

Christine Bunch

Climate and Energy Strategic Advisor, Seattle Office of Sustainability and Environment

Profile:

Climate and Energy Strategic Advisor with more than fourteen years of progressively responsible experience in public administration including climate and energy policy development and analysis, advocacy, stakeholder outreach and engagement, program planning, design, and implementation.

Relevant Experience:

- Clean Heat Program and Policy: Developed ordinance to tax heating oil providers and phase out heating oil in City of Seattle; developed and implemented rebate program for residents to convert from oil heating to electric heat pumps
- Residential Energy-Efficiency/Renewable Energy: Oversight of Seattle City Light's residential energy-efficiency programs generating approximately 27 million kWh in energy savings annually, including rebate programs for lighting, appliances, and HVAC. Managed green power program and rooftop solar incentive programs and staff
- Low-income energy efficiency and electrification: Coordinates with the Office of Housing on residential energy efficiency and electrification funding, incentives, policies and procedures, marketing, and outreach; serves as a thought-partner on low-income program and policy development
- Community Power Works whole home weatherization program: Responsible for program design, policies, and procedures, managing implementation consultant, and budget while at Seattle City Light
- Microgrid for Resiliency grant: Wrote grant application and was awarded grant from Department of Commerce's Clean Energy Fund for a solar and battery storage microgrid for a Seattle community center
- Government affairs: Serves as state legislative liaison for the Office of Sustainability and Environment (OSE); develops OSE's annual state legislative agenda, reviews and analyzes environment, climate and energy related state bills and advocates for policies that are in alignment with the city's climate objectives
- Environmental Justice: Participating member of the Race & Social Justice Initiative Change Team for Seattle City Light; completed Race and Social Justice trainings and actively apply the City's Race and Social Justice toolkit to policies and programs

Relevant Professional History:

Climate and Energy Strategic Advisor May 2017- Present	City of Seattle – Office of Sustainability and Environment Seattle, Washington
Sr. Planning & Development Specialist March 2010-May 2017	Seattle City Light - City of Seattle Department Seattle, Washington

Education:

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Certifications:

- Association of Energy Engineers Certified Energy Manager (CEM)
- Association of Energy Engineers Renewable Energy Professional
- Association of Energy Engineers Certified Lighting Efficiency Professional