



Budget Fact Sheet – Climate Action

Mayor Harrell’s proposed budget makes bold investments to tackle the climate crisis with urgency, and drive needed change. These investments will reduce greenhouse gas emissions, incentivize electrification, provide training for clean energy jobs, and protect and maintain the city’s urban forest. Equity is a central part of the proposal, with new grants in community-identified priorities and plans to develop resilience hubs to ensure the most-impacted communities are prepared for climate-related emergencies such as extreme heat and smoke events. As the City works to reach its 30% tree canopy goal, this budget proposal includes investments in a Tree Equity and Resilience Plan, increasing tree planting capacity, and greening of industrial properties.

The budget proposal complements the recently enacted 2022 Green New Deal Opportunity Fund to help build a healthy, sustainable city for all residents. Resources from the payroll tax provide the opportunity take on these bold climate investments – supporting \$20.5 million in 2023.

Highlights include:

Healthy, Climate Resilient Communities

COST	INVESTMENT AREA
\$7M	Decarbonizing libraries and community centers in conjunction with planning and development for Community Resiliency Hubs to combat growing impacts of climate change
\$800K	Expand Fresh Bucks to help more residents access fresh fruits and vegetables
\$800K	Support the Environmental Justice Fund and the Duwamish River Opportunity Fund

Transition Away from Fossil Fuels

COST	INVESTMENT AREA
\$2.6M	Clean Heat program to support electric heat pump conversions of oil-heated homes
\$2.8M	Building Emissions Performance Standards for large commercial and multifamily buildings to support the Building Accelerator program
\$1M	Funding for Electric Vehicle rebates for industrial and commercial heavy-duty fleets, including drayage trucks and school buses

\$647K | Developing Electric Vehicle Charging Stations for city-owned fleets

Building A Clean Energy Economy

COST	INVESTMENT AREA
\$1M	Investment in Green Jobs Pathways Pre-Apprenticeship Scholarships
\$200K	Investments and climate-aligned small business support in the Duwamish Valley

Tree Canopy

COST	INVESTMENT AREA
\$320K	Increase urban forestry tree crews' capacity to plant trees in parks
\$300K	Greening industrial properties to expand efforts to plant additional trees on public and private lands
\$150K	Tree Canopy Equity and Resilience Plan