



Mayor Frank Cownie

**Mayor of Des Moines, Iowa,
ICLEI Global President and
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Quote

"The global status of climate change requires us to start acting on the ideas we've discussed for decades. As we move forward, we must look to multi-level action plans that will mitigate the effect of climate change, and not only the domestic and international levels. Local governments are the implementers of the actions that need to take place to reduce the impact of the climate crisis."

Honorable Mayor Frank Cownie, Des Moines, IA and ICLEI USA President. Mayor Cownie has served five terms as Mayor of Des Moines. He's currently the Global President of ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability, Global Vice President representing the U.S. for Mayors for Peace and as a Trustee with the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Mayor Cownie has dedicated his servant leadership to combating climate change, continuously bringing a local voice to domestic and international stages. He aided the City of Des Moines in passing 24/7 clean electricity standards, investing in energy efficient vehicle fleets and facilities, and requiring all new city buildings to be certified LEED silver or greater. Mayor Cownie remains committed to facilitating multi-level action, moving ideas to practice and to mitigate further global damage caused by climate change.

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