#### **AGENDA**

# NEW HAVEN CLIMATE EMERGENCY TASK FORCE

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

#### WEDNESDAY, October 23th, 2024, 5:15 PM

The New Haven Climate Emergency Taskforce (CETF) will meet on Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 at 5:15 PM on Zoom (see link at end of agenda) to discuss the following items:

- 1. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting (9/25). A majority of the CETF (6 of 11 members) constitutes a quorum.
- 2. Project updates from the Office of Climate and Sustainability (OCS) staff:
  - a. Community Change Grant
    - i. EPA has confirmed that we meet the eligibility criteria and is currently evaluating our application.
  - b. I Heart My Home
    - i. Statistics for the month of August
      - 1. 13 HES-IE participants enrolled, total 34 participants enrolled in the month of August
    - ii. Statistics since July of 2023
      - 1. Total Enrollments 409 participants enrolled
      - 2. Total people who received consultations 332
      - 3. Total people who had assessments 41
  - c. EPA Government-to-Government Environmental Justice Grant: We are processing subawards for Junta, NHS, Community Action Agency of New Haven, and Yale School of Medicine. Our data quality assurance plan has been submitted to the EPA and is under review.
  - d. USDA Composting and Food Waste Reduction Grant: We have ordered 4 Bigbelly units. We have identified a food scrap hauler

- and have processed subaward agreements for Haven's Harvest and Center for Ecotechnology.
- e. EPA <u>Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program</u> Implementation Grants: We have completed award negotiations with EPA.
- f. Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA): We have submitted documentation to claim the partial reimbursement for the purchase of the electric refuse vehicle to CT DEEP.
- g. Shellfish shell recycling program: No update.
- h. Solar installations: OCS submitted applications for subsidies for 6 additional solar parking canopies.
- Styrofoam enforcement: Rose Ricci has begun following up with non-compliant businesses and most of them have ceased providing Styrofoam products.
- j. Housing Authority: No update.
- k. Electric leaf blower and grass trimmer: no update.
- Purchase of bicycles for school-based bicycle education program: OCS has successfully transferred funds to NHPS to pay for a technician to help run the classes.

### 3. Discussion Items:

- a. Transfer of \$3,000 to NHPS for Climate Justice Schools.
- b. Air quality monitoring in the City of New Haven.

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