



Truckee Tahoe Building Decarbonization Pilot Program

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## OUR TEAM

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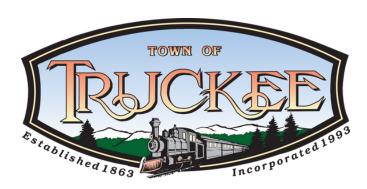
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## Climate Transformation Alliance

### What is the Climate Transformation Alliance (CTA)?

The Climate Transformation Alliance initiative convenes a multi-stakeholder cross-sector regional alliance that works collaboratively together to reduce GHG emissions and adapt our region to the impacts of climate change.

#### **Vision**

The Truckee North Lake Tahoe region will be net carbon neutral by 2045 through a combination of GHG emissions reduction in the built environment and sinking or storing carbon in natural lands. Carbon neutrality will improve the environment, reduce the risk of wildfire, create new opportunities for innovation and business creation, diversify our economy, improve public health, equity and safety, and meet our commitment to steward the region for the benefit of future generations.



## PROGRAM VALUE

This program will expand much-needed workforce education and training for decarbonization, educate the community on the benefits of electrification, walk home and building owners through the retrofit process, and ultimately reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the built environment in Truckee and North Tahoe.

## THE FACTS

62,490

housing units in Truckee and the Tahoe Basin

~3.5 million

square feet of commercial space

34

licensed HVAC contractors in the Truckee / Tahoe region

47

licensed HVAC contractors in the Reno / Sparks / Carson City region

55%

of buildings use utility natural gas\*

15%

of buildings use non-utility fuel as primary heat source\*

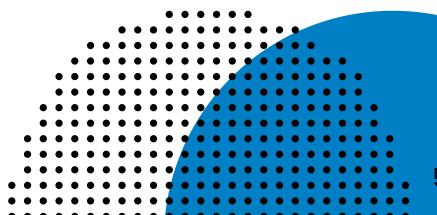
6%

of buildings use wood as primary heat source\*



# TARGET REGION

TOWN OF TRUCKEE & TAHOE BASIN



## **BARRIERS**

Lack of local contractors eligible to work on electrification projects

Lack of local contractors for the number of projects in the region

Lack of public knowledge surrounding building electrification

Amount of work for a home or building owner to manage several contractors for electrification

## **SOLUTIONS**

Scholarships available for local contractors to obtain the certifications necessary for electrification work

Scholarships available for high school graduates to attend trade school for electrification

Public education campaign to inform the community about the benefits of electrification and website to showcase local contractors who have electrification qualifications

One-stop shop concierge service to walk home and building owners through the electrification process

## **APPROACH**



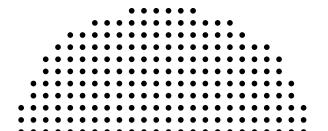
Workforce Education & Training



**Public Communications** 



One-Stop Shop Concierge













**IMPACT** 



## Program Model Breakdown of Program Components

## 1. Workforce Education & Training

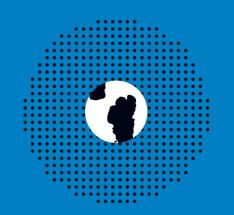
- Convene contractor stakeholder group
- Provide scholarships for electrification training for local contractors
- Provide scholarships for local high school graduates to pursue electrification work in trade school

### 2. Public Communications

- Provide informational resources for consumers about building electrification retrofit processes, funding opportunities, pre-qualified local contractors, building weatherization improvements, and energy efficiency upgrades
- Collect and promote stories, testimonials, and data about the benefits of building decarbonization to increase residents' understanding and ability to navigate incentives and retrofit processes

## 3. One-Stop-Shop Concierge Service

- Provide one-on-one support to home and building owners to assist in finding local contractors and navigating the electrification process
- Identify available incentives or rebates for electrification



## Program Model Timeline & Program Benchmarks

## **Tasks**

Summer 2023

Summer 2024

Recruit Contractor "Ambassadors" & Begin Contractor External Marketing

Summer 2025

Convene Contractor Stakeholder Group

Convene CTA Subcommittee

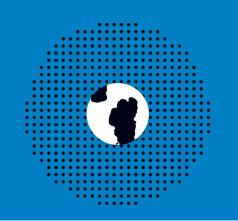
Begin Public Outreach

Organize Contractor Trainings

Begin Concierge Service

Begin Building Retrofits

	Begin Marketing Case Studies	Begin Reporting Metrics
Invento	ery and Catalog Training Opportunit	ies & Establish Contractor Qualifications
		Process & Conduct First Assessments



## Program Model Metrics for Success

## GOALS

30

local contractors
trained to perform
building electrification
measures

20

homes and
commercial buildings
served through the
program

## TRACKING

- GHG Emissions Avoided
- Criteria Air Pollutants Avoided
  - Energy Savings
- Jurisdictional Planning Efforts
  - Jobs Created or Retained



## Program Model Strategy

## 1. Reaching the Workforce

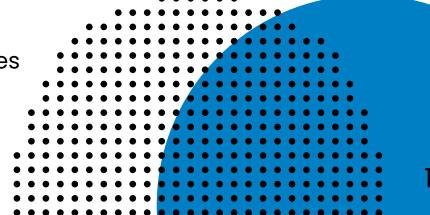
- Engage with the Contractors Association of Truckee Tahoe
- Convene contractor stakeholder group
- Provide scholarships

## 2. Engaging with the Community

- Outreach campaign
- Online resources

## 3. Leveraging Other Funding

- Local, state, and federal incentives and rebates for electrification
- Revolving loan fund





## Program Model

## Supporting Town of Truckee's Climate Goals

### 1. GHG Reduction Goals

- 100% renewable electricity by 2030
- Reduce GHG emissions 80% below 2008 baseline by 2040
- 100% renewable energy by 2050

### 2. Climate Action Plan

• The Town's CAP sets the goal of developing a comprehensive building electrification and energy efficiency retrofit program.

## 3. Reach Codes

• The Town is currently exploring the feasibility of adopting a building energy reach code, which is a local ordinance exceeding requirements set by state such as building energy and infrastructure standards.

## **ADVISORS**

#### **Proposal Development**

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## KEY PROGRAM PARTNER

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## **TEAM & ROLES**

#### **Sierra Business Council**

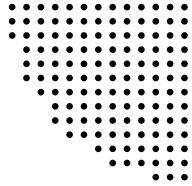
- Convene Contractor
   Stakeholder Group
- Workforce Education & Training
- Public Communications
- One-Stop Shop Concierge
   Service

#### **Town of Truckee**

- Program and Policy Support
- Targeted Stakeholder
   Outreach to Public Agencies
   and Utilities
- Public Communications



## Budget



Task	Cost
Contractor Workforce Education & Training	\$250,000
Public Communications & Partnership with Building Decarbonization Coalition	\$175,000
One-Stop Shop Concierge Service	\$75,000
Total	\$500,000

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