

ICLEI USA's Circular Services



Fee-based opportunities to help local governments apply the best practices for circular economy and sustainable and innovative procurement.

ICLEI USA delivers high-quality products that build local government capacity and ensure long-term success. Unlike a traditional consultant, our work does not end when the final deliverables are submitted. We continue to support member communities and celebrate your successes so that others can follow your lead.

Circular Economy and Sustainable and Innovative Procurement

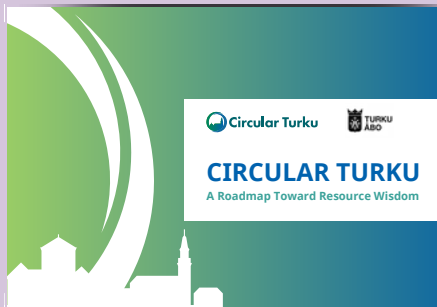
The global economy consumes 100 billion tons of material annually to provide shelter, food, clothing, transportation, energy, and water to the 8 billion people living on our planet. This rate has more than doubled since 1990 and is projected to reach 190 billion tons by 2060. With fast-paced growth in consumption comes the degradation of natural resources and increasing greenhouse gas emissions, with an estimated 70% of global emissions tied to material handling and use. In addition to the environmental impacts of consumption, the world has seen an increase in the standard of living, life expectancy, and access to education (Human Development Index). However, an uneven distribution of these advances and consumption growth has led to inequities in human development. Global disparities in living standards and access to resources remain apparent through the United Nation's (UN's) Human Development Index (HDI) and calls to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Disparities in the HDI and additional well-being indicators also exist within the US between metropolitan areas, urban populations, and more rural populations.

Through the development of the circular economy, communities can redistribute resources to drive smart and equitable consumption, resilience, climate action, and biodiversity conservation while offering the tools to support social equity, local job creation, public health, and community wealth. In practice, this means shifting away from the linear economy's "take, make, waste" model and moving to an economic system that maintains the value and utility of infrastructure, products, components, materials, and nutrients for as long as possible. ICLEI USA's Circular Pathway supports the transition to the circular economy by providing resources, best practice examples and guides, one-on-one technical assistance, and more. Our fee-for-service options focus on key areas of influence for local and regional governments in the transition to a more circular economy: Sustainable Public Procurement, Food Systems, and the Built Environment.



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ICLEI Circulars' Work



*ICLEI's Circular Turku - A Roadmap Toward
Resource Wisdom*

Services & Costs

The rates listed are ICLEI USA member-preferred pricing. Non-members can fill out the request a [quote form](#) to receive pricing information.

Sustainable Public Procurement Policy Assessment w/ Recommendations | \$1,500

ICLEI USA technical experts will review an existing sustainable procurement policy and provide recommendations for continual improvement, both policy-focused and procedural. This review may include an assessment of the tools used to monitor progress and interviews with procurers and departments.

Sustainable Public Procurement Policy Roadmap \$5,000 - \$8,000*

ICLEI USA technical experts will develop a roadmap to facilitate the adoption of a Sustainable Public Procurement policy or program. This may include defining the organization's procurement system, facilitating up to two staff training sessions, mapping and supporting engagement with stakeholders, assessing existing policies, defining the scope of the policy, and setting SMART targets. The roadmap will lay the foundations for the policy adoption process and will include a list of recommended actions to include in the policy. Key sectors to consider may include construction, information and technology, cleaning, food and catering, vehicles, and electricity.

Circular Built Environment Roadmap | \$5,000 - \$8,000*

ICLEI USA technical experts will develop a roadmap to showcase your community's built environment transition through the circular pathway lens. Depending on your community's plans, this could include a focus on renewable energy recycling, bike or car share programs, sustainable infrastructure, and more.

Circular Food Systems Roadmap | \$5,000 - \$8,000*

ICLEI USA technical experts will develop a roadmap to facilitate the transition to a more circular food system in a community or region. This may include defining the food system, mapping and supporting engagement with stakeholders, identifying interventions, and developing an implementation plan for the roadmap. Areas of focus may include addressing food waste, composting programs, regenerative agriculture, and more!

*Fee may vary based on scope, level of effort required, and the availability of data.



ABOUT ICLEI USA

ICLEI is the first and largest global network of local and regional governments devoted to solving the world's most intractable sustainability challenges. ICLEI USA's standards, tools, and programs credibly, transparently, and robustly reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve lives and livelihoods and protect natural resources in the U.S. communities we serve. Through a data-driven approach and focus on just and equitable communities, ICLEI USA and our network partners are working to keep 1.5 °C alive.



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