

2024 Objectives for Green Dalton Committee

(as approved at 1/3/2024 GDC meeting)

1. **Climate Action Plan (CAP):** Tuning the CAP RFP to maximize GHG reduction through greatest “bang-for-buck” strategies.
 - **Decarbonization plan**
 - **GHG inventory**
 - **Solar energy study**
2. **Composting implementation:** Options and opportunities.
3. **Electric vehicle projects**
 - **Zero Emissions Vehicle First Policy**
 - **Charging station infrastructure**
 - **Converting school buses to EVs**
4. **Municipal building projects:** Continued engagement with Town on municipal improvements (such as EVs and charging infrastructure, building insulation, heat pumps, PV arrays, etc.) – also aligning with CAP recommendations.
 - **DPW garage insulation project**
 - **Further insulation of & heat pumps for Town Hall and Library**
 - **Review energy efficiency of Senior Center**
5. **Town green power generation:** Investigate viability of municipal PV array or other green community power generation that can be distributed to town residents with guidance from Green Energy Consumers Alliance.
6. **Trees:** Arbor Day celebration and Tree planting guide and resources for homeowners.
7. **Education and communication:** Ongoing education events and materials for Green Dalton Committee (GDC) projects, as well as communication through the Dalton webpage, and presentations for the media and to area residents and Town committees. Specific GDC projects targeted for education and communication include:
 - **Mass Save:** Create docs to help homeowners navigate incentives (aligning with CAP recommendations) and contractor best practices.
 - **EV purchases:** Help residents navigate EV options and incentives for own use.
 - **Fossil heat:** Help residents increase efficiency/lower carbon footprint.
 - **Climate crisis preparedness:** Help residents identify easy, low-cost ways to prepare for drought, fire, flooding, excess heat, etc.
 - **Water conservation:** Education for Dalton residents about home water efficiency and reducing leaks.