

WORK SESSION AGENDA

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
TUESDAY
APRIL 28, 2026

COUNCIL CHAMBERS
211 WEST ASPEN AVENUE
3:00 P.M.

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1. Call to Order

NOTICE OF OPTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the City Council and to the general public that, at this work session, the City Council may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for discussion and consultation with the City's attorneys for legal advice on any item listed on the following agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

2. Roll Call

NOTE: One or more Councilmembers may be in attendance through other technological means.

MAYOR DAGGETT
VICE MAYOR SWEET
COUNCILMEMBER ASLAN
COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA

COUNCILMEMBER HOUSE
COUNCILMEMBER MATTHEWS
COUNCILMEMBER SPENCE

3. Pledge of Allegiance, Mission Statement, and Land Acknowledgement

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the City of Flagstaff is to protect and enhance the quality of life for all.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Flagstaff City Council humbly acknowledges the ancestral homelands of this area's Indigenous nations and original stewards. These lands, still inhabited by Native descendants, border mountains sacred to Indigenous peoples. We honor them, their legacies, their traditions, and their continued contributions. We celebrate their past, present, and future generations who will forever know this place as home.

4. Open Call to the Public

Open Call to the Public enables the public to address the Council about an item that is not on the prepared agenda. Comments relating to items that are on the agenda will be taken at the time that the item is discussed. Open Call to the Public appears on the agenda twice, at the beginning and at the end. The total time allotted for the first Open Call to the Public is 30 minutes; any additional comments will be held until the second Open Call to the Public.

If you wish to address the Council in person at today's meeting, please complete a comment card and submit it to the recording clerk as soon as possible. Your name will be called when it is your turn to speak. You may address the Council up to three times throughout the meeting, including comments made during Open Call to the Public and Public Comment. Please limit your remarks to three minutes per item to allow everyone an opportunity to speak. At the discretion of the Chair, ten or more persons present at the meeting and wishing to speak may appoint a representative who may have no more than fifteen minutes to speak.

5. April Work Anniversaries

Recognition of employees celebrating work anniversaries in April.

6. Flagstaff Police Department 2025 Annual Accomplishments

Informational only.

7. Girl Scout Recognitions: Gold, Bronze, and I Live My Faith Awards

Read and present the Recognitions.

8. Renewable Energy Credits for Municipal Operations

This informational session will provide the City Council with an update on discussions with the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority to procure renewable energy credits (RECs) for municipal operations.

9. Solid Waste, Sustainability and Management Services Community Update

The discussion to understand the actions and coordination of Solid Waste, Sustainability and Management Services as we are preparing for limiting service modifications and focusing efforts on the upcoming rate study, improving division collaboration and community education on waste diversion.

10. Open Call to the Public

11. Announcements and Updates to/from Council and City Manager

12. Adjournment

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Flagstaff City Hall on _____, at _____ a.m./p.m. in accordance with the statement filed by the City Council with the City Clerk.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Stacy Saltzburg, MMC, City Clerk

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**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council
From: Tiffany Snider, Executive Assistant
Date: 04/21/2026
Meeting Date: 04/28/2026



TITLE:
April Work Anniversaries

DESIRED OUTCOME:
Recognition of employees celebrating work anniversaries in April.

Executive Summary:

Information:

Attachments: [April Work Anniversary Presentation](#)



April Work
Anniversaries

First Year Anniversaries

- Brooklyn Merrill, Court Judicial Specialist I
- Faith Cunningham, FPD Emergency Communications Specialist
- Graham Whitney, Parks Maintenance Worker
- Jason Cooper, Equipment Operator II
- Lori Reynolds, Administrative Specialist
- Robert Brown, On-call Magistrate
- Wayne Nelson, On-call Magistrate

Fifth Year Anniversary



Suzannah Libby
Library Clerk

Tenth Year Anniversary



Adriana Fisher
Housing Program Manager



Tenth Year Anniversary



Christopher Magnan
Airport OPS/ARFF Lead Worker

Twenty-Fifth Year Anniversary

Greg McLaughlin
Fire Captain



Greg McLaughlin has proudly served the City of Flagstaff for 25 years. Throughout his career, Greg has made a lasting impact on the Flagstaff Fire Department and the community he serves. Greg began his career with Crew 1, managing forest fuels and supporting emergent wildfire response around the city. His early work played a vital role in protecting Flagstaff's wildland-urban interface and reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire. From there, Greg transitioned from fuels to structure and was hired as a firefighter, eventually promoting to his current role as Captain/EMT, a position he has held for the past 12 years. Greg has been a steady, highly respected leader—known for guiding, mentoring, and developing countless firefighters under his command. He also holds certifications in Hazardous Materials and Technical Rescue, providing critical response to the community during complex rescue incidents and hazardous materials operations. Greg has been deeply involved in the wildland call-out program, responding to major incidents across the Southwest. His leadership extended beyond the fire line as he took on significant responsibility within the Health and Wellness Program. Greg has championed numerous cancer-prevention initiatives and recently coordinated department-wide throat-cancer screenings—an effort that reflects his unwavering commitment to firefighter health and safety. Greg is an outstanding leader whose influence reaches far beyond the calls he has run. His dedication, innovation, and care for his fellow firefighters have strengthened this organization and will continue to shape it for years to come. Thank you, Greg, for 25 years of exceptional service, leadership, and dedication to the City of Flagstaff.



Congratulations!

**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council
From: Allison Hughes, Support Services Section Director
Date: 04/21/2026
Meeting Date: 04/28/2026



TITLE:
Flagstaff Police Department 2025 Annual Accomplishments

DESIRED OUTCOME:

Informational only.

Executive Summary:

The Flagstaff Police Department presents its 2025 Annual Accomplishments, highlighting progress across Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Communications, and Support Services. Throughout the year, the Department focused on reducing crime, strengthening organizational stability, investing in its workforce, and enhancing community trust.

Key outcomes include measurable reductions in violent and property crime, improved service delivery in high-demand areas, and increased staffing stability across critical functions such as the Communications Center. The Department also made significant advancements in training, technology, and regional partnerships to support both current operations and long-term sustainability.

Notable public safety impacts include the seizure of over 80,000 fentanyl pills locally through the METRO Narcotics Unit and the successful execution of three Anti-Human Trafficking operations resulting in 27 arrests. These efforts reflect a continued commitment to addressing serious and emerging threats within the community.

Additionally, the Department expanded its focus on employee wellness with the introduction of its first Wellness K9, supporting the mental health and resilience of personnel in high-stress roles.

* Final presentation will be attached prior to Council meeting

Information:

2025 Accomplishments Overview

Patrol Operations

- Contributed to an 11% reduction in violent crime and 1% reduction in property crime.
- Achieved a 10% reduction in calls for service and victimization at the Flagstaff Shelter, supported by enhanced Downtown Business Alliance (DBA) walking beat deployment.
- Graduated 10 new officers and promoted 9 sworn leaders, strengthening operational capacity and succession planning.
- Maintained strong retention with only 6 separations, below historical averages.
- Conducted proactive enforcement efforts resulting in measurable reductions in injury and non-injury collisions and DUI-related incidents.
- Identified and targeted enforcement at the top five intersections for collisions, violations, and citations, and addressed the three highest locations for calls for service.

- Supported specialized operations including Woods Watch program enhancements and deployment of a new side-by-side vehicle for forested and remote areas.

Criminal Investigations Division (CID)

- Investigated 2,691 cases, including 808 violent crimes, with a 73% clearance rate.
- Served 200+ search warrants and conducted multiple SWAT deployments.
- Generated 117 arrests, including felony, misdemeanor, and warrant arrests.
- Provided services to thousands of victims, reinforcing a victim-centered approach.
- Strengthened regional partnerships with 20+ agencies to support complex investigations.
- Through the METRO Narcotics Unit, seized over 80,000 fentanyl pills locally, significantly disrupting the distribution of dangerous narcotics within the community.
- Conducted three Anti-Human Trafficking operations, resulting in 27 arrests, demonstrating a strong commitment to protecting vulnerable populations and addressing exploitation-related crimes.

Communications Center

- Achieved near-full staffing, improving reliability and reducing overtime demands.
- Managed a high volume of calls, including total calls dispatched and successfully deflected behavioral health calls to Solari, ensuring appropriate resource utilization.
- Enhanced training programs and operational readiness, positioning the center for sustained performance.

Support Services & Professional Staff

- Completed a Records Section reorganization, improving efficiency and customer service.
- Advanced Evidence Unit operations, including purge processes and updated retention policies.
- Improved Property Control operations, including fleet coordination and workspace optimization.
- Achieved 100% Level I national certification for Animal Control Officers, along with tranquilization certification, and responded to a high volume of animal-related calls.
- Introduced the Department's first Wellness K9, supporting employee wellness and organizational resilience.
- Conducted a PFM workload assessment, identifying staffing and operational needs.

Training & Professional Development

- Delivered extensive academy and in-service training hours across the department.
- Implemented a revised Field Training Officer (FTO) program.
- Advanced leadership development through FBI-LEEDA training, participation in IACP, and influence with ACJC.
- Expanded wellness and resiliency training, including Mental Health First Aid and Struggle Well programming.
- Continued investment in training infrastructure, including progress toward a new regional academy supported by CCC bond funding and north expansion design efforts.

Community Engagement & Public Relations

- Hosted Citizen Police Academy sessions and National Night Out.
- Participated in numerous community events, increasing visibility and engagement.
- Expanded social media presence and media responsiveness, supported by a newly constructed media room.
- Highlighted Department initiatives through community programs, outreach events, and public education efforts.
- Created Chief's Advisory Boards.

Technology & Innovation

- Advanced CAD/RMS replacement efforts and implemented supporting technologies.
- Expanded use of real-time dashboards and data analytics tools.
- Implemented the Peregrine platform to support data integration and analysis.
- Enhanced digital forensics capabilities, drone operations, and investigative technologies.
- Introduced AI-assisted report writing tools to improve efficiency and reduce administrative burden.

Workforce & Organizational Development

- Completed multiple promotions and organizational restructuring, including the addition of a new executive-level position.
- Recognized staff through departmental and regional awards.
- Provided a staffing overview, including employee and volunteer contributions and hours supporting Department operations.

Facilities, Equipment & Fleet

- Enhanced fleet visibility and messaging through new vehicle wraps.
- Updated facility wall wraps, gratitude boards and digital message boards.
- Continued planning efforts for facility expansion and modernization to support long-term growth and service demands.

Attachments: [Presentation](#)

Flagstaff Police Department 2025










The mission of the Flagstaff Police Department is to Protect and preserve life, property, and public order through elite service to the Flagstaff community.



Our MISSION

To protect and preserve life, property and public order by providing exemplary service.

Our VALUES

-  We serve with **INTEGRITY**
-  We lead with **EMPATHY**
-  We are committed to the **PRESERVATION OF LIFE**
-  We act with **COURAGE**
-  We provide **ELITE SERVICE**
-  We promote **TRANSPARENCY**

 **This is our promise.**
To our community, to each other,
and to the badge that we wear.

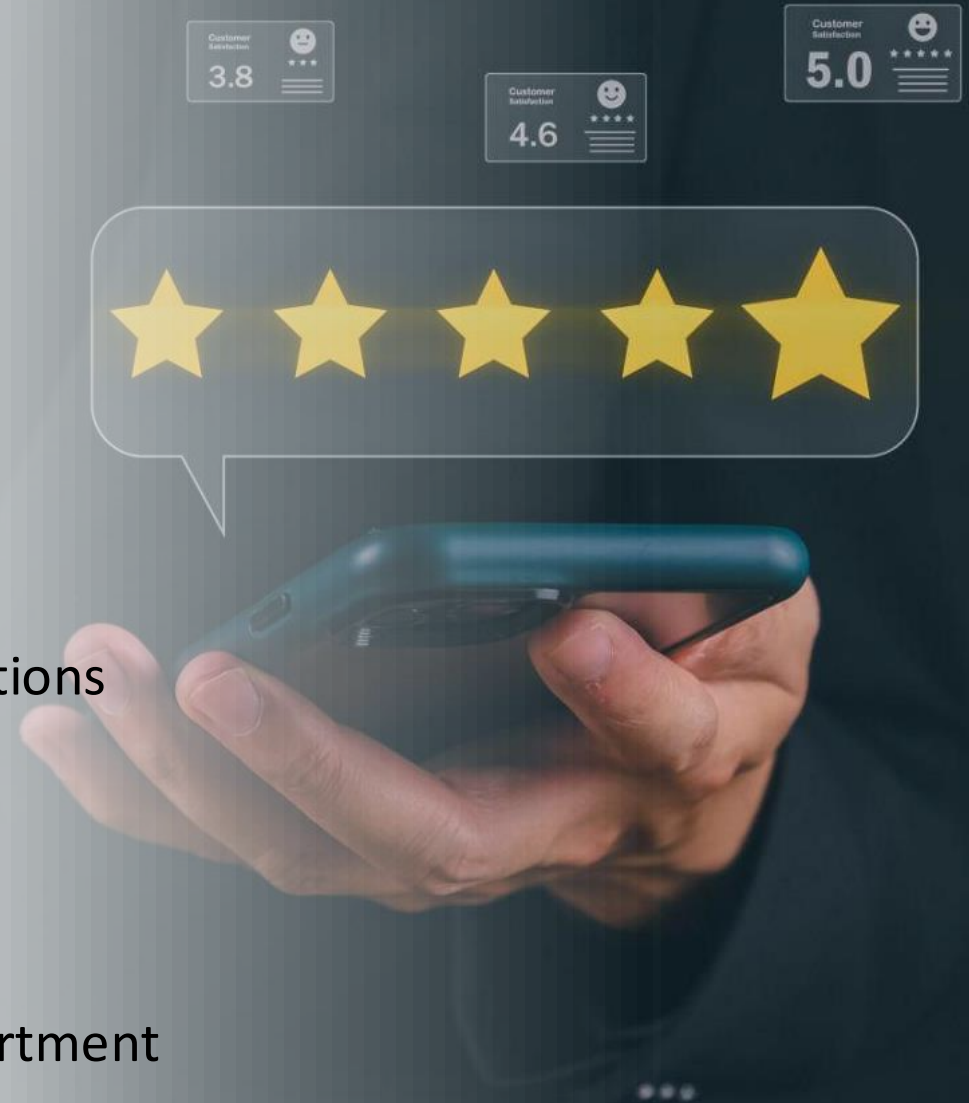


TEMPERANCE ★ COURAGE ★ JUSTICE ★ WISDOM



What We're Doing Well

- Professional and respectful interactions with staff
- Strong performance during emergency response situations
- Positive feedback on community engagement efforts
- Clear communication during calls and follow-up
- 89% Overall satisfaction with the Flagstaff Police Department



Patrol Operations



- Approximately 72,000 Calls for Service
 - 566 Calls for Service | 188 Incidents at Mountain Line Bus Stops and Transit Centers alone
- Top 3 locations for calls for service
 - 2601 E Huntington Dr
 - 4185 E Huntington Dr
 - 2700 S Woodlands Village Blvd
- 16,599 Total Police Reports
- 51 Patrol Officers
 - 1,020 CFS/Officer/Year
 - 369 Reports/Officer/Year
 - 113 Arrests/Officer/Year

- 11% reduction in violent crime, 1% reduction in property crime
- 10% reduction in shelter-related calls and victimization
- Downtown Flagstaff Walking Beat enhancements
- Woods Watch Program expanded & new side by side
 - 88 camp locations have been identified and followed up on by officers
- 23 Narcan Saves
- 10-15 De-escalation Incidents





Traffic Enforcement & Safety

- 5 Fatal Collisions
- 34 Serious Injury Collisions
- 1,643 Non-Injury Collisions
- 9 Train Related Fatalities
- 104 DUI Accidents
- Data-driven deployment at high-risk intersections
- Top 5 intersections for collisions | citations | violations
 - E Ponderosa Pkwy / E Route 66
 - E Route 66 / N Fourth St
 - S Milton Rd / W Butler Ave
 - E Route 66 / N Switzer Canyon Dr
 - N Humphreys St / W Route 66

Criminal Investigations Division

2,691 cases assigned | 2,252 cleared (73%)

808 violent crime investigations

117 arrests

200+ search warrants served

44 SWAT deployments supporting high-risk operations

METRO siezed over 80,000 fentanyl pills locally

North Star Task Force

3 Anti-Human Trafficking Ops | 27 Arrests

Supported thousands of victims



How we address crime weekly



Flagstaff Police Department – Weekly Crime Report Flagstaff, Arizona Tuesday, December 30, 2025



BASED ON REPORTS FINALIZED IN THE RMS – FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ONLY – PRELIMINARY DATA NOT FOR EXTERNAL DISSEMINATION

PART ONE CRIME STATISTICS – Week is Monday through Sunday

	Weekly Comparison			28 Day Comparison			56 Day Comparison			YTD		
	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change
Part 1 Crime Types	12/22/2025 - 12/28/2025	12/15/2025 - 12/21/2025		12/01/2025 - 12/28/2025	11/03/2025 - 11/30/2025		11/03/2025 - 12/28/2025	09/08/2025 - 11/02/2025				
Homicide	0	0	0.00%	0	1	-100.00%	1	1	0.00%	3	5	-40.00%
Sexual Assault	1	1	0.00%	3	7	-57.14%	10	7	42.86%	55	56	-1.79%
Robbery	0	0	0.00%	0	1	-100.00%	1	4	-75.00%	21	32	-34.38%
Aggravated Assault	4	8	-50.00%	19	17	11.76%	36	31	16.13%	201	219	-8.22%
Total Violent Offenses	5	9	-44.44%	22	26	-15.38%	48	43	11.63%	280	312	-10.26%
Residential Burglary	0	2	-100.00%	4	1	300.00%	5	6	-16.67%	39	51	-23.53%
Commercial Burglary	0	0	0.00%	0	4	-100.00%	4	1	300.00%	26	28	-7.14%
Burglary from Vehicle	2	0	200.00%	18	7	157.14%	25	20	25.00%	169	111	52.25%
Auto Theft	0	1	-100.00%	3	5	-40.00%	8	8	0.00%	54	81	-33.33%
Arson	0	0	0.00%	1	0	100.00%	1	6	-83.33%	21	14	50.00%
Larceny Theft	32	24	33.33%	110	139	-20.86%	249	213	16.90%	1403	1458	-3.77%
Total Property Offenses	34	27	25.93%	136	156	12.82%	292	254	14.96%	1712	1743	-1.78%

ARRESTS, CALLS FOR SERVICE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – Week is Monday through Sunday

	Weekly Comparison			28 Day Comparison			56 Day Comparison			YTD		
	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change
	12/22/2025 - 12/28/2025	12/15/2025 - 12/21/2025		12/01/2025 - 12/28/2025	11/03/2025 - 11/30/2025		11/03/2025 - 12/28/2025	09/08/2025 - 11/02/2025				
Arrests												
Felony	22	26	-15.38%	79	89	-11.24%	168	142	18.31%	1058	1108	-4.51%
Misdemeanor	60	69	-13.04%	253	310	-18.39%	563	586	-3.92%	3739	3438	8.76%
Warrants	18	6	200.00%	64	62	3.23%	126	177	-28.81%	1014	989	2.53%
Calls for Service												
Priority 1 through 3	562	595	-5.55%	2,427	2,632	-7.79%	5,059	6,107	-17.16%	37,736	39,764	-5.10%
Priority 4 through 6	441	583	-24.36%	2,079	2,159	-3.71%	4,238	4,882	-13.19%	33,632	33,474	0.47%
Total Calls for Service	1003	1178	-14.86%	4,506	4,791	-5.95%	9,297	10,989	-15.40%	71,368	73,238	-2.55%
DV Related												
DV Incidents	50	43	16.28%	159	150	6.00%	309	278	11.15%	1862	1729	7.69%
DV Arrests	29	22	31.82%	77	69	11.59%	146	106	37.74%	887	783	13.28%

Flagstaff Police Department – Weekly Crime Report

TRAFFIC DETAIL – Week is Monday through Sunday

	Weekly Comparison			28 Day Comparison			56 Day Comparison			YTD		
	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change	Current	Previous	% Change
	12/22/2025 - 12/28/2025	12/15/2025 - 12/21/2025		12/01/2025 - 12/28/2025	11/03/2025 - 11/30/2025		11/03/2025 - 12/28/2025	09/08/2025 - 11/02/2025				
Traffic												
Fatal Accidents	0	0	0%	0	0	0.00%	-	1	-100.00%	5	5	0.00%
Injury Accidents	0	4	-100%	22	37	-40.54%	59	68	-13.24%	390	462	-15.58%
Non-Injury Accidents	0	30	-100.00%	78	122	-36.07%	200	244	-18.03%	1,620	1852	-12.53%
DUI Investigations	7	17	-58.82%	50	55	-9.09%	105	97	8.25%	654	559	16.99%
DUI Accidents	0	2	-100.00%	5	8	-37.50%	13	20	-35.00%	103	101	1.98%
Traffic Stops	136	183	-25.68%	613	612	0.16%	1,225	1,381	-11.30%	11,303	10,680	5.83%

Communications Center

- Near full staffing
 - Hired 17 people between July and October
 - Reduced turnover from 100% to 6%
- High Volume managed
 - 181,560 total calls answered
 - Over 400 calls deflected to Solari
- Improved training, culture, and retention
 - 8,108 hours of Training time logged
 - Revamped new hire orientation process
- Dispatch Time for Priority 1
 - 0.64 minutes
- 88% of Fire calls dispatched within 60 Seconds



Support Services

- Records reorganization improved service and efficiency
- 9,267 Reports Disseminated | 288 Body Worn Camera Video Requests
- Evidence Unit Improvements – retention policy updates
- 6,809 items of evidence received | 4,780 destroyed | 709 released
- Property Control enhancements (fleet & security)
- PFM work load assessment completed



Animal Control

- 100% Level I National Certification achieved – first time in department history at full certification
- Tranquilization certification completed
- Responded to high volume of animal-related calls
 - 2,525 Calls for Service
 - 388 Reports
 - 29 Citations
 - 417 Animals Impounded



Public Relations & Media

- 1200+ Social Media Posts
- 129 Media/News Releases
- 85+ Community Relations Events with over 55,000 in attendance
- Creation of Media Room



Community Engagement

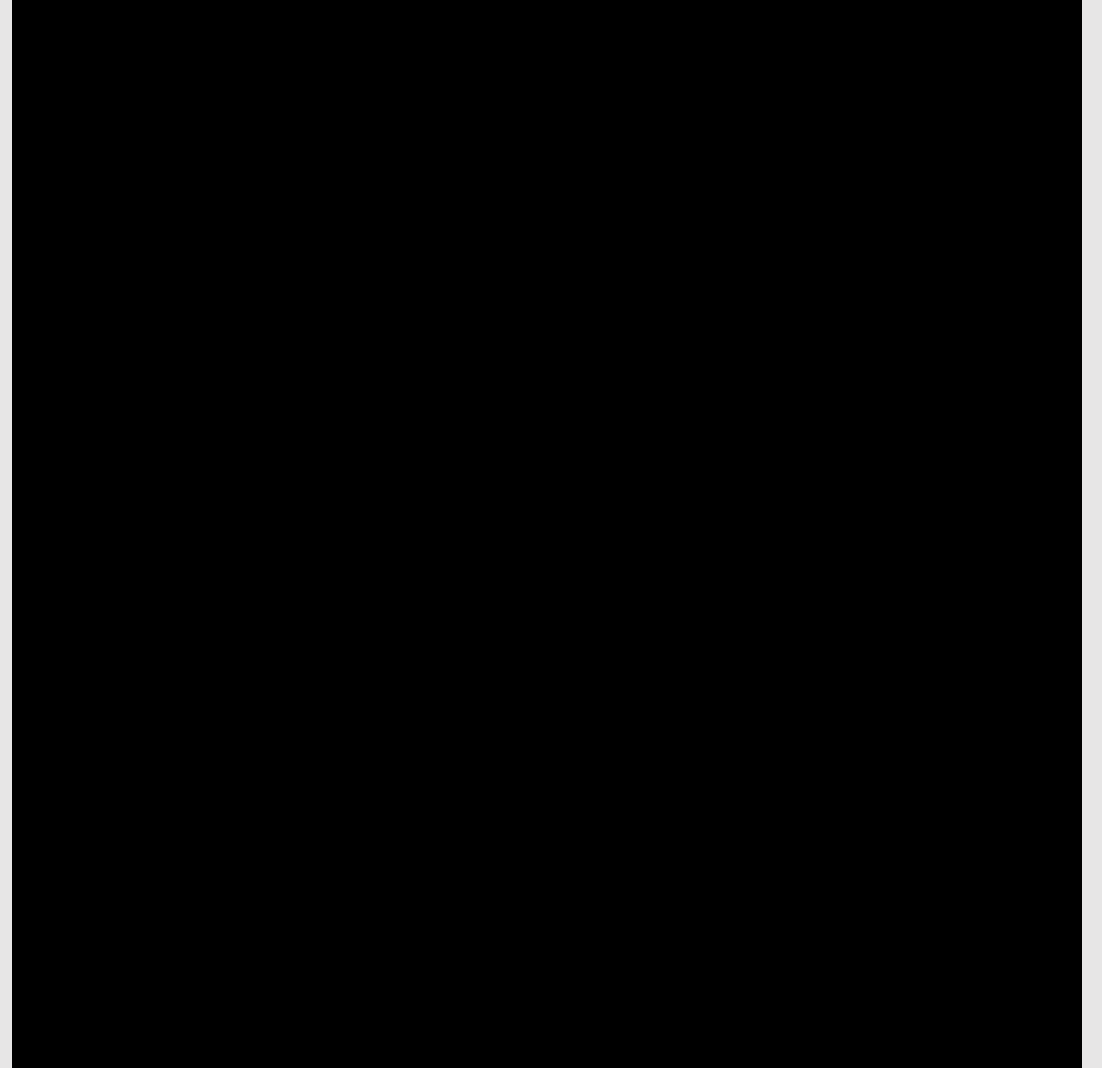
- 2 Successful Citizen Police Academies
- 1100+ Volunteer Hours
- 1350+ Internship Hours
- 300+ Reserve Hours
- Chief's Advisory Boards Established:
 - Indigenous Advisory Board
 - Cross-Ability Advisory Board
 - Hispanic Advisory Board – coming soon



Hiring & Recruitment

44 Total Hires | 17 Sworn | 27 Professional Staff | 10% Vacancy

- Reorganization of Recruitment and Public Relations Team
 - 3 Dedicated Officers
- 244 Sworn Applications Received
 - 233 Passed | 17 Hired
- Facilitated 2 Academy Classes
- 5-10 Recruitment Events
- 3 Lateral Hires
- 38 Separations



Current Workforce & Staffing

Sworn: 116/121 (95.9%) 5 Vacancies

- Approximately 17% sworn unavailable for full operational deployment (FTO, Academy, Admin leave, Light duty)
- Investigations fully staffed
- Academy active (5 recruits progressing well)
- Testing May 30 & June 1
- Five backgrounds in Progress (2 with conditional offers)
- Risks: Impending Departures

Professional Staff: 56/62 (90.3%) 6 Vacancies

- Administrative Specialist, Police Records Customer Service Representative, Police Aide, Police Emergency Communications Specialists (3)
- One Police Emergency Communications Specialists in Background.

Awards & Recognition

- Arizona Narcotic Officers Association's Narcotics Group of the Year Award
- Exchange Club Officer of the Year – Officer Simmons
- Lindstrom Leader of the Year – Lieutenant Beckman
- VFW Officer of the Year – Corporal Medley
- 2025 FPD Awards to be announced in May
 - FPD Officer of the Year
 - FPD Investigator of the Year
 - FPD Professional Staff of the Year
 - Val Hernandez Excellence Award



Technology & Innovation

- CAD/RMS replacement progress
- Peregrine platform implementation
- Real-time data dashboards
- Enhanced digital forensics capabilities
- Introduction of AI-assisted report writing





Fleet & Equipment

- **Vehicle Replacements**
 - 4 hybrid police interceptor Explorers received | 2 on-line, 2 pending build
- **Branding**
 - PD facility wall wraps
 - Digital messaging boards
 - Gratitude boards
- **Flagstaff Police Facility Expansion Design**

Wellness & Resilience

- Intro of Department Wellness K9 | AZ Complete Health
- Expanded wellness programming and peer support
- Focus on employee mental health and resilience | Redemption
- Struggle Well



Questions?



TEAM FLAGSTAFF
WE MAKE THE
CITY BETTER

**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council
From: Jessica Matias, Chief of Staff
Date: 04/14/2026
Meeting Date: 04/28/2026



TITLE:

Girl Scout Recognitions: Gold, Bronze, and I Live My Faith Awards

DESIRED OUTCOME:

Read and present the Recognitions.

Executive Summary:

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Information:

NA

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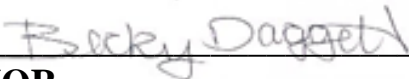
CITY OF FLAGSTAFF – OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
RECOGNITION

The City of Flagstaff recognizes the dedication and perseverance needed to obtain the Bronze Award from the Girl Scouts of America.

The City of Flagstaff recognizes the significant leadership and community services provided by such scouts as they become involved citizens.

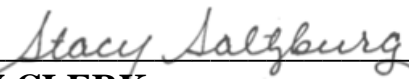
The City of Flagstaff commends **Allison Brink** for obtaining the Bronze Award and recognizes her as a future leader.

Dated this 28th day of April 2026



MAYOR

ATTEST:



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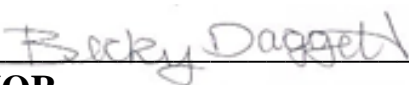
CITY OF FLAGSTAFF – OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
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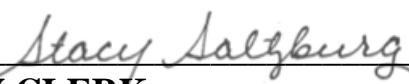
The City of Flagstaff commends **Ava Washburn** for obtaining the Bronze Award and recognizes her as a future leader.

Dated this 28th day of April 2026



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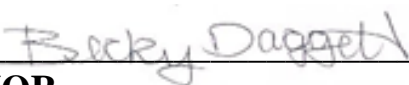
CITY OF FLAGSTAFF – OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
RECOGNITION

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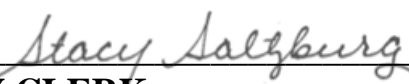
The City of Flagstaff commends **Kyleigh Buzzard** for obtaining the Bronze Award and recognizes her as a future leader.

Dated this 28th day of April 2026



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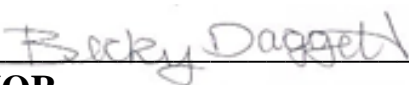
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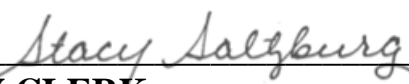
The City of Flagstaff commends **Violet Baca** for obtaining the Bronze Award and recognizes her as a future leader.

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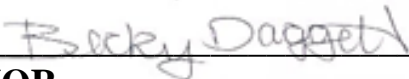
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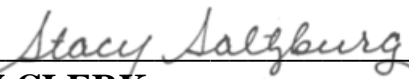
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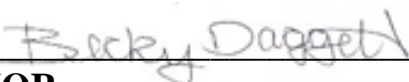
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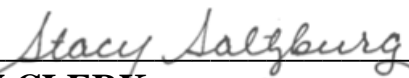
The City of Flagstaff commends **Taylor Aldrich** for obtaining the I Live My Faith Award and recognizes her as a future leader.

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**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

To:	The Honorable Mayor and Council
From:	Nicole Antonopoulos, Sustainability Division Director
Date:	04/10/2026
Meeting Date:	04/28/2026



TITLE:

Renewable Energy Credits for Municipal Operations

DESIRED OUTCOME:

This informational session will provide the City Council with an update on discussions with the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority to procure renewable energy credits (RECs) for municipal operations.

Executive Summary:

The City of Flagstaff currently purchases renewable energy credits (RECs) from Arizona Public Service (APS) to support its commitment to 100 percent clean electricity for municipal operations, at a cost of \$2.50 per megawatt hour (MWh). Staff recommends transitioning to purchasing RECs from the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA) at \$1.85 per megawatt hour plus 6% sales tax. This shift would generate cost savings for the City while building a new partnership with NTUA.

Information:

The City of Flagstaff currently purchases approximately 39,000 MWh of renewable energy credits (RECs) each year through the APS Green Power Partners (GPP) program at a rate of \$2.50 per MWh, costing roughly \$97,400 annually. With City electricity use projected to continue to increase due to a variety of factors, including weather, precipitation, operations, and new facilities being commissioned, staff have evaluated alternative REC suppliers that offer more competitive pricing. NTUA provides RECs at \$1.85 per MWh plus 6% tax. Using last year's REC volume (39,000 MWh), the total cost through NTUA would have been \$76,479 (\$72,150 for RECs + \$4,329 tax) compared to the APS rate of \$97,400.

Staff is recommending that the City begin purchasing RECs from NTUA for a minimum of one year while the Arizona Consortium Virtual Power Purchase Agreement (VPPA) undergoes review and potential negotiation. Should the City ultimately decide not to pursue the VPPA option, NTUA is prepared to offer longer-term REC procurement contracts.

Attachments:	Municipal Energy and Fuel Trends
	Renewable Energy Credits for Municipal Operations Slides



CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

DATE: March 5, 2026

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Danae Presler, Climate Program Manager

THROUGH: Jenny Niemann, Climate Section Director
Nicole Antonopoulos, Sustainability Director
Kevin Fincel, Interim Deputy City Manager
Joanne Keene, City Manager

SUBJECT: Municipal Energy and Fuel Trends Overview

At the City Council Budget Retreat on February 5th, questions arose regarding the City's energy consumption and the effectiveness of recent efficiency measures. This report details:

1. Five-year energy and fuel consumption and cost trends.
2. Efficiency project impacts and considerations.
3. Renewable energy strategies.
4. Climate impacts.

1. Five-Year Energy and Fuel Consumption and Cost Trends

Energy Consumption and Costs

City municipal operations are powered by a combination of electricity from Arizona Public Service (APS), natural gas from UniSource, and, to a smaller extent, on-site solar and hydropower allocations. The majority (63%) of energy consumed is used for water and wastewater operations, followed by municipal buildings (29%), streetlights and traffic signals (4%), and parks (4%) (**Fig. 1**).

Over the past five years, municipal energy consumption peaked at 59,945 megawatt hours (MWh) in FY22-23, declined by 8.6% the following year, and was further reduced by 0.8% in FY24-25 (**Fig. 2**). During this period, the mix of energy sources remained relatively consistent, with electricity accounting for 68%; natural gas, 26%; and renewable generation, 6%, on average (**Fig. 2**).

Percentage of Energy Consumption by Operation

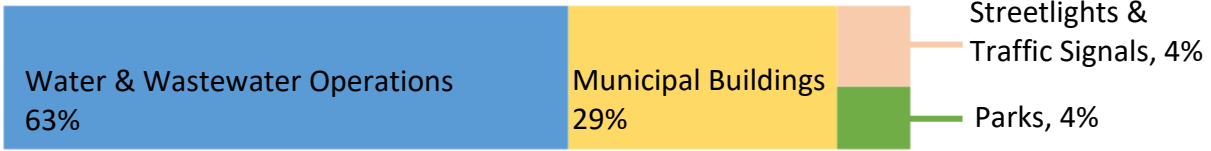


Figure 1. Tree map of total energy consumed by different municipal operations, averaged across five years.

Annual Energy Consumption FY21 to FY25

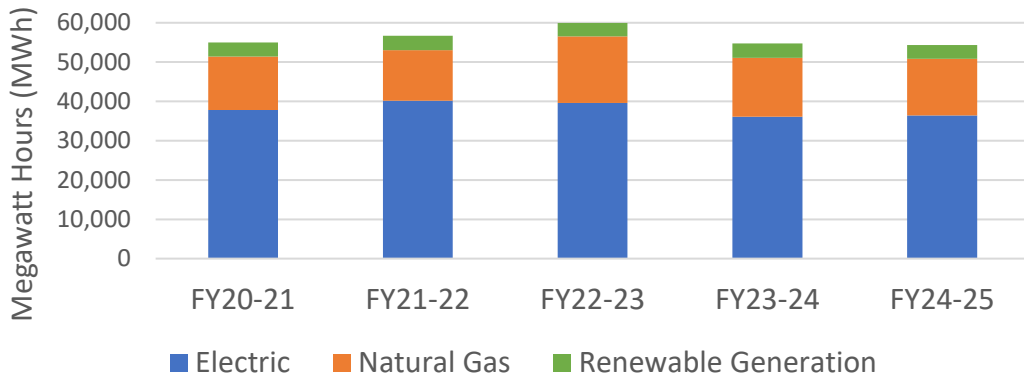


Figure 2. Stacked bar graph of annual energy consumption for municipal operations by energy source for the past five years.

Total annual energy costs have risen in each of the past five years, **reaching more than \$5.9 million in FY24-25, a 31% increase from FY20-21 (Fig. 3)**. This increase was driven by APS rate increases in 2023 and 2024, as well as dry years requiring more energy-intensive groundwater pumping compared to wet years.

Annual Energy Costs FY21-FY25

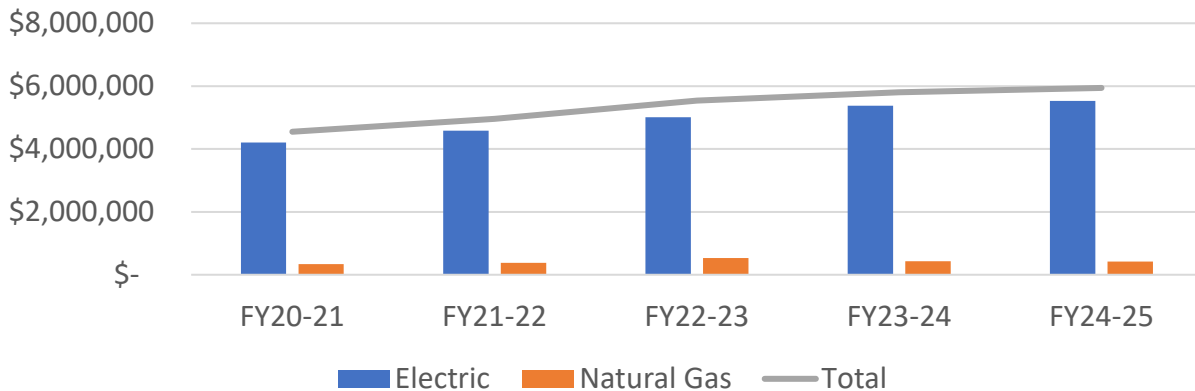


Figure 3. Annual municipal electricity and natural gas costs, with a line indicating the combined cost, for FY21 to FY25.

The Water Services Division bears the lion’s share of municipal energy costs and uses a mechanism called the Water Energy Surcharge to help recover some of these expenses. The Water Energy Surcharge is applied to customer monthly water bills. The table below summarizes revenues collected by the City through this surcharge.

Costs Recovered through the Energy Water Surcharge (USD\$)					
	FY20-21	FY21-22	FY22-23	FY23-24	FY24-25
Energy Costs Recovered	\$1,886,533	\$1,663,045	\$2,196,645	\$2,818,808	\$2,471,266

Fuel Consumption and Costs

Over the past five fiscal years, the City’s fleet consumed between 407,000 and 451,000 gallons of fuel annually (Fig. 4), costing the City between \$1 million to \$1.85 million each year (Fig. 5). FY24-25 saw the overall lowest fuel consumption, with a 4% reduction from the prior year, and a 9.6% reduction from FY20-21. During this period, **fuel costs peaked in FY22-23, declined by 17% the following year, and were further reduced by 20% in FY24-25.**

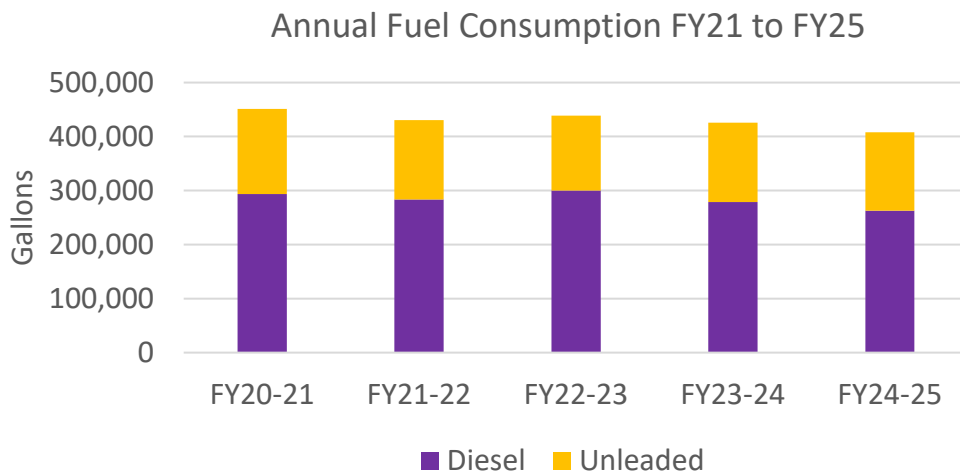


Figure 4. Stacked bar chart of annual City fleet fuel consumption by fuel source for the past five fiscal years.

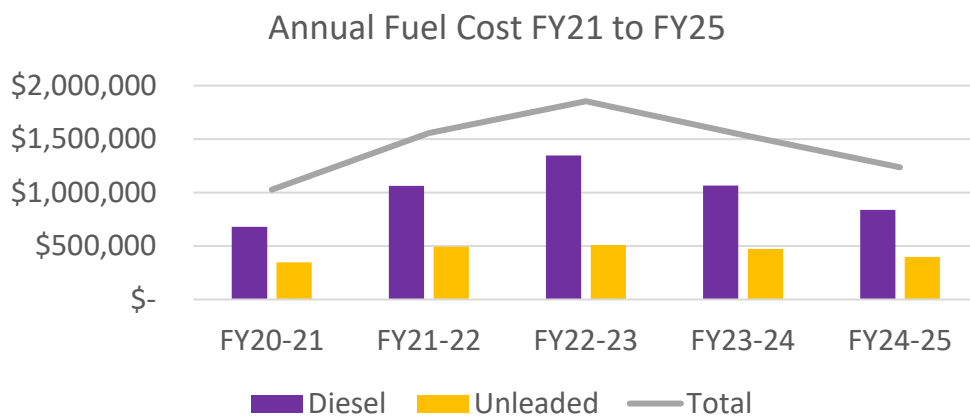


Figure 5. Annual city fleet fuel costs, broken down by fuel type, for the past five fiscal years.

Fuel Cost Vs. Electricity Cost

Electricity remains the most economical way to fuel city fleet. According to the City of Flagstaff [Fleet Electrification Assessment](#), the City can realize over \$3.25 million in savings from electrifying its light-duty non-patrol fleet alone, and \$11.35M over the vehicle lifetime when accounting for viable medium- and heavy-duty electric vehicles in the fleet.

Diesel and gasoline prices fluctuate daily, so to draw a fair comparison, this report uses annualized costs per gallon for diesel, unleaded gasoline, and electricity for FY24-25. Electricity cost is equivalent to \$1.97 per gallon – 28% less than gasoline and 38% less than diesel (**Fig. 6**). To calculate the dollar per gallon electricity (eGallon), the cost of electricity is divided by fuel efficiency and then multiplied by 33.7, which is the energy equivalent of one gallon of gasoline.

Average Cost per Gallon by Fuel Type for FY24-25

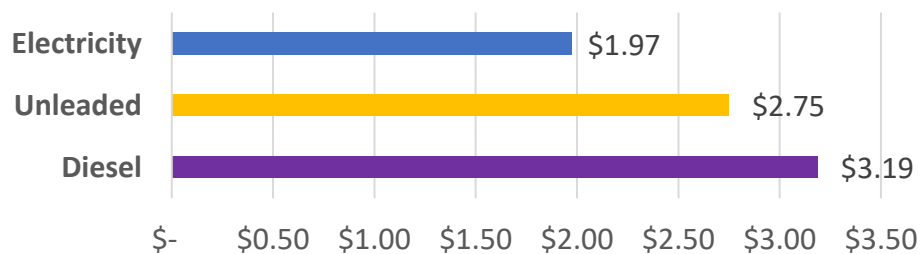


Figure 6. Comparison of cost per gallon for diesel, gasoline, and electricity (eGallon), based on FY24-25 annualized averages.

2. Efficiency Project Impacts and Considerations

The City-wide Energy and Water Conservation Project was completed between September 2023 and August 2024 and included efficiency improvements across 44 city facilities. The table below outlines the specific measures implemented through this project.

Energy Conservation Measure	# of Facilities	# of Fixtures
Interior lighting retrofits to LEDs	43	6,206
Exterior lighting retrofits to LEDs	40	645
Weatherization	30	N/A
Electric vehicle charging stations	4	14 charging ports
Parks irrigation repairs	17	12 master valves/22 flow sensors
Water meter testing	N/A	179 water meters
Energy Management System upgrades	4	N/A
Electric rate switch	1	N/A

There was a 9.9% year-over-year reduction in energy use following the project implementation. However, municipal energy consumption is influenced by numerous factors, including weather conditions, HVAC and mechanical system performance and controls, facility changes, human behavior, and other variables.

The City contract cost was \$4.1 million for this project. As part of the contract, the City is guaranteed to achieve the fiscal savings outlined in the table below (or better) over the next 20 years – **totaling \$6.1 million+ in avoided costs** over the contract term. The guaranteed savings means that if the City were found to have saved less than the guaranteed amount over the year, the contractor would pay the City the difference. With utility rates projected to increase, the City is positioned to realize even greater cost savings.

Guaranteed Savings: Energy and Water Conservation Project

Year	\$ Amount	Year	\$ Amount	Year	\$ Amount
1	\$224,323	8	\$278,675	15	\$347,264
2	\$231,341	9	\$287,521	16	\$358,442
3	\$238,593	10	\$296,665	17	\$370,002
4	\$246,089	11	\$306,119	18	\$381,959
5	\$253,835	12	\$315,894	19	\$394,328
6	\$261,844	13	\$326,003	20	\$407,121
7	\$270,120	14	\$336,454	Total	\$6,132,591

3. Renewable Energy Strategies

The City leverages multiple renewable energy strategies to reduce utility costs and greenhouse gas emissions: on-site solar, Hoover Dam allocation, and Renewable Energy Credits.

On-Site Solar

There are eight solar systems installed on City properties with a combined capacity of 1.68 megawatts direct current (MW DC). The power generated reduces electricity demand and costs. Together, they generate ~2,700 megawatt hours (MWh) annually, **providing roughly 7% of the City’s annual electricity consumption**. Half of the solar systems are City-owned (COF) and are operated and maintained by a contractor. The others are under a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), where the developer installs, owns, and operates the system.

	Capacity (kW DC)	Renewable Energy Generation (MWh)				
		FY20-21	FY21-22	FY22-23	FY23-24	FY24-25
Wildcat Fixed Ground-Mounted (COF)	231.0	421	418	335	364	360
Rio de Flag Rooftop & Fixed Ground-Mounted (COF)	310.2	461	495	428	434	453
Aquaplex Solar Parking Canopies (COF)	277.2	383	441	407	430	455
Wildcat Tracker 1 (PPA)	285.1	561	551	545	532	396
Wildcat Tracker 2 (PPA)	283.4	524	551	539	564	531
Aquaplex Rooftop (PPA)	93.5	144	144	139	132	137
City Hall Solar Parking Canopies (PPA)	200.5	325	332	272	307	328
Total	1,681	2,818	2,932	2,665	2,763	2,660
% of City Electricity Offset	N/A	7.5%	7.3%	6.7%	7.7%	7.3%

By generating on-site solar energy, the City reduced its annual electricity costs by an average of \$152,000 over the past five years. The table below accounts for annual fees for operation, maintenance, measurement, and verification for City-owned systems.

Renewable Energy Savings from Avoided Costs					
	FY20-21	FY21-22	FY22-23	FY23-24	FY24-25
Annual Savings	\$89,085	\$130,755	\$140,330	\$207,275	\$194,009

Hoover Dam Allocation

The City purchases an allocation of renewable hydropower through a Power Service Contract with the Arizona Power Authority – specifically, up to 172 kW of capacity and up to 375 MWh of energy per month – at a rate lower than APS's electricity rates. **As a result of the Hoover Dam Allocation, the City has saved more than \$227,000 since 2017.** Over the past five years, the Hoover Dam Allocation has reduced utility costs by an average of \$34,736 per year (Fig. 7) and avoided ~470 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions annually.

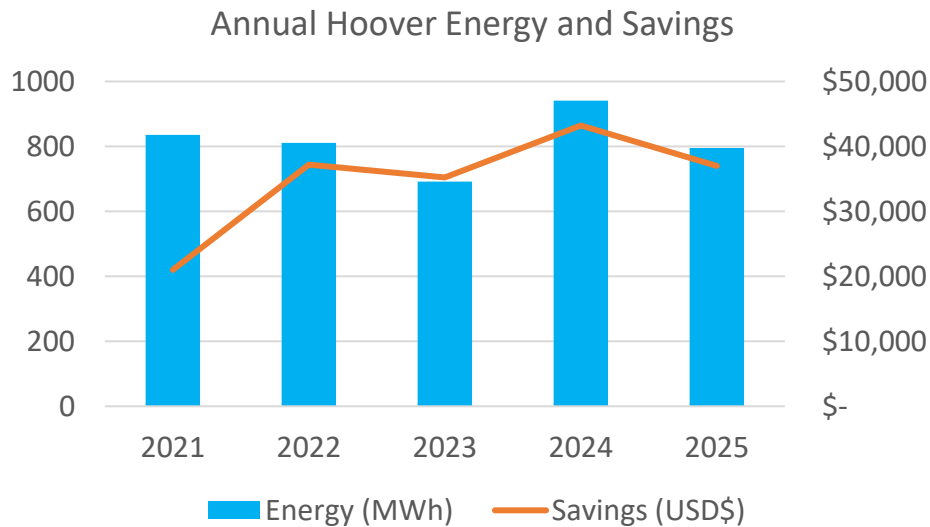


Figure 7. Bar graph showing the annual energy purchased through the Hoover Dam Allocation (in MWh); line graph showing the fiscal savings for the past five years. Note: The Water Year is from October through September.

The City’s Hoover Dam Allocation varies based on annual rainfall and amount of water able to be released from Lake Mead.

Renewable Energy Credits

The City purchases Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) to offset 100% of its annual electricity use, ensuring all electric use qualifies as clean energy. Each REC is equivalent to one megawatt hour of 100% renewable energy delivered to the electrical supply grid. At \$2.50 per MWh, this equates to approximately \$100,000 per year, or an average of 1.7% of annual energy costs. **This investment has had the single largest impact on reducing the City’s municipal emissions – avoiding approximately 15,000 tons of greenhouse gas emissions annually.**

	Annual RECs Purchased and Percent of Energy Costs				
	FY20-21	FY21-22	FY22-23	FY23-24	FY24-25
Annual Cost for GPP (USD\$)	N/A	N/A	\$104,444	\$97,431	\$97,422
% of Total Energy Costs	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	1.7%	1.6%

Overall, annual savings from on-site solar and the Hoover Dam allocation offset the annual cost of purchasing Renewable Energy Credits.

4. Climate Impacts

The City of Flagstaff is a climate action leader, capable of influencing institutions, businesses, and residents within the Flagstaff community. This section provides an overview of the greenhouse gas emissions associated with powering municipal operations and fueling the City fleet. It does not account for emissions from other municipal operations, such as flaring of methane gas at the landfill and wastewater treatment plants, employee commutes to and from work, and other factors. The report closes with a brief status update on municipal energy and fuel consumption targets in the Carbon Neutrality Plan.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions

In the past five years, greenhouse gas emissions from municipal energy and fuel consumption peaked in FY21-22 at 21,423 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MTCO₂e) and reached their lowest levels in FY24-25 at 6,581 MTCO₂e – a **69% reduction in emissions (Fig. 8)**. This decrease is primarily due to the City’s purchase of Renewable Energy Credits beginning in FY22-23. Emissions from natural gas, diesel, and gasoline consumption fluctuated moderately during this period but have trended downward in the past two years. In FY24-25, diesel accounted for 40.7% of remaining emissions; natural gas, 39.8%; and gasoline, 19.5% (Fig. 9).

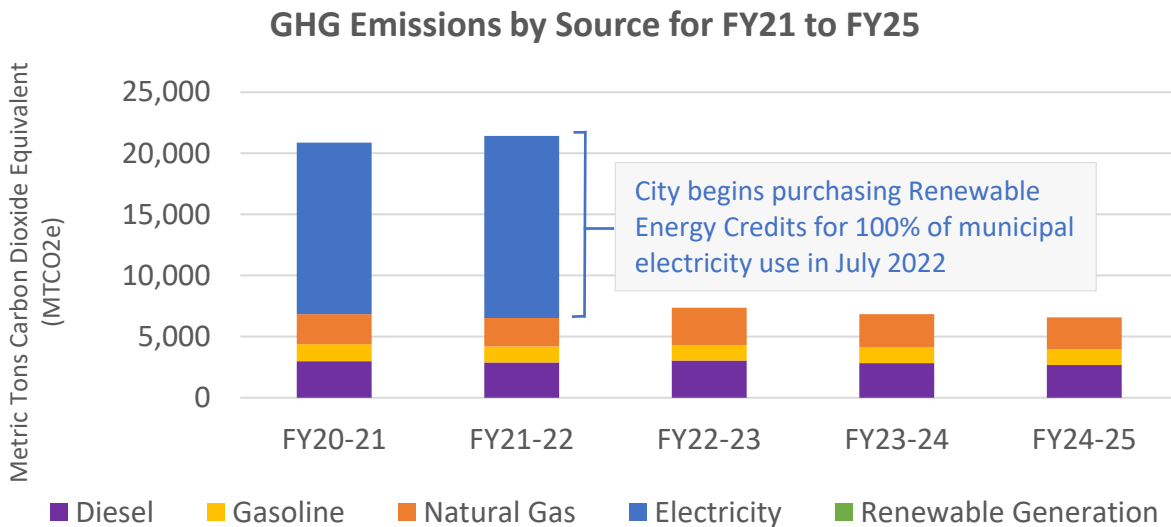


Figure 8. Greenhouse gas emissions from municipal energy and fuel consumption for FY21-FY25.

Annual GHG Emissions from Energy and Fuel FY24-25

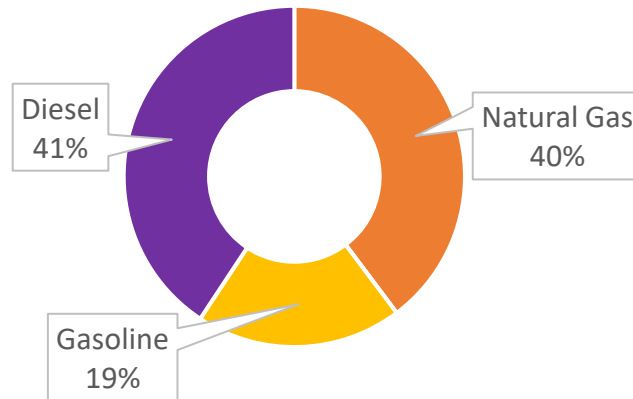


Figure 9. Donut chart of annual greenhouse gas emissions from municipal energy and fuel consumption in FY2024-2025. Percentages do not equal 100 due to rounding.

Progress Toward Carbon Neutrality Plan Goals

The Flagstaff Carbon Neutrality Plan sets several targets for municipal energy and fuel consumption. Below is a summary of key targets and the City's current progress towards them.

Conserve Energy:

Target: 28% reduction in total energy use by 2030, compared to the 2016 baseline.

Current Status: 1.03% reduction in energy use in FY24-25 compared to 2016 baseline. Note: this target does not account for changes in buildings and facility stock, such as the construction of the Core Services campus and the replacement of the Courthouse.

Reduce Natural Gas Use:

Target: 60% reduction in emissions from natural gas, compared to the 2016 baseline.

Current Status: 8.91% increase in natural gas consumption and associated emissions in FY24-25 compared to the 2016 baseline. Similarly, the target does not account for changes in building and facility stock.

Expand Renewable Energy:

Target: 100% renewable electricity for municipal operations by 2025.

Current Status: Target met 3 years ahead of schedule through the purchase of Renewable Energy Credits.

Electrify the Fleet:

Target: 30% of Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) to be from electric vehicles (EVs).

Current Status: 16% of the City's light-duty fleet is electric, and one medium-duty vehicle is electric (the Zamboni ice re-surfacer at Jay Lively). The City adopted an EV-first approach for vehicle purchases and is gradually integrating EVs into the fleet as vehicles are replaced. Planning is underway for fast chargers to enable medium- and heavy-duty EVs in the fleet.

A large array of solar panels is shown from a low angle, receding into the distance. The sky is filled with soft, golden light from a setting or rising sun, with wispy clouds. The panels are dark blue with a grid of thin lines.

RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS

**NICOLE ANTONOPOULOS
APRIL 2026**

Agenda

1. Clean energy commitments
2. Supporting commitments
3. Cost effective options
4. Questions

Commitments to Clean Energy

1. 2017-2019 City Council Goal

100% clean electricity for
municipal operations

2. Climate Action and Adaptation Plan

3. Carbon Neutrality Plan

How are we
advancing clean
energy goals?

1. Infrastructure and efficiency upgrades
2. Renewable energy deployment
- 3. Renewable Energy Credits**
4. Future Innovations

Renewable Energy Credits

Renewable energy credits (RECs) are a tradeable, market-based instrument that represents the property rights to the environmental, social, and non-power attributes of 1 megawatt-hour (MWh) of renewable electricity generated and delivered to the grid.

RECs allow buyers to claim the use of renewable energy, even if their electricity comes from the regular grid.



The City's Current Clean Energy Portfolio

	Agency	Contract	~Annual Energy Yield/RECs (MWh)	~ Annual Operational Savings
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diversified Portfolio 1) Arizona Power Authority (Hoover Dam) Schedule D 	APA	2057	815	\$34,700
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2) APS Green Power Partners (GPP) 	APS GPP	Monthly	39,000	-\$97,400
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3) CoF Owned 	CoF	Financed thru 2029/2030 +	1,200	\$137,00/\$176,549
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4) PPA 	PPA	2031	1,500	\$34,000

Cost effective options

With municipal electricity use projected to continuously increase, staff evaluated alternative REC suppliers that offer more competitive pricing.

- Precipitation
- Temperature
- Water Services operations
- New facilities being commissioned



The Navajo Tribal Utility Authority offers the most readily-available economic option for the City to consider

Comparing RECs

	Contract	~Annual RECs (MWh)	~ Annual Operational Cost
1) APS	Monthly	39,000	\$97,400
1) NTUA	Quarterly	39,000	\$76,479 (\$72,150+ \$4,329 6% sales tax)

Clean Energy Solutions – The Bigger Picture

Short-term (within next 3 months):

- Transition to purchasing RECs from NTUA

Short-term (within next 6-9 months):

- Evaluate and negotiate Arizona Consortium Virtual Power Purchase Agreement. If economically viable, it will be 12-18 months before the project yields RECs
- Evaluate interest in solar development at Red Gap Ranch

Mid-term (within next 12-24 months):

- Pursue additional on-site solar for City facilities for pricing stability and emergency response
- Transition to VPPA model for RECs, if appropriate

QUESTIONS?

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**CITY OF FLAGSTAFF
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council
From: Sam Beckett, Public Works Streets/Solid Waste Section Director
Date: 04/06/2026
Meeting Date: 04/28/2026



TITLE:
Solid Waste, Sustainability and Management Services Community Update

DESIRED OUTCOME:

The discussion to understand the actions and coordination of Solid Waste, Sustainability and Management Services as we are preparing for limiting service modifications and focusing efforts on the upcoming rate study, improving division collaboration and community education on waste diversion.

Executive Summary:

The presentation is structured with two primary focuses. First, Solid Waste will present a limited and scaled back service of curbside glass. The additional and larger service changes are being slowed as we have advanced effort with Management Services to focus on the pending rate study. Second, Sustainability will be presenting on waste diversion and additional community engagement/education items.

Information:

Attachments: [2026 Solid Waste Update](#)



Solid Waste Update

Agenda



Solid Waste
Update

Sustainability
Update

Solid Waste Rate Study



Rate Study Progress



- Consultant selection process has begun
 - Scope of work is being developed
 - Vendor interviews and peer cities
- All Solid Waste programs in review
- Focused working groups
 - Sustainability
 - Management Services
 - Public Works
- Key benchmarks/expectations are being established
 - Future council discussion
 - Public feedback
 - Industry business practices

Programs for Review



- Collections
 - Commercial
 - Residential
 - Hoist and Haul
 - Bulk Trash
 - Recycling
- Landfill
 - Hazardous Product Center
 - Landfill Operations
 - Landfill Capital Program



Curbside Glass Pick up



Transition Plan



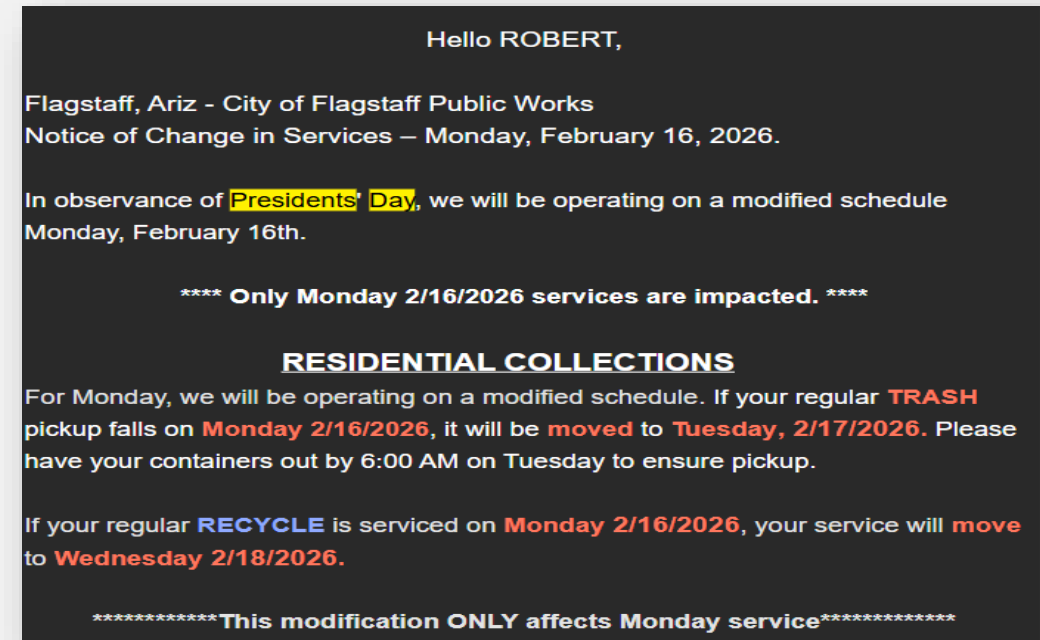
- Transition from curbside glass collections to public drop off
- Community Communications plan developed
- Targeted communications/credit for those currently receiving the service



Communications Plan



- Focused and targeted communications plan through social media and communication tools.
- Utilizing Constant Contact, we will send out an email to the current residential glass customers.
- We will also send out a letter to those customers that cannot be reached via email.



Operational Changes

- July 1st, 2026, is the recommended day to end curbside glass services.
- Notify customers in May, cancel billing on June 1st, 2026.
- Drop off locations on website.
 - Map posted on website.
- Flyers made and will be at locations around the city.





- All colors of glass are accepted.
- Only place glass in glass bins **(no plastic bags or other containers)**.
- Do not leave other recyclable materials or household trash next to the glass bins.
- Glass should not be placed in the regular large curb-side recycle container.

Glass Drop-off Locations

The following glass drop-off locations are available for City of Flagstaff residents:

	Location	Details
1	West Phoenix	116 W Phoenix Avenue., S Beaver Street. Turn right on Phoenix Avenue. From South Beaver Street, turn right on Phoenix Avenue. The bin is located behind the bus transfer station in the northwest corner of the public parking lot.
2	Northern Arizona University	On Pine Knoll Drive. The bin is located in parking lot P62B, in the southwest corner, near the disc golf course.
3	City of Flagstaff Recycling Transfer Facility	1800 E Butler Ave. The bin is located in the parking lot of the facility. Open to the public from 9 AM - 3 PM M-F. Closed on Saturdays and Sundays.
4	Continental Little League Field Parking Lot	Turn east off of Country Club Drive onto Old Walnut Canyon Road. The field will be on the left. The bin is located on the east side of the parking lot.
5	East Marketplace Dr and Research Dr	Located at the end of the road at East Marketplace Drive and West Research Drive by the entrance to Peak Ranger Station
6	Jay Lively Activity Center	1650 North Turquoise Dr. Southwest side of the complex parking lot closest to Turquoise Drive

Coconino County residents can drop off glass at the [Cinder Lake Landfill](#).

Waste Prevention Strategic Plan

Presentation by

Cheresa Taing

Waste Prevention Specialist

Sustainability Division



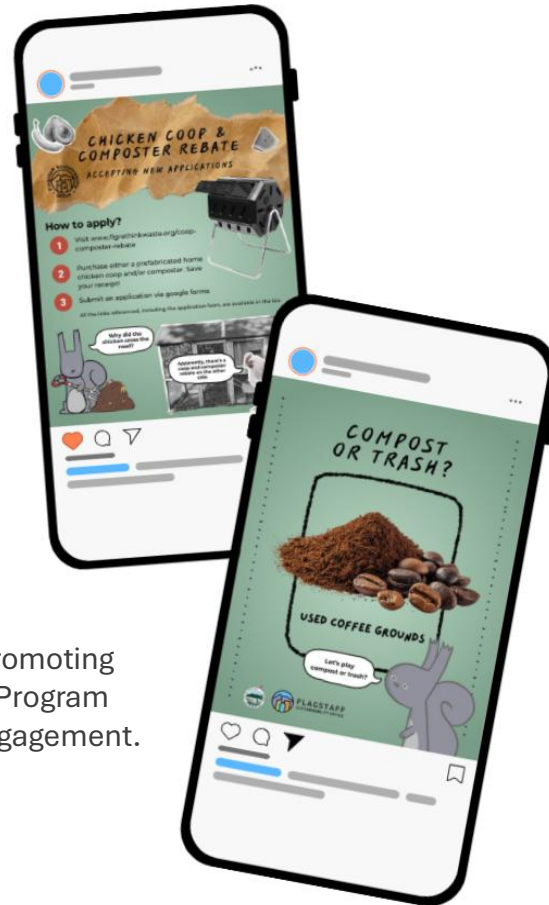
Education & Outreach

Helping Residents Waste Less and Recycle Right



Community Engagement Strategies

- "Where Your Recycling Actually Goes"
- "Wishcycling: The Contamination Problem"
- "Zero Waste: Recycling is the Last Step"



Photos show outreach campaigns promoting services like the Composter Rebate Program and using gamified tools to boost engagement.

Outreach Channels:

- Social media & e-newsletters
- Radio segments
- Community presentations & tabling
- Recycle by City alerts & emails (coordinated with Solid Waste for consistent updates)

Transparency & Data

- Track pathway of a single recyclable item
- Use contamination data to inform outreach
- Present data on greenhouse gas emissions

Events & Services

Extending the Life of Materials and Reducing Landfill Disposal



Repair & Reuse

- Fix-It Clinics
- Donate Don't Ditch

Composting

- Residential Food Scrap Drop-Off Program
- Treecycling & Pumpkin Drop-Off
- Composter Rebate Program

Responsible Disposal

- Drop-Off Day events

Photos show neighbors repairing items together and teaching youth how they work



Partnerships & Alignment

Working Together to Multiply Waste Reduction Efforts



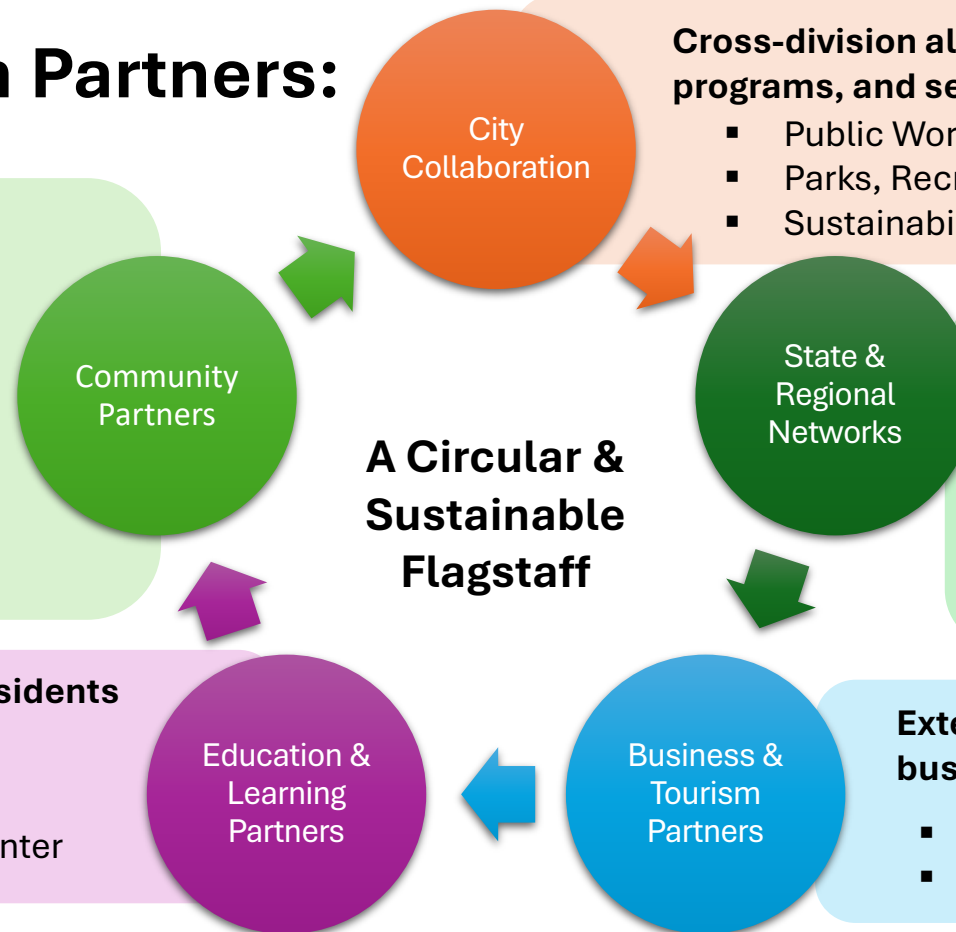
Key Waste Prevention Partners:

Delivering repair, reuse, and composting initiatives through local organizations:

- Compost Crowd
- Restoration Soils
- Coco-op Makerspace

Community knowledge and empowering residents through environmental education:

- Azulita Project
- Willow Bend Environmental Education Center



Cross-division alignment on messaging, programs, and services:

- Public Works
- Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Events
- Sustainability Commission

Best practices and strengthening programs through regional collaborations:

- Circular Arizona
- Arizona Forward
- Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
- Urban Sustainability Directors Network

Extending sustainability messaging to businesses, visitors, and downtown spaces:

- Downtown Business Alliance
- Discover Flagstaff

Zero Waste Ambassadors

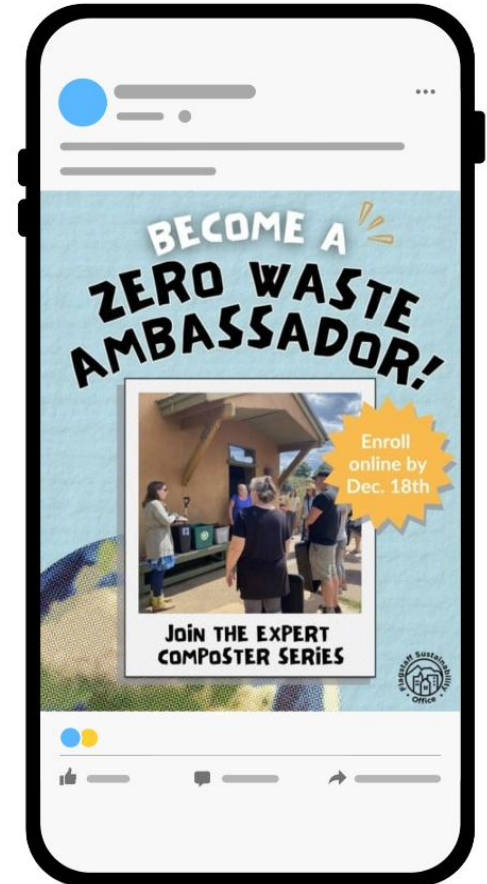
Expanding our Reach Through Community Leadership



FY27 Strategic Plan

- Relaunch Zero Waste Ambassadors (formerly Master Recyclers)
- Train community members to lead change
- Support education, events, and outreach
- Resource library for residents and businesses

Photo to the right showcases past outreach for Zero Waste Ambassador program.



Questions / Comments