



**COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
EXECUTIVE ORDER**

Subject:

**ADVANCING CLEAN
TECHNOLOGY FOR
NEIGHBORHOOD & NEXT-
GENERATION OPPORTUNITY
AND WORKFORCE (“ACT NOW”)**

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Date:

JUNE 4, 2026

By Direction of:

**SARA INNAMORATO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

WHEREAS, the people and communities of Allegheny County have rich histories and deep traditions tied to America’s industrial and energy sectors and;

WHEREAS, the Pittsburgh region possesses a unique combination of industrial capabilities, research institutions, workforce expertise, and energy assets that position it to compete in emerging clean technology and advanced manufacturing sectors; and

WHEREAS, clean technology and advanced manufacturing industries provide quality jobs, stronger opportunities to grow business by entering new markets, greater innovation intensity, and broader opportunities for workers across skill levels; and

WHEREAS, global investment in clean technology now exceeds \$2 trillion annually and is expected to remain a major driver of economic growth, innovation, industrial development, and workforce development; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County recognizes that strategic public investment and public-private collaboration can help shape markets, catalyze innovation, de-risk investments, create lasting public value, and generate shared prosperity; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County has a long-standing tradition of helping catalyze regional economic transformation through investments in the people, places, partnerships, and systems that are the foundation of long-term economic growth and opportunity; and partnership building, place-based revitalization, and investments that strengthen and expand the region's economic infrastructure;

WHEREAS, Allegheny County is dedicated to developing and pursuing strategies that enhance its residents' quality of life and the region's economy vitality and is doing so through its forthcoming Climate Action Plan, Allegheny Forward Comprehensive Plan, and Mon Valley Forward Plan; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, Allegheny County has invested more than \$15 million in clean technology and advanced manufacturing through site development and direct business investment; supported the expansion of Neighborhood 91, the region's advanced manufacturing hub; and worked with CCAC to expand its workforce development programs for the benefit of County residents and communities; and

WHEREAS, Allegheny County intends to provide regional leadership and strategy to leverage clean technology and advanced manufacturing as drivers of shared prosperity and broad public value.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sara Innamorato, County Executive of Allegheny County, by the authority vested in me by the Home Rule Charter of Allegheny County and other applicable laws, do hereby order and direct as follows:

Section 1. Incorporation of Preamble

The provisions set forth in the preamble of this Executive Order are incorporated by reference in their entirety herein.

Section 2. Purpose and Vision

- (a) The County Executive hereby establishes a series of initiatives for the purpose of strengthening the position of the clean technology, advanced manufacturing, and next-generation industries in Allegheny County's economy.

These initiatives will be grounded in the principles of public value creation and strategic public investment recognizing our region's tradition of government playing a catalytic role in regional transformation by shaping markets, accelerating innovation, and restoring economic and civic vitality to the communities and places rooted in the region's industrial legacy.

The County intends to seek or encourage the development of strategic partnerships that better align industry, labor and workforce organization,

finance and philanthropy, universities and research institutions, trade organizations, civic organizations, and government around economic resilience missions to translate the region's strengths in engineering, manufacturing, and energy systems into new industries, quality jobs, long-term economic competitiveness, and shared prosperity.

The County further intends to align its public investment and procurement strategies for the same purposes.

- (b) It is the County Executive's vision that Allegheny County will become a national leader in clean technology, advanced manufacturing, and next-generation industries by demonstrating that aligning public and private interests can build a more resilient and competitive economy by helping regional firms reach new markets, strengthening local supply chains, creating high-quality jobs, increasing access to opportunities for economic mobility, and improving climate resiliency.

Section 3. Strategic Action Team

- (a) The County Executive hereby establishes the ACT NOW Strategic Action Team to advise and support the County in identifying economic resilience missions, developing strategic partnerships, and advancing the objectives of this Executive Order.
- (b) The Strategic Action Team shall consist of members appointed by the County Executive and may include representatives from:
 - (i) Firms engaged in clean technology, advanced manufacturing, and next-generation industries,
 - (ii) Industry associations representing firms engaged in one of the industries identified in Section 3(b)(i) of this Executive Order,
 - (iii) Philanthropic and civic institutions,
 - (iv) Universities, research institutions, and policy organizations,
 - (v) Labor organizations and workforce development institutions,
 - (vi) Regional economic development organizations,
 - (vii) Investment and entrepreneurship organizations,
 - (viii) Utilities, site development organizations, and infrastructure providers,
 - (ix) Relevant County departments and public agencies, and
 - (x) Others as recommended by Strategic Action Team members and subsequently invited by the County Executive.

- (c) The County Executive shall serve as a member of the Strategic Action Team and may designate one or more Co-Chairs to support the coordination of the Strategic Action Team's work.
- (d) Strategic Action Team members shall serve without compensation.

Section 4. Strategic Action Team Duties

- (a) Advise the County Executive on a limited number of mission-oriented clean technology and next-generation industrial economic development priorities that leverage regional strengths and address strategic economic, technological, or environmental challenges. For the purposes of this Executive Order and the Strategic Action Team, "mission" means a clearly defined, measurable, and time-bound objective that mobilizes government, industry, research institutions, and workforce systems to develop and deploy solutions to a specific economic, technological, or environmental challenges.
- (b) Recommend measurable objectives and timelines for each mission to guide public policy, investment, and coordination.
- (c) Identify and recommend initiatives, demonstration projects, and partnerships that accelerate progress toward mission objectives.
- (d) Align institutions and resources by facilitating coordination among industry, universities, labor organizations, philanthropic institutions, investors, and government agencies to advance mission priorities.
- (e) Advise the County Executive on policy, regulatory, workforce, or infrastructure issues that may affect progress toward mission outcomes.
- (f) Recommend opportunities to better align public investment, procurement, workforce development, research, and economic development strategies in support of mission objectives.
- (g) Provide periodic updates and recommendations regarding mission priorities and implementation progress. The Strategic Action Team shall issue its first report within six months of its first convening.

Section 5. Public Investment

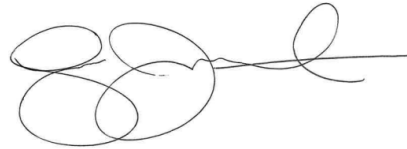
- (a) The County will develop a public investment framework to guide the deployment of its resources in support of the objectives of this Executive Order. This framework will help ensure that when public resources are used strategically to advance the objectives of this Executive Order, they also generate broad public benefits and opportunities for shared prosperity.
- (b) The County will explore innovative ways to deploy its economic development tools in furtherance the objectives of this Executive Order.

Section 6. Clean Procurement and Local Market Shaping

The County Manager and relevant County departments and agencies are directed to:

- (a) Pursue the adoption of clean energy, energy efficiency, and electrification standards for public buildings, fleets, and infrastructure procurement.
- (b) Create a County Clean Technology Vendor Registry to identify relevant local firms for contracting and pilot/demonstration opportunities.
- (c) Explore partnerships with anchor institutions for the purpose of aggregating local demand for clean technology solutions.
- (d) Develop a supply chain mapping tool to identify opportunities for sector growth, supplier development, and regional investment based on existing firms, institutions, and capabilities.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until amended or rescinded by the County Executive.



Sara G. Innamorato
County Executive