

Dear Mayor Mitch Twolan,

On behalf of the partners supporting the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy (GCoM) in Canada,

Congratulations!

With your active commitment to ambitious climate action, you are part of a historic and powerful response by the world's cities to address the climate crisis. The Township of Huron-Kinloss's commitment to the Global Covenant of Mayors connects your city with the broadest global alliance committed to city climate leadership, building on the pledges of over 10,000 cities and local governments from six continents representing more than 800 million citizens worldwide.

As you know, cities committing to GCoM agree to advance climate action in three key areas: **reducing greenhouse gas emissions, identifying – and adapting to – the risks associated with climate change, and increasing access to clean and affordable energy.** As the Township of Huron-Kinloss implements its climate commitments, your progress will be recognized by a system of badges shared with the global community.

Badges awarded

We have received the results from the data you reported through your platform of choice (e.g. the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Tool, the Building Adaptive and Resilience Communities (BARC) Tool, or the CDP/ ICLEI World Secretariat unified reporting system), and are please to award you the following badges (coloured in = awarded, grayscale = not awarded):

Mitigation Badge

Awarded as soon as one of the steps (i.e. Inventory, Target, or Plan) is accomplished



Inventory



GHG baseline emissions inventory submitted and validated (including all mandatory criteria)

Target



GHG emissions reduction/low emissions development target set and validated

Plan



Separate or integrated climate action plan covering climate change mitigation submitted and validated

Adaptation Badge

Awarded as soon as one of the steps (i.e. Assessment, Goal, or Plan) is accomplished



Assessment



Climate risk & vulnerability assessment submitted and validated

Goal



Climate change adaptation goal(s) set and validated

Plan



Separate or integrated climate action plan covering climate change adaptation submitted and validated

Compliance Badge



The 'Compliance' badge is awarded to cities that have accomplished all steps under all three pillars: mitigation, adaptation, and access to energy*. They will keep the badge as long as they keep submitting progress monitoring reports within the required timeframe, validated for meeting GCoM requirements.

*Please note: GCoM has not yet formalized the energy access pillar. Until its requirements have been adopted, full badge compliance is already achieved once all requirements under the mitigation and the adaptation pillars have been fulfilled.

Your city's progress towards achievement of your climate goals in 2021 are key to accomplishing the ambitious targets you have set, and we encourage you to continue implementing and monitoring local climate actions with the support of all the GCoM specialized partners actively involved in your Regional Covenant (more information here – <https://globalcovenant-canada.org>).

You will find in attachment the image files of the badges you have been awarded. We encourage you to display them on your city's relevant communication channels, including your website. Your city profile on the [GCoM website](https://globalcovenant-canada.org) is being updated to reflect the badges your city has earned.

We look forward to continue working with you to make our cities healthier, more sustainable, and more resilient for all. Please reach out to us with any queries you may have.

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