



Our community enjoys a beautiful coastline, flourishing parks and woodlands, and vibrant and connected neighborhoods.

As we face the challenges of climate change, we will continue to take the necessary steps to ensure that our town remains a great place to live, play, work, and visit.

## OUR PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

There are two main ways to address climate change in Swampscott:

- 1 REDUCE OUR GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) EMISSIONS**  
the primary pollutants disrupting our climate.
- 2 ADAPT TO THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE**  
that we are already seeing and feeling and will continue to experience in the future.

*Resilient Swampscott*, our Climate Action Plan, will provide the framework to make our community stronger, healthier, and and more resilient while also reducing our contribution to climate change.

Goals, strategies, and actions in our Plan will be organized into **5 key focus areas:**



**BUILDINGS & ENERGY**



**SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING**



**NATURAL RESOURCES**



**RESILIENCE & VULNERABILITY**



**TRANSPORTATION**

## OUR PROCESS

### GHG INVENTORY

We can't manage what we don't measure. The inventory will help us understand where our emissions are coming from so we can focus our actions.

### STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS

Key stakeholders, community members, and local experts will provide input on our goals and priority strategies.

### ACTION PLANNING

We will develop targeted actions to help us achieve our goals.

### FINAL PLAN

With input and guidance from stakeholders, we will launch a final plan.

OCT 22

MAY 23

## GET INVOLVED

Together, we'll chart a course to make thoughtful investments that benefit Swampscott today and tomorrow.

Get involved with the *Resilient Swampscott* planning process to share your thoughts!



**Take climate action in your own life!**



**Follow the Climate Action & Resilience Coalition on Facebook**  
(@SwampscottCARC)



**Talk with friends and family**



**Attend Climate Action & Resilience Coalition events and biweekly meetings**



**DID YOU KNOW?**

Our Town has set a target to achieve

**NET ZERO EMISSIONS\* BY 2050**

\*Net zero means cutting greenhouse gas emissions to as close to zero as possible, with the remaining emissions re-absorbed by natural carbon sinks such as forests and oceans.

**OUR EMISSIONS**

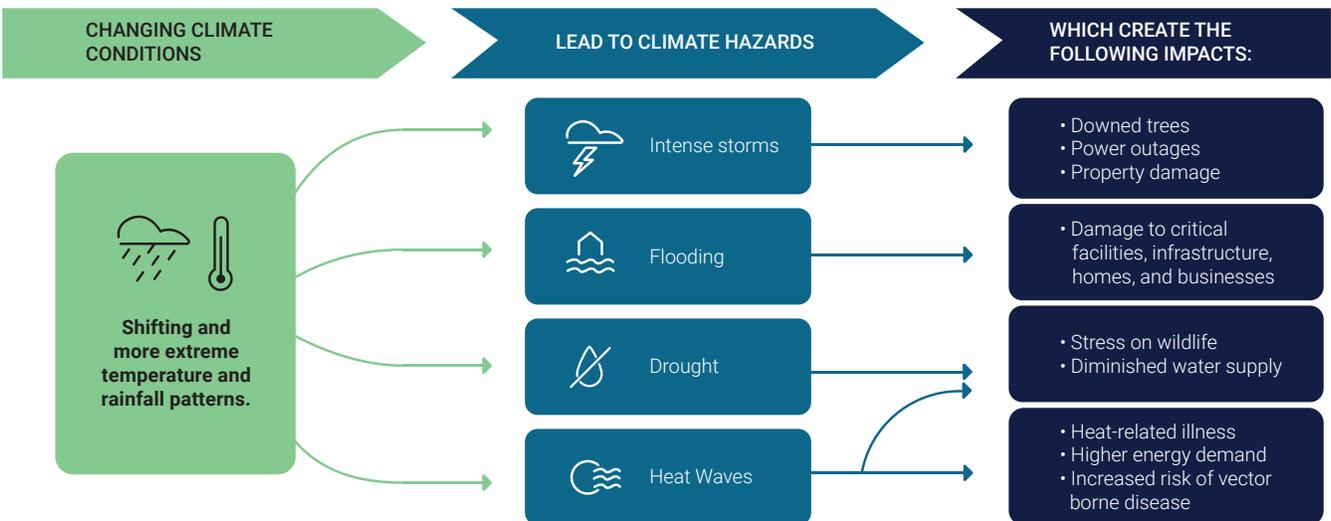
Greenhouse gas emissions are produced when we use fossil fuels to heat our buildings, and power our vehicles, and when our waste is incinerated. Taking bold action in these areas will be essential to minimizing our community's contribution to climate change.\*

\*2017 Swampscott Community Greenhouse Gas Inventory, KLA Analysis, 2022.



**CLIMATE HAZARDS**

There is no doubt we are facing new challenges from a changing climate. With more frequent storms eroding our beaches, floods inundating our main streets, and heat waves threatening the health of our loved ones, it's becoming harder to safeguard assets like our homes, businesses, town infrastructure, and our quality of life. From transforming our energy and transportation systems to protecting human health and well-being, our Climate Action Plan aims to ensure that everyone in our community can be resilient in the face of climate impacts.



**THE COST OF INACTION IS HIGH**

Now is the time to invest in our shared future, make wise choices, and play our part in this global effort to protect the community and planet we call home.

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