



## TOWN OF WELLESLEY MASSACHUSETTS

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### **Save Money While Combating Climate Change in Our Community: Learn About Local, State, and Federal Incentives**

***Join Us at the Green Collaborative Meeting Wednesday November 16<sup>th</sup> 9 - 11 a.m.***

**October 30, 2022 (Wellesley, MA)** – The Town of Wellesley invites you to a Green Collaborative meeting on Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 11 a.m. ***via Zoom.***

[Sign-up](#) now.

Learn about new and existing local, state, and federal incentives and opportunities for home heating, cooling, and appliances; electric vehicles; sustainable mobility; and tree protection. Reducing emissions and building resilience are easier and more cost effective than ever. Town employees and elected officials will present and answer questions about sustainability programs to benefit you!

Join us at this free event to learn about:

- Rebates and tax credits for decarbonizing buildings, vehicles, and lawn care;
- Resources for increasing the energy efficiency and comfort of your home;
- Moving around town—without a car;
- Trees & homeowner resources for sustainable landscaping; and
- Climate action in our community, and how you can be part of it.

Speakers include the following officials from the Town of Wellesley:

- Colette Aufranc, [Select Board](#)

- Marybeth Martello, [Sustainability Director](#)
- Brandon Schmitt, [Natural Resources Commission](#) Director
- Lisa Wolf, Sustainability Coordinator, [Wellesley Municipal Light Plant](#)
- Fred Bunger, [Climate Action Committee](#) member

And:

- Ray Stetkiewicz, [Wellesley Drives Electric](#), [Energy New England](#)
- Mary Gard, [Sustainable Wellesley](#) board member

The Wellesley Green Collaborative is a gathering of environmentally minded community members and organizations with a shared interest in the sustainability of our town. Meetings provide opportunities to learn from expert speakers, share initiatives, brainstorm, and when possible, combine efforts.

Collaborative participants include residents, neighborhood associations, houses of worship, environmental groups, community organizations, and representatives from town boards and departments.

### **About Climate Action in Wellesley**

1. The [Town of Wellesley](#) adopted a [goal](#) to reduce the town's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to net-zero by 2050, in concert with the state of Massachusetts and the nation's carbon neutrality goals. The Town's [Climate Action Plan](#) (CAP) and [Sustainable Mobility Plan](#) (SMP) provide roadmaps for reaching this goal. The [Climate Action Committee](#) supports and leads CAP implementation across municipal, residential, commercial, and institutional sectors. The [Select Board Office](#) leads SMP implementation.

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