

# Community Energy Plan Resources

Community energy plans are short-range plans created by municipalities to identify energy initiatives to increase clean energy production, reduce energy use, and cut greenhouse gas emissions across an entire community.

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities created a <u>Community Energy Plan Grant (CEPG)</u> <u>program</u> to help New Jersey municipalities in developing a community energy plan. Sustainable Jersey has an array of resources to support the creation of community energy plans.

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### Community Energy Planning Guide with RFP Template for Energy Consultants

This document provides an overview of the community energy planning process. The document also includes guidance and a template RFP for using consultants for community energy planning.

#### Community Energy Plan Workplan Template

Workbook for selecting and prioritizing energy initiatives. Note: CEPG recipients will receive a writable version at their technical assistance intake meeting.

<u>Guide for Sustainable Energy Communities</u> Case studies, best practices, and descriptions of energy initiatives

<u>Model Community Energy Plan</u> Sample CEP for the fictional town of Gotham, NJ

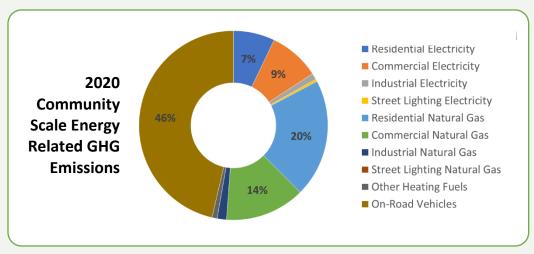
## **Template Community Energy Plan**

Template CEP resource including all of the initiatives included in the workplan template.

## Sustainable Jersey Data Center

#### Sustainable Jersey Data Center

Comprehensive municipal data and interactive maps for all New Jersey municipalities, including transportation, energy usage, residential, and other data.



Above is a community GHG emissions by sector chart created by compiling data from electric and natural gas utilities, and transportation planning authorities. Visit the data center to download this chart and additional data for your community.

# **Grants and Free Technical Assistance**

Visit the Sustainable Jersey <u>Community Energy Planning webpage</u> to learn about current funding opportunities.

Your municipality is eligible for free technical assistance to develop applications and create a community energy plan. Contact <u>info@sustainablejersey.com</u> to learn about available technical assistance.

Need help? Email info@sustainablejersey.com.