

# The Greenest Region Compact 2

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### Overview

- The foundation for GRC2
- How the GRC2 is built
- Parts of GRC2
  - 1. Greenest Region Compact 2
  - 2. GRC2 Framework
  - 3. Future supportive program
- Please endorse the Greenest Region Compact 2





# The Foundation of the GRC2

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- Clean Air Counts
  - 116 Municipalities, hundreds of businesses
  - Coordinated local action to meet federal air quality targets
- Original Greenest Region Compact (2007)
  - Adopted by 96 communities
- Sustainability Planning is becoming more important

### GRC2 Goal

To align environmental issues, resources, and actions at the local, regional and national levels to guide municipalities to achieve greater environmental sustainability.





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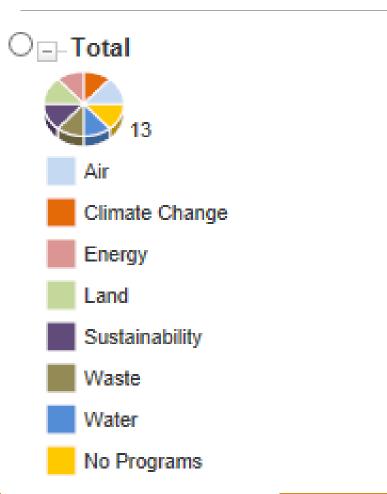
- 1. What is already underway in the region?
- 2. What existing programs will be helpful?

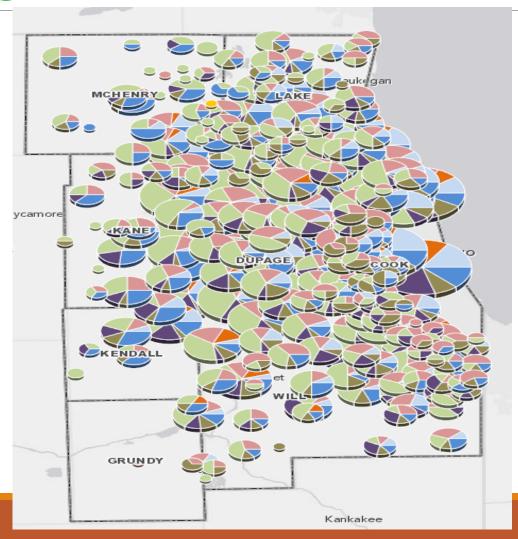
TO ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS -

Inventoried environmental achievements for every municipality

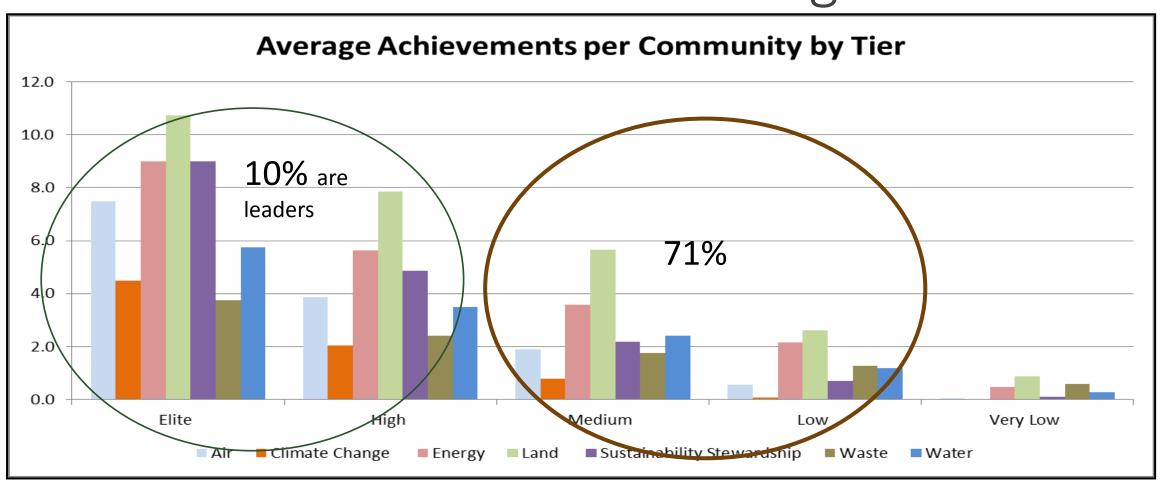


# Results – the Region is Quite Green!





### Most communities are making efforts



# Building the GRC2

- 1. What is already planned?
- 2. What are common priorities?

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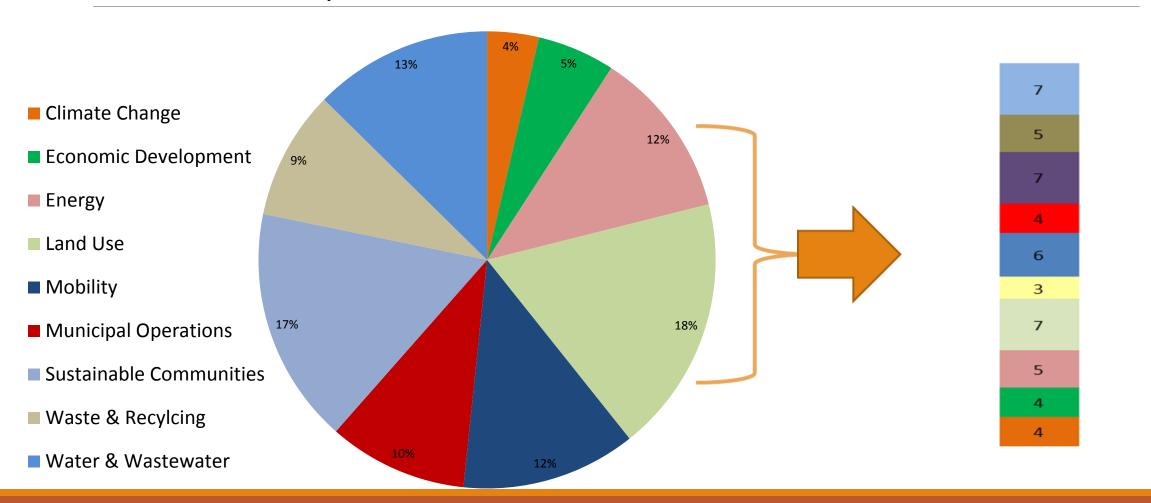
- >Analyzed existing sustainability plans
  - 30 local plans
  - 9 regional/national plans
  - 1149 specific sustainability goals



### Consensus GRC2 Goals

From ALL Sustainability Goals

To GRC2 Goals





# Greenest Region Compact 2

ADVANCING SUSTAINABILITY IN COMMUNITIES AND THE REGION IN THREE PARTS





#### **Consensus Sustainability Goals in 10 Categories**



Climate



**Economic Development** 



Energy



Land



Leadership



Mobility



**Municipal Operations** 



Sustainable Communities



Water



Waste

Please endorse the Compact!







#### **Compilation of all Common Objectives, Strategies**

- From all plans
- Aligns with regional, national, global objectives
- Links to resources & existing programs
- Offers steps to achieve GRC2 Goals
- To use Select suitable objectives
- Can be the Framework for your own sustainability plan







#### Supportive programs to realize GRC2 goals

#### Planned -

- Guide resources to GRC2 adopters
- Track achievement of specific goals
- Tiered recognition program

### Sustainability Network

Will leverage resources & create pathways



### Acknowledgements

- The Searle Funds at the Chicago Community Trust
- Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Environment Committee

Blue Island Hazel Crest Rockford
Cary Highland Park Sauk Villa

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Des Plaines Lakewood Streamwood

Evanston Lemont Villa Park

Fox River Grove Lombard Westchester Frankfort Niles Woodridge

Northlake

Barrington Area Council of Governments
DuPage Mayors & Managers Conference
Northwest Municipal Conference
South Suburban Mayors & Mgrs Conference
Will County Government League





#### And these organizations offered expertise and guidance

360 Energy Group

**Active Transportation Alliance** 

**AECOM** 

Alliance for the Great Lakes

American Planning Association, Illinois Chapter

**Argonne National Laboratory** 

**Barrington Area Council of Governments** 

CB&I

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

**Chicago Wilderness** 

ComEd

**Cook County** 

**DuPage County** 

**Elevate Energy** 

**Energy Choices** 

**Energy Resources Center** 

Engineering Enterprises, Inc

**Environmental Law and Policy Center** 

Federal Emergency Management Agency

**Grand Victoria Foundation** 

**Huff and Huff** 

Illinois Association of Wastewater Agencies

Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation

Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

Illinois Department of Natural Resources

Illinois Emergency Management Agency

Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Illinois Parks and Recreation Association

Illinois Recycling Association

Illinois Sustainable Technology Association

Illinois Indiana Sea Grant

Meadows Center for Water and the Environment

Metropolitan Planning Council

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District

Midwest Ecological Landscape Alliance

Midwest Pesticide Action Center

Morraine Valley Community College

Nicor

Openlands

**Prairie State Network** 

Seven Generations Ahead

Sierra Club

Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County

South Metropolitan Higher Education Consortium

South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association

The Chaddick Institute at DePaul University

The Chicago Community Trust

The Power Bureau

University of Illinois, Environmental Law Department

**US Conference of Mayors** 

**US Environmental Protection Agency** 

**US Green Building Council** 

Will County



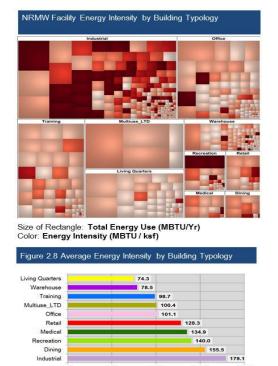
#### **Project Overview**



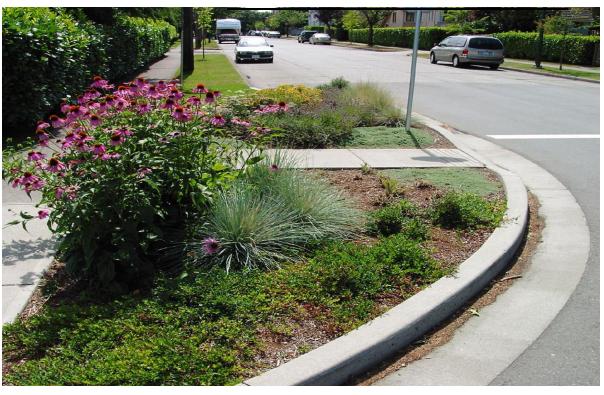


#### \$150,000 Planning Grant





Average Energy Intensity MBTU/KSF)



#### Match GRC2 Priorities to Funding and Technical Support

- Support member priorities
- Inventory funding sources and leverage public and private dollars
- •Identify project typologies
- Prepare program design and implementation plan









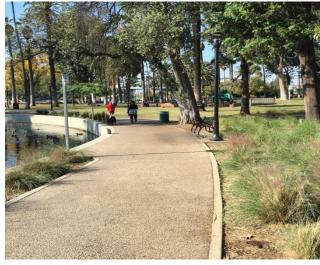
#### Program Design and Implementation Plan

Technical Assistance Support For Each Program Type

**Specific Funding Approaches** 

Performance Metrics







PROGRAM DESIGN, IMPLEMENATION PLAN, SCHEDULE AND BUDGET