

AGENDA
NEW HAVEN CLIMATE EMERGENCY TASK FORCE
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, February 25th, 2026, 5:15 PM

The New Haven Climate Emergency Taskforce (CETF) will meet on Wednesday, February 25th, 2026 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 (1/28/2026). 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 and EPA Government-to-Government Environmental Justice Grant: no update.
 - b. USDA Composting and Food Waste Reduction Grant: No update.
 - c. EPA [Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program](#): The second thermal conductivity test across from Union Station is complete.
 - d. Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA): DPW uses Ford 750 trucks, a Ford 650 hook truck, Freightliner M2 and Freightliner Class 8 six wheel dump trucks. OCS will evaluate whether there is an electric alternative for the hook truck.
 - e. Solar installations: Carport systems began operation on January 29th! Progress continues on the landfill project, which is expected to be energized at the end of March.
 - f. Styrofoam enforcement: No update.
 - g. Housing Authority: No update.
 - h. Electric leaf blower and grass trimmer: no update.
3. **Discussion Items:**
 - a. Energy labeling.
 - b. Update on department plans:

- i. OCS received incentive amounts from UI and is working with Parks on completing a purchase order for investment grade energy audits of priority facilities at 720 Edgewood Ave (Parks HQ), 180 Park Road (Parks Operations and Pardee Greenhouses), and 776 Whalley Ave (Coogan Pavilion).
- ii. OCS is scheduling a meeting with new NHFD chief, Chief Coughlin.
- c. Ongoing funding of climate and sustainability work.



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