



CITY OASIS DASHBOARD

TOTAL SCORE _____

INLAND EMPIRE



CO2 & Climate

Sign the U.S. Conference of Mayors Climate Protection Agreement

☐ 5 POINTS

Conduct a Baseline Emissions Inventory for municipal operations, or track progress with annual inventories

☐ 5 POINTS

Perform ICLEI Cities for Climate Protection milestones

☐ 5 POINTS

% of municipal energy from renewable sources

☐ _____

% of residents energy from renewables

☐ _____

Adopt a Climate Action Plan to cut greenhouse gas emissions by 20%

☐ 10 POINTS



Buildings

Total number of LEED Certified or Registered Buildings

☐ _____

Require LEED (or other) of new commercial buildings

☐ 10 POINTS

Provide permitting incentives for green buildings

☐ 5 POINTS

Establish energy efficiency or green building standards for municipal buildings and facilities

☐ 10 POINTS

Establish and implement energy efficiency or green building standards for all buildings

☐ 10 POINTS

Adopt Tier I or II in the CalGreen Building Code

☐ 5 EACH



Energy

Retrofit/upgrade city lighting to high efficiency lamps

☐ 5 POINTS

Provide incentives for solar PV equipment to residents

☐ 5 POINTS

Establish a PACE financing program

☐ 10 POINTS

Create a lighting ordinance to conserve energy

☐ 5 POINTS

Residential solar permitted with reduced or no fee

☐ 5 POINTS

Residential solar permits are expedited

☐ 5 POINTS

Offer renewable energy credits to businesses

☐ 5 POINTS



Land Use

% of city land devoted to open space?

☐ _____

Provide zoning or incentives for mixed-use buildings

☐ 5 POINTS

Planning incentives for grey/brownfield redevelopment

☐ 5 POINTS

Min. 30% permeable paving on commercial projects

☐ 5 POINTS

Mandatory cool roof requirement on new buildings

☐ 5 POINTS

Reduce parking requirements for affordable housing and mixed-use projects

☐ 5 POINTS



Environmental Governance

Number of part-time sustainability City Staff

☐ _____

Dedicated sustainability manager/director

☐ 10 POINTS

Environmentally Preferable Purchasing program

☐ 3 POINTS

Establish a Sustainability Committee/Commission

☐ 10 POINTS

Partnership with local utility or nonprofit to conserve energy or water

☐ 10 POINTS

Train relevant city staff on green building measures

☐ 5 POINTS

Provide educational resources to residents on your sustainability goals and activities

☐ 5 POINTS



Transport & Circulation

Number of SunLine Transit bus stops

☐ _____

% municipal fleet that's clean air (ULEV or ZEV)

☐ _____

Number of electric vehicle parking & charging stations

☐ _____

Provide dedicated bike lanes and HEV lanes

☐ 3 POINTS

Car-sharing or bike-sharing program in City

☐ 3 POINTS

City carpooling coordination program

☐ 3 POINTS

Maximum, not minimum, parking requirements

☐ 5 POINTS

Park & Ride Shuttle around commercial areas

☐ 10 POINTS



Waste

Mandatory recycling for businesses

☐ 5 POINTS

City-wide residential composting program

☐ 10 POINTS

Collection of used cooking oil for biodiesel

☐ 5 POINTS

Mandatory construction waste recycling 65% or more

☐ 10 POINTS

City collection of e-waste & other hazardous materials

☐ 3 POINTS

Plastic Bag & Take Out Container ban

☐ 5 POINTS



Community

Send City representative to regular USGBC meeting

☐ 20 POINTS

Work with School District to develop green curriculum

☐ 10 POINTS

Provide community gardens in development process

☐ 3 POINTS

Weekly farmers market or edible schoolyard within city

☐ 5 POINTS

City is member of: USGBC, ICLEI, U.S. Mayors, Carbon War Room Cities Challenge, Clinton 40

☐ 1 EACH



Water

Allow rainwater for non-potable use inside & outdoors

☐ 3 POINTS

Allow graywater for non-potable use inside & outdoors

☐ 3 POINTS

Partner with Water District for turf buy back program

☐ 5 POINTS

Mandatory drip irrigation or desert-scaping on commercial development

☐ 10 POINTS



City Innovation

LIST UP TO THREE NOT COVERED IN THIS LIST

Innovation: _____ ☐ 10 POINTS

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CITY OASIS DASHBOARD

OASIS DASHBOARD CITY ACCORD

2011

We,

**the undersigned duly appointed representatives
for our Coachella Valley City, hereby agree to the following:**

- **Use** the Oasis Dashboard as a roadmap to shape our sustainability policy
- **Commit** one staff person to participate in the steering group (one hour/quarter)
- **Revisit** our dashboard ranking annually and make the results available

SIGNED:

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| City of Cathedral City | City of Coachella | City of Desert Hot Springs |
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| City of Indian Wells | City of Indio | City of La Quinta |
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| City of Palm Desert | City of Palm Springs | City of Rancho Mirage |
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| Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians | Augustine Band of Mission Indians | Morongo Band of Mission Indians |

THE GREENCARD DASHBOARD METHODOLOGY

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| BRANCH VISION: | “Building a Sustainable Oasis in the Desert” | | |
| BRANCH MISSION: | “To promote sustainable strategies and environmental awareness for the unique conditions of the Coachella Valley’s built environment, creating an environmental legacy, fostering a healthy, prosperous & improved quality of life.” | | |
| REGIONAL PRIORITIES: | • Cool roofs | • Drip irrigation | • Waterless/Graywater use |
| | • Reduction of heat islands | • Insulation & efficiency | • Solar PV |
| | • Desert-scaping/xeriscaping | • Passive solar orientation | • Solar Thermal |

How the categories were developed

Categories were initially based on the LEED™ Green Building Rating System (usgbc.org/leed). Additional input came from SustainLane City Rankings (sustainlane.com), College Sustainability Report Card (greenreportcard.org) and the California League of Conservation Voters Scorecard (ecovote.org). Categories were then refined, combined and adapted to the unique conditions of the Coachella Valley.

How the points were chosen

The list of individual points were initially compiled from "Green Building & Remodeling for Dummies," the Build It Green Government Roadmap (builditgreen.org) and the Alameda County Waste Management Authority Guidelines (stopwaste.org). They were refined, simplified and adjusted for the unique opportunities in the Coachella Valley. Points were targeted at City policy rather than individual resident consumption. The goal of this scorecard is to assist cities in developing a roadmap to attainable and sustainable policies.

How the weightings were determined

Given that we live in a desert, we initially placed the greatest weight on two obvious areas: water and energy. However this did not solve a larger issue: each city acting separately despite this being one Valley. So, additional points and weighting will go to cities that support these efforts and share information and resources with other cities.

Alone, we reinvent the wheel and duplicate each others efforts. Together, we can accomplish great things quickly.

Excluded Categories

Due to the natural resources shared within the Coachella Valley, several important aspects of environmental quality were excluded from this dashboard. The following criteria was excluded since it is assumed it would be the same throughout the Coachella Valley, or is regulated by an over-arching agency:

- Air Quality
- Tap Water Quality
- Water Supply
- School District Policies

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Coachella Valley USGBC, By The Numbers: 2011

300 members

1,000 subscribers

40 events per year

1,000 attendees per year

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