

## Digest of Green Reports and Studies

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<b>Summary</b>	<p>This report, issued in November 2007 by The United States Conference of Mayors (Tom Cochran, Executive Director, et al), is a compilation of reports providing strategies and illustrations of how 52 U.S. cities are dealing with the need to conserve energy and other resources, acquire clean energy, and products and practices used to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Many cities outline initiatives to reduce emissions created by city government operations; others describe initiatives that encourage residents and local businesses to conserve. Because the initiatives vary so widely, the report was presented under three headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Cross-Cutting Initiatives</b> describe “comprehensive, multi-faceted approaches taken by cities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.”</li> <li>• <b>Regional Initiatives</b> describe “efforts made by cities to work with other local and state governments and businesses to achieve conservation and greenhouse gas reduction goals.”</li> <li>• <b>Focused Initiatives</b> describe “specific examples of energy or resource conservation programs or projects undertaken by cities, usually as part of broader-based conservation efforts.”</li> </ul> <p>Local contact information is included in each city’s report.</p>
<b>Key Findings</b>	<p>Individual cities’ action plans included an array of ideas/proposals and accomplishments, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of city and transit vehicles powered by alternative fuel or biodiesel</li> <li>• Use of hybrid city vehicles</li> <li>• Powering municipal facilities with energy from renewable resources</li> <li>• Retrofitting municipal buildings with energy-efficient equipment</li> <li>• Incentives to those who build “green”</li> <li>• Public education and awareness regarding conservation/energy efficiency</li> <li>• Promote/increase mass transit use</li> <li>• Encourage bicycling/walking</li> <li>• Improve/construct bicycle paths</li> <li>• Encourage drought-tolerant landscaping</li> <li>• Free distribution of CFL light bulbs</li> <li>• Construct LEED-certified buildings</li> </ul>
<b>Recommendations</b>	Refer to Key Findings
<b>Definition of “Green”</b>	N/A
<b>Methodology</b>	Findings were based on a survey of 52 U.S. cities by the Climate Protection Center. The survey was “designed to build a baseline of information on (the cities’) efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.”
<b>Data Sources Cited</b>	N/A
<b>Report Geography</b>	52 U.S. Cities
<b>Green Occupations Cited</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Solar Panel System Installer</li> </ul>
<b>Green Industries Cited</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biodiesel Fuel Production</li> </ul>
<b>Keywords</b>	Alternative energy; alternative fuel; bicycle; bike; biodiesel; CFLs; climate protection; conservation; drought-resistant; drought-tolerant; education; energy efficiency; energy-efficient; global warming; greenhouse gas emissions; hybrid; Kyoto Protocol; LEED; partnership; photovoltaic; recycling; renewable energy; renewable resources; solar; transit.
<b>Legislation Cited</b>	<p><b>California (Rohnert Park):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Green Building Ordinance</i> mandates that all new construction meets high green building standards.</li> </ul> <p><b>New York (Syracuse):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State legislation adopted in 2006 provides funding for all 35 school-owned buildings to be renovated using LEED green-building standards.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ordinance adopted in 2007 requires all municipal building projects in the city to meet LEED green-building standards.</li></ul>
<b>Bibliography (Y/N)</b>	No
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