

# (d)3. CLIMATE SMART SAN JOSÉ SEMI-ANNUAL STATUS REPORT AND UPDATED PLAN

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# OVERVIEW

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3. 2023 Greenhouse Gas Inventory
4. Semi-annual Update  
(Mar. – Aug. 2025)
5. Looking Forward
6. Recommendation



# BACKGROUND

- **2018** – Adopted Climate Smart San José plan
- **2019** – Declared climate emergency
- **2021** – Adopted carbon neutrality by 2030 goal
- **2022** – Approved Pathway to Carbon Neutrality
  - **Four Key Strategies:**
    1. Zero emission vehicles
    2. Reduce vehicle miles traveled
    3. Building electrification
    4. Carbon neutral power

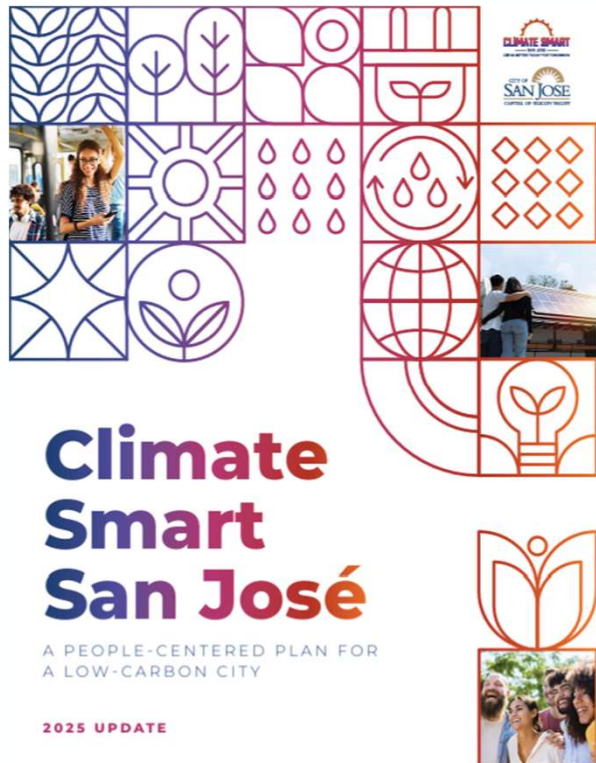
## CLIMATE SMART SAN JOSE

A People-Centered Plan for a  
Low-Carbon City





# 2025 CLIMATE SMART PLAN UPDATE



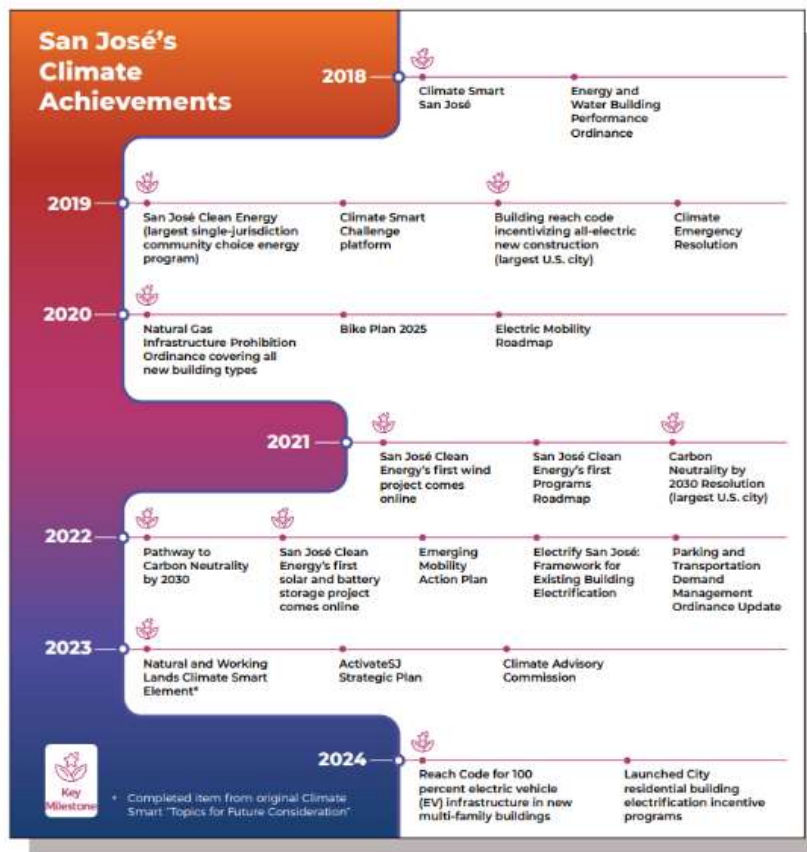
- **What This Update Is:**

- Administrative refinement to formally incorporate Council-approved plans, policies, and goals since 2018.
- Keeps core strategies and long-term goals intact
- Updates metrics and milestones to match current data and practice

- **What This Update Is Not:**

- Not a full revisit of the plan components or analysis
- Does not introduce new long-term goals or major financial commitments
- Leaves detailed implementation actions for annual workplans
- Programs and policies continue to be approved by City Council through regular City and budgeting processes

# 2025 CLIMATE SMART PLAN UPDATE



## Climate Achievements Include:

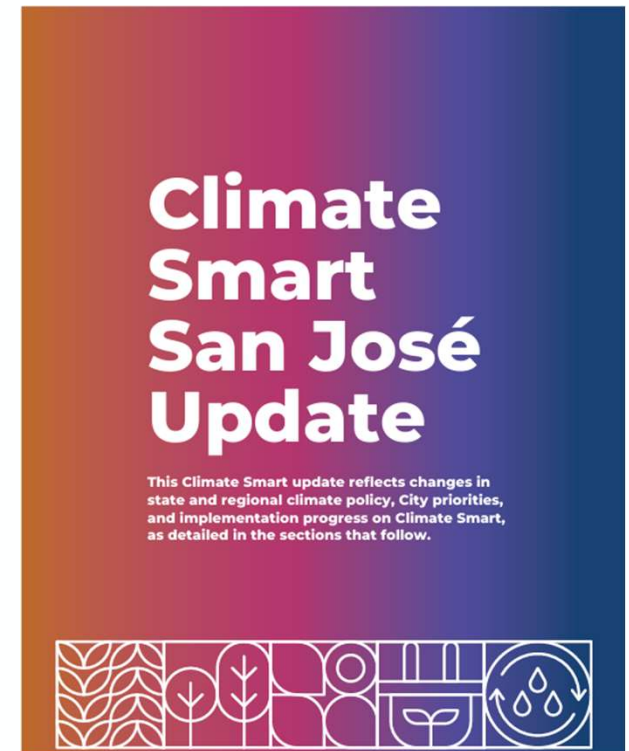
- San José Clean Energy
- Electrification and EV infrastructure building reach codes for new construction
- Bike Plan 2025
- Climate Advisory Commission
- Building electrification incentive programs

The City's climate work has received local, national, and worldwide recognition.

# 2025 CLIMATE SMART PLAN UPDATE

## Key Changes:

- Incorporates approved carbon neutrality goal and Natural & Working Lands Element
- Streamlines metrics to focus on key strategies
- Aligns with new local, state, and regional policies
- Interpolates interim milestones for 2027 and 2030
  - 2040 & 2050 goals unchanged
- Replaces City Action Plan with more flexible, annual departmental workplans



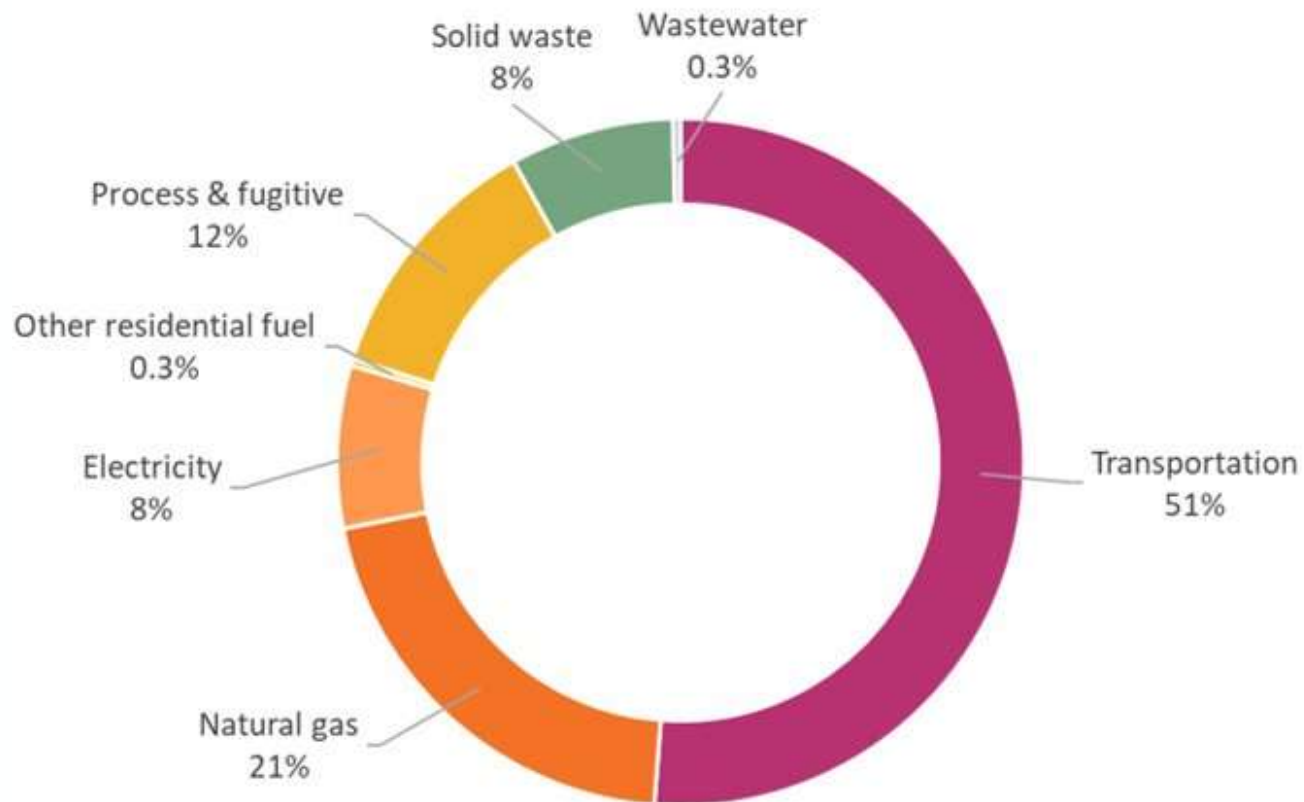
# 2025 PLAN UPDATE - ENGAGEMENT



## Community and Staff Engagement

- Outreach at events, libraries, and community centers
- Multilingual engagement (English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese)
- Digital outreach: ads and newsletters
- Engagement channels: webinars, Konveio comment platform, letters
- **200+ comments received** on the Plan Update
- Input from **40+ staff across eight City departments**

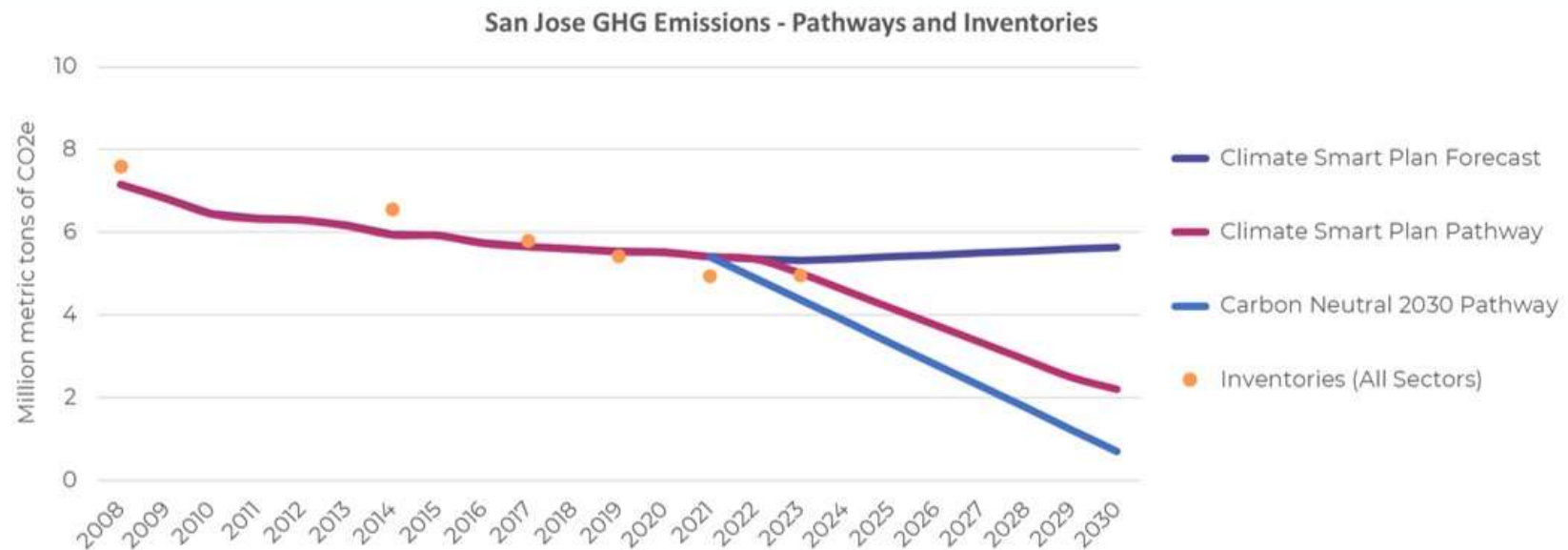
# 2023 COMMUNITYWIDE GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY





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- 2023 emissions are 16% lower than 2017 baseline
- Slight (0.2%) increase since last inventory (2021)
- Need a steeper trajectory in emissions reductions to stay on track with our carbon neutrality by 2030 goal



# CLIMATE SMART INITIATIVES



Over 40 significant initiatives supporting Climate Smart goals across multiple City departments:

- Airport
- Energy
- Environmental Services
- Office of Economic Development and Cultural Affairs
- Public Works
- Transportation

- Highlights include:

- Deployed 500 new bikeshare e-bikes and added 7.4 miles of bikeways
- 50 ports at 11 properties in progress as part of Multifamily EV Charger Pilot:
- Launched battery storage incentive for residential customers
- EcoHome program funded installation of over 600 heat pumps and 55 zero-interest loans for building electrification

## EXTERNAL FUNDING

	Total Amount of Grants Submitted in Reporting Period (Mar. – Aug. 2025)	Total Amount of Grants Awarded in Reporting Period (Mar. – Aug. 2025)	Total Amount of Awards Executed in FY 2024-2025
Direct Funding	\$687,755	\$4,595,000	\$3,995,000
In-Kind Resources	\$2,963,383	\$35,000	\$0
Total	\$3,651,138	\$4,630,000	\$3,995,000

- Supporting: Transit-Oriented Communities Policy, biking and EV charging infrastructure, and extreme heat resilience projects
- Federal funding reductions remain a challenge

# LOOKING AHEAD

## Highlights

- Clean Transportation
  - Launch engagement for San José Mobility Hubs
  - Roll out East San José Mobility Project
  - Launch EV Instant Rebate program (up to \$4,000 for income-qualified SJCE customers)
  - Install new bikeways (pavement program & Downtown Better Bikeways)
- Building Electrification & Energy
  - Launch Go Electric Advisor (EVs, home electrification, solar, batteries)
  - Expand Peak Rewards for Smart Homes to EVs, chargers, and batteries
- Climate Analysis and Planning
  - Complete 2024 Communitywide Greenhouse Gas Inventory
  - Release Climate Adaptation & Resilience Plan Public Review Draft
  - Present final Connect North San José Multimodal Plan to City Council
  - Convene a strategy session to evaluate Climate Smart 2030 goals in Fall 2025





# RECOMMENDATION

Living Better Today  
for Tomorrow

- Accept Climate Smart semi-annual update
- Approve 2025 Climate Smart Plan Update
- Transition to annual Climate Smart updates (starting Fiscal Year 2025-2026)



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