

Suggestions for Potential JCOS Work in 2024.

1) Suggestion from Jessie Barker to JCOS members:

I'd add a suggestion on sustainable food, specifically reducing consumption of farmed animal products (meat/dairy) since this has by far the biggest environmental impact.

Off the top of my head, ways that JCOS could contribute:

- Encouraging CBJ to publicly commit to this goal (e.g. [this newsletter](#) from earlier in the year covering proclamations passed by Denver's City Council, Baltimore, and the US Conference of Mayors in support of plant-based food, and [this newsletter](#) covering actions by the City of Palo Alto)
- Working with the school district, other orgs in town such as SEARHC or Bartlett perhaps, to promote reduced meat/dairy consumption (the second newsletter above mentions a Boston hospital doing this)
- Lots of further ideas for how local gov / orgs could approach this issue in a report ([executive summary](#)) by my former boss.

2) Suggestion from Gretchen Keiser

I'd like to see JCOS follow up its recommendations on a collaborative examination of clean energy financing. The idea is for JCOS to take the initiative to seek collaboration among CBJ Finance, JEDC, AEL&P, interested Jnu financial institutions, NGOs, etc. on the potential financial options that could be employed in Juneau to access substantial federal monies to assist homeowners, commercial building owners, non-profits, tribal organizations, and CBJ to electrify and retrofit for energy efficiencies and climate resilience.