

Environmental Sustainability

Project Name: Community Climate Action Plan

Funding: \$ 50,000 Tax Base
\$ 50,000 FCM Green Municipal Fund
\$100,000

Creation of a Community Climate Action Plan would build upon the 2021 cost analysis report for Cornwall's Greenhouse Gas emissions to further establish a vision as well as priority actions to support sustainable development at the municipal and neighbourhood levels. This plan will provide recommendations to help Cornwall reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve its soil, water, and air quality, and become resilient to extreme weather events. Having a Community Climate Action Plan leverages partnerships and sources of funding, such as the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM) Green Municipal Fund.

It is proposed to apply for funding for the Community Climate Action Plan through FCM's Green Municipal Fund. FCM may provide a grant for up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum of \$175,000 to commission a climate and energy consultant to create a plan with a sustainable development vision encompassing environmental, social, and economic objectives. It is anticipated that cost of developing a community climate action plan for the municipality the size of Cornwall would be in the order of \$100,000. Accordingly, the City's share of \$50,000 is required to demonstrate the City's commitment to proceed with development of a climate action plan. The municipal funding will only be accessed subject to confirmation of matching funds from the FCM.

