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## Awards for Excellence in Sustainability

# Congratulating the Winners of the Ninth (2022) Annual Awards for Excellence In Sustainability!

Honoring projects, plans, policies, individuals, and organizations whose work is dedicated to supporting and growing sustainable communities.

The Sustainable Communities Division is pleased to announce the winners of the ninth annual Awards for Excellence in Sustainability.

The winners represent extraordinary achievements in seven sustainable planning categories. The categories and winners are:

- **State or Regional Award:** *Kansas City Regional Climate Action Plan*, Mid-America Regional Council (Kansas City Metropolitan Region)
- **Community-wide Award:** *Green Worcester Sustainability and Resilience Strategic Plan*, City of Worcester and Larissa Brown + Associates (Worcester, Massachusetts)
- **Sub-area Award:** *Riverlife: Completing the Loop*, evolve environment :: architecture, Fourth Economy Consulting, and Thread Strategies (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania)
- **Environment, Climate, & Energy Award:** *TransformTO Net Zero Strategy*, City of Toronto and Sustainability Solutions Group (Toronto, Canada)

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- **Policy, Law, or Tool Award: *Edmonton Carbon Budget***, City of Edmonton and Sustainability Solutions Group (Edmonton, Canada)
- **Student Award: *Equity Lenses - Targeting Equitable Community Investment Across Southern California***, University of California Los Angeles Luskin School of Public Affairs and Southern California Association of Governments (Southern California)

To recognize two additional outstanding nominations, the jury has also awarded two Merit Awards in the State or Regional Award category:

- **State or Regional Award (Merit Award): *Climate Action Plan for the Chicago Metropolitan Region***, Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (Chicago Metropolitan Region)
- **State or Regional Award (Merit Award): *Hawai'i 2050 Sustainability Plan: Charting a Course for the Decade of Action (2020-2030)***, State of Hawai'i Office of Planning and Sustainable Development, Statewide Sustainability Branch (State of Hawai'i)

## Announcement of the Winners of the Eighth (2021) Annual Awards for Excellence in Sustainability

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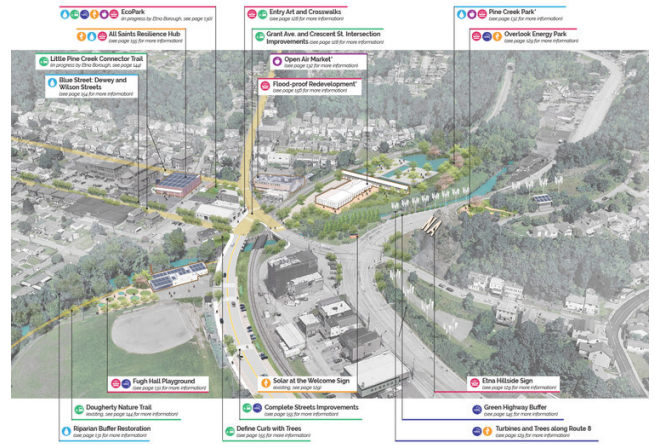
The winners represent extraordinary achievements in eight Sustainable Planning categories.

## Community Plan

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# evolve environment :: architecture, Etna EcoDistrict Plan (Etna, PA)



## Municipal, State, or Regional Plan

## Los Angeles County Chief Sustainability Office, OurCounty: The Los Angeles Countywide Sustainability Plan (Los Angeles County, CA)

## Policy, Law, or Tool

## Southern California

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# Governments, Southern California Regional Climate Adaptation Framework (Southern California)

**CHAPTER 3**  
**The Adaptation Planning Process**

Figure 6  
Four Phases of Adaptation Planning

The SoCal APG recommends stepping through a four-phase process to comprehensively plan for climate adaptation at the local level, consistent with the California APG, and illustrated in Figure 6. This section describes a series of steps associated with each of the four phases, identifies tools and resources that can assist in completing each step, and portrays relevant examples that illustrate each step.

Integral to the SoCal APG's four phases is public engagement, an essential component that applies to the entire process from inception to implementation. The recommended approach for public engagement is described at the beginning of this section with specific engagement strategies identified at the end of each of the four phases.

The SoCal APG frequently references the California APG and the Regional Resilience Toolkit, described below.



## Energy Plan or Project

# AECOM, Comprehensive Environmental and Climate Action Plan (Dallas, TX)

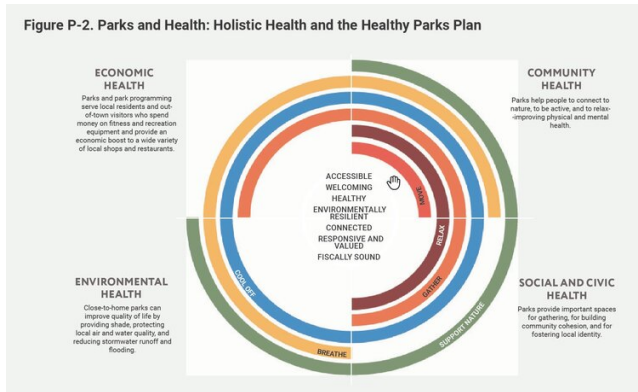
## Green Infrastructure Plan or Project

# Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation, Roosevelt Park Storm



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## Park, Recreation, or Open Space Plan or Project

### Pasadena Parks and Recreation Department, Pasadena Healthy Parks Plan (Pasadena, TX)

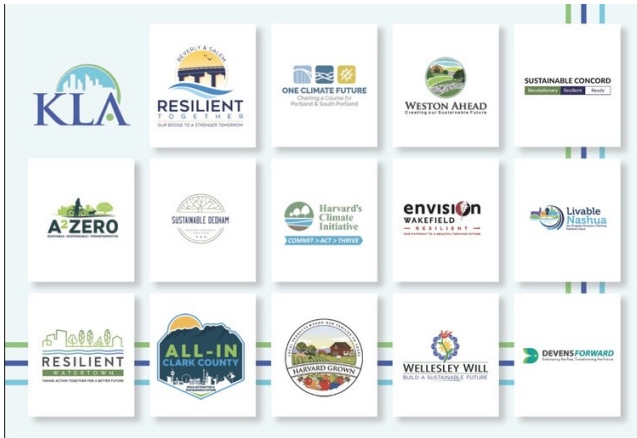
## Student Project

### The Ohio State University, City & Regional Planning Program & the City of Grove City, Ohio, Grove City Sustainability Plan (City of Grove City, OH)



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## (Organization or Initiative)

Kim Lundgren  
Associates (KLA)  
(Boston, MA)

## Past Award Winners

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2017	2016	2015

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