



Oregon's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants

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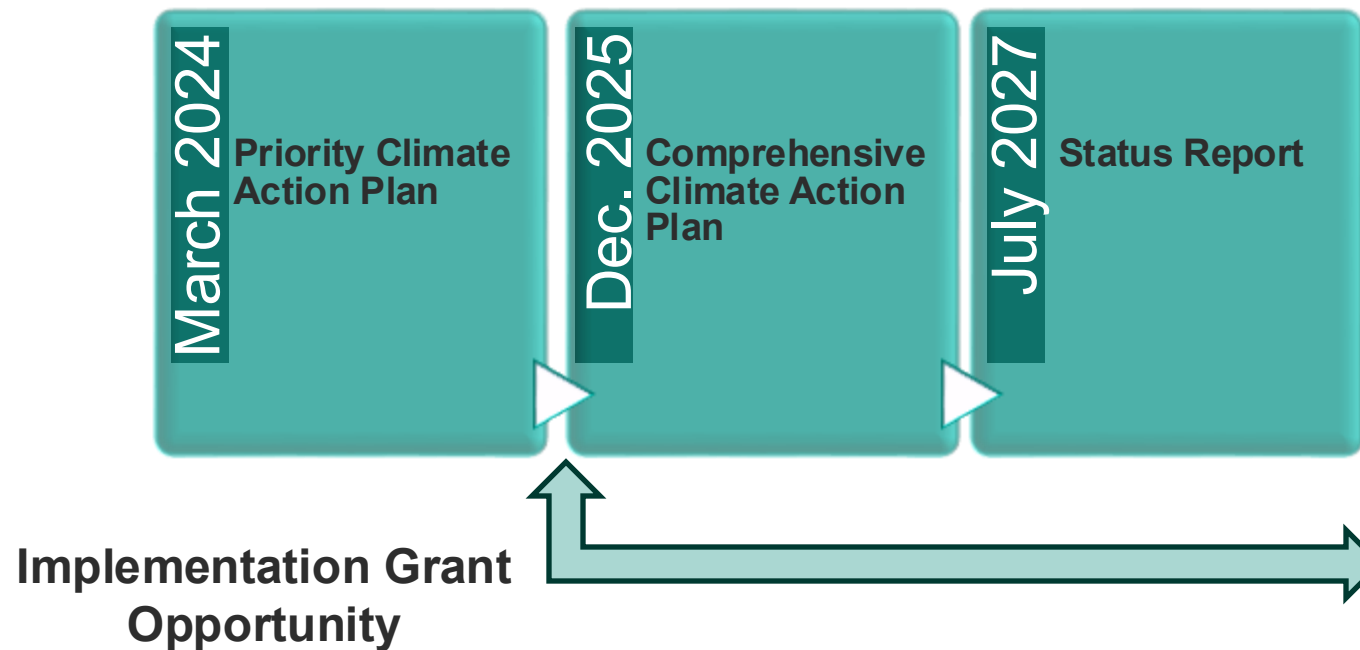
Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program

- Inflation Reduction Act
- EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program
 - “Planning” Grant – \$3 million
 - “Implementation” Grant – \$197 million
 - Climate Equity and Resilience Through Action (CERTA)



CPRG: Planning Grant

Climate Pollution Reduction Planning Grant

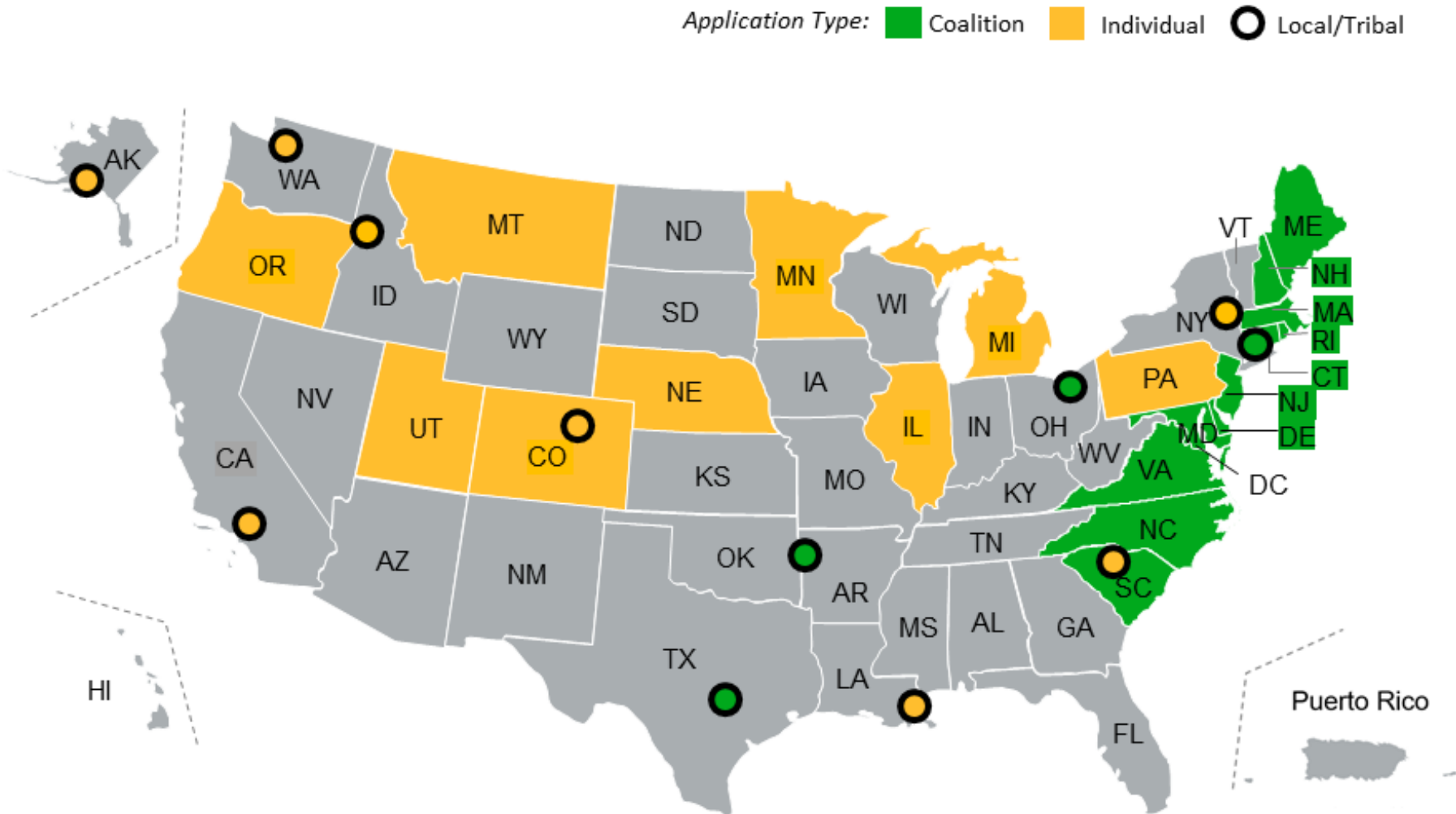


Priority Climate Action Plan: Focus Areas

- Transportation
- Commercial and Residential Buildings
- Waste and Materials Management



CPRG: Implementation Grant Awards



Region 10 Implementation Grant Awards

- Tribes and Territories Competition
 - \$77 million
- General Competition
 - \$284 million
- Overall Pacific Northwest Funding
 - \$361 million

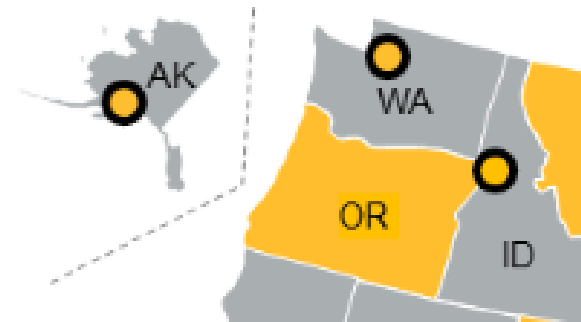
Tribes and Territories Competition

★ Selections

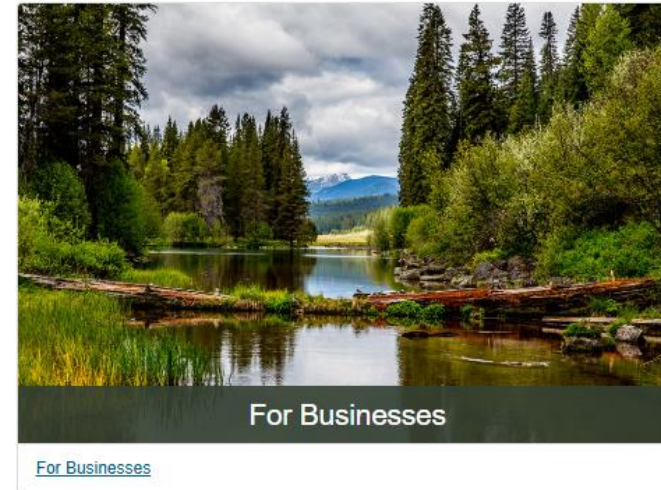


General Competition

Application Type: ■ Coalition ■ Individual ○ Local/Tribal



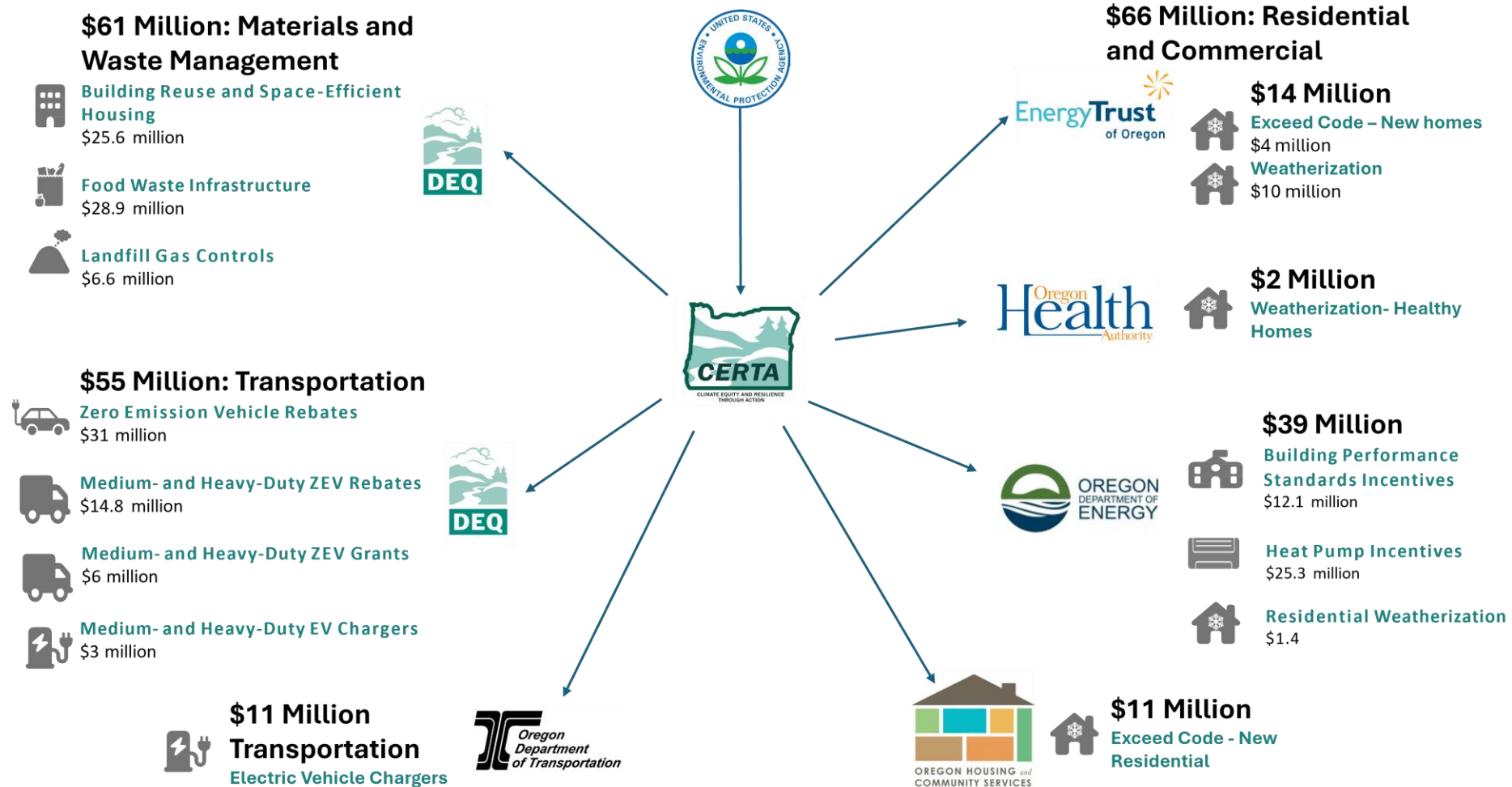
Climate Equity and Resilience Through Action



CERTA at a Glance

- Goal: To reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Oregon
- \$197 million
- Five-year grant beginning Oct. 1, 2024
- Six partners: DEQ, Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE), Housing and Community Services (OHCS), Transportation (ODOT), Health Authority (OHA), Energy Trust of Oregon
- 12 measures across three sectors
- Balance of funding existing programs for rapid implementation and new, innovative approaches

How CERTA Works



Transportation



DEQ, Oregon Clean Vehicle Rebate Program: Rebates for electric vehicles, **\$31 million**



ODOT, Community Charging Rebate Program: Rebates for EV chargers, **\$10.9 million**







DEQ, Medium and Heavy-Duty Zero-Emission Vehicle Rebate and Grant Programs: Rebates for zero emission trucks and fleet, **\$20.8 million**

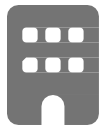


DEQ, Zero-Emission Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program: Rebates to install EV chargers, **\$3 million**

Residential and Commercial Buildings

-  Energy Trust and OHCS: Rebates to builders for energy efficient housing construction, **\$21 million**
-  ODOE: Rebates to commercial building owners to improve energy efficiency in large buildings, **\$12.2 million**
-  ODOE: Rebates for heat pumps in owner-occupied housing, rental properties and new residential construction, **\$25.2 million**
-  Energy Trust, ODOE, and OHA: Rebates for insulation, window and door repair for existing housing, **\$8.3 million**

Waste and Materials Management



DEQ: Rebates to builders for workforce housing that utilizes low-embodied carbon materials and is either space-efficient or made from converted buildings, **\$25.6 million**



DEQ: Grants to large-scale composting facilities and community-based organizations to improve food waste processing, **\$28.9 million**



DEQ: Grants to landfills to improve methane capture, **\$6.6 million**

CERTA Outcomes



Materials

- 940 new affordable housing units (space efficient or building reuse) constructed with low-embodied carbon materials
- Up to 26 new and expanded food waste recovery projects
- Up to 6 landfill projects with added methane emission controls



Buildings

- 4,500 multi-family and 4,920 single family unit incentives for energy efficiency
- 321 commercial building incentives for early and voluntary compliance
- 12,000 heat pump incentives
- 2,690 incentives for residential weatherization



Transportation

- 4,403 rebates for light duty electric vehicles for low- and moderate-income households
- 688 rebates for L2 charging stations
- 164 rebates for Medium and Heavy-Duty electric vehicles
- 37 grants to replace Medium and Heavy-Duty diesel vehicles with electric
- 20 new Medium and Heavy-Duty electric vehicle charging stations

CERTA beneficiaries include Oregon residents, local businesses, community-based organizations, local & Tribal govts

Year 1: Laying the Groundwork

- Hiring and onboarding over 20 staff across all agencies
- All partner agreements in place totaling \$77.6 million
- Development and implementation of reporting, invoicing, communications, and management structures
- Detailed program design and work planning ongoing
- Submitted the EPA Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) which outlines how DEQ will measure GHG reductions, and two implementation status reports

Year 1: Accomplishments

- \$14 million spent
- DEQ has issued **1,841 electric vehicles rebates** to low- and moderate-income households
- ODOE has issued **712 heat pumps rebates** for owner-occupied homes, rental properties and new residential construction
- Energy Trust of Oregon issued **361 home construction rebates** for new homes that are at least 10% more energy efficient than code and **79 insulation installation** rebates for residences
- 32 of 36 Oregon counties: CERTA is committed to statewide reach

CERTA Upcoming

- Continued implementation for measures that have already launched
- Other measures are...
 - Launching rebate application open periods
 - Reviewing applications in response to funding announcements
 - Signing agreements with newly selected rebate recipients and subgrantees

Successes, Lessons and Challenges



Partnerships created across different agencies and DEQ divisions



Meaningful results achieved in Year 1



Existing programs are often able to utilize CERTA funds quickly



Federal uncertainty results in hesitant partners

CPRG Planning Continues

Comprehensive Climate Action Plan



Develop economy wide reduction measures



Prioritize community benefits, particularly for those disproportionately impacted



Engage with Tribes, impacted communities, and intergovernmental agencies



Understand gaps in policies and data



Determine workforce impacts



Reduce greenhouse gases to achieve Oregon's 2050 targets

Status Report

Climate work at DEQ

- Consolidation of work across DEQ, additional planning studies and data analysis, community involvement for climate advising

Community engagement

- Workshops, intergovernmental agreements with Tribes, youth art contest, vignettes of what is working

Climate and public health nexus

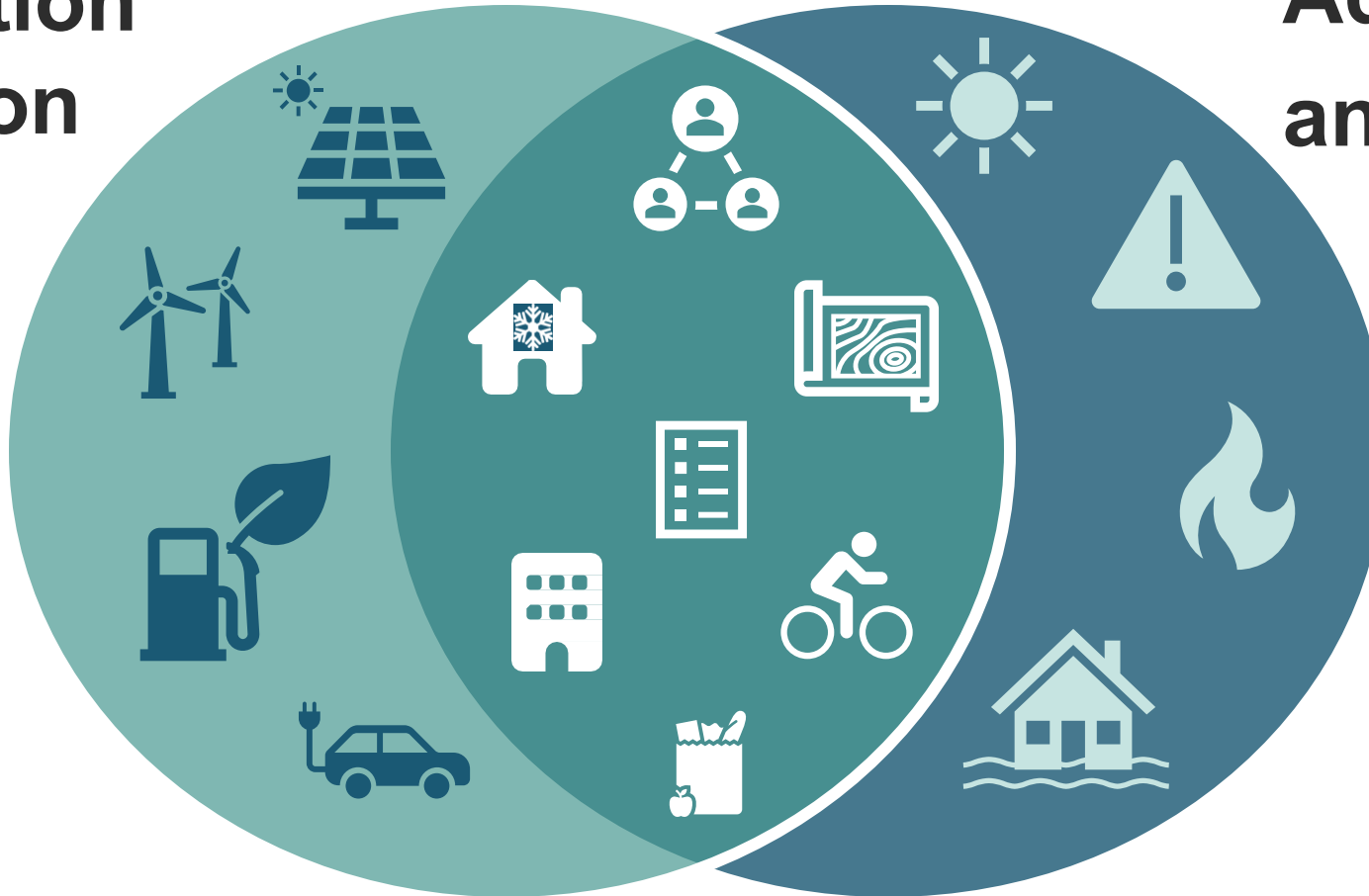
- Health perspective
- Measures and opportunities that address resilience and mitigation for future funding
- Added benefits to addressing health along with climate



Status Update Focus

**GHG Reduction
and Mitigation**

**Adaptation
and Resilience**





YOUTH CLIMATE ART CONTEST

Share your passion for art and climate

From Pollution to Solution- the Earth We Want to See



Why participate

- Join the effort to protect and preserve Oregon's environment and natural wonder by sharing your experience with the changing climate.
- Showcase your artistic talent.
- Help us illustrate DEQ's Climate Action Plans with art from Oregon's youth.
- Enter a raffle to have lunch with DEQ's Director, Leah Feldon.
- First 100 submissions get \$30 electronic gift cards.

Competition opens **Oct. 20, 2025**; last day for submissions is **Earth Day, April 22, 2026**.



Check the QR for more information and submission guidelines

Email the program at CPRG@deq.oregon.gov



Supporting DEQ's Strategic Plan



Strategy 3.3: Build sustainable, meaningful and respectful relationships with environmental justice communities.



Strategy 3.4: Better incorporate people throughout Oregon into our decision-making processes by engaging with them to learn about their lived experiences in a meaningful, respectful, and mutually beneficial way.



Strategy 4.3: Encourage cross program coordination and external partnerships to adapt to and address climate change and other urgent environmental issues.



Strategy 4.4: Communicate with and engage impacted communities to provide insight and transparency into DEQ's work.



Strategy 5.3: Identify resources and approaches needed to analyze the effects and impacts of policy proposals brought to the commission.

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- [Oregon's CPRG website](#)
- [CERTA website](#)
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