



SAN MATEO COUNTY  
**Sustainability  
Department**

# Sustainability Department FY 2023-24 Performance

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# Department Overview



The Sustainability Department is committed to building sustainable communities that fulfill the needs of the present and the future.



# Priority Goals



Greenhouse Gas  
Emissions Reductions



Waste Reduction



Safeguarding Water  
Resources

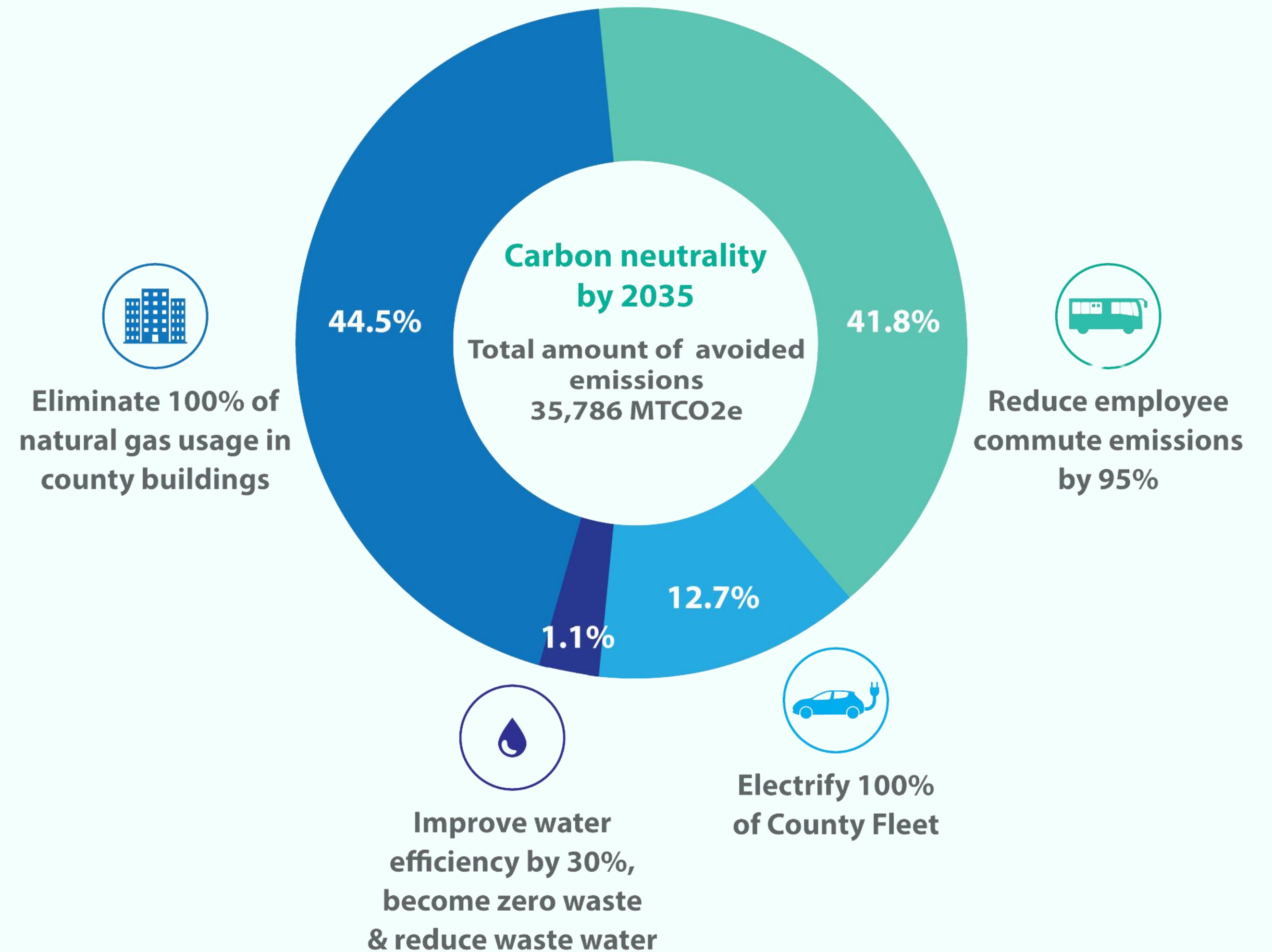


# Government Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction



## Major Initiatives

- Fleet transition to Zero Emissions Vehicles and necessary charging infrastructure
- Employee commute program assessment and redesign



# Performance Metric: Recycling Rate in County Franchise Area



2023 Residential Recycling Rate\*

**70%**

\* Exceeds State requirements



# Performance Metric: Acres treated by Green Infrastructure

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# 190 acres

treated by Green Infrastructure in Unincorporated County areas



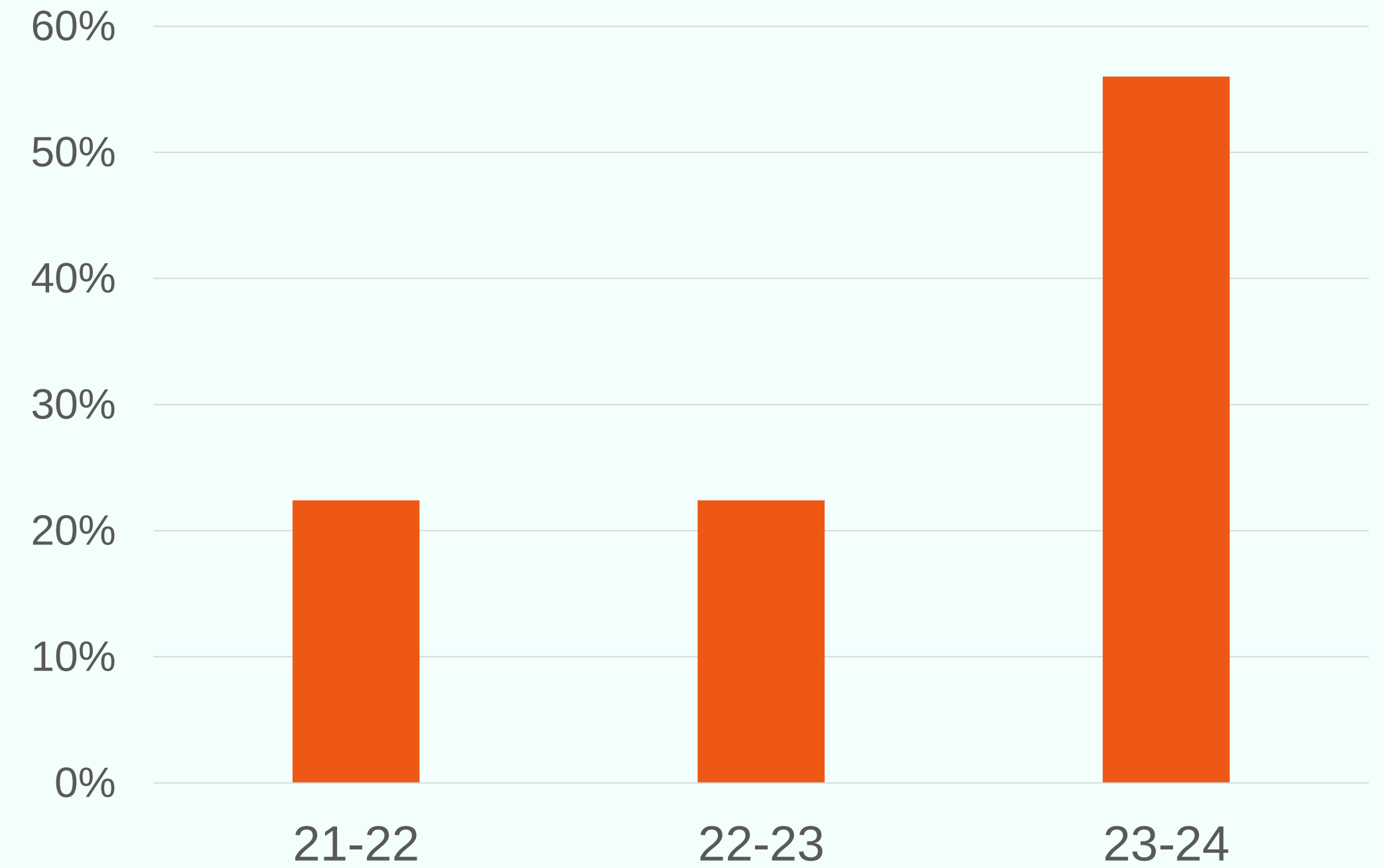
# Equity: Department Progress



# Equity: Youth Climate Programs



**56%** of students participating in Youth Climate Programs Representing Low-income Communities

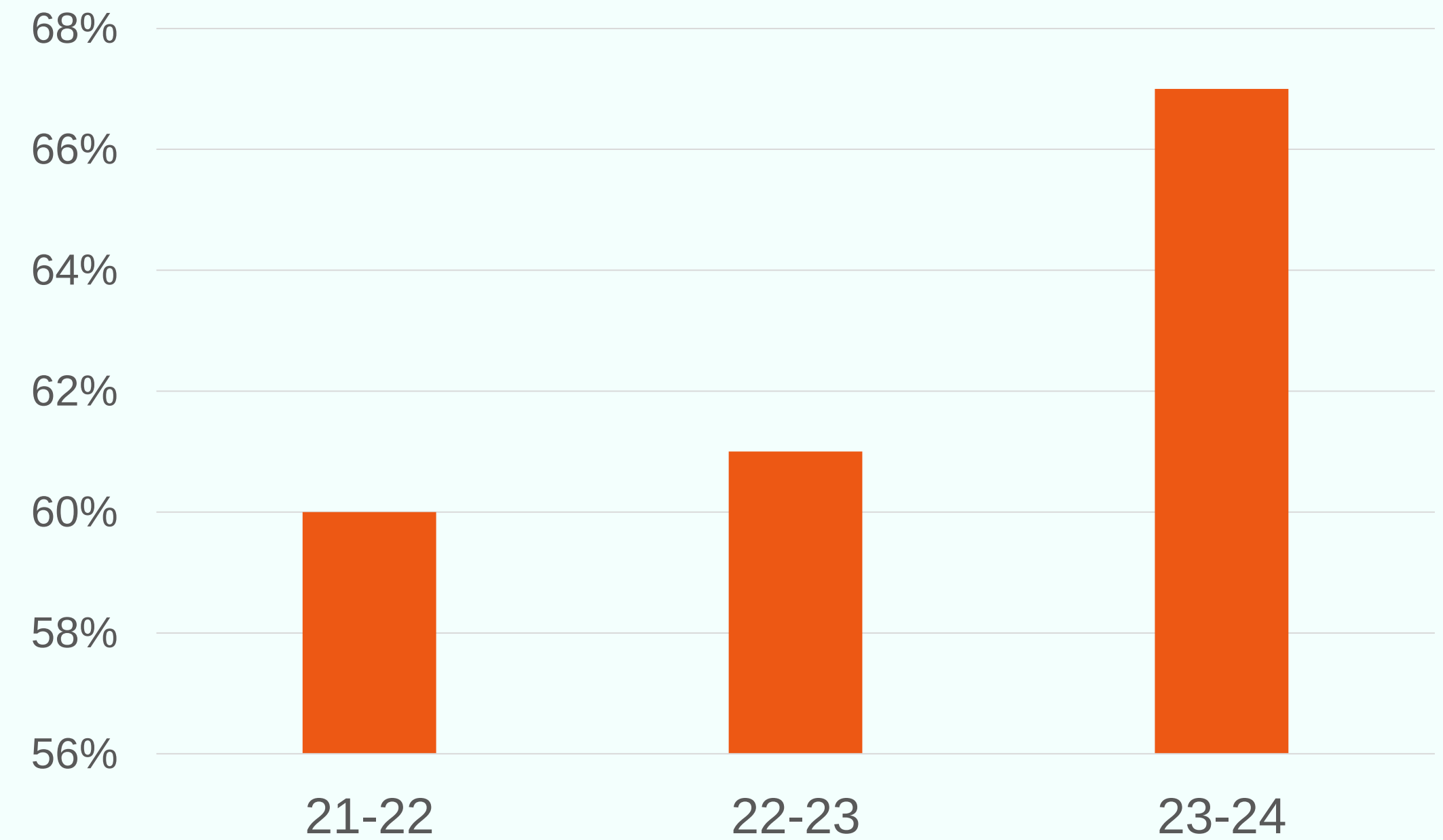




# Equity: Green Business Program



**67%** of Green Business Participants that Represent Under-Resourced Communities



# Innovation: Achieved through Departmental Collaboration



Surplus Property



Building Electrification



Sea Level Rise Policy



# Innovation: Achieved through County-wide Collaboration



Fix-It Clinics



Compost Quality Campaign



Climate Action Planning





**Thank you.**

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