

OVERALL RANK

70/75

14 out of 18 cities in midsize metro areas

OVERALL SCORE

10%

25.5/250 total points

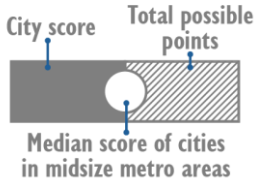
2024 CITY CLEAN ENERGY SCORECARD

Fayetteville, AR

Fayetteville was one of the weaker performers among its peers. Fayetteville performed best in the transportation category and can notably improve in the buildings category. This is the first time Fayetteville is included in the *City Scorecard*.

Recommendations

- Update zoning code to facilitate location-efficient development.
- Develop inclusive procurement and contracting processes.
- Work with utilities to formalize partnerships with community-based organizations.
- Develop equity-driven community engagement processes.
- Implement clean energy workforce development initiatives targeting disadvantaged communities.
- Adopt fleet procurement policies for efficient and low-emission vehicles.



The following sections highlight Fayetteville’s performance on a few key metrics that ACEEE Scorecard authors identified as high impact. To learn more about Fayetteville’s Scorecard results, visit <https://www.aceee.org/city-clean-energy-scorecard>.

COMMUNITY-WIDE INITIATIVES



6.5/45 Points



Fayetteville has a goal to reduce GHG emissions, but there was not sufficient emissions data to determine if it is on track to meet this goal. Because of limited information, we were unable to determine Fayetteville’s approach to community engagement or workforce development.

BUILDING POLICIES



2.5/70 Points



Fayetteville complies with Arkansas’ mandatory energy codes for residential and commercial buildings. City-owned facilities larger than 5,000 sq ft must be at least LEED Silver. Fayetteville does not offer incentive or financing programs for energy-saving actions.

TRANSPORTATION POLICIES



10.5/70 Points



Fayetteville has not recently updated its zoning code to facilitate location-efficient development, nor does the city require new developments to install EV charging stations. However, Fayetteville provides free transit to all riders.

COMMUNITY ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE



4.5/40 Points



Because of limited information, we were unable to determine whether utilities serving Fayetteville offer low-income or multifamily programs. The city of Fayetteville, Ozarks Electric Cooperative, and Today’s Power, Inc. partnered to develop, construct, and operate Arkansas’ largest solar power system on municipal land. The capacity of this system is 10 MW.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS



1.5/25 Points



Fayetteville does not have a comprehensive retrofit program, and we were unable to obtain data on Fayetteville’s municipal fleet or streetlight composition. However, the city has adopted outdoor lighting policies to promote efficient, cost-effective lighting.



EQUITABLE PRACTICES: 1/85.5 POINTS

Each chapter of the City Scorecard included metrics assessing equitable practices cities are taking to advance clean energy, totaling 85.5 points available across the Scorecard.