Energy Efficiency	<i>Targeted DSM participation</i>	543	91	634
Building Electrification	<i>Premises electrified</i>	381 (2023-2030) 340 (2031-2050)	72 (2023-2030) 103 (2031-2050)	453 (2023-2030) 443 (2031-2050)
Transportation Electrification	<i>New EV's on the road</i>	~500 (2023-2032) and ~1,100 (2033-2050)		
Renewable Energy	<i>Participation in RE programs</i>	148 (new)	19 (new)	167 (new)

Compared
to historical
trends...

Energy Efficiency	Building Electrification	Transportation Electrification	Renewable Energy
+7% increase	Significant increase	100%-200% increase	70% increase

WHAT WILL IT COST TO GET THERE

OUR APPROACH

Building Efficiency and Electrification

- Utilize a \$/property cost by sector
- Energy efficiency upgrades and building electrification
- Scale costs by participation levels and community growth

Transportation Electrification

- Include costs for charging infrastructure per charger by sector
- Include averages for EV costs
- Scale costs by EV adoption, vehicles per public charger, and vehicles per household

Energy Supply

- Utilize an installed \$/watt for on-site solar cost by sector
- Add subscription costs to renewable energy programs by sector.
- Scale costs by new installations/subscription totals.

FINANCIAL MODELING RESULTS*

Focus Area	Estimated Potential Residential Normalized Costs	Estimated Potential Commercial Normalized Costs
Building Efficiency & Electrification	\$3,000 - \$35,000 per household	\$98,000 - \$697,000 per business
Transportation Electrification	\$1,100 - \$2,600 per level 2 charger plus vehicle costs	\$5,300 - \$7,500 per level 2 charger plus vehicle costs
Energy Supply	\$36 subscription or \$19,500 average solar array	\$1,000 subscription or \$251,000 average solar array
Total	\$4,100 - \$57,000	\$104,300 - \$956,000

*Represents a range of overall average total costs, not including Xcel Energy rebates, State/Federal funding through the IRA, or other financial resources.



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STRATEGY BRAINSTORMING AND PRIORITIZATION

HOW ARE WE GOING TO MEET OUR GOAL?

STRATEGIES – WHAT GETS DONE

A strategy is an implementable and measurable **action** that addresses a focus area and makes progress toward goals

- Does it have a measurable outcome?
- Is it implementable?
- Does it have good support?
- Is it cost effective?



Source: Pexels/ fauxels : Photo of team near table, Nov. 5, 2019.

EXAMPLE STRATEGY LEVERS



Policy

Require
Incentivize



Programmatic

Education
Advisement



Funding*

Financing
Market enticement
City-led investment

*funding may require policy (e.g., levying taxes, fee programs)

REMINDER: WE ARE AIMING TO MAKE A BIG IMPACT

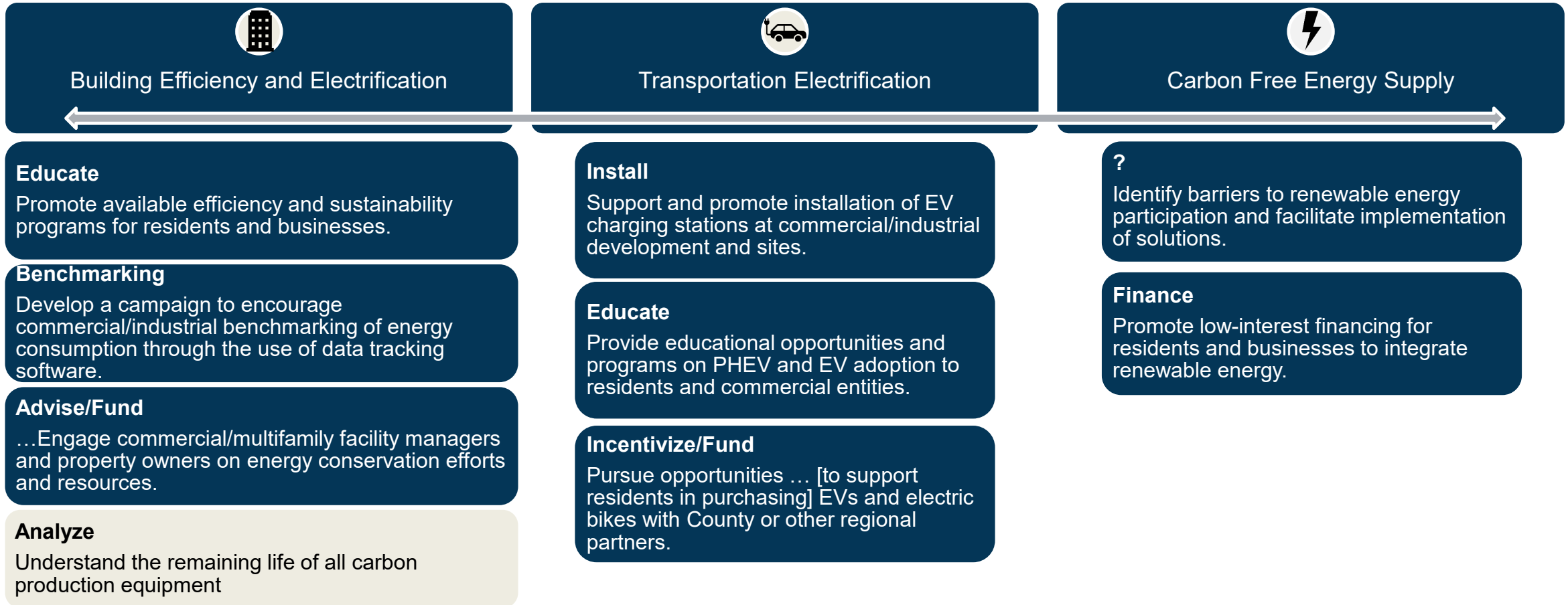
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EXISTING STRATEGIES

Strategies in blue are from Louisville's Sustainability Action Plan.
Strategies in Beige are stakeholder ideas from workshop p1



RANKING CRITERIA

	Fit for Partners in Energy	Relative GHG Impact	Staff Impact	Potential res/biz Financial Impact	Equity Impact
low	This is outside the scope of what Partners in Energy typically does	Benefits are indirect (e.g., broad education, benchmarking)	no new staff (0.1)	No direct cost impact (e.g., analysis)	No direct benefits for low income, persons living in affordable housing, and people of color
medium	Portions of task fall in Partners in Energy's wheelhouse; portions of task are outside	Some benefits direct; some indirect (e.g., targeted outreach/education)	part time staff needed (0.5)	Some direct, some indirect cost impact (e.g., education)	Some direct some indirect benefits to low-income individuals, persons living in affordable housing, and individuals of color
high	This is Partners in Energy's Wheelhouse	Benefits are direct and immediate (e.g., solution-oriented, funding)	full time or more staff needed (1)	Direct cost impact (direct install/solution-oriented)	Mostly direct benefits to low-income individuals, persons living in affordable housing, and individuals of color.

GHG impact was weighted most heavily for building efficiency/electrification strategies, then transportation, then energy supply, based on the relative importance of individual action in these sectors.

Preliminary
Strategy
Ranking
Results

			Fit for Partners in Energy	Relative GHG Impact	Staff Impact	Financial impact to biz/res	Equity Impact	Total Score
Focus Area	Strategy							
Building Efficiency/ Electrification	Promote available efficiency and sustainability programs for residents and businesses		3	3	3	2	2	13
Building Efficiency/ Electrification	Develop a campaign to encourage commercial/industrial benchmarking of energy consumption through the use of data tracking software.		3	3	2	2	1	11
Building Efficiency/ Electrification	Develop a targeted outreach strategy to engage facility managers and property owners on energy conservation efforts and resources.		3	6	2	2	1	14
Building Efficiency/ Electrification	Understand the remaining life of all carbon production equipment		1	3	1	3	1	9
Transportation Electrification	Support and promote installation of EV charging stations at commercial/industrial development and sites.		3	6	2	1	2	14
Transportation Electrification	Provide educational opportunities and programs on PHEV and EV adoption to residents and commercial entities.		3	2	3	2	2	12
Transportation Electrification	Pursue opportunities for pooled purchasing programs for EVs and electric bikes with County or other regional partners.		1.5	6	1	1	3	12.5
Carbon Free Energy Supply	Identify barriers to renewable energy participation and facilitate implementation of solutions.		3	2	1	1.5	3	10.5
Carbon Free Energy Supply	Promote low-interest financing for residents and businesses to integrate renewable energy.		3	3	1.5	1	3	11.5



WRAP UP AND NEXT STEPS

Objectives:

- Plan support
- Support for funding opportunities
- Barriers and opportunities

Logistics

- Will be shared through Engage Louisville
- Will run through October
- Review results at W3 and use to inform strategy action plans and implementation

COMMUNITY SURVEY

NEXT STEPS

- Workshop 3: late-October
 - Develop detailed action plans for strategies prioritized for short term implementation.
 - Refine targets to help measure strategy implementation (e.g., utility program participation)

Homework:

1. Review action table examples and prompts
2. Review program descriptions



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