



VERMONT LEGISLATIVE CLIMATE SOLUTIONS CAUCUS

Dear Municipal and School Leaders:

Greetings from the [Vermont Legislative Climate Solutions Caucus](#)! With 80-plus members in the House and Senate, we're a broad coalition of legislators dedicated to advancing cost-effective and equitable energy policies to transition Vermont to a sustainable future.

We hope our caucus can play a helpful role — as a clearinghouse for climate-friendly ideas and resources — while the Vermont legislature, municipal and education leaders consider how to allocate federal stimulus funds from the [American Rescue Plan Act \(ARPA\) of 2021](#).

As you know, the State of Vermont will receive \$1.3 billion that the legislature and Governor Scott will work together to appropriate. Significant funds will also flow directly to municipal governments and to schools.

- **We'd like to learn about any one-time ARPA investments you're considering, in your local government and schools, that support or intersect with smart, strategic climate action.**
- **We're also interested in hearing your ideas about how specific, one-time state-level investments could support your local climate-related ARPA investments.**

We're gathering ideas through [this Google form](#). Will you take a few minutes to fill it out?

Our goal is to hear about your plans as they evolve, provide additional resources and ideas, and share those ideas with other towns and schools. In addition, your feedback will help to inform our caucus and the legislature during the 2021-2022 biennium as we invest in energy policies and programs at the statewide level.

We're asking for brief comments about concepts and ideas, not full descriptions of plans. While the legislature will continue to work on sustained climate action, today we're only gathering your initial ideas for projects specifically suited to one-time funding from federal ARPA dollars. For example: Provide funding for the cost of EV charging station installation, but not for ongoing maintenance.

We hope you'll join this conversation by [filling out this quick form](#). We'll be sharing your comments with the Climate Solutions Caucus and other key legislators. We're excited about the opportunity to use federal stimulus dollars to support Vermont's transition to renewable energy—the fast-growing economy of the future. Feel free to reach out with any questions!

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