

AGENDA
NEW HAVEN CLIMATE EMERGENCY TASK FORCE
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, January 22nd, 2025, 5:15 PM

The New Haven Climate Emergency Taskforce (CETF) will meet on Wednesday, January 22nd, 2025 at 5:15 PM on Zoom (see link at end of agenda) to discuss the following items:

1. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting (12/18). A majority of the CETF (6 of 11 members) constitutes a quorum.
2. Project updates from the Office of Climate and Sustainability (OCS) staff:
 - a. Community Change Grant
 - i. The City has responded to all of EPA's feedback and the updated application is under review by the EPA.
 - b. I Heart My Home
 - i. Statistics since July of 2023
 1. Total Enrollments 452 participants enrolled
 2. Total people who received consultations 377
 3. Total people who had assessments completed or scheduled 63
 - c. EPA Government-to-Government Environmental Justice Grant: Outreach activities have begun at NHS and Community Action Agency of New Haven as well as through Operation Fuel.
 - d. USDA Composting and Food Waste Reduction Grant: We have installed 3 Bigbelly units (Fair Haven, Wooster Square, and Downtown). All three bins are now operational.
 - e. EPA [Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program](#) – Implementation Grants: The grant has been awarded. We have received feedback on our data quality assurance plan and are

drafting updates to the plan. Phase 1A historic survey of the project area has been completed.

- f. Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA): no update.
- g. Shellfish shell recycling program: No update.
- h. Solar installations: we have concluded our Solar for All campaign with Posigen. 363 families showed interest in solar and 138 signed contracts for solar installations. OCS has asked Posigen for the number of installations completed.
- i. Styrofoam enforcement: Rose Richi is completing a round of visits to businesses that are still using styrofoam.
- j. Housing Authority: No update.
- k. Electric leaf blower and grass trimmer: equipment continues to be used at Lighthouse Point Park.
- l. Purchase of bicycles for school-based bicycle education program: NHPS has hired the part-time bicycle educator. The bicycle education program began this morning (January 22, 2025)!

3. Discussion Items:

- a. Discussion of state legislative items and the change in the presidential administration.



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