



Dayton sustainability work grows with LEED Cities Leadership Program

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Dayton is one of 15 cities and counties across the country joining the LEED for Cities Local Government Leadership Program.

The year-long program leads to a multi-year certification that helps local governments achieve sustainability objectives, such as the City of Dayton's goal of using 100% renewable energy by 2035.

The U.S. Green Building Council, creator of the well-known LEED green building rating system, launched the leadership program in 2017 and annually invites local governments to join a national cohort of peer organizations committed to reducing climate change and building social equity by tracking performance using the LEED for Cities rating system.

City of Dayton staff members will collaborate with program leaders and participants to further identify and establish steps to achieve Dayton's sustainability targets. LEED for Cities will provide tools, benchmarks and guidelines for specific actions to reduce carbon emissions and achieve the 100% renewables goal.

"Local governments are leading the way in finding solutions to address the climate crisis, and LEED for Cities helps local leaders create responsible, sustainable and specific plans to contribute to quality of life for its residents," said Peter Templeton, president and CEO of the U.S. Green Building Council. "The 15 local governments selected to participate in this year's cohort are committed to finding solutions for health and sustainability and are using LEED as a tool to ensure they are on a path of continuous improvement."

"Joining the LEED for Cities cohort is big step for Dayton," said Mark Charles, Dayton's sustainability manager. "We are making steady progress for a more a sustainable community and to achieve the goals outlined in our comprehensive plan, [Strategy for a Sustainable Dayton](#)."

The participating cities and counties in the 2022 LEED for Cities Local Government Leadership Program cohort are:

Amesbury, MA
Cape Canaveral, FL
Columbia, SC
Cutler Bay, FL
Davidson, NC
Dayton, OH
Fort Lauderdale, FL
Henderson, NV
Issaquah, WA

Ithaca, NY
La Crescent, MN
Oakland County, MI
Reno, NV
State College, PA
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