# Climate Smart Communities – Capital Region Custom Service Strategy for Schenectady County October 2012

IN-PERSON CONSULTATION DATE: October 10, 2012

#### **COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Jaclyn Agostino – County Manager's Assistant Jeff Edwards – Environmental Planner Glen Schnabel – Intern for County Manager's Office

## **CSC REGIONAL COORDINATOR SUPPORT TEAM MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Todd Fabozzi, CDRPC Kim Lundgren, VHB Angela Vincent, VHB

#### **CLIMATE PROTECTION PRIORITIES**

- 1. Create a financing strategy to fund Climate Action Plan initiatives
- 2. Establish targets long and short-term
- 3. Develop a Sustainable Purchasing Policy or a way to assist the County with prioritizing specific items based on sustainability metrics
- 4. Map vulnerable populations utilizing the ClimAID report (<a href="http://www.nyserda.ny.gov/">http://www.nyserda.ny.gov/</a>)
- 5. Facilitate workshops in the County, potentially tailored towards implementation of the Climate Action Plan
- 6. Update the EnergySTAR Portfolio Manager database and establish a more formal process for the County to follow in the future.

# CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY SERVICE RECOMMENDATION

Update the EnergySTAR Portfolio Manager database and build capacity internally to continually update the database to track progress.

### **CLIMATE PROTECTION ISSUE TO BE ADDRESSED**

VHB worked with the County to create an EnergySTAR Portfolio Manager database while the GHG Emissions Inventory was being created. This database was not completed, due to a lack of data for several departments. This project would update and complete the database and provide the guidance necessary for the County to continually update the database moving forward.

## PLEDGE ELEMENT TO BE ADDRESSED

Pledge Element 2: Set Goals, Inventory Emissions, Move to Action

## POTENTIAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE AND FINAL DELIVERABLES

#### Resources:

- Data from Building Manager
- National Grid Data
- Portfolio Manager

### Deliverable:

Updated Portfolio Manager Database and maintenance plan for continual updates

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## TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF STRATEGY

TASK	WHO	COMPLETED BY
Prepare existing Portfolio	Kari Hewitt (VHB)	December 7 <sup>th</sup>
Manager (PM) and energy data		
Process discussion with the	Kari Hewitt (VHB)	December 14 <sup>th</sup>
County Staff	County Staff	
Update Data and Building	Kari Hewitt (VHB)	January 11, 2013
Information		
Update PM	Kari Hewitt (VHB)	January 18, 2013
County staff review PM for	County Staff	January 25, 2013
accuracy		
Draft a PM Maintenance Plan for	Kari Hewitt (VHB)	January 25, 2013
County		
County staff review PM	County Staff	February 1, 2013
Maintenance Plan		
Finalize PM Maintenance Plan	Kari Hewitt (VHB)	February 6, 2013
Deliver final Database and	Todd Fabozzi (CDRPC)	February 8, 2013
Maintenance Plan		

## **COUNTY COMMITMENT**

١,	Kathleen Rooney	, hereby acknowledge receipt of this Climate Smart
	(elected/appointed official)	

Communities Custom Service Strategy (Strategy) for Schenectady County. The County

is committed to working with VHB to implement this Strategy. We look forward to

furthering our climate protection efforts through the Climate Smart Communities Program.