



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY

**“Federal Action on the Local Level”
California Adaptation Forum**

7 September 2016

Obama Administration's Placed Based Programs

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Strategic Objectives: To institutionalize the Administration's place-based approaches to resilience.

COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS TASK FORCE

Senior leaders from the White House and 18 agencies

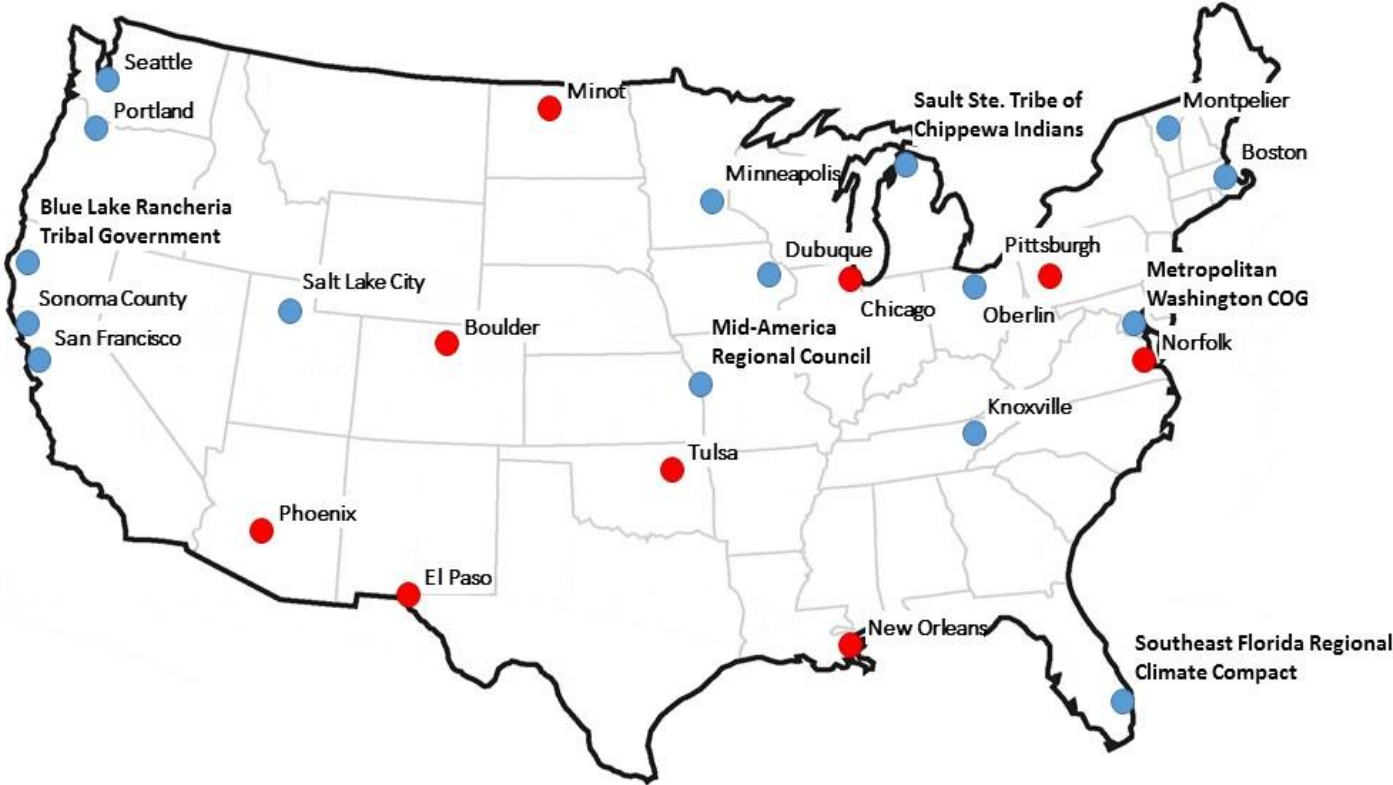
- Climate Action Champions
- Resilience AmeriCorps
- Strong Cities, Strong Communities
- Promise Zones



Climate Action Champions

First Cohort Announced: December 2014

Second Cohort Announced: March 2016



LEGEND

- First Cohort CAC
- Second Cohort CAC

20 - Cities
4 - Counties/Regional Collaborative
2 - Tribal Governments

Climate Action Champions

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The White House launched the Climate Action Champions (CAC) Initiative in December 2014 with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) as lead Agency.

Program Policy Objectives

- Facilitate peer exchange and learning between Champions
- Encourage Champion activities to be replicated and serve as models for non-Champion communities
- Identify & streamline access to federal funding/technical assistance for Champions
- Inform future Federal support for climate action in local communities.



Activity and Achievements

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- **Ambitious Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reduction Commitments**

Deliver 2% annual reduction in GHG emissions in 2015 and 2016

- **Federal Collaboration to Support Communities**

The White House established an Interagency Working Group consisting of over 10 Federal Agencies to support the Champions

- **Cabinet and Presidential Recognition**

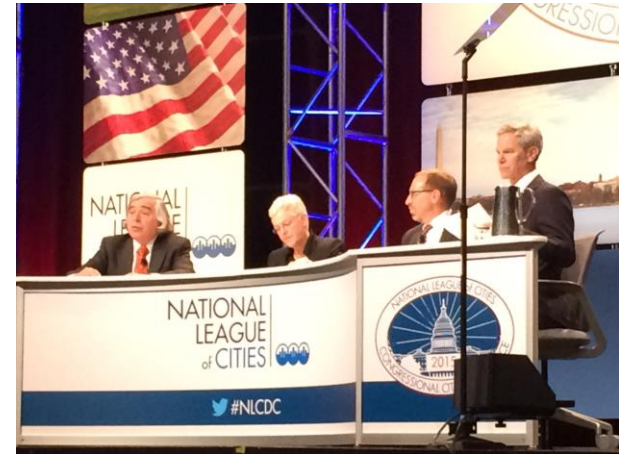
President Obama visited the Florida Everglades and highlighted the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact

- **Funding and Technical Assistance**

Agencies committed \$1.4 million to the Climate Action

- **Provide Feedback to Federal Agencies and the White House**

Champion communities provided instrumental feedback on early-stage Federal tools and programs



Resilience AmeriCorps

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The President's State, Local, and Tribal Leaders Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience recommended the creation of a "Climate Resilience Corps" to provide technical assistance, guidance, and on-the-ground support to help communities advance climate preparedness.

Key Achievements:

- Resilience AmeriCorps members are in 11 communities and expansion is anticipated to over 40 communities in 2016
- Resilience AmeriCorps Academy (January) with the next training planned for October
- Federal and non-Federal partnerships have leveraged greater coordinated support to communities



Lessons Learned: Barriers to Local Climate Action

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- 1) Difficulty Navigating Access to Federal Funding
- 2) Local Staffing Training, and Resource Capacity
- 3) Lack of Public Private Partnership Coordination
- 4) Lack of Understanding of National Lab Capacity

DOE Technical Assistance

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STATE, LOCAL AND TRIBAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GATEWAY

Frequently Asked Questions

Featured Topic: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Strategies in the Electric Power Sector

CONTACT US

For more information about technical assistance at the Department of Energy, contact us via [e-mail](mailto:technicalassistance@hq.doe.gov).

The State, Local and Tribal Technical Assistance Gateway provides an access point to DOE's technical assistance and cooperative activities with state, local and tribal officials. Through its [program and staff offices](#), DOE has engaged extensively with various levels of state, local and tribal governments, providing technical assistance on a range of energy issues. Our existing technical assistance and other activities, as well as relevant information offered by other federal agencies, are provided below by program or topic.

If you're a state, local or tribal official, or a representative from an organization of such officials, with a specific question or need for assistance, [email us](#) and we'll work collaboratively across the DOE to address your inquiry. Responses could include access to DOE and national laboratory experts; ongoing cooperative activities with national state, local, regional and tribal associations and external subject matter experts; and existing and new materials including guidebooks, toolkits, webinars and data. Any technical assistance provided will depend on the inquiry and the availability of DOE resources.

EXISTING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES BY PROGRAM AND TOPIC

[Assistance with Greenhouse Gas Reduction](#)

DATA, TOOLS, AND BEST PRACTICES

[WINDExchange](#)

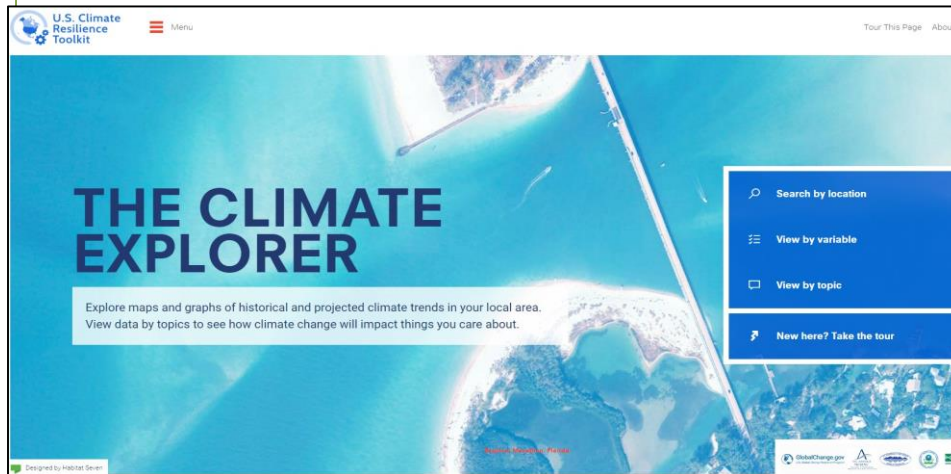
[Better Buildings Residential Network Solution Center](#)

- Website provides links to information and details on specific technical assistance opportunities currently available by DOE office.
- DOE TA workgroup helps facilitate coordinated responses to TA inquiries.
- DOE offices will provide assistance as they are able depending on each office's resources. Assistance will vary between offices and requests.

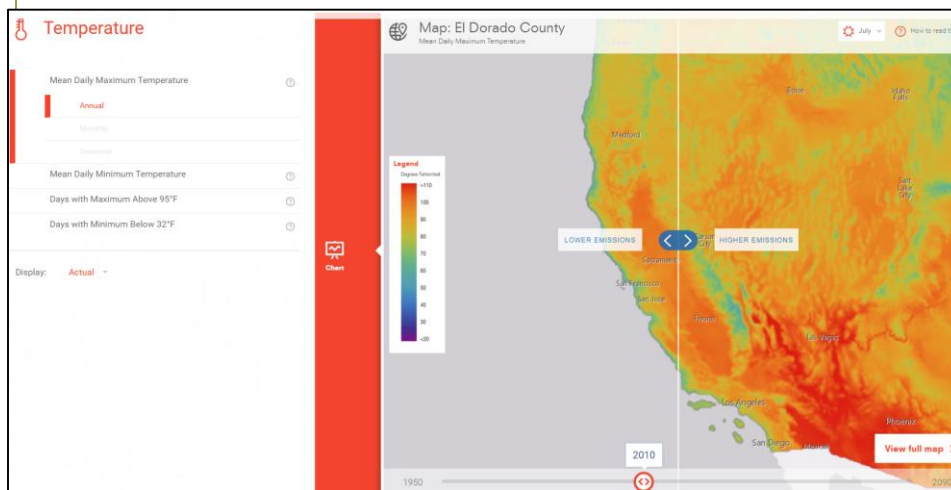
Climate Explorer

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Visualize Climate Data in Maps and Graphs <http://toolkit.climate.gov/climate-explorer2/>



- Explore maps and graphs of historical and projected climate trends in your local area. View data by topics to see how climate change will impact things you care about.
- Created by NOAA. Part of the U.S. Climate Resilience Toolkit



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<http://energy.gov/eere/slsc/state-and-local-solution-center>

Contact: stateandlocal@ee.doe.gov

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TAKE ACTION



Develop a Clean
Energy Strategy



Design and
Implement Clean
Energy Programs



Pay for Clean
Energy Efforts



Access and Use
Energy Data

- Navigate the portal's resources and learn about clean energy. Search based on four key action areas or by topic or resource type
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Questions?



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