



MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 6, 2017
TO: Committee on the Environment
FROM: Katherine Barnett, Sustainability and Special Programs
SUBJECT: Bloomberg Philanthropies Mayors Challenge proposal

In Mid-October Sustainability Staff submitted a proposal for the Bloomberg Mayors Challenge. Building off of data received through the National Renewable Energy Laboratory Energy Efficiency Project and known deficiencies in local housing stock, staff looked at options for low/moderate income rental property energy efficiency improvements.

The proposal included mini audits, weatherization blitz programs, volunteer opportunities, neighborhood team building, and much more. Weatherization is a small step to increased efficiency, which can lower energy bills, improve air quality, reduce health impact and lead to better quality of life.

Should our proposal make it to the next round in January we will be fully building out a pilot program and receive funding for implementation.

Staff is excited about the community building opportunities identified by the Mayors Challenge application process. If the proposal does not move forward staff may bring a small scale pilot forward to COE for discussion.

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