Centre for Community Energy Transformation

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Peel Region 2022 Emissions by Sector

THE NEED Peel Emissions increased from 2021 to 2022

- Building emissions increased 8.9%
- Per capita emissions increased 8.7%

Peel Region 2022 Emissions by Sector

Agriculture/Other Buildings Industrial Transportation Waste



Vision: A sustainable energy future

Mission: To lead an inclusive suburban energy transformation

Background

2019/2020 – Priority Action in Brampton's Community Energy & Emissions Reduction Plan to create an armslength agency to scale up climate action

2019 to 2021 - Community Advisory Task Force for CCET to:

- Become a Regional Centre of Excellence in Energy
- Accelerate the achievement of municipal climate and energy goals
- Be a catalyst for significant, rapid transformation of our community energy systems

Multi-year commitments from municipal partners









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CCET Milestones



Brampton Board of Trade Event

Four Priority Areas from Advisory Task Force



Focus on Two Program Areas

Accelerating Home Energy Retrofits

and

Advancing Low Carbon District Energy Home Energy Retrofits

<u>Objectives</u>

Be a trusted advisor Raise awareness Address energy burden Strategic partnerships Launch energy coach Launch One-stop Window Secure private capital Prepare LIC financing offering Low Carbon District Energy

Objectives

Host a district energy forum Building energy profiles in priority district energy nodes





OUR 2040 ENERGY TRANSITION

Community Energy and Emissions Reduction Plan



Home Energy Retrofits Program: Two Main Audiences Objective: Engage residents with Energy Coaching that provides education and resources for Energy Retrofits

1. Equity-deserving households

- Bridge the gap between the need and available affordability programs
- Turnkey solutions reducing or eliminating upfront cost barriers

2. Standard Income households

- Enabling services
 - Energy coaching
 - One-stop Window
 - Net Zero roadmap
- Increase uptake by developing a range of financing options, including Local Improvement Charges (LIC)



Your One-Stop Window for Home Energy Retrofits

CONNECT WITH AN ENERGY COACH

Free Energy Coaching Service

Brampton, Caledon, Mississauga, & the region of Peel residents

One- Stop Window for Energy Savings & Coaching

- 1. Participant signs up on the <u>Contact</u> <u>Form</u>
- 2. CCET reaches out to new participant
- 3. Participant sets up a meeting time with the coach
- 4. Coaching session is a one-hour call tailored to the home and the homeowner's questions. Simple, DIY steps are recommended first
- 5. Coach provides resources and information to assist in the next steps, finance options, rebates, incentives
- 6. Coach encourages an energy audit performed by a certified Energy Advisor
- 7. Homeowner performs the recommended retrofits





Financing Options for Energy Retrofits

FCM- Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Community Efficiency Financing (CEF) Capital Program Local Improvement Charges (LIC's) are one of the few legislative tools available to municipalities to support GHG reduction actions

- LICs are often the preferred financing option for energy retrofit program design
- LICs in place through CEF funds in:
 - Toronto, Kingston, Ottawa, Peterborough, Guelph
- The programs can operate at minimal cost to the municipalities because they utilize existing systems
- Application for CEF funding requires financing options be determined, (i.e. grants, loans, etc.)
- CCET positioned to apply for CEF funds (loan and grant) and administer the LIC financing with municipal partners
 - Loan flow through to households
 - Grant can support program administration



3% annually = Needed rate of energy retrofits

0.5% annually = Current rate of energy retrofits

LIC Financing

Local Improvement Charge (LIC) financing for home energy retrofits (also called Property Assessed Clean Energy or PACE) provides capital to accelerate home energy retrofits. A LIC program is where:

- Homeowners access long-term financing with a fixed interest rate
- Financing is secured by a special assessment on the property (vs. owner)
- The loan is repaid through the municipal property tax bill
- Energy savings can help offset monthly financing costs.

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Application to FCM's Community Efficiency Financing



Low Carbon District Energy

Benefits of Low Carbon District Energy

- Reduces overall energy use
- Assists with electricity load in energy transition away from fossil fuels
- Can use multiple energy sources
- Resiliency
- Reduced cost of mechanical equipment replacement for building owners



Low Carbon District Energy

CCET's Role

- Education and outreach
- Advance business cases and feasibility studies
- Convene stakeholders

Save the Date! November 5, 2024 Low Carbon District Energy Workshop Hosted by CCET, Danish Consulate





District Energy Priorities

Emerging Priority Areas

- Heritage Heights, Brampton
- Downtown Brampton
- Downtown Mississauga

Major Redevelopment Areas

- Bramalea City Centre, Brampton
- Shopper's World, Brampton (20 ha redevelopment and proposed 5,000 residential units)
- Square One, Mississauga (53 ha redevelopment and proposed 18,000 residential units)





Requests from EAC

Marketing and Communications

- Spread the word about the energy coach (free home energy consultations on first come first serve basis)
- Sign up for CCET's <u>newsletter</u>
- Follow CCET on social media
- Share CCET posts with your network

CCET Programs

- Consider attending November 5th Low Carbon District Energy workshop
- Sign up on CCET's One-Stop Window for your free energy coaching.





Questions?



THANKYOU!

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