

City of Kirkland – Sustainability Profile

City Overview

The City of Kirkland, population 80,700, is located on the northeastern shores of Lake Washington. The City is one of the top ten walkable suburban cities in the nation by Wall Street Journal and Sound Transit has recently completed the Kirkland Transit Center in Downtown Kirkland. Kirkland has a comprehensive waste management program and has the highest recycling rate in the state. The City has completed an operational greenhouse gas inventory in 2005 and is implementing its [Climate Protection Action Plan](#). Kirkland is a founding partner of the [King County-Cities Climate Collaboration](#).

Recent Accomplishments

- Ongoing implementation of the [Natural Resource Management Plan](#) which provides a blueprint for climate change and sustainability action.
- Installation of energy efficient street and traffic lighting; Funded 12,500 households participation in Puget Sound Energy's Home Energy Audit program.
- Waste management - Leader in [Preferred Pumper Program](#) which reduces the disposal of fats, oils, and grease. Click here to learn more about Kirkland's program to reduce Fats, Oils and Grease ([FOG](#)) in its public sewer system.
- Increased City's Tree Canopy Coverage to from 32% to 36% (Years measured : 2002 and 2010).
- Achieved LEED Gold certification for [Kirkland's City Hall Annex](#).

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