

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

March 20, 2024

The Honorable Michael S. Regan
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am pleased to write this letter encouraging the full and fair consideration of the application from the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grants program funding.

If awarded, ARC will use this funding to help support energy efficiency in the metropolitan Atlanta area, including through energy audits and follow-up retrofits, incorporating green building standards in local codes, promoting sustainable growth strategies, transitioning municipal vehicle fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, and prioritizing pedestrian and bike-friendly transportation infrastructure projects.

I encourage your full and fair consideration of this application, consistent with all agency rules and regulations. If you have any questions, please contact Tyler Hofmann-Reardon at (202) 224-3643 or tyler_hofmann-reardon@warnock.senate.gov.

Sincerely,



Reverend Raphael Warnock
United States Senator



Mayor
Beverly H. Burks

City Council
Debra Johnson, Vice Mayor
Yterenickia Bell
Jamie Carroll
Susan Hood
Mark Perkins

March 20, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. The City of Clarkston would love to participate in ARC's Green Communities Program, but our current resources make that difficult. As part of their CPRG application, ARC's proposed technical support will be critical to allow us to participate in the future.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits;
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes;
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans;
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs;
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure; and
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs.

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

Tammi Saddler-Jones
Interim City Manager



David Vazquez

Chief Resilience Officer/

Director of Emergency Management

Office of Resilience & Sustainability

Clayton County Board of Commissioners

March 26, 2024

Administrator Regan

United States Environmental Protection Agency

1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. Clayton County, GA would love to participate in ARC's Green Communities Program, but our current resources make that difficult. As part of their CPRG application, ARC's proposed technical support will be critical to allow us to participate in the future.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits;
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes;
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans;
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs;
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure; and
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs.

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Vazquez", is written over a light blue circular background.

David Vazquez

Chief Resilience Officer/

Director of Emergency Management



*City of Duluth
Office of the Mayor
Greg Whitlock*

*3167 Main Street
Duluth, GA 30096
Phone (770) 225-8827*

March 27, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. The City of Duluth would like to participate in ARC's Green Communities Program, but our current resources make that difficult. As part of their CPRG application, ARC's proposed technical support will be helpful in allowing us to participate in the future.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits;
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes;
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans;
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs;
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure; and
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs.

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Greg Whitlock, Mayor



Linda J. Davis | Alex Heath |

Mayor Mario B. Avery | Mayor Pro Tem James Whitmore
Samantha Hudson | Hattie Portis-Jones | Ulysses Smallwood

March 27, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. [City or County name] would love to participate in ARC's Green Communities Program, but our current resources make that difficult. As part of their CPRG application, ARC's proposed technical support will be critical to allow us to participate in the future.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits.
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes;
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans;
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs;
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure; and
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs.

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

Tony M. Phillips
City Administrator
City of Fairburn



Public Works Department
115 McDonough Road
Fayetteville, GA 30214
Phone: 770-320-6010
www.fayettecountyga.gov

March 27, 2024
Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support ARC's Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the ARC's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. Fayette County, Georgia, would love to participate in ARC's Green Communities Program, but our current resources make that difficult. As part of their CPRG application, ARC's proposed technical support will be critical to allow us to participate in the future.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits.
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans.
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs.
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure.
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs.

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

Philip Mallon, Director
Fayette County, Public Works

March 22, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. Cherokee County takes great pride in our Silver certification attained through the Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in engaging our elected officials, stakeholders, and educating our community members towards a sustainable future.

The benefits of the enhanced programming will bolster actions within our communities. Cherokee County is actively pursuing or has completed several of these key initiatives:

- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes. **Cherokee provides incentives for projects that pursue these sustainable certifications.**
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans: **Cherokee recently updated its Tree Ordinance.**
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs – **The Recycling Center program participation is growing, and program expansion is under evaluation.**
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure – **Cherokee has installed 4 EV chargers at The Buzz Recreation Center and our transit service is expanding their fleet of propane buses.**
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs – **Cherokee is developing its Trails Master Plan.**

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the Atlanta Regional Commission proposal. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,



Margaret Stallings
Director of Planning and Zoning



2 PARK PLAZA
ALPHARETTA, GA 30009
PHONE: 678.297.6000
WWW.ALPHARETTA.GA.US

March 20, 2024

Administrator Reagan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Reagan:

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. The City of Alpharetta takes great pride in our Gold Level certification attained through the current Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in galvanizing our community towards a sustainable and environmentally conscious future, and we firmly believe that an enhanced program will propel us even further in our efforts.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs

MAYOR
JIM GILVIN

MAYOR PRO TEM
DAN MERKEL

COUNCIL MEMBERS
FERGAL M. BRADY
DOUGLAS J. DERITO
JOHN HIPES
DONALD F. MITCHELL
BRIAN WILL

CITY ADMINISTRATOR
CHRIS LAGERBLOOM

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathi Cook', with a stylized, flowing script.

Kathi Cook
Director of Community Development and Economic Development
City of Alpharetta



City Manager's Office
509 North McDonough Street
P.O. Box 220
Decatur, Georgia 30031
404-370-4102 ■ Fax 404-378-2678
info@decaturga.com ■ www.decaturga.com

March 27, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. The City of Decatur takes great pride in our Platinum-level certification attained through the current Green Communities Program, which the City has maintained since 2014. This program provided valuable guidance for the City's emerging sustainability efforts, and we firmly believe that an enhanced program will propel us and the region even further in our efforts to combat climate change and create more resilient communities.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans.
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs.
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure.
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs.

We urge the EPA to consider the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. This initiative aligns with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Patricia M. Garrett
Mayor

JAMES WORTHINGTON
Development Services Director

CAITLYN LONG
Permit Specialist



TRAVIS McDONALD, PE, RLS
Assistant County Engineer

SCOTT SPANN
Construction Monitoring Engineer

DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL DIVISION
8700 Hospital Drive • Douglasville, GA 30134
Telephone (770) 920-7242

March 27th, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. Douglas County takes great pride in our silver certification attained through the current Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in galvanizing our community towards a sustainable and environmentally conscious future, and we firmly believe that an enhanced program will propel us even further in our efforts.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans.
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs.
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure.
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs.

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

Travis McDonald, PE, RLS
Assistant County Engineer

website: CelebrateDouglasCounty.com

e-mail: engineering@douglascountyga.gov

Persons with hearing or speech disabilities who need to contact douglas county may place their call through the Georgia Relay Center at (800) 255-056 (Text Telephone) Or (800) 255-0135 (Voice Telephone).

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FULTON COUNTY
FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
141 PRYOR STREET SW, SUITE 10032
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

Robert L. (Robb) Pitts
CHAIRMAN

TELEPHONE 404-613-2330
robb.pitts@fultoncountygga.gov



March 26, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. Fulton County Government takes great pride in our Gold certification attained through the current Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in galvanizing our community towards a sustainable and environmentally conscious future, and we firmly believe that an enhanced program will propel us even further in our efforts.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs

Administrator Regan

Page 2

March 26, 2024

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robb Pitts", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robb Pitts



March 26, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to express support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. Gwinnett County takes great pride in our Platinum level certification attained through the current Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in moving our community towards a sustainable and environmentally conscious future and an Enhanced Green Communities initiative by the Atlanta Regional Commission will assist further in these efforts.

The Green Communities Initiative enhanced by a Climate Pollution Reduction Grant, will further environmental sustainability practices within Gwinnett County and the metro Atlanta region by allowing the Atlanta Regional Commission to increase the number of staff dedicated providing technical assistance, capacity building, and follow-up; increase engagement of low-income and disadvantaged communities; expand education and outreach; provide grant writing support to help local governments access state and federal funds; and support local government certification and recognition.

I urge the EPA to give due consideration to the application and proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns with Gwinnett County's commitment to sustainability and a cleaner future. Thank you for your consideration and support of the Green Communities Initiative.

Sincerely,

Glenn P. Stephens
County Administrator



March 21, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. The City of Johns Creek takes great pride in our Bronze certification attained through the current Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in galvanizing our community towards a sustainable and environmentally conscious future, and we firmly believe that an enhanced program will propel us even further in our efforts.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Adopting measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

John Bradberry, Mayor
City of Johns Creek

Office of the Mayor



March 25, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

RE: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I hope this letter finds you and your team well. I am writing you to express my full support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative.

The City of Milton is the northernmost city in Georgia's capital county, Fulton County. It's surrounded by family-friendly suburban density and thriving live, work, play developments. At the same time, Milton holds dear our rural heritage and small-town feel. Milton's greenspaces, passive parks, and equestrian lifestyle have supported our never-ending desire for a sustainable community.

The City of Milton has fostered a strong base of residents who support sustainability initiatives like recycling collection events, water conservation, and tree preservation. We have been a certified Green Communities city since 2012 starting at Bronze, and again in 2016. In 2021, we upgraded to Silver! It is our hope that within the next year, we'll once again rise to the challenge and obtain Gold.

Achieving this under the proposed enhancements would further drive environmental stewardship in our community and local government. The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. We intend to focus on:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure
- Youth sustainability education and programming

SERVICE • TEAMWORK • OWNERSHIP • LEADERSHIP • RURAL HERITAGE

2006 Heritage Walk, Milton, GA 30004 | 678.242.2500 | facebook.com/thecityofmiltonga | info@miltonga.gov | www.miltonga.gov



I support the Green Community program and the efforts made by the Atlanta Regional Commission fully, and I urge you to give due consideration to the proposal put forth to support cleaner and more sustainable communities. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,



Emily Groth

Environmental Program Manager

City of Milton

emily.groth@miltonga.gov

678-242-2543





Mayor: Craig Newton • **Mayor Pro Tem:** Bruce Gaynor • **Councilmember:** Andrew Hixson • **Councilmember:** Josh Bare
Councilmember: Matt Myers • **Councilmember:** Marshall Cheek • **City Manager:** Eric Johnson • **City Clerk:** Monique Philip

March 27, 2024

Administrator Regan

United States Environmental Protection Agency | 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. | Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's

Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. The City of Norcross takes great pride in our Platinum certification attained through the current Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in galvanizing our community towards a sustainable and environmentally conscious future, and we firmly believe that an enhanced program will propel us even further in our efforts.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs



Mayor: Craig Newton • **Mayor Pro Tem:** Bruce Gaynor • **Councilmember:** Andrew Hixson • **Councilmember:** Josh Bare
Councilmember: Matt Myers • **Councilmember:** Marshall Cheek • **City Manager:** Eric Johnson • **City Clerk:** Monique Phillip

- Enhancing Communication and Education of initiatives and sustainable practices with residents

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,
Jalia Killings
City of Norcross

March 22, 2024

Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. The City of Roswell takes great pride in our Platinum certification attained through the current Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in galvanizing our community towards a sustainable and environmentally conscious future, and we firmly believe that an enhanced program will propel us even further in our efforts.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

Liberti Gates (Environmental Education Coordinator)

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Liberti Gates', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
Seth Yurman | Assistant City Manager

March 21, 2024
Administrator Regan
United States Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Subject: Letter of Support Atlanta Regional Commission's
Enhanced Green Communities Grant Application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I am writing to wholeheartedly express our support for the Atlanta Regional Commission's application to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program for the Enhanced Green Communities initiative. The City of Peachtree Corners takes great pride in our gold certification attained through the current Green Communities Program. This initiative has been instrumental in galvanizing our community towards a sustainable and environmentally conscious future, and we firmly believe that an enhanced program will propel us even further in our efforts.

The benefits this enhanced programming will bolster within our communities lie in the suite of actions that are required for participation in the program. These can include:

- Conducting energy audits on facilities and implementing retrofits
- Adopting progressive measures such as incorporating high-performance building standards and energy benchmarking requirements into local codes.
- Policies promoting no-net-loss of trees and the development of greenspace plans
- Policies promoting robust waste management strategies, including recycling and composting programs
- Transitioning municipal fleets to alternative fuels and electric vehicles, coupled with the expansion of EV charging infrastructure
- Embracing pedestrian and bike-friendly planning initiatives, alongside participation in national bike/walk friendly programs

We urge the EPA to give due consideration to the proposal put forth by the Atlanta Regional Commission. The potential impact of this initiative aligns seamlessly with our community's commitment to a cleaner future, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to further advance our collective efforts in this regard. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we remain hopeful for a positive outcome.

Sincerely,

Seth Yurman