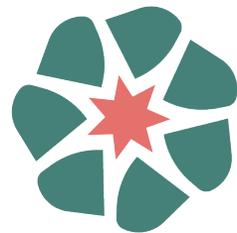
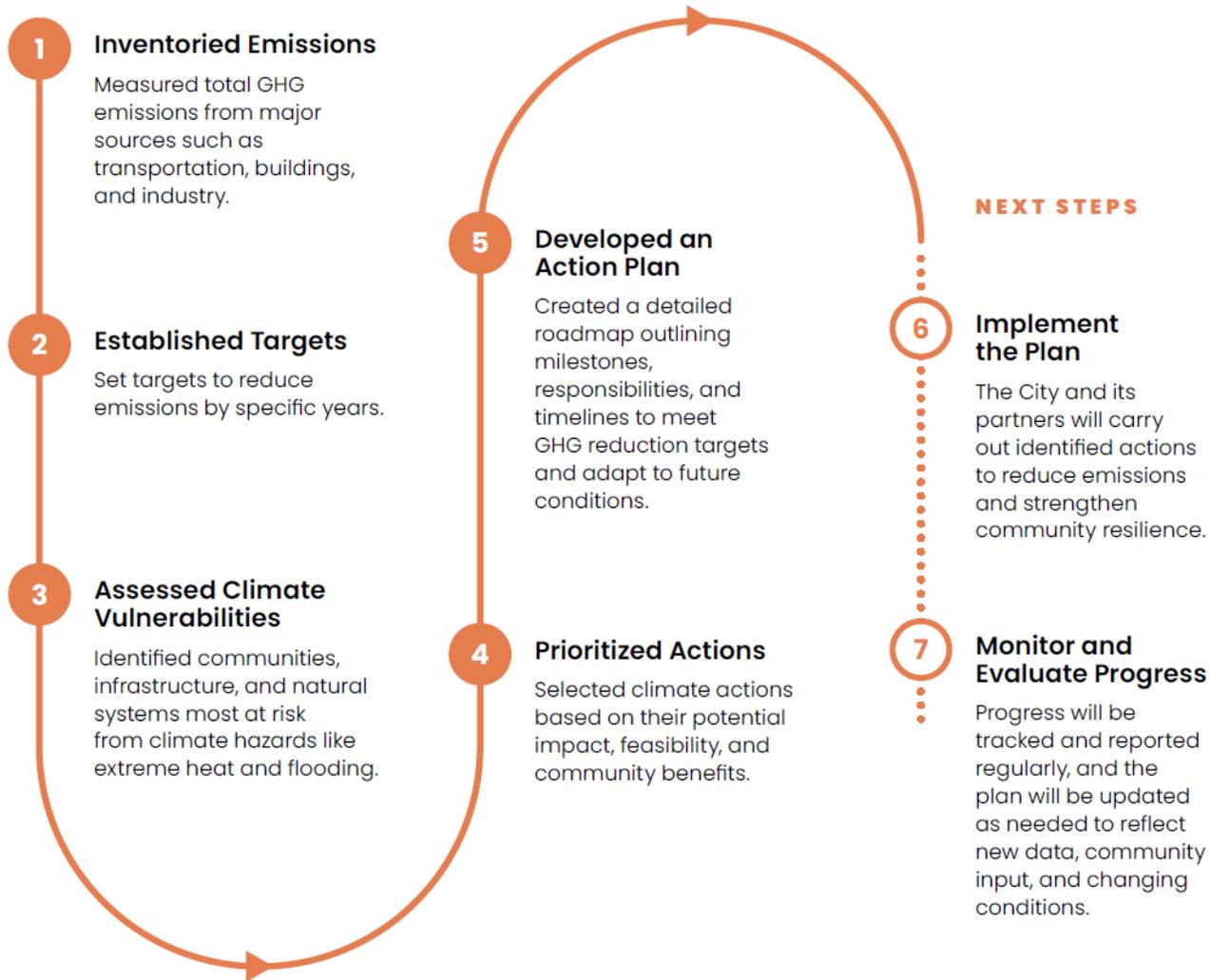


# Chihuahuan Desert Climate Action Plan



**Chihuahuan  
Desert  
Climate  
Collaborative**  
POWERED BY THE CITY OF EL PASO

# Process



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- Community-led and informed
- Structured
- Data-driven

# What is it?

Strategies that include policies, programs, and projects to address greenhouse gas emissions and climate hazards

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## MEASURES

### MEASURE 1

Increase Energy Efficiency and Decarbonize Buildings

### MEASURE 2

Support the Low- and Zero-Emission Vehicle Transition

### MEASURE 3

Install Renewable Energy Systems

### MEASURE 4

Promote Sustainable Food Systems and Waste Management Practices

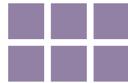
### MEASURE 5

Promote Walking, Biking, and Riding Transit

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## NO. OF ACTIONS

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### MEASURE 6

Monitor and Improve Air Quality

### MEASURE 7

Implement and Oversee Climate Actions

### MEASURE 8

Cool Communities, Protect Health, and Increase Native Ecosystems

### MEASURE 9

Build Drought Resilience and Conserve Water

### MEASURE 10

Reduce Flood Risk

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## BENEFITS

### Primary

**39**  
Mitigation

**14**  
Adaptation

### Community

**29**  
Public Health and Wellbeing

**8**  
Environmental Stewardship

**16**  
Resource Conservation

**25**  
Economic Prosperity

**16**  
Community Building

**18**  
Savings to Residents & Businesses

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# What now? Implementation

**M4** Enhance or develop a weatherization program

**MED** Reduction  
**\$\$\$** Cost  
●●● Timeline

### BENEFITS

Primary: Mitigation & Adaptation  
Community:    

**M5** Increase energy efficiency in public buildings

**LOW** Reduction  
**\$\$\$** Cost  
●●● Timeline

### BENEFITS

Primary: Mitigation  
Community:  

**M6** Develop a data center policy that incorporates environmental, community, and economic development considerations

**NM** Reduction  
**\$\$\$** Cost  
●●● Timeline

### BENEFITS

Primary: Mitigation  
Community:   

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## Ongoing

- Cool roof program M4
- Energy management M5
- Data center policy framework M6

# What now? Implementation

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**A1** Develop a community stewardship program to mitigate heat by increasing tree canopy and shading, focused on cooling homes, community centers, and neighborhoods

**M39** Create a community-led grant program to support neighborhood-level climate action



## In design

- Stewardship program and Cool El Paso A1
- Community-led grant program M39

# M6 – Data center policy

## Council ask

Develop a proposed Data Center Policy Framework for the City of El Paso. The framework shall prioritize community engagement, utility providers, local, state and regional government in implementation considerations, evaluate long term impacts on infrastructure and utilities. Further, direct the city attorney to conduct a legal analysis of 380 agreements with data centers to identify best practices, lessons learned, and opportunities to develop a new framework.

*Motion, minutes 2/17/26*

## Approach

- Best practices
  - Community input
- Monday, March 23, 2026**  
Don Haskins Recreation Center
- Wednesday, March 25, 2026**  
Veterans Recreation Center
- Thursday, March 26, 2026**  
Pavo Real Recreation Center
- Monday, March 30, 2026**  
The Beast Urban Recreation Center
- Thursday, April 2, 2026**  
Chamizal Community Center
- Wednesday, April 8, 2026**  
Wayne Thornton Community Center

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# Data center framework – Timeline

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COORDINATION

Weeks 1-4

PUBLIC DIALOG

Weeks 5-6

FRAMEWORK DEVELOPMENT

Weeks 6-10

## Internal

CAO, ED, IT, Planning, PAO, SLA, Urban design

## Community meetings

## Development

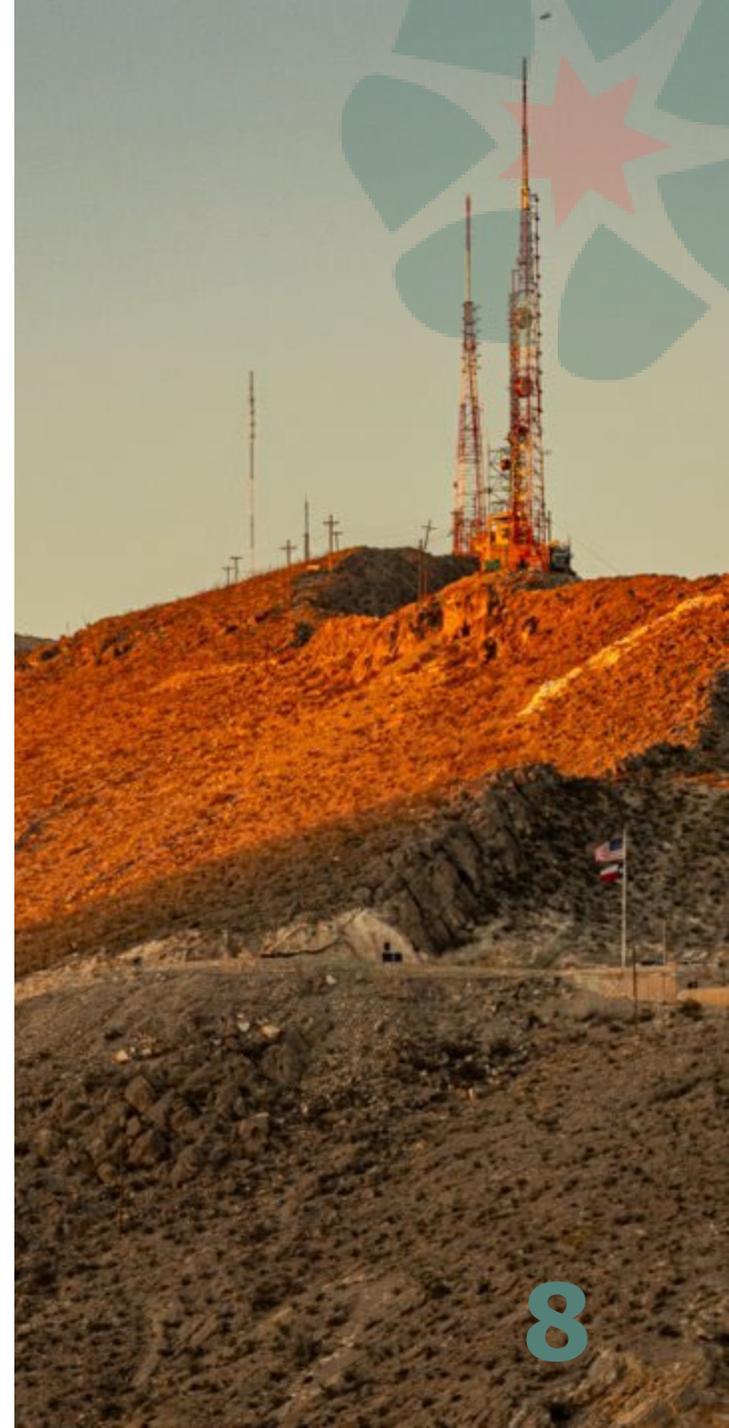
Best practices, long term impacts

## External

County, Regional governments, EPWater, EPE

# Council action

To adopt the CAP as the foundational roadmap for the City's climate mitigation and adaptation policies, programs, and projects.



**Thank you!**

