# Somerville's Sustainability Federal Funds Strategy

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#### Somerville's Climate Goals

Vision: Do our part and more, within and beyond our borders

- Carbon Net-Negative by 2050
- Community-driven climate action plan
- Prioritizes bold, strategic, inclusive action, investing in kids and innovation
- 77 actions over 10 years
- Sets interim targets for 2030 aridle Omevillema.gov/climateforward







**EQUITABLE** 



**CARBON NET-NEGATIVE** 



**RESILIENT** 



**LEADERSHIP** 



COMMUNITY **HEALTH &** RESILIENCY



BUILDINGS & ENERGY



**TRANSPORTATION** & MOBILITY



**NATURAL** RESOURCES & WASTE





# Somerville's Federal Grant Applications

EPA Community Change Grant

USDA Composting and Food Waste Reduction Grant

EPA Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant

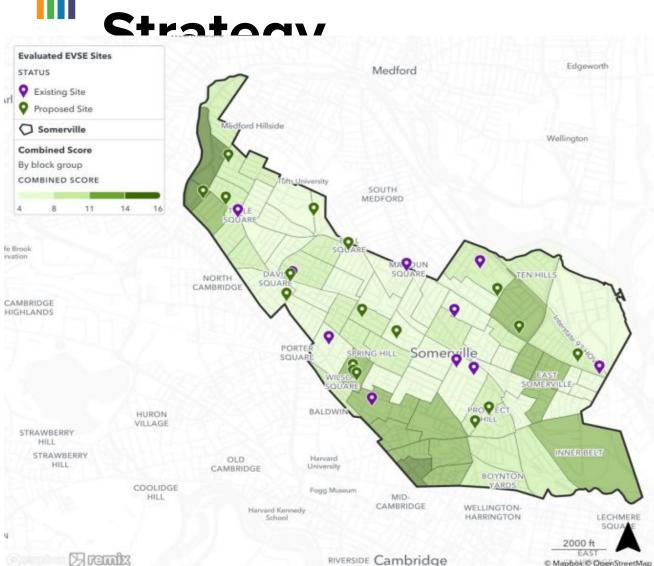
DOT Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant

National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant

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#### **Electric Vehicle Siting**



- 30+ locations analyzed
- 8 high-priority sites investigated in detail
- New stations being installed now at highest priority site
- Report data used heavily in EV-related grant applications

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# **Community Partners**



Mashpee Wampanoag



**Everett** 







**FFIO** 







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### **Lessons Learned for** Federal Grant Applications

Cast a wide net in looking for grants

Collaborate with local allies, neighbors, and the state

Stack and reinforce programs on each other

Understand the logic of your project



### THANK YOU!

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