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CLIMATE
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Public Sector and Local
Government Action

DOUBLE DOWN OUTCOMES, NOT EFFORT!



The power of networks and
collaboration.

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October 19th 2023



Community Energy
Association

- **Taking inspiration:**

- **BC Association of First Nations Climate Strategy and Action Plan**
- **Leveraging knowledge, expertise and ambition from Nations across BC**
- **[Have a read!](#)**



- **Commitment from Tk'emlúpsemc**

We have a responsibility to look after the land (Tmicw) which we will pass on to the next 7 generations. We will fight to ensure that our environment is stabilized and protected so that we have a sustainable future for the resources and animals. It's important that we have something better to hand to our children, grandchildren, and those yet born so that they can have peaceful enjoyment of our territory.

- **Action: Develop and implement a Climate Action Strategy in alignment with our Tk'emlúpsemc worldview.**



- [Check out their strategic plan!](#)



Community Energy Association is:

- **Charitable non-profit made up of 50 passionate staff**
- **Rooted in serving and supporting communities in climate action**
- **Sharpening focus and intention to reflect the climate emergency**
 - Guiding Principles
 - Theory of Change
 - Impact Evaluation
 - Service Areas w/ expertise



Networks drive change



Core funding for local government and regional networks is critical to provide long-term support and capacity to staff across BC.

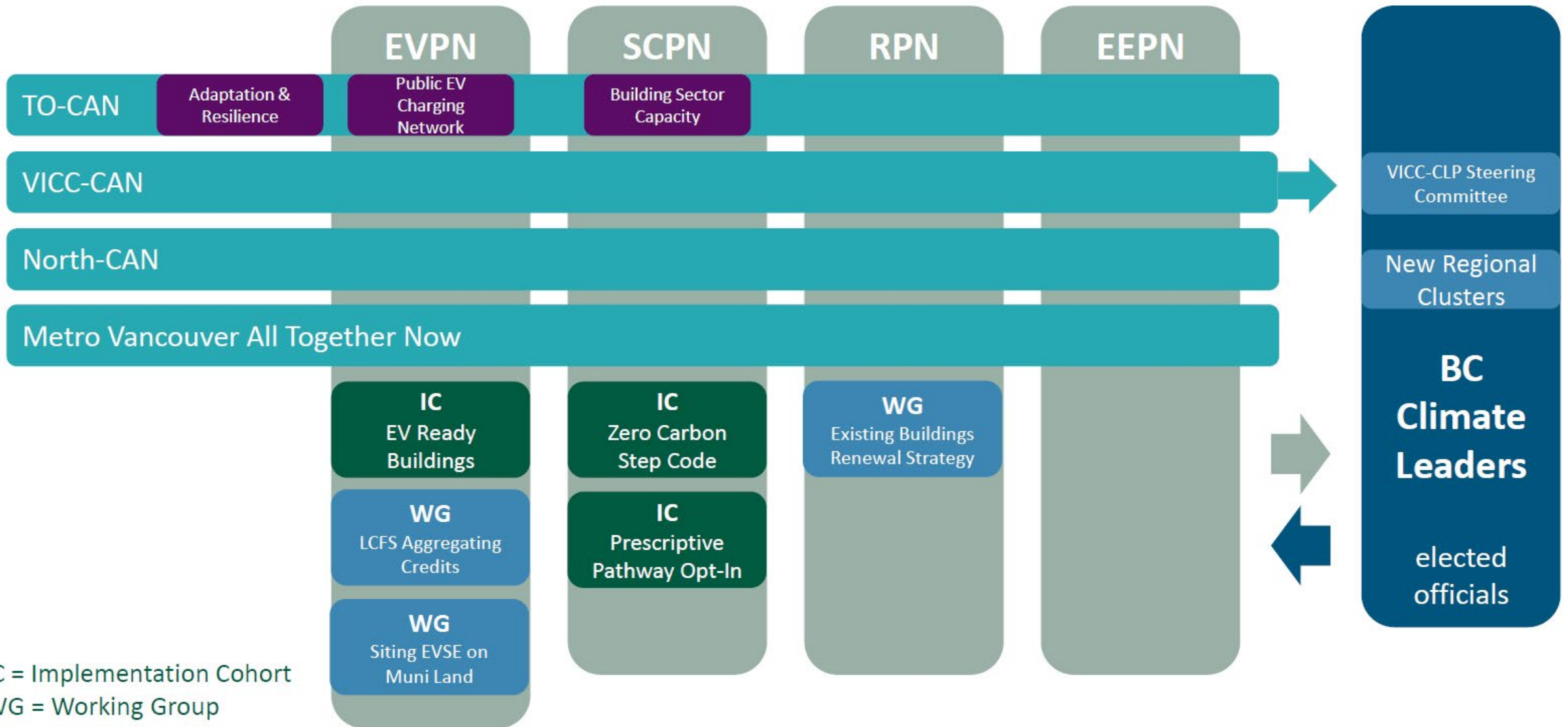


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Ministry of
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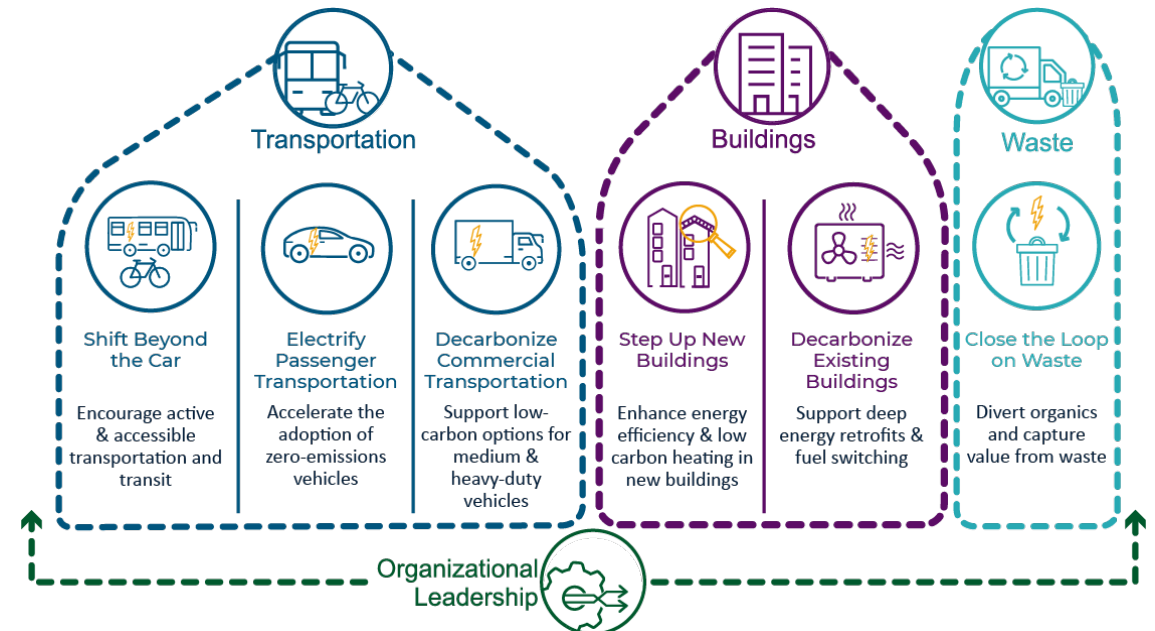
How are you involved?



IC = Implementation Cohort
WG = Working Group

- **Typically focused – match the “big moves”:**

- Embodied emissions
- Step Code
- Retrofits
- Electric Mobility
- Coming soon: Resilience



- **Implementation cohorts:**

- Focusing on implementing a specific priority identified by the Peer Networks e.g. EV readiness policy

- **Working groups**

- Lead research, best practices, etc. to share with topical networks



Regional Network



- **Geographically focused:**

- Thompson-Okanagan
- Vancouver Island Coastal Communities
- Northern BC (including Health, Industry + Institutions)

- **Sub-groups to focus on local priorities**

- Building sector capacity, public EV charging, adaptation and resilience



- **Networks are providing an expedited way to move forward on policy, funding and implementation**
- **Outputs are improved:**
 - Efficiency
 - Sharing
 - Alignment
 - Feedback



- **Reality is that collaborating, sharing and aligning as a region is not always easy.**
- **Acknowledge and anticipate the levels of government at play:**
 - Staff
 - Senior Administration (CAO, CFO)
 - Elected Officials



Exercise at your table:

- What, in your experience are the realities of the **powers, limitations and opportunities** for each level of government, when it comes to advancing common priorities?
- 5 min brain-dump :)

Our role:

- **Supporting engagement, education and capacity at all levels:**

- Elected Officials
- Senior administration
- Building Officials
- Etc.

- **Supporting staff and enabling efficiencies**



Consider one of the priority projects on the next slide and discuss:

- **What would be the top three ways that collaboration – through topical or regional networks – would enable you to get to implementation faster?**
 - Is it support for education/engagement of Council? Technical reports? Policy template?
- **What is your biggest barrier to increased collaboration?**

Choose one scenario:

1 – Developing a community retrofit plan

2 – Establishing multi-unit residential charging requirements

3 – Implementing Step 4 or Zero Carbon Step Code

Key Takeaways

- **Regional networks are expanding. Tell us how to make it a success for you.**
- **Get involved in the peer networks! Access the resources.**
- **Consider evaluating the needs of other levels of local government as you move to implementation**
- **Our most powerful tool yet – the Dashboard!**



The Dashboard...



Community Energy Association

Climate Leaders

Action Planner

Local Government Dashboard



BC Local Government Climate Dashboard

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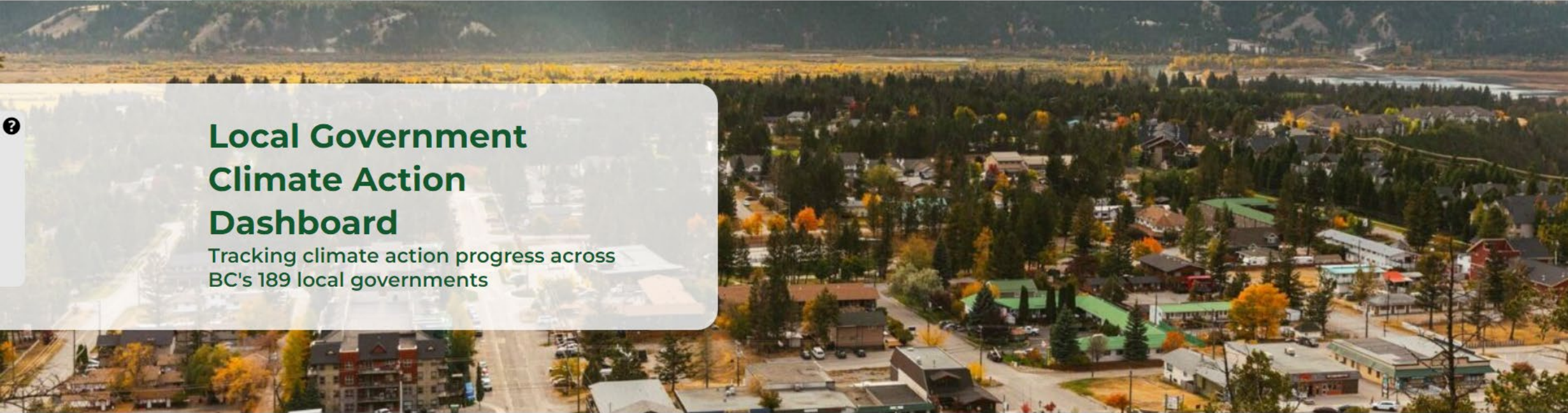
Plans

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About the Dashboard

Local Government Climate Action Dashboard

Tracking climate action progress across BC's 189 local governments



Thank you!

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