

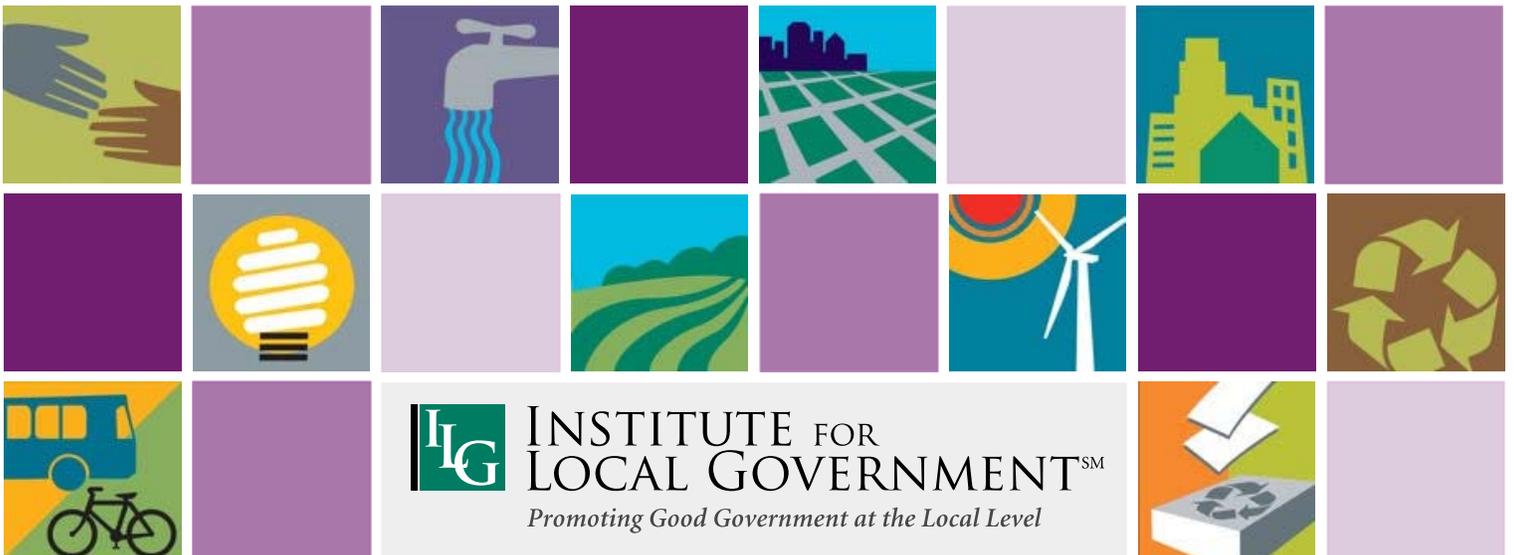
SILVER LEVEL AWARD WINNER

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BEST PRACTICE  
ACTIVITIES



# City of Pacific Grove

Sustainability Best Practices Activities



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## SPOTLIGHT AWARD

Areas of Accomplishment

		SILVER LEVEL	GOLD LEVEL	PLATINUM LEVEL
	Agency GHG Reductions			
	Community GHG Reductions			23%
	Agency Energy Savings			
	Natural Gas Savings			
	Sustainability Best Practice Activities	2018		



## About This Document

This document tracks and shares local agency best practice activities completed and counted as part of a city or county's participation in the climate change and sustainability recognition program, the Beacon Program. The Beacon Program is a statewide program recognizing cities and counties that are working to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save energy and adopt policies and programs that promote sustainability.

The Beacon Program is sponsored by the Institute for Local Government and the Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative. The Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative (SEEC) provides support to cities and counties to help them reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy. SEEC is an alliance between three statewide non-profit organizations and California's four Investor-Owned Utilities. It builds upon the unique resources, expertise and local agency relationships of each partner.



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## Energy Efficiency and Conservation Activity

Level	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Activity	Reported
Silver	1. AMBAG Energy Watch has conducted energy assessments of all city facilities within Pacific Grove.	2018

Level	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Activities	Reported
Gold	1. The City of Pacific Grove has been working with AMBAG Energy Watch in order to access technical assistance and financial incentives, including facility audits, rebates and on-bill financing.  2. Through a partnership with AMBAG Energy Watch, all city facilities have been benchmarked using the Portfolio Manager tool.	2018

Level	Energy Efficiency & Conservation Activities	Reported
Platinum	1.	





# Water & Wastewater Systems Activity

Level	Water & Wastewater Systems Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The City of Pacific Grove provides detailed information to the community regarding water conservation on its website. This information includes water conservation tips, information on how to obtain free water conservation devices, ( such as low flow showerheads), and information on rebates for the installation of water efficient equipment ( <a href="https://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/living/green-pg/water/water-conservation">https://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/living/green-pg/water/water-conservation</a> )	2018
Level	2. ). <b>Water &amp; Wastewater Systems Activities</b>	Reported
Gold	1.	2018
Level	<b>Water and Wastewater Systems Activities</b>	Reported
Platinum	1.	





# Green Building Activity

Level	Green Building Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The City of Pacific Grove is part of the Hero Program, a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program, which allows community members to access loan funding to implement green building retrofits.	2018

Level	Green Building Activities	Reported
Gold	1.	

Level	Green Building Activities	Reported
Platinum	1.	





# Waste Reduction and Recycling Activity

Level	Waste Reduction Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The City of Pacific Grove provides detailed recycling and organic recycling information to the community, which is available on the website ( <a href="https://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/living/green-pg/solid-waste-recycling/recycling">https://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/living/green-pg/solid-waste-recycling/recycling</a> )	2018

Level	Waste Reduction Activities	Reported
Gold	1.	2018

Level	Waste Reduction Activities	Reported
Platinum	1.	2018





# Climate-friendly Purchasing Activity

Level	Climate-Friendly Activity	Reported
Silver	1. As per the city of Pacific Grove's Municipal Code (11.99.030), all city facilities must use biodegradable, compostable or recyclable food service ware. Furthermore: "city contractors and special events promoters utilizing disposable food service ware shall use biodegradable, compostable, or recyclable products while performing under a city contract or permit."	2018

Level	Climate-Friendly Activities	Reported
Gold		

Level	Climate-Friendly Activities	Reported
Platinum		





# Renewable Energy and Low-Carbon Fuels Activity

Level	Renewable Energy and Low Carbon Fuels Activity	Reported
Silver	1. In 2017, City of Pacific Grove joined the Monterey Bay Community Power, a CCA program which will enable community members to use carbon neutral electricity. ( <a href="https://www.mbcommunitypower.org/">https://www.mbcommunitypower.org/</a> )	2018

Level	Renewable Energy and Low Carbon Fuels Activity	Reported
Gold	1.	2018

Level	Renewable Energy and Low Carbon Fuels Activity	Reported
Platinum	1.	





# Efficient Transportation Activity

Level	Efficient Transportation Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The City of Pacific Grove is part of AMBAG, the federally designated MPO for the Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties. The City of Pacific Grove uses the transportation model provided by AMBAG, which includes different modes of transportation (bicycling, private vehicles, public transit: <a href="http://ambag.org/programs/met_transp_plann/documents/TMIP/Region_Overview.pdf">http://ambag.org/programs/met_transp_plann/documents/TMIP/Region_Overview.pdf</a> )	2018

Level	Efficient Transportation Activities	Reported
Gold	1.	2018

Level	Efficient Transportation Activities	Reported
Platinum	1.	2018





# Land Use and Community Design Activity

Level	Land Use and Community Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The City of Pacific Grove is partnering with AMBAG to work on a Sustainable Communities Strategy, as part of SB 375 ( <a href="http://www.ambag.org/programs-services/planning/metro-transport-plan">http://www.ambag.org/programs-services/planning/metro-transport-plan</a> ).	2018

Level	Land Use and Community Activities	Reported
Gold		2018

Level	Land Use and Community Activities	Reported
Platinum	1.	





# Open Space and Offsetting Carbon Emission Activity

Level	Open Space Offsetting Carbon Emission Activities	Reported
<b>Silver</b>	1. The city adopted an urban greening plan in 2016. Elements of this plan include information on sustainable landscaping practices as well as conducting an inventory of publicly owned trees ( <a href="https://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/living/green-pg/environmental-programs-grants/urban-greening">https://www.cityofpacificgrove.org/living/green-pg/environmental-programs-grants/urban-greening</a> )	<b>2018</b>

Level	Open Space Offsetting Carbon Emission Activities	Reported
<b>Gold</b>	1.	<b>2018</b>

Level	Open Space Offsetting Carbon Emission Activities	Reported
<b>Platinum</b>	1.	





# Promoting Community and Individual Action Activity

Level	Promoting Community and Individual Action Activities	Reported
Silver	1. The City of Pacific Grove has partnered with AMBAG Energy Watch to provide the community with webinars, seminars and trainings on a wide variety of sustainability topics, the most recent a webinar covering passive house design and certification.	2018

Level	Promoting Community and Individual Action Activities	Reported
Gold	1. The City of Pacific Grove has partnered with AMBAG Energy Watch to provide the community with information and project assistance, to pursue energy efficiency opportunities.	2018

Level	Promoting Community and Individual Action Activities	Reported
Platinum	1.	





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