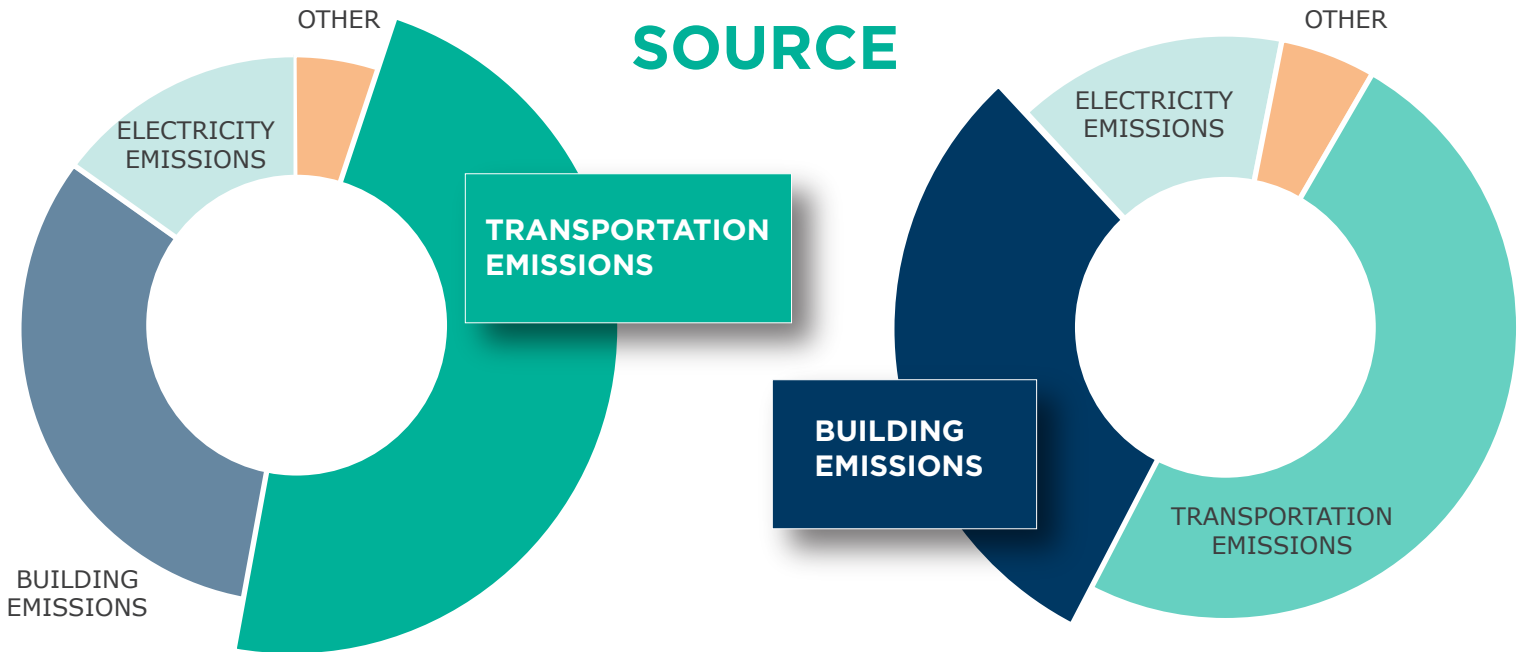


LOCAL POLLUTION SOURCE



A BETTER BUILDING CODE WILL ENCOURAGE MORE ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND CLEAN ELECTRIC BUILDINGS

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

SAVES MONEY



An EV Reach Code **saves money in future retrofit costs** by making new buildings more **ready for electric vehicle charging** as Santa Clara County leads the state in per capita EV adoption rates

IMPROVES AIR QUALITY



Unlike gas powered cars, **electric vehicles do not spew nitrogen oxides, and particulate matter** that contribute to smog and poor air quality²

PROMOTES PUBLIC HEALTH



Electric vehicles **do not contribute to air pollution** that is known or suspected to cause cancer or other serious health issues related to gas powered transportation emissions²

ELECTRIC BUILDINGS

Not running gas infrastructure to new buildings **saves thousands for new homes and even more for larger buildings**¹

By not burning fossil fuels, electric buildings would reduce pollution. Our current building stock contributes to **1/3 of regional air pollution**. Using solely clean electricity to power buildings creates buildings that do not pollute!

Avoiding the use of natural gas in buildings **prevents the release of carbon monoxide and nitrogen dioxide** which can be toxic to people and pets³

¹ - E3; Residential Building Electrification in California

² - EPA; <https://www.epa.gov/transportation-air-pollution-and-climate-change/smog-soot-and-local-air-pollution>

³ - CARB; Combustion Pollutants in Your Home

A BETTER BUILDING CODE



Our cities and towns can adopt local amendments to the new energy code, known as Reach Codes, to construct buildings that lead the way to a cleaner, safer future for Santa Clara County communities.

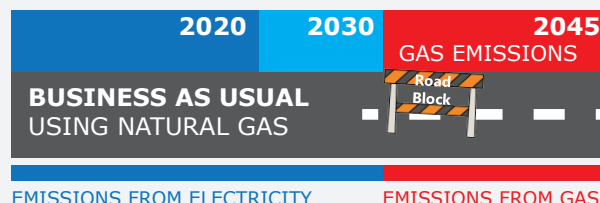
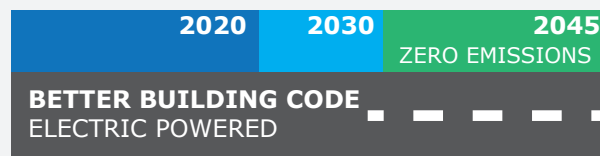
Every three years, cities adopt the new building code set by the state. This year our communities can be at the forefront of meeting our state climate goals by ensuring our new buildings promote a clean, comfortable and healthy future for Santa Clara County.

BENEFITS

Improved Air Quality | Cost Savings | Better Public Health

The proposed Reach Code focuses on encouraging transportation and buildings powered with clean electricity and discouraging pollution from fossil fuels in our community.

As long as gas is used to heat buildings and power transportation, the path to zero emissions is blocked.



A CODE THAT TAKES US TO
ZERO EMISSIONS

*graphic not to scale