

# Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC)

**About the Committee:** The Environmental Protection Agency's **Local Government Advisory Committee (LGAC)** is chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) to provide advice and recommendations to the EPA in developing stronger partnerships with local governments. The LGAC has provided local government stakeholder engagement and input to the EPA Administrator for over 23 years on some of the nation's most pressing environmental issues. The LGAC follows the agency's key strategic mission and goals of collaboration and cooperation.

## LGAC MEMBERS

LGAC members are a diverse group of elected and appointed state, local and tribal officials who represent an immense range of communities and local perspectives nationwide. Through its fruitful relationship with the LGAC, EPA is able to gain a sense of citizen concerns, the agency's

### Impact of the LGAC:

- Brings forward public and community values into decision-making;
- Provides an open forum for dialogue and consensus-building on environmental matters affecting communities;
- Improves the efficiency and efficacy of EPA in carrying out its policies and regulations;
- Enhances the quality of EPA policy and decision-making;
- Promotes communication and accessibility of information to local, state and tribal governments;
- Builds more robust and stronger intergovernmental partnerships;
- Educates the agency and local governments on better ways to address environmental and public health concerns; and
- Improves trust in governmental agencies for openness and delivery of federal services.



## STRUCTURE OF THE LGAC

### **Small Communities Advisory Subcommittee (SCAS)**

*The SCAS is a standing subcommittee of the LGAC which focuses on strengthening the capacity of small communities throughout America to improve and protect the health of their people and the environment in which they live.*

Topics of Interest include:

- Capacity Building for small communities
- Rural and agricultural issues
- Water and water infrastructure
- Air Quality Issues (NAAQS and PM standard)

### **Air and Energy Workgroup**

*The Air and Energy workgroup focuses on improving air quality, taking action on promoting clean, renewable energy sources.*

Topics of interest:

- Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)
- Proposed Reconsiderations of Clean Air Act Standards for Industrial/Commercial/Institutional Boilers and Process Heaters
- Exceptional Events (EE)
- Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (RICE NESHAP) Rule
- Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)

### **Revitalizing Communities Workgroup**

*The Community Revitalization workgroup focuses on environmental programs and issues such as issues of community health and sustainability.*

Topics of Interest:

- Superfund clean-up and waste management issues
- Recycling
- Public health and environmental justice
- Brownfields clean-up
- Chemical safety

### **Water Workgroup**

*The Water workgroup focuses on ways that communities and EPA can ensure that we have adequate, safe water resources to support a healthy population and vibrant economy.*

Topics of Interest:

- PFAS
- Clean and Safe Drinking Water
- Water Infrastructure
- Harmful Algal blooms (HABs)
- Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS)
- Municipal Stormwater and Wastewater
- Integrated Planning

For More Information: <https://www.epa.gov/ocir/local-government-advisory-committee-lgac>