Toledo, OH

Toledo was one of the weaker performers among its peers, but it rose in the rankings from the previous scorecard. Toledo performed best in the community energy infrastructure category and can notably improve in the buildings category.

**Recommendations**

- Implement comprehensive retrofit strategies for municipal buildings.
- Implement clean energy workforce development initiatives targeting disadvantaged communities.
- Set and track progress toward VMT reduction goals.
- Implement low-income energy incentive and financing programs.
- Formalize inclusive procurement and contracting processes.
- Update zoning code to facilitate location-efficient development.

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

**COMMUNITY-WIDE INITIATIVES**
3.5/45 Points

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

**BUILDING POLICIES**
3/70 Points

Toledo complies with state-mandated building codes. To support energy savings, Toledo offers PACE financing for commercial and residential energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.

**TRANSPORTATION POLICIES**
4.5/70 Points

Toledo has not recently updated its zoning code to facilitate location-efficient development, nor does the city require new developments to install EV charging stations. Toledo’s primary micromobility operator, Veo, offers discounted rates to qualifying individuals.

**COMMUNITY ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE**
8/40 Points

FirstEnergy offers a Community Connection Program serving low-income customers, and Columbia Gas of Ohio offers its WarmChoice program to income-eligible homeowners and renters. Columbia Gas also offers installation of energy efficiency measures and energy audits to multifamily properties. Toledo does not have a formal partnership with these utilities; however, Toledo offers PACE financing for commercial and residential energy efficiency and renewable energy projects.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**
4/25 Points

Toledo does not have a comprehensive retrofit program, and we were unable to obtain data on Toledo’s municipal fleet composition. Toledo has converted 100% of its streetlights to LEDs.

**EQUITABLE PRACTICES: 9.5/85.5 POINTS**

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