

# Washington's Clean Energy Transformation

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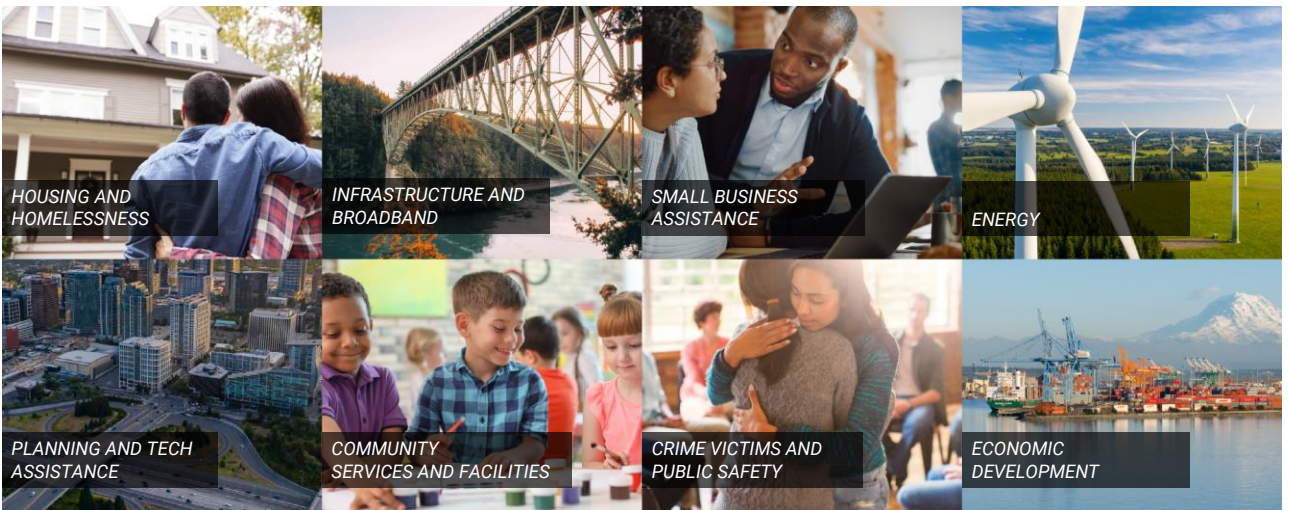


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## We strengthen communities



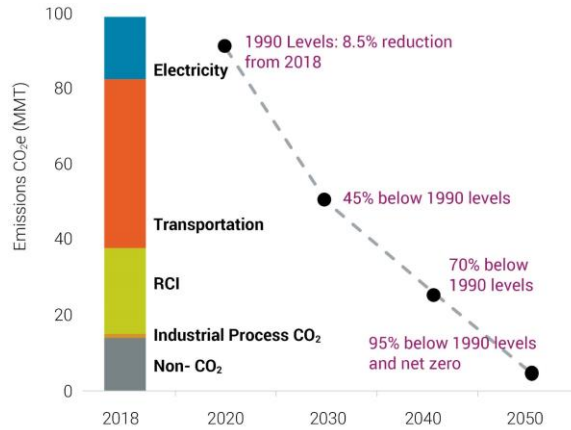
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# Meeting State Emissions Reduction Limits



Source: Washington State Department of Ecology and Washington State.  
Appendix A - Deep Decarbonization Pathways Modeling Technical Report, December 11, 2020 (p. 15).

# Clean Energy Transformation Act (2019)

- *Clean*
- *Affordable*
- *Reliable*
- *Equitable*



# CETA's three clean electricity standards

*Applies to all electric utilities serving retail customers in the state*

- *2025: Eliminate coal from retail portfolios*
- *2030: Greenhouse gas neutral standard*
  - *Use electricity from renewable or non-emitting sources in an amount equal to 80% of retail WA load*
  - *Alternative compliance options for up to 20%*
- *2045: 100% renewable or non-emitting retail electricity supply*



# Climate Commitment Act (2021)

- *Covers about 70% of state's greenhouse gas emissions*
- *Large emitters and fuel suppliers must obtain allowances to pollute*
- *Allowances decrease year by year*
- *Proceeds from allowance sales are invested in emissions reduction programs, transportation budget, and overburdened communities*

# Washington 2021 State Energy Strategy

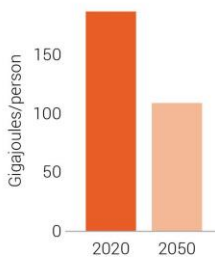
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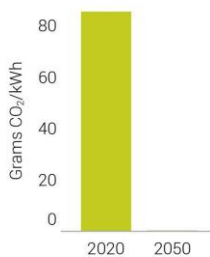
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## Five Decarbonization Strategies

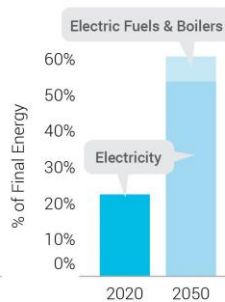
**Energy Efficiency**  
Energy Consumption  
(Gigajoules/person)



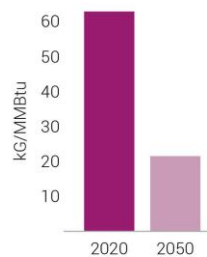
**Clean Electricity**  
Electricity Carbon Intensity  
(Grams CO<sub>2</sub> per kWh)



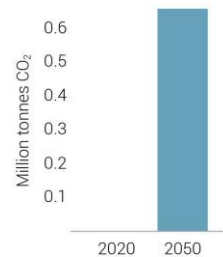
**Electrification**  
Electricity Share of Total Energy  
(% of Final Energy)



**Clean Fuels**  
Fuels Carbon Intensity  
(kg/MMBtu)



**Carbon Sequestration**  
(Million tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>)



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# Implications for Washington State

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*To meet the state's energy transformation vision*

- *Deep energy efficiency to reduce energy use*
- *Clean electricity grid by 2030*
- *Electrifying as many energy end uses as practical*
  - *Transportation*
  - *Buildings*
- *Building clean generating capacity and transmission grid*
- *Increasing economic justice*

## Strategy development and implementation

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- [Clean buildings](#)
  - *Accelerate use of high efficiency heat pumps*
  - *Leverage federal incentives and tax credits*
- [Transportation electrification](#)
  - *Incentives for electric vehicles*
  - *Investments in vehicle charging facilities*
- [Green hydrogen and fuel opportunities](#)
  - *Replace fossil-based hydrogen in industry, agriculture*
  - *Make synthetic fuels for aviation, maritime*
- [Siting and planning improvements](#)

# Strategy development and implementation

- *Develop climate-aware industrial policy*
  - *Convert to clean electricity and hydrogen*
  - *Develop workforce to support clean energy transformation*
- *Monitor emerging technologies*
  - *Power transmission systems*
  - *Offshore wind and geothermal*
  - *Fusion energy and advanced nuclear reactors*
  - *Energy storage systems*
  - *Carbon dioxide removal*

## Funding opportunities



*Close to \$1 billion in funding available for technical assistance, planning, deployment and more*

- *Clean transportation*
- *Building, industry, aviation and maritime decarbonization*
- *Clean energy projects led by and benefitting frontline communities*
- *Tribal-led clean energy development*
- *Solar energy and storage technology deployment*
- *Electric grid modernization and innovation*
- *Clean energy project siting and permitting*



# Upcoming funding opportunities

- **Closed June 14: Clean energy projects – community level**
  - <https://deptofcommerce.app.box.com/s/ypl4u26v7lkn330t3csu979izcny5y79>
- **Clean transportation**
  - EV rebates for income qualified, \$45 million - opening August 2024  
<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/electric-vehicles/ev-instant-rebate-program/>
- **Building decarbonization**
  - Energy efficiency upgrades for communities, households, tribes, small businesses
    - Home Electrification & Appliance Rebates (HEAR):  
<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/program-index/home-electrification-and-appliance-rebate-hear-program/>
  - Residential weatherization serving income qualified households:  
<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/weatherization-and-energy-efficiency/>
- **Clean Energy Ambassadors, Clean Energy Community Grants – Jan 2025**
- **Residential and Community Solar for income qualified – Fall 2025**



# Get connected to learn more

- **Sign up for email GovDelivery updates**  
<https://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/>
- **Learn more about Washington Climate Action:** <https://climate.wa.gov/>



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