

**EcoHack-a-City Moncton – Final Presentation Group 1** 



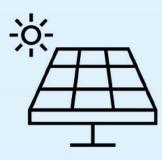
### THE CHALLENGE

Greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuels used in residential buildings in Moncton, New Brunswick



## THE SOLUTIONS THAT ARE BEING TRIED

- Community-level renewable energy:
  - Locally-owned renewable energy projects small scale (LORESS)
  - Renewable energy **communities** (heat & power)
- Incentive programs for energy-efficiency
  - New homes & retrofits
  - low-income households





## THE GAPS THAT EXIST AND WHO/WHAT IS PRIMARILY IMPACTED? WHAT IS THEIR SPECIFIC NEED?

### GAPS

- Limits on existing energy infrastructure = limits on LORESS program
- NB Electricity Act (lowest cost electricity)
- Lack of information on energy-efficient housing
- Lack of funding

### WHO

- **Residents** (homeowners and renters)
- Housing industry (developers, builders, appraisers, banks, insurance brokers, etc.)

## WHAT ARE THE IMPACT ZONES (1 TO 3) TO ACT ON IN THE NEAR FUTURE? AND WHY?

- 1. Map **existing resources** (i.e., funding, key players in the industry, guide on net-zero building)
- 2. Mobilize/collaborate with **local organizations** to **create momentum** 
  - organize webinar to introduce movement (transition of the residential building sector)
  - partner with local events (Inspire festival)
- 3. Leverage Moncton's Community Energy & Emissions Plan

## OUR KEY LEARNINGS DURING THE PROCESS (AND HOW WE CAN USE IT IN OUR FUTURE WORK)

- 1. Take a step back; look at the **bigger picture**.
- **2.** Collaboration is essential.
- 3. Don't get attached to specific solutions before you **understand all aspects** of the problem.
- 4. Keep an **open mind**!



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## **The Process**

What	We focused on the large GHG emissions coming from residential buildings
Why	<ul> <li>Focus on where we could have the biggest impact within our system (80/20)</li> <li>Want to empower renters, home and property owners</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Programs exist, but people don't know about them</li> <li>Lack of overall education ex) Heat pumps in the summer</li> <li>Learned from other provinces</li> </ul>
Hypothesis	Therefore, we suppose that if we focus on education
	We can achieve higher participation in existing programs (= lower GHGs)
	by the following actions

### **The Action Plan**

- 1. Propose to the Climate Action Working Group that they complete the onepager & database of resources that our group started
- 2. Three educational booths at Inspire Festival. Suggested groups: QUEST, Homesol, Climate Action Working Group
- 3. Send one-pager & database to City Council (to hopefully house on moncton.ca/environment), Real Estate influencers, etc

**Future Project for Moncton/NB to take on:** 

PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) programs

## **The One-Pager**

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#### THERMOSTAT & LIGHTS



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### **The Database**

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	New Brunswick Environmental Network (NBEN)	Climate Action Resources, Programs and Events in NB	https://https://https://www.selandow.org			
	New Clear Free Solutions	Resource/Plan of Transitioning to a Low Carbon Economy	https://newclearfinesolutions.com/			
	Homesol Building Solutions Inc.	NB Home Energy Assessments & Rebates	https://homesoibuildingsolutions.com/atlantic/home-energy-assessments-for-new-brunswick-homeowners/			
p	North Branch Smart Energy Neighbourhoods	Research Project/Test neighbourhood sponsored by Siemens & NB Power	https://www.northbranchmoncton.ca/			
1	Community Forests International	Protect & restore forests, support communities adapt to climate change, etc.	https://forestsinternational.org/			
2	Conservation Council of New Brunswick	Programs & Resources on Conservation & Climate Change	https://www.conservationcouncil.ca/			
3	Conservation Council of New Brunswick	The Atlantic Electricity Vision	https://www.conservationcouncil.ca/about-the-atlantic-electricity-vision/			
6	Conservation Council of New Brunswick	NB & NS's Laws in Climate Action	https://enew.conservation.council.ca/laws-climate-action/			
5	Symbiose	Educate and mobilize the community in environmental and social justice issue	https://www.facebook.com/symbiose.udemoncton			
6	NBCC	Energy Systems Technology (2-yr program in renewable energy)	https://https//https://https//https://https//https			
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2	Natural Resources Canada	Greener Homes	https://www.incan.gc.ca/science-and-data/funding-partnerships/funding-apportunities/funding-grants-incentives/greener-homes/232			
		List of Infrastructure Canada Funding Programs	https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/programs-infc-summary-eng.html			
z	Government of Canada List of Environment & Climate Change Canada Funding Program		https://www.canada.ca/en/environment.climate-change/services/environmental-funding.html			
8	Climate Caucus	Climate Caucus Network for municipal elected climate leaders https://www.climatecaucus.ca/				
6	Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)	Green Municipal Fund (GMF)	https://fcm.ca/en/programs/green-municipal-fund			
5	Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)	GMF's Municipal Energy Roadmap	https://fcm.ca/en/resources/pmfigmfa-municipal-energy-roadmap			
8	Quest Canada	Map of Plans, Policies, Programs, Projects & Resources across Canada	https://guestcaneda.org/paltweys/			
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1	US Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy	Property Assessed Clean Energy Programs (PACE)	https://www.energy.gov/eero/sisc/property-assessed-clean-energy.programs			
2	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate	C COP26 Goals & Resources	https://ukcop26.org/			

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