

2020 Sustainability Goals

Resource	Government Operations Goal	Community Goal
Air Quality	Reduce emissions of federal criteria pollutants from municipal operations by 1.5% per year below the baseline year of 2012 or, if more stringent, to a level of full compliance with all federal, state and local laws relating to air emissions.	Attain all National Ambient Air Quality Standards.
Climate	Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from City government and DIA activities so that they contribute less than 3% of the level of emissions that would allow the community to meet the Community Goal (i.e. less than 354,000 mtCO _{2e}).	Reduce total community-wide CO _{2e} emissions from Denver to below the level of emissions in 1990, (i.e., less than 11.8 million mtCO _{2e}).
Energy	Reduce energy consumed in city-operated building and vehicles by 20% while doubling renewable energy produced from city facilities over the 2012 baseline.	Hold total energy consumed in Denver for buildings, mobility and industrial processes below the total consumed in 2012, while cutting fossil fuel consumption by 50% from 2012 levels.
Food	Acquire at least 25% of food purchased through Denver's municipal government supply chain from sources that are produced (grown or processed) entirely within Colorado.	Grow or process at least 20% of the food purchased in Denver entirely within Colorado.
Health	Model appropriate institutional behavior by increasing the percentage of City employees who eat healthier while on the job.	Increase the percentage of children and adolescents in Denver who are at a healthy weight from 69% to 74%.
Housing	Develop at least 3,000 80% AMI Housing Units while siting at least 75% of them within 1/2 mile of a light rail station or 1/4 mile of an enhanced bus corridor.	Ensure that at least 80% of Census Tracts in Denver are rated as "affordable" using the CNT's H& T index while preserving the diversity of the neighborhoods.

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Land Use	Achieve an average ratio of 6:1 between private investment in Areas of Change and public investment in Areas of Stability between 2012 and 2020.	Move Denver's Walk Friendly rating to Platinum from Gold.
Materials	Increase the City facility recycling rate to 40% or greater.	Increase the citywide recycling rate to 34% or greater.
Mobility	Provide incentives and other programs to City employees so that no more than 55% of these employees commute in single-occupant vehicles.	Provide mobility options (transit, car-pooling, biking, walking) that reduce commuting travel in Denver done in single-occupant vehicles to no more than 60% of all trips.
Water Quality	Achieve and maintain 100% compliance with existing and future MS4 permit requirements and reduce storm water outfall E. coli dry weather discharges in priority S. Platte river basins under current permit to 126 cfu/100 ml.	Make all Denver rivers and creeks swimmable and fishable.
Water Quantity	Reduce use of potable water for irrigation of parks and golf courses by 22% to an 18 gpf average, and reduce use of potable water in city buildings by 20% over the 2012 baseline.	Work with Denver Water to reduce per capita use of potable water in Denver by 22% (down to 165 gallons per day) over a 2001 baseline, and take additional steps using the City's independent authority, in partnership with the Denver community, to keep the rate of increase in absolute consumption of potable water below the rate of population increase.
Workforce	Provide workforce training and mobility incentive programs to CCD employees, so that less than 55% of them who live in transit deserts and work in Denver drive to work alone most of the time.	Provide workforce training and mobility incentive programs, so that less than 60% of workers who live in transit deserts and work in Denver drive to work alone most of the time.