



Sustainable communities are possible — we know because every day, we see places where people live and work together, growing stronger over time, with the resilience to adapt in a rapidly changing world. We're changing the conversation to share **what's possible**.

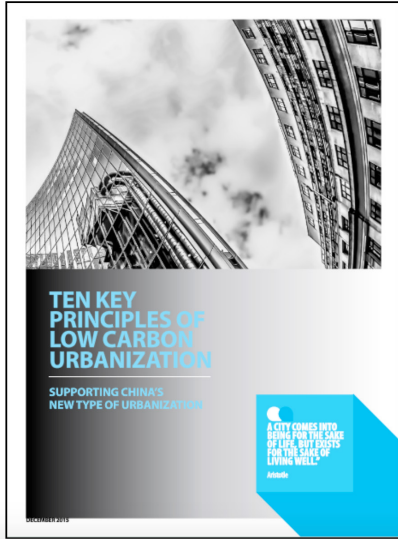
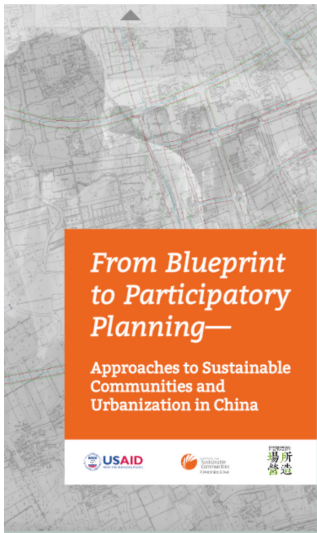
## US-CHINA

# PARTNERSHIP FOR CLIMATE ACTION

The end of 2015 marked the close of the five-year US-China Partnership for Climate Action (PCA). The public-private partnership between the US Agency for International Development (USAID), US companies, and private foundations was led by ISC, with the World Resources Institute (WRI) as a managing partner.

### PCA'S CROSS-CUTTING OUTCOMES

- Reduced 2,481,493 MTCO2E in annual GHG emissions from factories and cities.
- Leveraged \$11,290,452 in private, non-US government, and Chinese sources against USAID's \$10,995,000 investment (over 1:1 match).
- Contributed substantially to the development of 10 GHG reduction policies, 3 China-specific GHG accounting protocols, and 2 GHG/energy management tools.



The PCA's goal was to build the capacity of industry and select cities to contribute to China's commitments for low-carbon and environmentally sustainable development through significant and lasting reductions in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Working primarily in two of China's most industrial provinces, Guangdong and Jiangsu, the PCA's first four years focused on curbing industry GHG emissions. The PCA's urban activities in that phase equipped urban leaders with GHG management tools and skills to reduce current and future GHG emissions.

In later phases (2014-2015), the PCA cultivated new capacity to scale improved governance of priority environmental challenges in cities. This latter phase of the project also helped establish and coordinate an Urban Sustainability Coalition — a network of international nonprofits working on low carbon development in China — as a platform for creating and scaling best practices. The model of the PCA is foundational to ISC's current work with Chinese early-peaking cities and factories.

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# PARTNERSHIP FOR RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

### SNAPSHOTS OF PRC'S PARTICIPATING CBOS

#### Baltimore: Living Classrooms Foundation

Living Classrooms Foundation is installing solar+storage on community centers located in the city's lowest-income neighborhood. The centers will serve as shelters in a community that often goes weeks without power due to underinvestment in its grid.

#### Detroit: Eastside Community Network

This project will deploy green infrastructure in the Chandler Park neighborhood, one of Detroit's lowest income census tracts, which experiences extreme flooding, molding, and water shut-offs. ISC will work with this organization to accelerate certification of neighborhood residents as master rain gardeners and then use strategic microgrants and local partnerships to encourage rain garden installations in the neighborhood.

ISC kicked off its Partnership for Resilient Communities (PRC) mid-2016 with a competitive call for proposals to community-based organizations (CBOs) to participate in the program. **The PRC provides CBOs with the resources and technical knowledge to shape and lead resilience projects borne from the voices and priorities of underserved communities.**

Out of over 50 proposals, ISC chose two — representing organizations from Baltimore and Detroit. Over the next three years, ISC will work with these CBOs to accelerate place-based community-driven resilience solutions. The two participating organizations will receive grant funding, technical support, and access to ISC's network of urban sustainability practitioners.

The ultimate goal of this cutting-edge program is to advance social equity and develop technical approaches that can benefit other vulnerable communities, committed organizations, and local leaders across the United States.

# 2016 HIGHLIGHTS:

**SOUTHEAST FLORIDA CLIMATE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**  
December | Key West

**INTERNATIONAL FIRE AND SAFETY EXPO**  
December | Bangladesh

**NATIONAL COMMUNITY SOLAR PARTNERSHIP**  
March - June | U.S. Regions

**FUTURE IS NOW: INDIA CONFERENCE**  
June | India

Oct. 2015



Sept. 2016

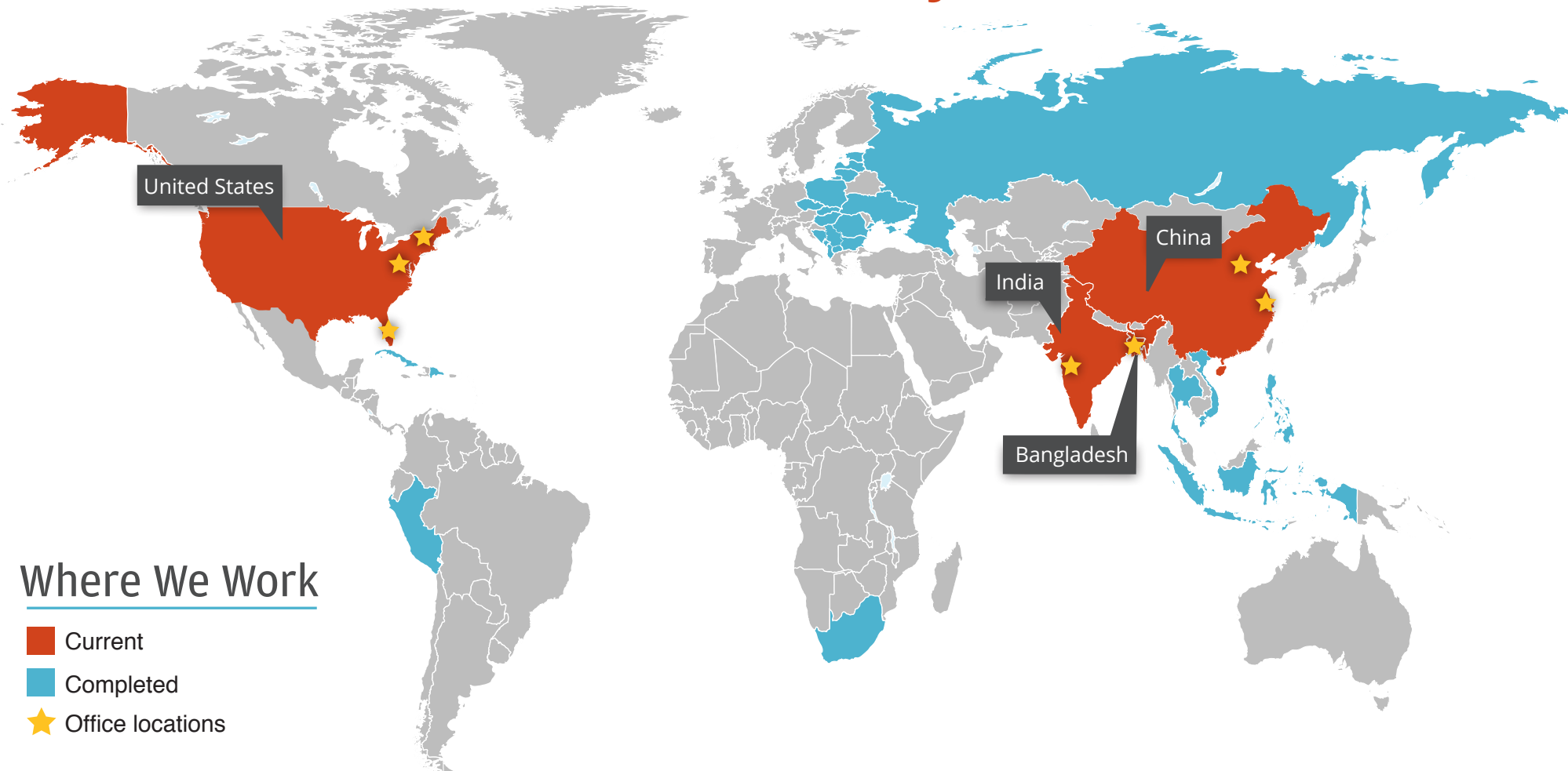


**ISC 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**  
June | Vermont

**EHS+ CENTER LAUNCH**  
August | India

**CHINA - US CLIMATE LEADERS SUMMIT**  
September | China

IN **25 YEARS** ISC HAS MANAGED **108 PROJECTS** IN **30 COUNTRIES**



## TRAINEES ADVANCING SUSTAINABLE MANUFACTURING

37,000+



## LOCAL LEADERS FOCUSING ON PRAGMATIC SOLUTIONS

3,500+



## COMMUNITIES COMMITTED TO TRANSFORMATION

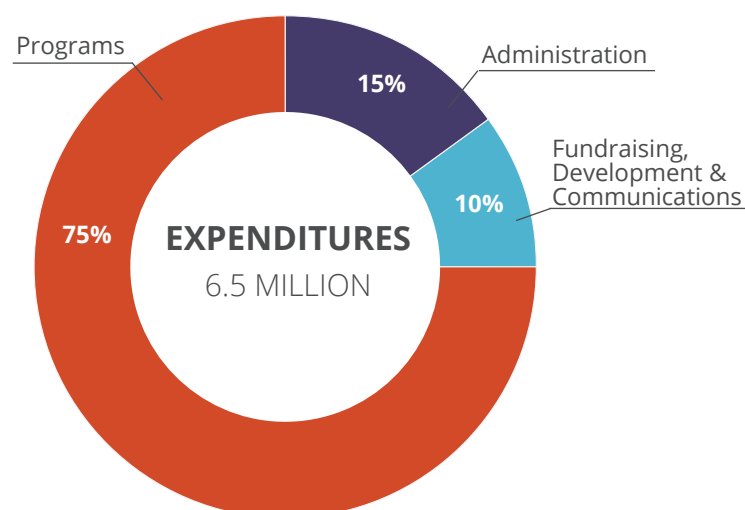
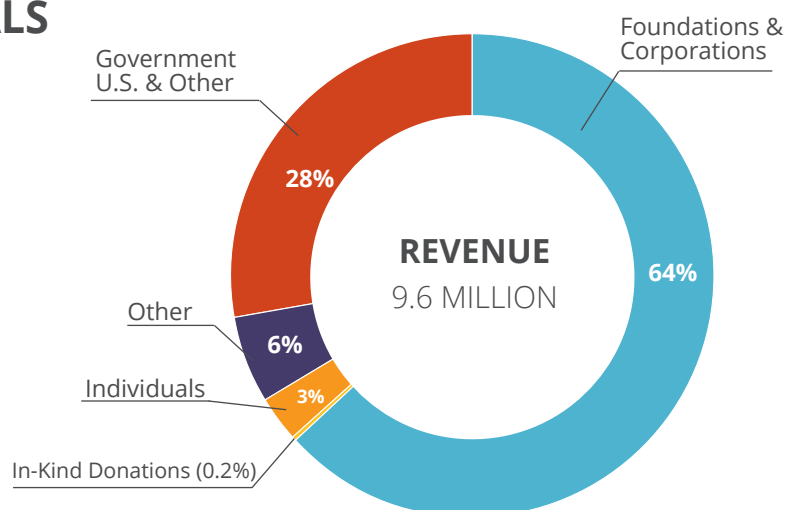


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Approximately \$4.9 million of our expenditures (75%) were direct program services



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