

COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

2011 - 2012 to date
Planning for 2012-2013

Our Purpose is to:



**“Educate
Advocate
and provide oversight
for integrated solutions that seek a sustainable equilibrium
for economic, ecological, and social health
and well-being, both now and in the future.”**



DUTIES



Benicia Home Energy Program - Success!



Stewards of Our Children's Future: 2011...

For Ecologic & Economic Health + Community Resilience



Free Public Lecture–Workshop Series

All Welcome!

residents, parents, high school youth,
business community, city staff & employees



▶ What are we doing **now** to secure our ecologic & economic future?

▶ *Why* do we need to act **now**?



☀ Here's the chance to **learn more** & *participate*. . .

. . . starting **April 12**.

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

**Solano Center for Business Innovation's Solano+
Program in Partnership with Energy Upgrade
California Presents a Home energy upgrades
Public Workshop
Benicia City Council Chambers
Community Sustainability Commission
Jan 10, 2012**

BENICIA HOME ENERGY
UPGRADE PROGRAM

**CITY OF BENICIA
COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
GRANT APPLICATION, FY 2011 – 2012**

Cover page describing CSC Commissioners' Review of the Application

PURPOSE OF APPLICATION

**To allow allocation of Settlement Funds
administered and segregated from the City's General Fund by the City of Benicia
for community benefit
under terms of the Valero/Good Neighbor Steering Committee Settlement Agreement 2008/2010,
for projects proposed by citizens, non-profit organizations, BUSD, local businesses and the City,
that will implement strategies of the City of Benicia Climate Action Plan
to reduce Green House Gas emissions [GHG],
conserve energy and water,
contribute to community sustainability,
and thereby reduce Benicia's overall carbon footprint.**

GRANT PROCESS



GRANTS & PROJECTS

▪ **Team from Sonoma State University gets panel endorsement; Council has final say**

*By Donna Beth Weilenman
Staff Reporter*



ALEX PORTESHAWVER.
Courtesy photo

A team from Sonoma State University's Center for Sustainable Communities led by Alex Porteshawver received the backing of the Community Sustainability Commission Monday night as the recommended candidate to become Benicia's Climate Action Plan coordinator.

Sonoma State was chosen unanimously by a panel that interviewed five of the nine consultants who submitted proposals for the two-year contract.

The \$150,000 cost will be underwritten by an appropriation from the Valero-Good Neighbor Steering Committee Settlement Agreement account. Those funds have been designated for Benicia and Benicia Unified School District use through the Valero-Good Neighbor Steering Committee Settlement Agreement, which is like a

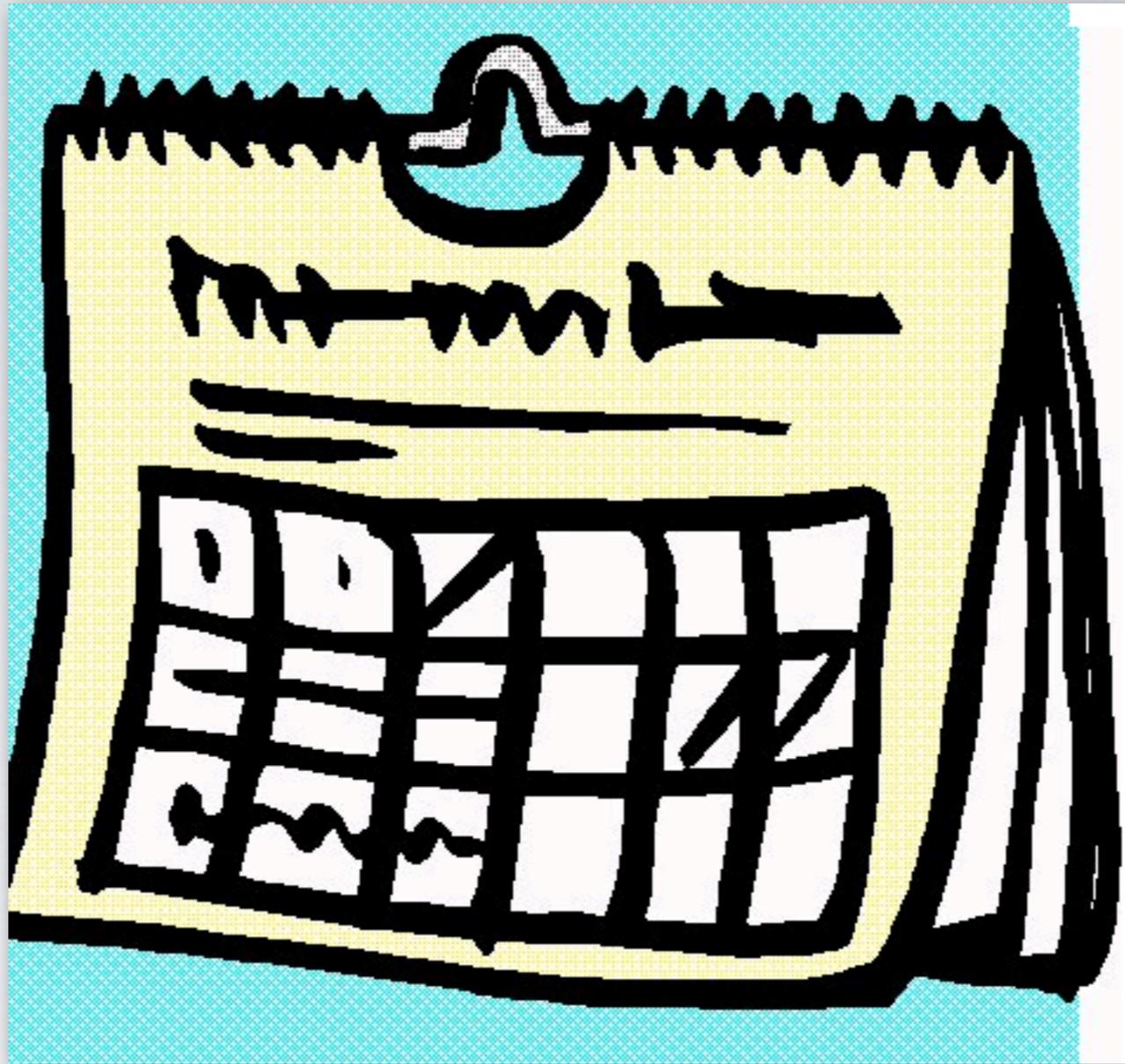
CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

Coordinator Team

Community Sustainability Commission Partnerships



ALLIANCES & COLLABORATIONS



LOOKING AHEAD



FOOD SUSTAINABILITY

Education series - Partnership with Benicia Community Gardens
& Master Gardeners



LOOKING FOR PARTNERS

Clean Tech Expo



BENICIA
CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

CAP COORDINATOR
PRIORITIES



RECOMMENDATIONS TO BENEFIT ALL BENICIANS'