

OVERALL RANK

74/75

57 out of 57 cities in large metro areas

OVERALL SCORE

8%

21/250 total points

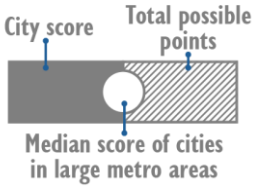
2024 CITY CLEAN ENERGY SCORECARD

Tampa, FL

Tampa was one of the weakest performers among its peers. Tampa performed best in the community energy infrastructure category and has the most room to improve in the local government operations category.

Recommendations

- Create more incentive and financing programs designed for disadvantaged communities.
- Set and track progress toward VMT reduction goals.
- Work with utilities to formalize partnerships with community-based organizations.
- Create or expand bike networks that connect people with a variety of destinations.
- Implement inclusive procurement and contracting processes.
- Update zoning code to facilitate location-efficient development.



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

COMMUNITY-WIDE INITIATIVES



2/45 Points



Tampa 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 Tampa’s approach to community engagement or workforce development.

BUILDING POLICIES



3.5/70 Points



Tampa is required to comply with the 7th Edition Florida Building Code. However, Tampa also offers expedited plan review for commercial construction that includes energy efficiency provisions, and provides rebates for construction that achieves LEED standards.

TRANSPORTATION POLICIES



8/70 Points



Tampa has not recently updated its zoning code to facilitate location-efficient development. Tampa does not require new developments to install EV charging stations. However, several shared micromobility operators in the city, including Spin, Lime, and Bird, offer discounted rates or plans for low-income residents.

COMMUNITY ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE



6.5/40 Points



Tampa Electric Company (TECO) partners with the City of Tampa to assist with energy efficiency efforts for low-income customers. TECO offers no-cost energy-efficient installations to qualified low-income customers through the Neighborhood Weatherization Program. We were unable to verify whether the city has strategies to increase use of renewable energy.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS



1/25 Points



Tampa does not have a comprehensive retrofit program, and we were unable to obtain data on Tampa’s municipal fleet or streetlight composition.



EQUITABLE PRACTICES: 8.5/85.5 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.