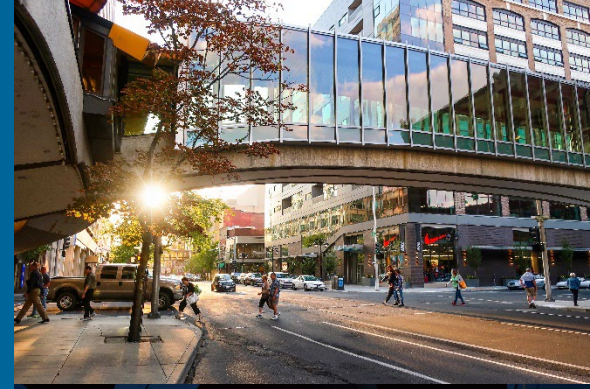




East Central Decarbonization Participatory Budgeting

June 2026



Project Overview

- The city received funding from the Washington State Department of Commerce to support community-led climate investments
- Funding is intended to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while improving community resilience and quality of life
- Through a participatory budgeting process, community residents will help identify and prioritize projects for future investment
- The city serves as the administrator and steward of the process, ensuring compliance with state requirements

What is Participatory Budgeting?



Ideas are generated on how to spend a public budget



Ideas are pitched and people vote for their priorities



Votes are counted and the community's priorities are funded



Requirements & Eligible Decarbonization Projects

What Does 'Decarbonization' Mean?

Decarbonization projects reduce greenhouse gas emissions by lowering fossil fuel use and improving energy efficiency.

Sample projects:

- Building energy efficiency improvements
- Electrification of buildings and equipment
- Urban forestry and tree canopy expansion
- Community cooling and resilience projects
- Renewable energy installations
- Climate resilience infrastructure

State Program Requirements

Projects must:

- Advance greenhouse gas reduction goals
- Provide benefits to impacted communities
- Meet Washington State Commerce eligibility criteria
- Be feasible for implementation by local governments or partners

Project Timeline

