

# Climate Smart Communities – Capital District Custom Service Strategy for Niskayuna February 2014

IN-PERSON CONSULTATION DATE: February 12, 2014

## **COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Matt Miller, Deputy Town Attorney Kathy Matern, Town Planner Nicole Matlick, Engineering Department Bill Lee, Chairman of Conservation Advisory Committee

## **CDRPC SUPPORT TEAM MEMBERS:**

Todd Fabozzi, CDRPC Angela Vincent, VHB

#### CLIMATE PROTECTION PRIORITIES IDENTIFIED AT THE IN-PERSON CONSULTATION

- Conduct a local government operations greenhouse gas emissions inventory
- Update the energy audit for municipal facilities
- · Increase solar installations by adopting the unified solar permit

#### CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITY STRATEGY RECOMMENDATION

Conduct a greenhouse gas emissions inventory for local government operations to serve as a foundation to determine the success of the climate protection activities for the Town.

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

The Town of Niskayuna has taken impressive steps to reduce their energy use and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with government operations and services. In order to begin measuring their success in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, however, the Town needs to establish a baseline of the emissions by department and sector for their local government operations.

# PLEDGE ELEMENTS TO BE ADDRESSED

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

# POTENTIAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE AND FINAL DELIVERABLES Resources:

- Energy use data collected
- Local Government Operations GHG Emissions Inventory Tool
- Local Government Operations Protocol
- Support from VHB staff

#### Strategy Deliverable:

Training, tools and support for conducting a greenhouse gas emissions inventory for local government operations for the Town of Niskayuna.



**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** 

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# TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF STRATEGY

TASK	wно	WEEK	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	TIME WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8	WEEK 9
Begin working with Town to collect data and review	VHB									
Conduct training on the GHG Inventory Tool	VHB & Town Reps									
Provide data entry/tool support	VHB									
Assist with finalizing the GHG Inventory	VHB									

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Communities Custom Service Strategy (Strategy) for the <u>Town of Niskayuna</u>. The Town understands that the services provided by CDRPC will be at no cost, and is committed to work with CDRPC to implement this Strategy. We look forward to furthering our climate protection efforts through the Climate Smart Communities Program.

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