

## Climate change is the challenge of our generation

We're already experiencing more extreme weather and climate events in our region—hotter summers, more wildfires, increased flooding risk and more. Conditions will get more severe if we don't act fast, straining our public services and placing our most vulnerable at risk.



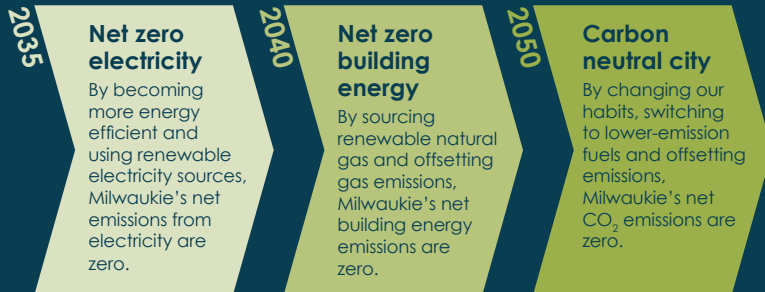
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## Our City is committed to helping you take action

Milwaukie adopted a bold plan that puts us on a path to being **carbon neutral by 2050**. That means we will reduce our emissions and offset or capture as much carbon as we emit.

Achieving our goals will take all of us working together. We must start now to avoid devastating impacts.

**We've made it easy to get started:** The Climate Action Plan includes 40 household strategies and resources to help you take action right away.



## Let's all do our part for our climate and our community

If we all commit to change, we can show that towns like ours can be climate action leaders. We can strengthen our economy, take care of our neighbors and preserve our quality of life if we move quickly.

## We want to celebrate your success!

Are you our next Climate Action Champion? A Climate Action Champion is a featured member of our community who is going above and beyond to combat climate change through personal actions. Tell us how you're committing to climate action and we might feature your story on our website as our Climate Action Champion of the month!

## Contact us

For questions or to share your personal climate action story, get in touch at:

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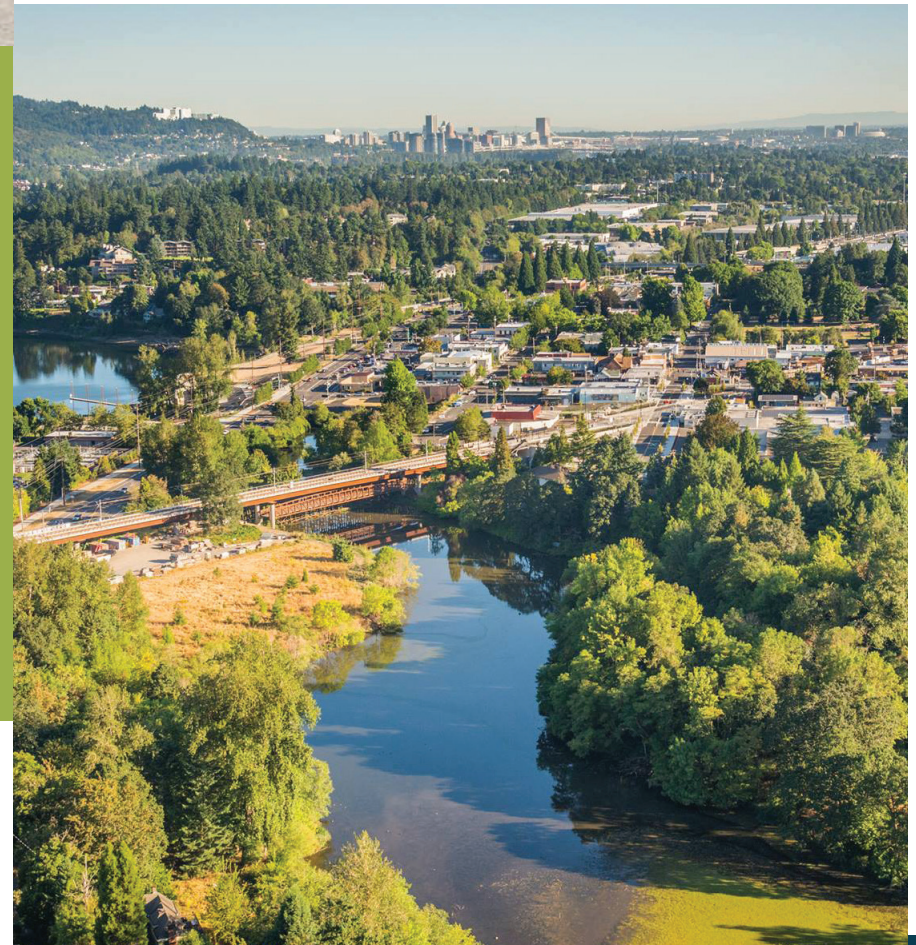


# Milwaukie Community Climate Action Plan

## Become a Climate Action Champion

Commit to change today, and we'll all benefit tomorrow.

Find out how 



Milwaukie is taking action to preserve what we love about our community for current and future generations.

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## Where should you begin?

Prioritize the differences that make the greatest impact for the smallest investment. Greener living does not have to be expensive or time-consuming. Doing your part looks different for everyone.

### Plant trees in your yard to provide shade and cooling in summer heat

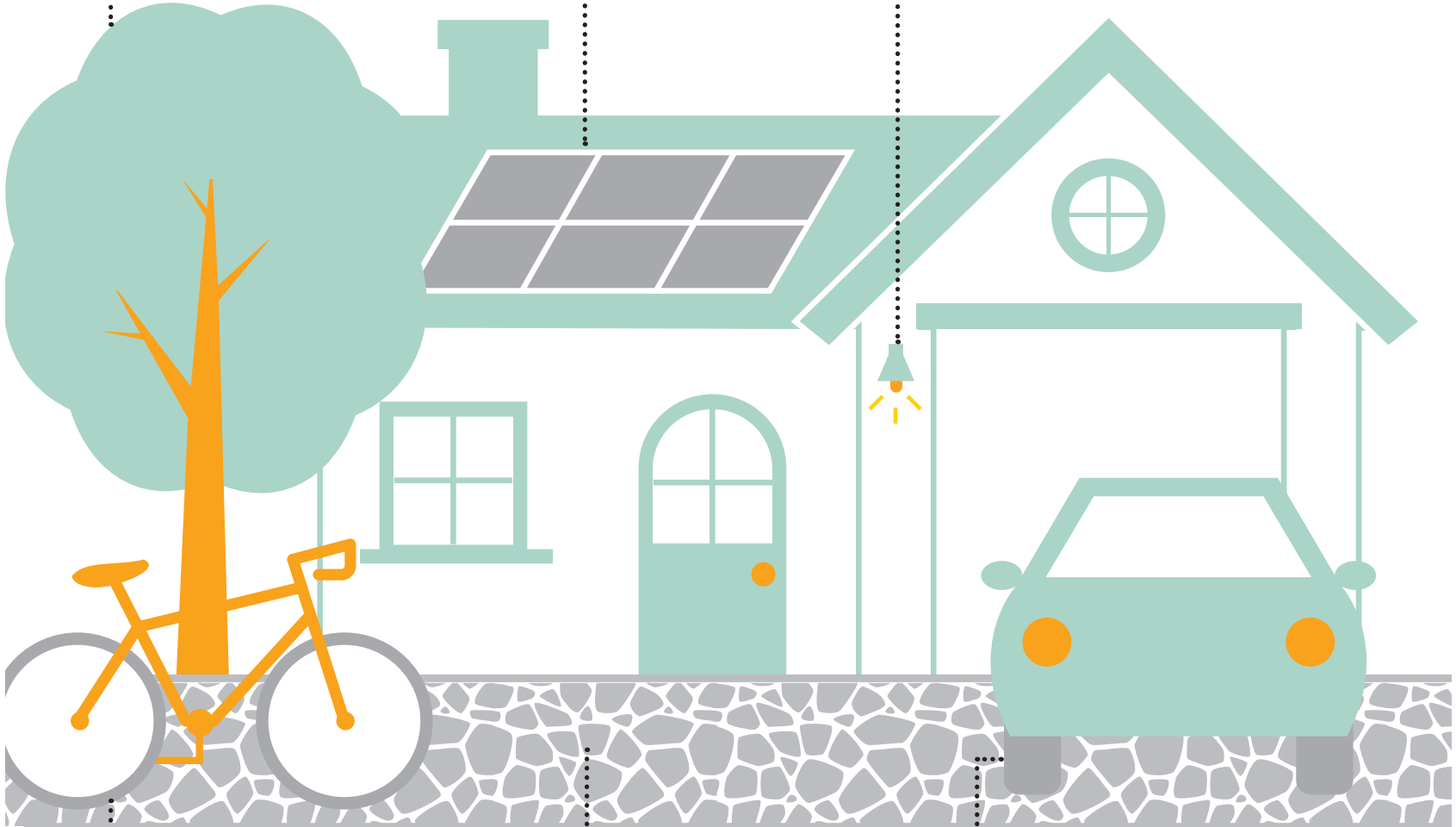
Select climate resilient trees that don't interfere with power lines

### Buy green electricity

Switch to renewable and cleaner energy sources to power your home

### Give your house a quick efficiency makeover

Switch to LED light bulbs and put on low flow faucet and shower heads to reduce hot water consumption



### Take public transit, bike or walk

Choose low-carbon transportation options whenever possible. Are you an employer? Consider providing incentives or purchase public transportation passes for employees who commute by transit, carpooling, walking or biking

### Remove pavement and increase permeable surfaces

De-pave areas wherever possible to encourage stormwater infiltration onsite

### Consider total cost of car ownership

Select vehicles based on how much they will cost to maintain over their lifetime and their total emissions, not just upfront costs



### Start using Smart Energy

If you have natural gas, learn how to reduce your use and offset the rest



### Reduce food waste through meal planning and creative cooking

Shop smart, buy only what you need, and get creative in the kitchen to maximize your grocery use and limit food waste



### Calculate your household carbon footprint

Learn more about where and how you are generating emissions—and get ideas to reduce your impact



### Protect and improve your household indoor air quality

Consider updating your air filters and taking advantage of passive household air circulation to provide cool, clean air throughout your home and conserve energy

To customize your own plan online, access dozens of resources and view additional ideas visit:

[MilwaukieClimateAction.com](https://MilwaukieClimateAction.com)