



# ENERGY ACTION PLAN (EAP) OVERVIEW

## FOR

## CITY OF MARTINSVILLE, VA

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# MOTIVATORS FOR EAP

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- Reduce energy costs (electric bills and vehicle fuel)
- Improve property and community resilience (flooding, heat)
- Access federal and state funds (\$billions) to reduce energy costs and improve community resilience

# ONE-YEAR COLLABORATION

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## George Mason University

- Paul Bubbosh, Local Climate Action Planning Initiative
- Dr. Joel Hicks, Local Climate Action Planning Initiative
- Dr. James Kinter, Virginia Climate Center
- Elliot Meyer, Institute for a Sustainable Earth
- Sophia Whitaker, Virginia Climate Center
- Michael Shank, Urban Sustainability Directors Network
- Jared Weaver, Graduate Research Assistant
- Elza Thomas, Graduate Research Assistant
- Schuyler “George” Lynch, Undergraduate Research Assistant
- Rebecca Grossi, Undergraduate Research Assistant

## City of Martinsville Staff

- Keith Holland
- Kris Bridges
- Durwin Joyce

## Community Task Force Volunteers

- Elizabeth Harris, Lifepoint Health
- Brenell Thomas, Martinsville-Henry County Chamber of Commerce
- DeShanta Hairston, Fayette Area Historical Society
- Brian Williams, Dan River Basin Assoc.
- Dr. Susheela Shanta, New College Inst.
- Derrick Ziglar, Jr, Ziglar Properties, LLC

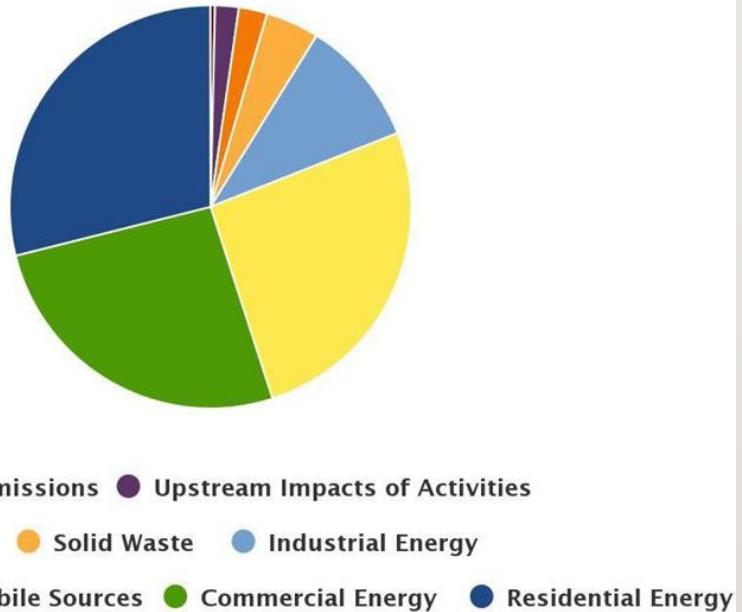
# KEY EVENTS

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- June – December 2023
  - Worked with staff to identify and invite key community stakeholders to join task force
  - Completed City of Martinsville Community Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory
- Feb 2, 9, 16, & 23 (task force meetings)
  - Informed task force members about inventory results
  - Educated task force members about strategies and actions to reduce energy costs and improve resilience
  - Facilitated discussions to achieve consensus on recommended actions
- March - April 2024
  - Worked on draft Energy Action Plan with task force members and city staff to finalize recommendations and language of Energy Action Plan
- April 12, 2024
  - Released final Energy Action Plan for Council approval

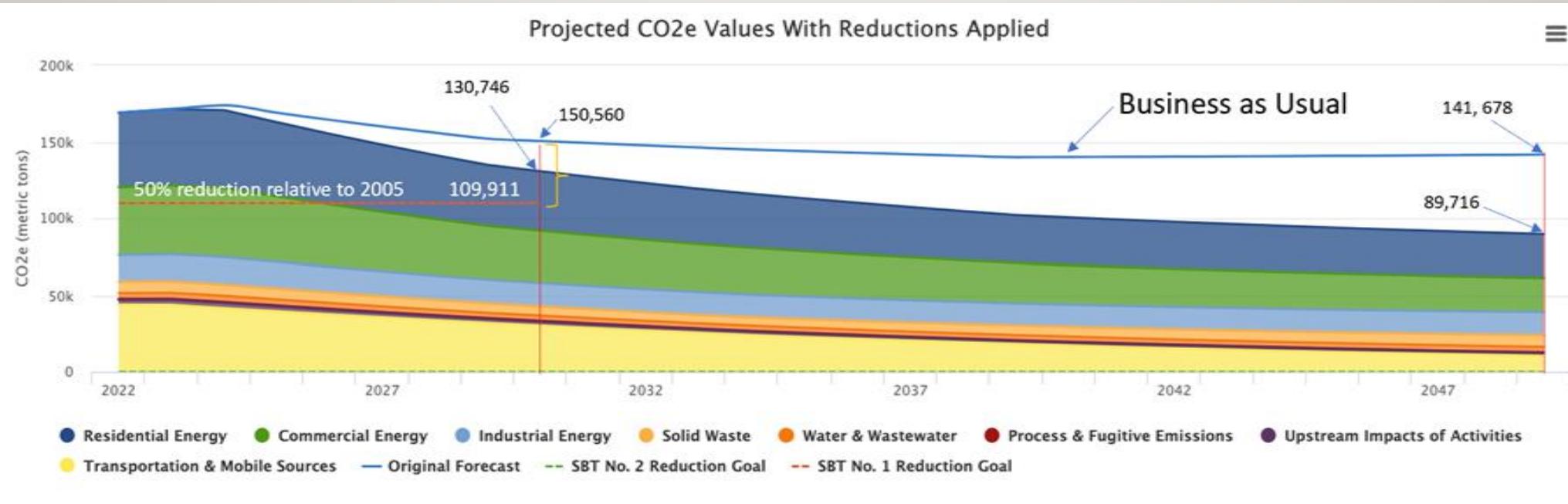
# COMMUNITY GHG INVENTORY SUMMARY

CO2e By Category



- Residential Energy - 48,857 CO2e
- Commercial Energy - 44,145 CO2e
- Transportation - 43,883 CO2e
- Industrial Energy - 17,226 CO2e
- Solid Waste – 7,257 CO2e
- Water and Wastewater - 3,869 CO2e
- Grid Loss - 3,244 CO2e
- Fugitive Emissions – 610 CO2e

# WHAT ARE THE PROJECTIONS (2022 – 2050)



----- 2030 target – Science-based target I (SBT I) says we need to reduce by 50% relative to 2005 levels by 2030 [In 2022, U.S. had reduced by ~15%] → so you need to reduce **35% relative to 2022**

----- 2050 target – Science-based target II (SBT II) says we need to be **carbon neutral by 2050**

# CRITERIA FOR SELECTING STRATEGIES & ACTIONS

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- Effectiveness (in reducing energy costs and improving resilience)
- Costs, Economic Benefits, and Savings
- Feasibility (of local government to implement action)
- Equity (sharing of burden and benefit)
- Co-Benefits (beyond energy, such as preserving rural character)
- Consistency with Comprehensive Plan

# CORE SECTORS OF EAP

## End-Use Sectors

- **Buildings:** (4) subsector goals + (7) actions
- **Transportation:** (4) subsector goals + (6) actions
- **Electric:** (1) subsector goal
- **Land Use:** (2) actions
- **Waste & Wastewater:** (4) actions
- **Solid Waste:** (1) subsector goal

## Other Sectors

- Partnerships: (4) actions
- Organizational Structure: (2) actions

- All recommended actions include priority levels (note, not all actions have “high” priority level):
  - High
  - Medium
  - Low
- All recommended actions include timeframe for implementation:
  - Continuous
  - Short (w/i 12 months)
  - Medium (2-3 years)
  - Long (4-5 years)

## NEXT STEPS

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- Public Comment Period
- Council approval
- Assistance with implementation (grants, federal funds)

QUESTIONS ??