

Montréal's
First Strategic
Plan for
Sustainable
Development



Montréal 

From concerted
effort to action

Montréal dans le monde

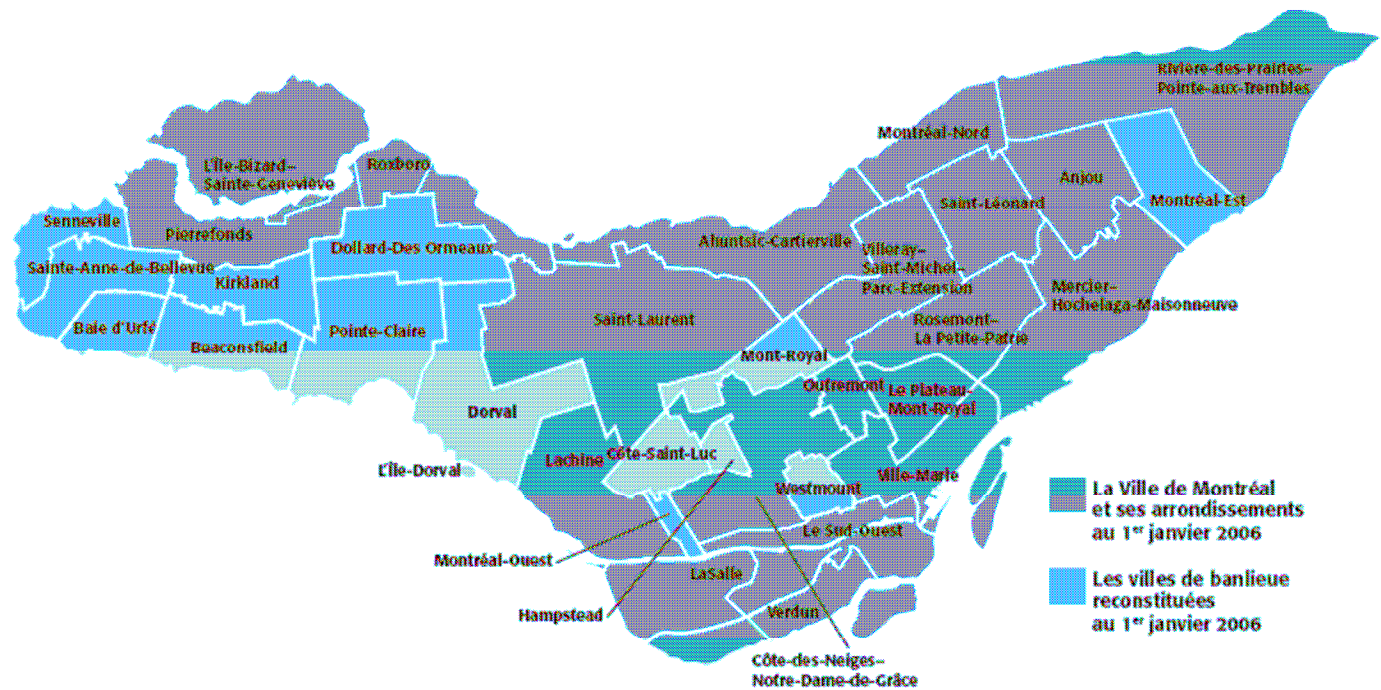


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Population (2001): 1,800,000
Area: 500 km²
Density (2001): 3,600 people/km²



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Origins of the Project

Montréal
Summit



Strategic Plan for Sustainable Development:
a priority

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A Community-Wide Commitment

Policy Statement by the Montréal Community
Regarding Sustainable Development
(September 2003)



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Design of the Plan: The Milestones

- Ongoing dialogue
- Meetings at pivotal stages:
 - Choice of directions and goals
 - Identification of actions
 - Final proposal of the strategic plan
- Ongoing concern to:
 - Make sustainable development a reality
 - Identify measurable actions with scheduled targets

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10 Guiding Principles

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of which are
priorities

- Improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Ensure quality of residential living environments
- Manage resources responsibly
- Adopt sound sustainable development practices at corporations, businesses, institutions

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Action Plan

Start-up Phase:
24 actions for 2005-2006

The Montréal community in action:

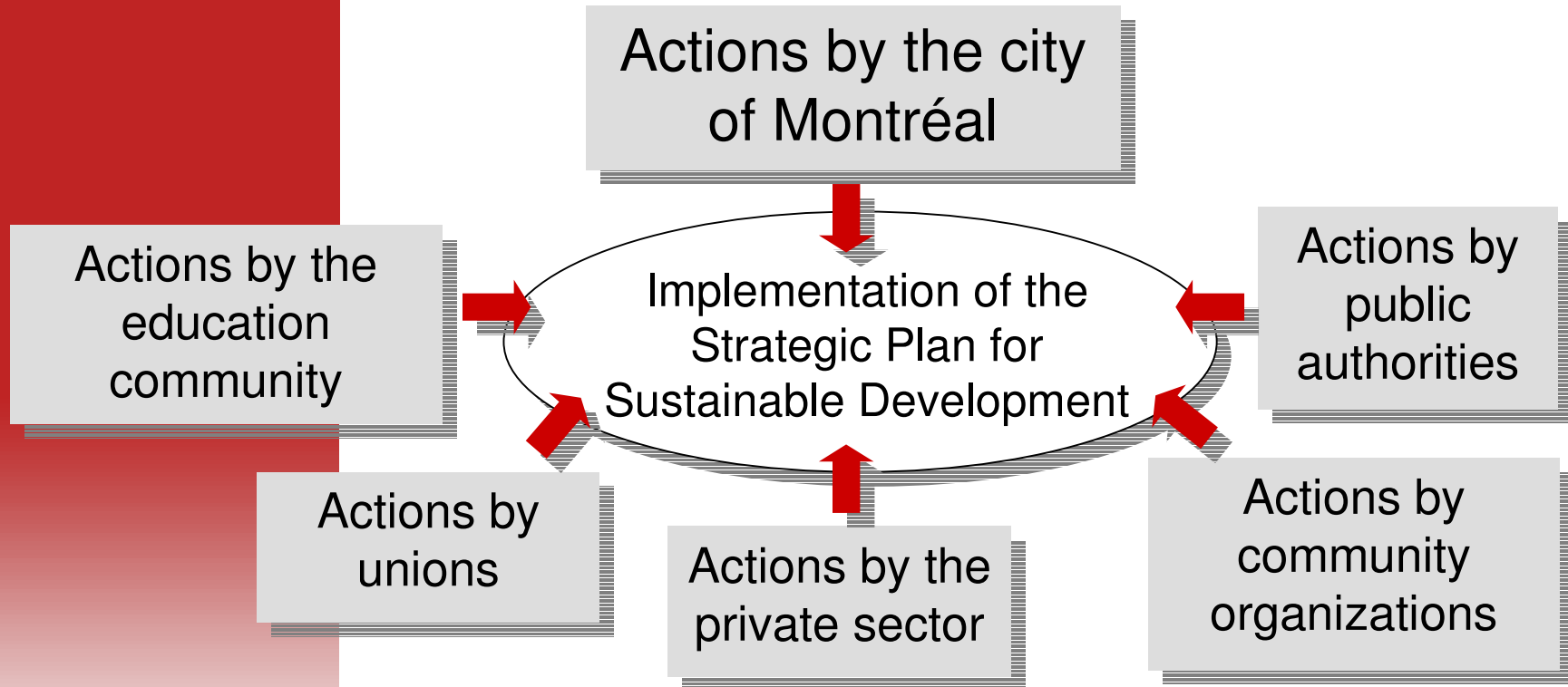
- City of Montréal
- Partner organizations

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A Community-Wide Involvement



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Improve Air Quality and Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Actions for 2005-2006

- Eliminate unnecessary vehicle idling
- Bolster cycling infrastructures
- Implement measures at the workplace to encourage sustainable transportation
- Increase the use of energy-efficient and/or clean fuel vehicles
- Formulate a global Montréal strategy for greenhouse gases

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Improve Air Quality and Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Actions for 2005-2006

- Formulate a global Montréal strategy for greenhouse gases

In November 2005, Montréal pledged to reduce its Greenhouse Gas Emissions by 20 % before 2012 based on the 2002 Inventory

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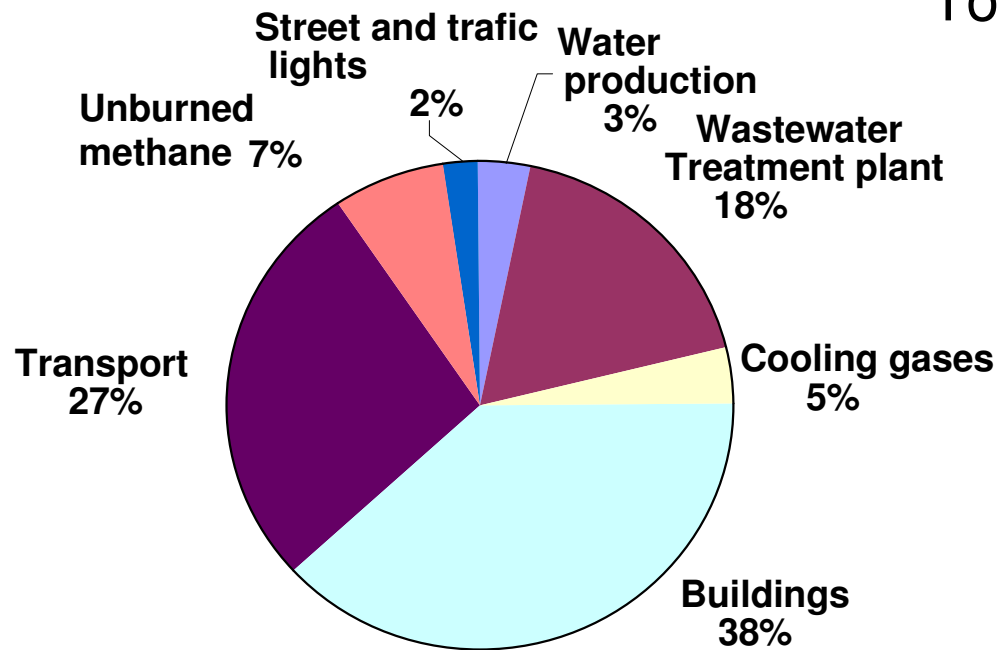


Improve Air Quality and Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Montreal GHG corporate sources

Year 2002

Total : 184 kt CO₂e

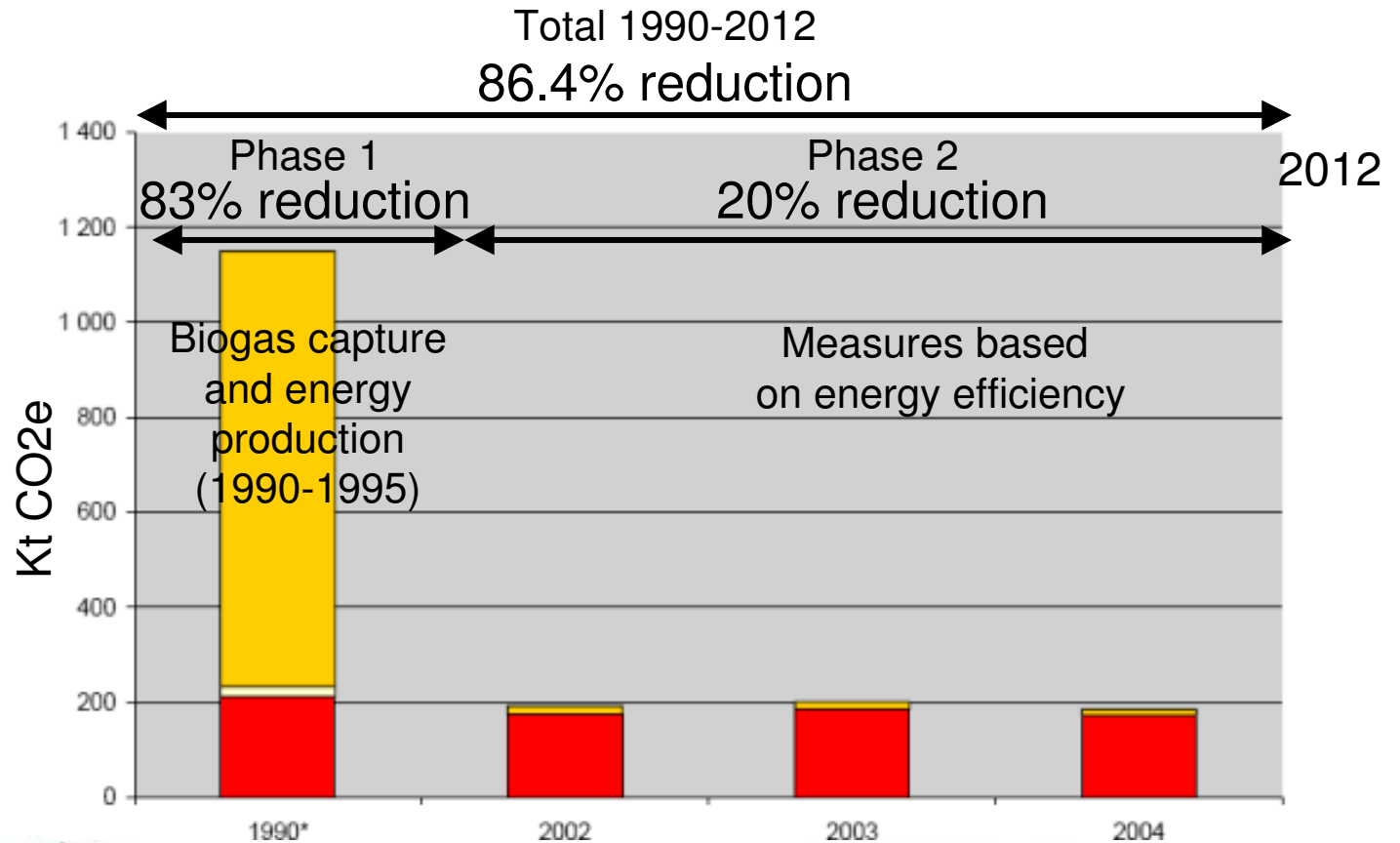


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Improve Air Quality and Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Corporate
history



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Ensure the quality of residential environments

Actions for 2005-2006

- Quartiers 21 – In collaboration with the provincial health authorities, financial assistance to neighbourhoods to implement local Agenda 21 projects integrating environmental, social and economic aspects

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Encourage industries, businesses and institutions to adopt good sustainable practices

Actions for 2005-2006

- Sustainable Development Exchange Network (On-line in March 2006)
- Integrate sustainable development criteria in decision-making processes (Environmental services during 2006)

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Keys to implementation

- Importance of leadership
- Recognition of the role played by civil society
 - Various interest groups
- Work in close partnership
 - Conseil régional de l'environnement de Montréal
 - Conférence régionale des élus de Montréal
- Commitment of partners at the development and implementation stages
- Stringent follow-up using indicators

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Indicators

Some examples

- Number of days with poor air quality
- Number of trips on public transport
- Area of on-land protected spaces



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