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The City of Daly City

Sustainability Best Practices Activities



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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 Award. The Beacon Award 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.

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SPOTLIGHT AWARD

Areas of Accomplishment

		SILVER LEVEL	GOLD LEVEL	PLATINUM LEVEL
	Agency GHG Reductions		17.5%	
	Community GHG Reductions	9%		
	Agency Energy Savings			
	Natural Gas Savings			
	Sustainability Best Practice Activities		2017	



City of Daly City

Best Practice Activities

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Energy Efficiency and Conservation Activity

Level	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Activity	Reported
Silver	1. Daly City worked with the San Mateo County EnergyWatch to promote the Chamber of Commerce and local businesses energy audits and energy efficiency retrofits.	2015

Level	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Activities	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Daly City worked with BayREN to provide an onsite workshop to residents about Energy Upgrade California (workshops occur every year). 2. The City of Daly City completed energy audits through the San Mateo County EnergyWatch program for five major city facilities to identify projects that would qualify for PG&E's On Bill Financing program and continued retrofit work in lighting and HVAC systems. 	2017

Level	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Activities	Reported
Platinum	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implemented off-peak scheduling of pumps, motors, and other energy intensive machinery in the Water and Wastewater Resources Department and worked with PG&E to update billing schedules accordingly. 2. Lighting upgrades: (1) Replaced street lights with LEDs, (2) Replaced holiday lights at city facilities with LEDs, and (3) Installed motion sensors in all city offices. 3. Daly City Building Division staff participated in BayREN-sponsored Title 24 training. 	2017





Water & Wastewater Systems Activity

Level	Water & Wastewater Systems Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The city sponsored garden, Gateway Garden, is used by the Department of Water and Wastewater Resources for educational to host school field trips and other community tours demonstrating the beauty of drought-tolerant plants along with turf plots demonstrating the use of potable and recycled water. (2012 ssmc).	2017

Level	Water & Wastewater Systems Activities	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The city promotes residential and commercial water conservation and continues to deliver tertiary recycled water to area golf courses and landscaped medians. 2. DWWR audits large city landscapes to verify that they are staying within established water budget baseline. 	2015

Level	Water & Wastewater Systems Activities	Reported
Platinum	1. DWWR offers rebates for water conservation for upgraded clothes washers and high efficiency toilets and also provides free spray rinse nozzle replacements for restaurants and residential community homes that serve meals.	2017





Green Building Activity

Level	Green Building Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The City has a level two electric vehicle charging station requirement for expanded shopping centers--one for every 25,000 square feet built--200,000 square feet expansion planned over time.	2015

Level	Green Building Activity	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Department of Public Works is now using compost provided by the city's franchised waste hauler (from Daly City food scraps recycling) and mulch in all public parks. 2. The city enacted a construction and demolition debris recycling ordinance that requires at least 60% diversion of project waste. 	2017

Level	Green Building Activity	Reported
Platinum	1. Designed and implemented Project Green Space, a program to install drought-tolerant green spaces and street trees with water efficient irrigation systems. In it's first year, Project Green Space installed ten drought tolerant green spaces and 90 trees.	2017





Waste Reduction and Recycling Activity

Level	Waste Reduction Activity	Reported
Silver	1. Daly City continues to host two recycling/reuse events annually on Earth Day in the spring and Make A Difference Day in the fall for residents to donate unwanted items to nonprofit reuse partners, dispose of used tires through the San Francisco Conservation Corps, as well as document shredding and e-waste collection.	2015

Level	Waste Reduction Activities	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. With waste hauler, implemented reduced cost organics recycling as well as a no-cost recycling for all Daly City residents and businesses, with curbside pickup. Daly City now offers curbside pickup of food scraps, food soiled paper products, and yard trimmings. 2. Provided extensive outreach on recycling and organics recycling to residents and businesses, including articles, videos, infographics and web content. 	2017

Level	Waste Reduction Activities	Reported
Platinum	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To promote recycling within city departments, implemented a quarterly e-waste collection program for government offices and a toner cartridge recycling program. 2. Provide CFL and battery recycling buckets at City Hall as well as to all multifamily properties in Daly City. 3. Host four household hazardous waste collection events and two electronic waste collection events at City Hall every year and provide extensive outreach on the topics via articles, videos, and web content. 	2017





Climate-friendly Purchasing Activity

Level	Climate-Friendly Purchasing Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The city required the use of decomposed granite for paths constructed at Hillside Park (and elsewhere in park facilities).	2015

Level	Climate-Friendly Purchasing Activities	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The city encourages the reuse of existing materials, like office furniture, instead of purchasing new materials in order to save on costs and promote reuse. 2. All parks maintenance staff have adopted Bay-Friendly practices. 	2017

Level	Climate-Friendly Purchasing Activities	Reported
Platinum	1. Under new franchise agreement with waste hauler, converted hauler's fleet to CNG trucks.	2017





Renewable Energy and Low-Carbon Fuels Activity

Level	Renewable Energy and Low Carbon Fuels Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The city served as a partner in Peninsula SunShares to provide competitive pricing for solar panel installations on residential single family homes and businesses (participation continues annually). Offered workshops with solar providers for residents and businesses to learn more.	2015

Level	Renewable Energy and Low Carbon Fuels Activity	Reported
Gold	1. Currently, the city has adopted two PACE providers: CaliforniaFIRST and HERO. The largest-ever PACE transaction recently closed at \$40 million for Seton Medical Center in Daly City through CaliforniaFIRST. 2. The city's Building Division provides expedited and streamlined permitting for solar system installations.	2017

Level	Renewable Energy and Low Carbon Fuels Activity	Reported
Platinum	1. The city joined Peninsula Clean Energy, the new energy provider for San Mateo County and all of its cities, as a way to promote a higher portion of renewable energy in the energy supply. Peninsula Clean Energy is a community choice energy program.	2017





Efficient Transportation Activity

Level	Efficient Transportation Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The city worked with San Mateo County to implement the Bayshore Shuttle.	2015

Level	Efficient Transportation Activities	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Installed new bike lanes and pedestrian walkways on John Daly Blvd, the major thoroughfare to the BART station. 2. Participate in Commute.org programming and heavily market commuter incentives to the community via existing communication channels. 	2017

Level	Efficient Transportation Activities	Reported
Platinum		





Land Use and Community Design Activity

Level	Land Use and Community Activity	Reported
Silver	1. Daly City completed a pedestrian and bicycle master plan.	2015

Level	Land Use and Community Activities	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Daly City formed a Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (B/PAC). 2. Completed sea level rise vulnerability study for coastal Mussel Rock Landfill and also collaborated with the County of San Mateo's new countywide sea level rise vulnerability assessment. 	2017

Level	Land Use and Community Activities	Reported
Platinum	.	





Open Space and Offsetting Carbon Emission Activity

Level	Open Space Offsetting Carbon Emission Activities	Reported
Silver	1. The city established a Priority Conservation Area for the San Bruno Mountain State and County Park.	2015

Level	Open Space Offsetting Carbon Emission Activities	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The city currently supplies food waste to Blue Line Transfer Station in South San Francisco for their waste to energy facility. 2. The city closed the Mussel Rock Transfer Station on the coast above the closed Mussel Rock Landfill as a first step in restoring the area to a natural state with increased recreational opportunities. 	2017

Level	Open Space Offsetting Carbon Emission Activities	Reported
Silver	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The city created the Daly City Drought Tolerant Tree Guide, an e-book with tree profiles and photos to inform decision making on new street tree selection and for residents and businesses to use with the goal of growing and adapting the urban forest for climate change. 2. The city completed a urban forest inventory to document tree species, populations, size and health. Also implemented tree maintenance schedule that provides pruning and other maintenance activities on a rotating basis for neighborhoods in the city. 3. The city provides no-fee encroachment permits for residents and businesses that want to remove concrete for new street tree wells. 	2017





Promoting Community and Individual Action Activity

Level	Promoting Community and Individual Action Activity	Reported
Silver	1. The City improved information dissemination to the public on a wide range of sustainability practices and resources available including creating a "Go Green Daly City" webpage, promoting activities through social media platforms and in the City's newsletters.	2015

Level	Promoting Community and Individual Action Activity	Reported
Gold	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The City provides education opportunities for local schools on sustainability topics by funding assemblies at local elementary and middle schools on recycling, offers free assemblies on water conservation to schools that request them, and partners with the waste hauler to increase education on recycling with schools (including organics recycling). The City participates in the Regionally Integrated Climate Action Planning Suite (RICAPS) with the County of San Mateo and its cities in order to share information about the latest climate change information and to share best practices in sustainability programming to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. 	2017

Level	Promoting Community and Individual Action Activity	Reported
Platinum		





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