



2026 Sustainability Financing Task Force Charter and Member Group Details

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Purpose

The Sustainability Financing Task Force is an expert group of ASHE Professional Active Members and Associate Members with strong interest and expertise in health care sustainability and decarbonization. The task force will create tools/resources that aid in a facility managers, energy or sustainability professionals' ability to understand and implement the financial levers to their sustainability and efficiency goals and projects. The task force will achieve this by supplementing the ASHE Sustainability Roadmap glossary with financial terms and definitions and reviewing the 2024 financial environmental scan.

Organization

- The task force is made up of no more than eight members, plus a task force chair and vice chair for a total of ten members.
- A member of the Sustainability and Decarbonization Committee will serve on the task force as a liaison.
- The task force reports to the Sustainability and Decarbonization Committee.

Task force Member Terms and Appointment

- Task force members are expected to serve for a term of one (1) year, ending Dec. 31, 2026.
- ASHE staff appoints new members to the task force to replace the member(s) whose term(s) is/are expiring with a review from the Sustainability and Decarbonization Committee chair.
- Any task force member is eligible to serve as chair or vice chair.

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Member Group Details

Member Eligibility and Requirements

- All task force members must be ASHE members if eligible.
- All task force members must complete all required legal forms (conflict of interest, non-disclosure agreement, etc.).

Desired Member Attributes

- Ability to collaborate well in groups
- Ability to work well and complete all assignments on time
- Good communication skills independently, especially when meeting and working with others

Responsibilities and Deliverables

- Participate in working discussions as needed.
- Participate in virtual calls as needed to complete the work of the task force.
- Participate in in-person meetings when scheduled.
- Specific deliverables for 2026:
 1. Examine the Rural Health Transformation Program, that was authorized by the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (Section 71401 of Public Law 119-21) to clarify who and how rural health care facilities can access federal funding.
 - This information will subsequently be shared with the Rural and CAH Task Force for dissemination.
 2. Identify commonly used financial terms and their definitions to supplement the ASHE Sustainability Roadmap Glossary. Terms could include items such as;
 - NPV, Payback timetable, scaling considerations (procurement, contracting, measurement), nonfinancial benefits (patient experience)
 3. Refine the environmental scan completed by the 2024 Financing Task Force, remove no longer applicable material, add recent additions, and complete necessary edits.
 4. Produce an article for HFM Magazine

Additional Responsibilities for chair and/or vice chair (if chair is unable)

- Participate in Sustainability and Decarbonization Committee meetings (virtually or in person) as needed to keep leaders updated on task force activities.
- With guidance from ASHE staff, develop all virtual meeting agendas.
- Schedule all virtual meetings of the task force, keep track of all workflow and document meeting notes and decisions.
- Include designated ASHE staff liaison in all meetings and documentation.

Time Commitment

- Members are expected to serve on the Task force for one year.
- Members are expected to participate in virtual calls as needed (at least once/month) for up to 90 minutes each.
- Members are expected to complete all 'off line' work as assigned by members, staff and/or chair (approximately 5 hours/month)

- Chair or Vice chair are expected to participate in ASHE Advisory Board Meetings (virtually or in person) as needed (up to three times/year)

Start and End Date

January 2026 – December 2026