

Environmental & Sustainability Department

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Public Purpose



We proactively and responsibly protect and conserve Mesa's environment and natural resources for a resilient and healthy community for all.

Priorities/Objectives



ESD STRATEGIC PLAN FY24 – FY26 PRIORITIES & OBJECTIVES

CARBON NEUTRALITY

Increase energy efficiency in city facilities & the community

Decrease the carbon intensity of transportation in the city and community

Manage existing and increase renewable energy programs in city facilities & the community.

Grow healthy, resilient, and inclusive urban forest to cool our community

CLEAN AIR CLEAN WATER CLEAN LAND

Eliminate corrective actions related to environmental hazards

Maintain community support for Environmental & Sustainability programs

Maintain employee support for Environmental & Sustainability programs

Increase waste diversion & decrease waste stream

WATER STEWARDSHIP

Provide tools and resources to ensure city facilities & the community use water efficiently

EMPLOYEE INFRASTRUCTURE

Retain employees through encouraged employee professional development and recognition

Create and sustain a purposeful and functional workspace for all team members (employees, temps and students)

Support a healthy, balanced work environment

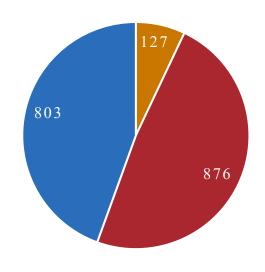
Process Improvement and Partnership in each category

Clean Air, Clean Land, Clean Water



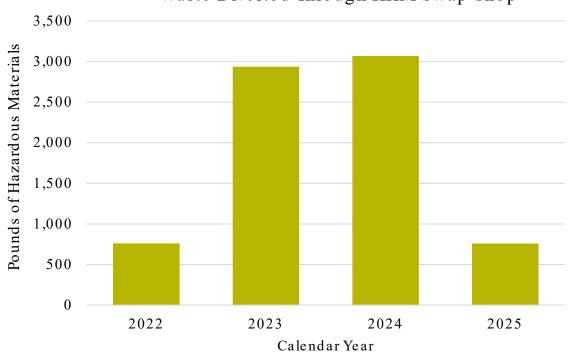
Protecting human health and the environment

City of Mesa Employees Trained By ESD 2023 & 2024



- Air quality Rule 310 Training
- New Employee Orientation Training
- City Operations Employee Training

Waste Not Mesa - Pounds of City Generated Hazardous Waste Diverted Through HHM Swap Shop



Regulatory Compliance = 0 Notices of Violations

Carbon Neutrality



City Energy Usage By Site Type

Total consumption in kWh and as percentage of overall city energy usage. Category "Other" includes Other-Utility, Transportation Terminals, Traffic Signals, Other Public Services, and No Value.



Community Engagement



Mesa Launches Youth Climate Action Fund Second Round

Participants ages 15 to 24 receive up to \$5,000 to support climate projects



Share the Shade - Girl Up

"Fostering youth energy for solution-building"

Round 1 - **\$50,000**

- 12 youth-led project teams
- Climate solutions
- Air monitors to reusable cups, trees to vegetable gardens
- March 2024 December 2024

Round 2 - **\$100,000**

- Goal: 20 30 project teams
- January 2025 October 2025
- First review of applications –
 March 28

Agrivoltaic Project

YOUTH CLIMATE ACTION FUND

Supported by Bloomberg Philanthropies





Community Support





Non-profit Organizations and Volunteers

- Arizona Sustainability Alliance Tree Stewards 94 trees planted in Sherwood Park
- Arizona Conservation Corps 100+ trees trimmed in Red Mountain Park

Corporations and Philanthropies

- Amazon 60 trees planted in Heritage Park
- Bloomberg Youth Climate Action Fund

Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community

Trees planted @ schoolyards and bus stops

Salt River Project Utility

Energy and water



Heritage Park Planting

Department Financial Summary

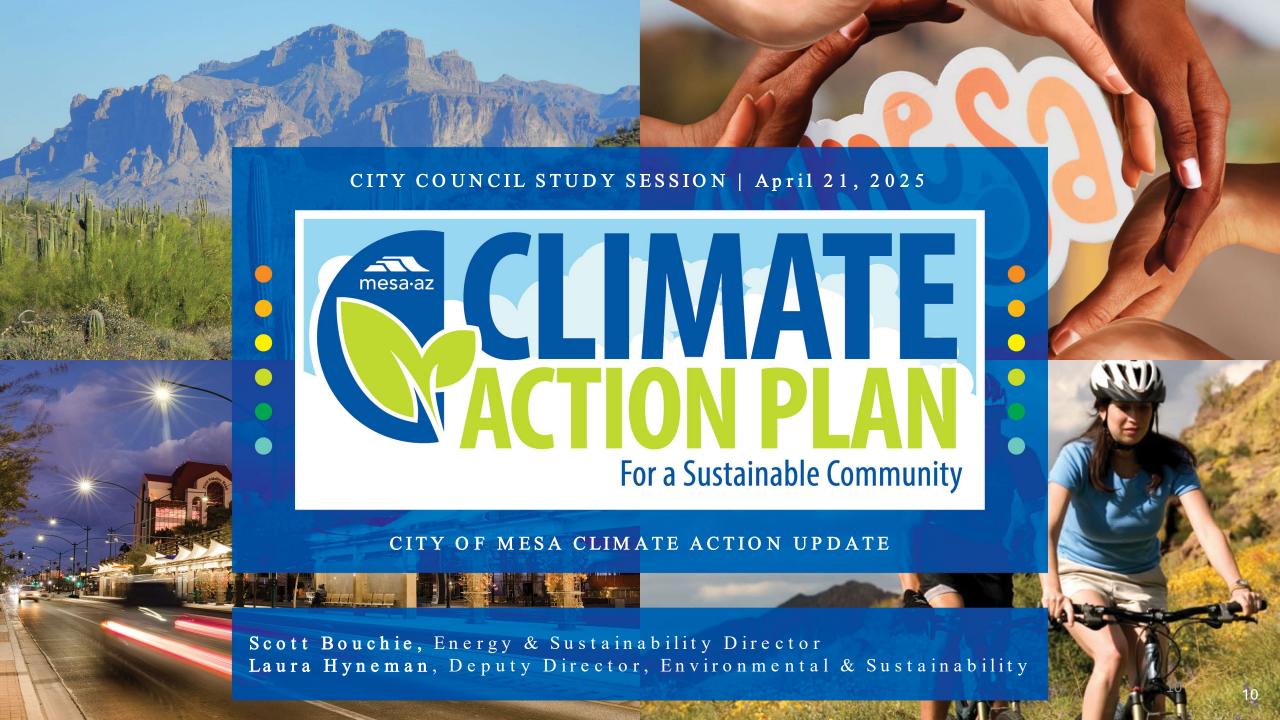


Core Business Processes	FY 23/24 Year End Actuals	FY 24/25 Revised Budget	FY 24/25 Year End Estimate	FY 25/26 Proposed Budget
Expenditures				
Water Quality	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3	\$0.3
Air Quality	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2
Hazardous Materials/Waste	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2
Storage Tanks	\$0.1	\$0.3	\$0.2	\$0.3
Sustainability	\$1.8	\$2.4	\$2.4	\$2.3
Asbestos and Lead	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2	\$0.2
Environmental and Sustainability Total	\$2.9	\$3.6	\$3.5	\$3.5

FY 25/26 Budget Reduction Summary



Reduction	FTE	Reduction Amount	Fund
Vehicle Equipment Operation & Repair	0	-\$4,325	Environmental Compliance Fee Fund
Misc. Admin	0	-\$3,834	Environmental Compliance Fee Fund
Underground Storage Tank Compliance	0	-\$20,405	Environmental Compliance Fee Fund
Event Services	0	-\$15,000	Environmental Compliance Fee Fund
Total	0	-\$43,564	



MCAP Projects - Investments thru FY 24/25

Projects				
Flare to Fuel Biogas	Utility Upgrades for Solar			
SRP Watershed Protection/ Biomass Agreement	Water Conservation – Enhanced Marketing			
Red Mountain Sports Complex LED Lighting	New Trees in Parks, Facilities, and Transit Stops			
LED Lighting in City Buildings	Neighborhood Shade Tree Events			
Community EV Master Plan	EV Fleet Charging			

TOTAL INVESTMENT COMMITMENT - \$17.8M



Flare to Fuel



Solar downtown



Investing in Mesa's Sustainable Future

FY 25/26 Projects				
Water Conservation:				
Non-Residential Water Conservation Programs	\$290,000			
Irrigation System Improvements in Parks	\$1,000,000			
Water Supply Feasibility Studies:				
Bartlett Dam	\$100,000			
Salt River/CAP Interconnect Facility	\$100,000			



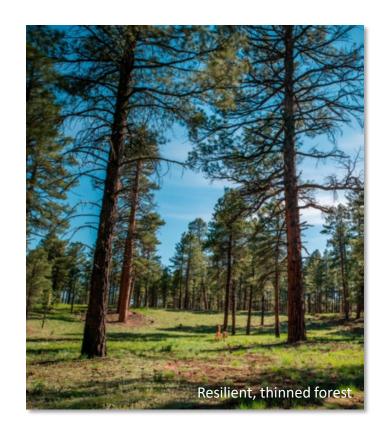


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FY 25/26 Projects	
Airport Sustainability Energy Planning Study	\$100,000
SRP Watershed Protection/Biomass Agreement	\$375,000



TOTAL MCAP FY 25/26 INVESTMENT- \$2.0M







Questions?





