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Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department

**Environmental planning and community resilience Division**

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# Broward County Emerald Award

## Climate Action Leader Application

The Broward [Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP)](https://www.broward.org/Climate/Documents/BrowardCAPReport2015.pdf) consists of nearly 100 strategic actions for addressing the economic, environmental, and social impacts of climate change. The CCAP is a county-wide strategy, to be implemented by local government and community partners. We know there are many extraordinary projects and programs making a difference in Broward!

Do you know of an organization taking action to address global climate change locally? This Emerald Award category recognizes best practices of private and public organizations that demonstrate measurable activities that achieve operational and community benefits including the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and the promotion of climate resilience within the community. Each year, an award recipient will be chosen under two award categories: **GHG Reduction** and **Climate Resilience.**

Examples for GHG Reduction Projects: Energy efficiency and/or conservation, renewable energy, fleet electrification, water efficiency or conservation, fuel efficiency or conservation.

Examples for Climate Resilience Projects: Building design, code regulations, green infrastructure, natural resource protection, water recharge, community food.

**Eligibility:** Any organization working in Broward is eligible to apply. The project or program must have been initiated and/or completed within the past 3 years. You may apply for an award under both award categories. If a program has received a Climate Action Leader Emerald Award previously, that program or project is no longer eligible for nomination. *See Judging Criteria below for more information.*

## Winners will be recognized at the Emerald Awards Ceremony held in conjunction with Water Matters Day each March at Tree Tops Park in Davie.

**Climate Action Leader Application:**

**Award Category:** \_\_\_\_ GHG Reduction \_\_\_\_ Climate Resilience

**Organization Type:** \_\_\_\_ Local Government/Tribal Government

\_\_\_\_ Institution of Higher Education

\_\_\_\_ Business

\_\_\_\_ Nonprofit

\_\_\_\_ Public-Private Partnership

(K-12 schools are not eligible for this award, visit the [P3 Eco-Challenge](http://stembrowardschools.com/p3/) webpage for award opportunities.)

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| **Project/Program Name:** (This will be the name engraved on the award should the project be chosen)  |  |
| **Organization Name:** |  |
| **Nominator’s Name & Title:** |  |
| **Address:** |  |
| **Phone:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Organization’s Social Media Contacts:****(Leave blank if not applicable)** | Facebook:Twitter:YouTube: |

**Project or Program Description:** (350 Words Max)

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**Quantify the environmental, economic, or community benefit:** (150 Words Max)

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Resource: [EPA Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies Calculator](https://www.epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator)

**Is this project or program adoptable by other organizations?** \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**Briefly explain how organizations could adopt and/or adapt the project or program:** (100 Word Max)

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**List any awards this project or program has received in the past:**

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**What’s your organization’s motivation for reducing GHG emissions and/or increasing community resilience?** (100 Word Max)

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**Award winning projects will be promoted in county public communications (i.e. social media, websites, etc.). Text from this application, photos submitted with the application, and photos from the awards ceremony may be used in county public communications.**

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**Judging Criteria (used as the basis for evaluation)**

1. Project meets eligibility requirements.
2. Application is completed in full.
3. Project meets the sustainability triple bottom line criteria (at least one of the three criteria **MUST** be quantified)**:**
	1. Articulates an environmental benefit
	2. Articulates an economic benefit
	3. Articulates a community benefit
4. Project is easily adaptable to other organizations.
5. Project is innovative.
6. Program or project relates to a Broward County [Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP)](https://www.broward.org/Climate/Documents/BrowardCAPReport2015.pdf) action item.

**Applications are due by February 9, 2020.**

**Send application to:**

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If you have any questions, please call 954-519-1436