SOME CLEAN ENERGY RESOURCES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Environmental Protection Agency Local Government Solar Projects Portal:

epa.gov/repowertoolbox/local-government-solar-project-portal

A hub for resources for each step of solar project development. A local government can create an account to track its progress and access resources and technical support.

SolSmart:

thesolarfoundation.org/policy-research/solsmart/

SolSmart recognizes communities that make it easier to go solar. Asheville, Carrboro and Chapel Hill have been designated SolSmart Gold communities and Orange County is SolSmart Silver. A team of experts provides no-cost technical assistance to help local governments. Chatham County will be working with SolSmart to identify solar-suitable county buildings to list in its upcoming RFP. Email <u>SolSmart@SolarFound.org</u>.

Chatham County's Draft RFP: bit.ly/2FqQ05E

Solar Outreach Partnership:

solaroutreach.org

The Solar Outreach Partnership helps accelerate solar energy adoption by providing information to local governments. The program offers educational workshops, peer-to-peer sharing opportunities, research-based reports, and online resources.

Department of Energy State and Local Solution Center:

energy.gov/eere/slsc/state-and-local-solution-center

The Center provides resources in four areas to support state and local governments: Develop an Energy Plan, Design and Implement Energy Programs, Pay for Energy Initiatives, and Access and Use Energy Data.

NC Clean Energy Technology Center (NC State Univ.):

nccleantech.ncsu.edu

The Center promotes the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency, clean transportation fuels and technologies, and green building practices through four main program areas: technical assistance & demonstration; policy research & analysis, education, training & outreach; and technology research, development, & demonstration.

Greenhouse Gas Reduction Toolkit: How to Take Action in Your Community

Produced by the City of Aspen, CO. Available at <u>bit.ly/2PxeBFO</u>.

Electric Vehicles

The Climate Mayors Electric Vehicle Purchasing Collaborative leverages the buying power of the <u>Climate Mayors</u> cities to reduce the cost of EVs and charging station acquisition for all cities in the U.S. to accelerate city fleet transition. The collaborative will provide training, best practices, educational materials, and analysis support, creating a one-stop location to support EV transition. More at <u>driveevfleets.org</u>.

More information on NC WARN's Clean Path 2025 at <u>nccleanpath2025.org</u> or call 919-416-5077.

