### **Climate Conscious Community**



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# Evolving Environmental Programming

#### Green Communities Program

- Began in 2009 and has certified 20 communities since
- Addresses a range of sustainability topics in a choose-you-ownadventure format
- Added the New Leaf Level in 2020 for communities just starting out

Sustainable Connections Internship ProgramSupportive of and supplementary to existing programs

Green Business Partnership

# Climate Conscious Community

### What is it?

- A designation earned by completing step-by-step modules for greenhouse gas emissions reduction
- Built off of, but more structured than, existing programs we offer

### Why are we offering it?

- Climate concerns are at an all-time high and local governments can take actions to address these concerns
- Current climate action planning is not scaled for our communities' needs or capacity

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#### What is ARC's role?

- Streamlining and connecting to resources and partners
- Creating and providing technical assistance scaled to our local cities and counties



# Pre-Requisites

### Community

- 1. Complete Streets Policy
- 2. Farmers Markets
- 3. Green Affordable Housing Incentives
- 4. Education
- 5. Parking Lot Canopy Requirements
- 6. Revitalization Incentives/Strategies
- 7. Shared/Reduced Parking
- 8. Smart Growth Incentives
- 9. Solar Ready

### Government

- 10. Commute Options
- 11. ENERGY STAR Partner
- 12. Environmentally Preferable Purchasing
- 13. Green Infrastructure
- 14. No-Idling Policy
- 15. No Net Loss of Trees

	Building Module	Transportation Module	Waste & Recycling Module
PARTI	<b>Requirement 1</b> Utility Tracking & Benchmarking <b>Requirement 2</b> Auditing & Efficiency Upgrade Schedules <b>Requirement 3</b> Building Policies & Protocols	RELEASE DATE DECEMBER 2020	RELEASE DATE JUNE 2021
PART II	<b>Option 1</b> Above-and-Beyond Energy & Plumbing Codes <b>Option 2</b> Building Performance Standards Ordinance <b>Option 3</b> Retro-Commissioning Ordinance	RELEASE DATE DECEMBER 2020	RELEASE DATE JUNE 2021

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