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## Online Survey Seeks Public Input for Update to City of San Diego's Landmark Climate Action Plan

'OUR CLIMATE, OUR FUTURE' UPDATE TO CLIMATE ACTION PLAN WILL OFFER AN EXPANDED VISION, SETTING THE STAGE FOR NEW GOALS AND INITIATIVES FOR 2021 AND BEYOND

SAN DIEGO – Do you want to see more opportunities to reduce your energy use? Would you consider taking public transit or bicycling to work? Do you have a fresh idea on climate action the City of San Diego should consider? Those are just a few questions from a new climate action survey that seeks input from all San Diegans as the City prepares to update its landmark Climate Action Plan.

The 2020 update of the plan – “Our Climate, Our Future” – will incorporate changes in state laws and policies, advances in technology, and new goals for creating a more sustainable future for all, with an emphasis on climate equity and economic opportunity.

**“This is an opportunity for all San Diegans to give us their ideas and thoughts about how we continue our push to create a cleaner and greener city,”** said Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer. **“The City of San Diego has been a national leader on climate action for years, and this update will ensure our city remains on the front lines of that fight.”**

When the [Climate Action Plan](#) was adopted in 2015, it included a commitment to update the plan in 2020. In the past few years, the state of California has updated policies and guidance on climate action, and new technologies have become available, making it crucial that the plan evolves using the best available data.

Through the recently launched online [survey](#), the City is hoping to collect the viewpoints, priorities and needs of residents and communities. Gathering feedback now will allow City staff to begin implementing new actions in 2021. To better understand how the COVID-19 pandemic could impact responses, the survey includes space for respondents to share their own experiences as they relate to our current situation.

**“Input from community members is our most important resource to help guide the development of the Climate Action Plan update,”** said Chief Sustainability Officer Cody Hooven. **“The more responses we receive, the better we can tailor the goals and actions for all San Diegans.”**

The Climate Action Plan calls for the City to cut half of all greenhouse gas emissions by 2035. Strategies include 100% renewable electricity; water and energy efficiency; zero waste; bicycling, walking, transit and land use; and resiliency measures. According to a 2019 [annual report](#), the City has seen a 24% decrease in greenhouse gas emissions compared to 2010 levels.

San Diego is currently a Leadership City for the American Cities Climate Challenge funded by Bloomberg Philanthropies. The Climate Challenge is a two-year program to advance climate action at the local level through high-impact policies and initiatives.

To learn more about the Climate Action Plan and to take the survey in English or Spanish, visit [www.sandiego.gov/sustainability/climate-action-plan](http://www.sandiego.gov/sustainability/climate-action-plan).



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