



Commissioner Brigid Shea

Commissioner of Travis County, Texas and ICLEI USA Board Chair

Brigid Shea is a former award-winning reporter at NPR stations who has proved her grit by fighting climate change in Texas since 1988. As a former Austin City Council member she helped create the first wind project in Texas. As a current Travis County Commissioner, her work to reverse climate change and better prepare residents for climate impacts has won 2 National Association of Counties (NACo) awards: one for creating a neighborhood wildfire drill, the second for dramatically improving the reach of emergency warning systems.

Quote

“As a local elected official we have to do more to prepare our residents for the devastating impacts of climate change. We also have an important role to play in reducing local GHG emissions. The nations of the world can’t do this by themselves- they need to partner with us at the local level.”

Key Messages

- Travis County’s GHG reduction through ambitious telecommuting
- Award-winning Neighborhood Wildfire Drill, increasing community resilience
- Dramatic improvements in Early Warning Systems
- Impacts of climate migration on local communities

Climate & Resilience Affiliations

- **US Board Chair of ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability USA**
- **Ambassador for Cities Climate Finance Leadership Alliance**
- **Member of FEMA’s Resilient Nation Partnership Network**
- **Mayor’s Migration Compact signatory**
- **Race to Resilience member**

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