



**CITY OF CLEVELAND**

Mayor Justin M. Bibb

**MAYOR'S OFFICE OF  
SUSTAINABILITY**

# **Bloomberg American Sustainable Cities (BASC)**

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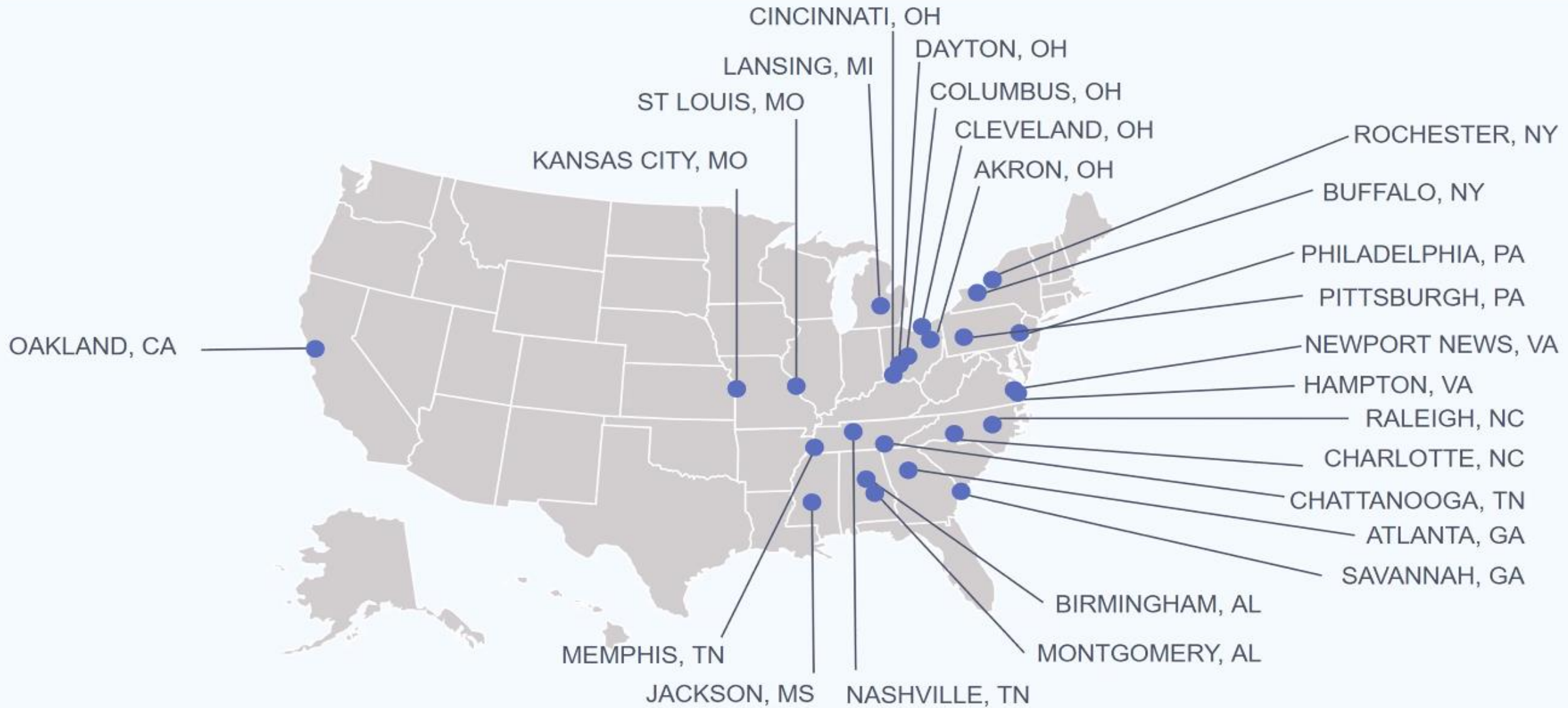


## Overview:

- **What – 3 member innovation team in deployment of climate solutions that also decrease racial wealth equity gap**
- **How much – no cost to the city; \$1.5M value in-kind for personnel; \$120k in administrative, non-personnel support for innovation team**
- **Who – Bloomberg Philanthropies is funder; Johns Hopkins University is administrator; partner organizations for technical assistance, training**
- **How long: Through April 2027**
- **Where: Citywide – will work to reduce high energy burden and incidences of lead poisoning throughout the city**
- **Cleveland is one of 25 cities across the nation; 5 in OH**



# Congratulations!



# These are the roles of the BASC partner organizations

**PolicyLink**

BASC lead partner and coordinating the community experience in cities  
City Contact: Senior Civic Engagement Strategist

**BLOOMBERG**  
Center for Public Innovation  
AT JOHNS HOPKINS

Supporting i-teams, including the Path to Public Innovation, and the City Hall experience  
City Contact: Senior Advisor

**Sustainable  
Cities Fund**

Facilitating contracting, grantmaking, and grantee support  
City Contact: Senior Grants and Partnerships Manager

 **NRDC**

Providing technical expertise, managing learning, and leading strategic action to advance change at the local level

 **Delivery  
Associates**

Supporting program partners and cities in using data to drive outcomes and helping all other partners strategize and implement

## Initiative Process:

- **Requirements to maintain initiative – non-binding MOU with funder**
  - **Establishment of Partnership Table, host innovation team**
  - **Coordination with BASC Partners, including training**
  - **Prototype, feedback, learning plans**
  - **Portfolio of Ideas with Metrics and Targets**
  - **Innovation Strategy & implementation**
- **Partnership Table – core team city cabinet leaders, innovation team and three Community Based Organizations:**
  - **Black Environmental Leaders**
  - **Environmental Health Watch**
  - **Cleveland Neighborhood Progress**
- **Reporting to funder: 2 times / year + initiative completion report**



# Your City's partnership table will aim to strengthen city-community partnerships and advance transformative solutions that last

As the local organizing hubs for the BASC Initiative in your city, the Partnership Table will:

1



Position city staff and CBOs to shape the policies, projects, and practices developed through the initiative

2



Build the capacity of city staff and CBOs to lead work at the intersection of racial wealth equity and climate action

3



Resource CBOs to support their work to build/grow the relational infrastructure in cities, so that they are better positioned to solve problems in the future

4



Increase the capacity of city staff to develop, strengthen, and engage community partnerships