



City of Jackson

Sustainability Best Practice Activities



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California communities are leading the fight against climate change. From small projects to large-scale programs, cities and counties are making great strides to create healthy, sustainable and economically prosperous communities. Participants in ILG's Beacon Program serve as leaders in this effort, making measureable contributions to reducing energy and greenhouse gas emissions, and sharing their sustainability best practices.

This document represents a collection of activities your agency has completed in 10 areas of sustainability. While local governments have a wide range of choices available to address climate change, these activities represent the unique opportunities and values in your community. These voluntary actions are essential to achieving California's goals to save energy, reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and create more sustainable communities.

SPOTLIGHT AWARD Areas of Accomplishment		SILVER LEVEL	GOLD LEVEL	PLATINUM LEVEL
Agen	cy GHG Reductions		2017 (10%)	
Com	munity GHG Reductions	2017 (9%)		
Agen	cy Energy Savings	2017 (6%)		
Natu	ral Gas Savings			
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Beac	on Award			

Cities and counties throughout the Golden State should be proud of the accomplishments made through the hard work, innovation and collective community action. The Institute for Local Government applauds your achievements and thanks you for your continued participation in the Beacon Program.

The Beacon Program is sponsored by the Institute for Local Government and the Statewide Energy Efficiency Collaborative (SEEC). SEEC is an alliance between three statewide non-profit organizations and California's four Investor-Owned Utilities. The Beacon Program is funded by California utility ratepayers and administered by Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, Southern California Edison and Southern California Gas Company under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission.







Energy Efficiency and Conservation Activities























Water & Wastewater Systems Activities

Gold Platinum Platinum	
	1. Jackson audited electricity consumption of wastewater treatment facilities and potable water pumps.
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Silver























Green Building Activities

	Silver
1.	The city provides information on HERO financing for energy efficient, water efficient, and renewable energy upgrades on the city website.
	Gold
	Platinum























Waste Reduction and Recycling Activities

Silver























Climate-friendly Purchasing Activities

Silver
Through a CalRecyle grant, Jackson partners with ACES waste services, who buys recycling bins made out of recycled materials.
Gold
Platinum























Renewable Energy and Low-**Carbon Fuels Activities**

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1.	The city council adopted participation in the PACE program, a renewable energy financing program to help
	residences and businesses install solar PV and hot water systems on existing buildings at the February 22,
	2016 meeting.

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Platinum























Efficient Transportation Activities

Silver
The city installed EV charging stations.
Gold
Platinum























Land Use and Community Design Activities

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1.	The city's General Plan Open Spaces and Conservation Element supports the Williamson Act and states that	at it
	is the policy of the city to preserve agricultural lands as open space conservation areas.	

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Open Space and Offsetting Carbon Emission Activities

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The General Plan prohibits grading and removal of native vegetation.
Gold
Platinum























Promoting Community and Individual Action Activities

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1.	The city council approved a proclamation promoting awareness of the city's Energy Action Plan (EAP) so that
	individuals and the community have more access to energy efficiency resources and participation in the EAP.

Gold

Platinum























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