# Los Alamos Sustainability & Resiliency Committee

Business as usual will not work anymore in a climate crisis world.

Katie and Daniel Leonard presenting for 100s of our fellow LAC residents

# The Science Underpinning Climate Change is Sound and Requires a Response

The Los Alamos community overwhelmingly understands this.

Surrounding communities understand this.

The world community understands this. Quoting the United Nation's Facilitated Paris Agreement on Climate Change, "... To avoid the worst consequences of climate change, we'll need to reach 'net zero' greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 2050 or sooner."

## Los Alamos County We Are Leaders

### **Examples of LAC Climate Leadership**

- Investment in LEED certified buildings
- Investment in renewable/zero carbon electric energy sources such as hydro, solar, wind, and nuclear
- Community transportation innovations within LAC and local communities
- Conservation of resources such as waste water and reduction of waste
- Environmental Sustainability Board & Zero Waste Team

#### **Our Request**

**Appoint a Committee** from the community and local government to develop a comprehensive resiliency, energy, and sustainability **plan**.

 This group will gather necessary information to present options and recommendations for how LAC can achieve Net Zero Greenhouse
 Gas Equivalents on all aspects of county operations and community life.

We request that the Committee include representatives from the Environmental Sustainability Board, the Board of Public Utilities, the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Transportation Board, the County Council, County staff and the community at-large.

We have tools and the experience to achieve great things in our community by examining our policies, processes, and resources from the ground up.

Given the urgency of addressing Climate Change, we need to "up our game" in order to give to future generations a stable climate like we were fortunate to inherit.