



San Francisco's environmental commitment, its track record of developing new technologies and vibrant network of entrepreneurial and research institutions make it a leading location for clean technology development. San Francisco is home to more than 225 cleantech enterprises and boasts the country's largest concentration of angel and venture capital investors in clean technologies. With its tech-savvy business community, enlightened local leaders and world-class academic institutions, San Francisco is an ideal setting for incubating and developing new environmentally friendly technologies.

CLEAN CITY

- #1 Cleantech Leadership Index (Clean Edge Group 2015)
- #1 U.S. & Canada Green City Index (EIU/Siemens 2012)
- #1 Green Jobs in the U.S. (Green Optimistic 2013)
- #2 Greenest City in the World (Forbes.com)
- Named Cleantech Capital of North America
- Priority permit processing for buildings committed to LEED Gold certification

PROGRAMS

GREEN FINANCE SF


As part of Energy Upgrade California, owners of commercial properties in San Francisco have access to Green Finance SF, an innovative financing program that uses Property Assessed Clean Energy (or PACE) to provide funding up to 100% of the cost of building performance upgrades.

SF ENERGY WATCH

A program under the San Francisco Department of the Environment that assists local businesses in lowering their utility bills through financial incentives and free on-site consultations to identify recommendations for energy efficient improvements and steps toward reducing carbon emissions.

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Why San Francisco?

TALENT



San Francisco enjoys one of the most educated and productive workforces in the world. More than 52% of the population holds a Bachelor's degree or higher and 46% of local residents speak more than one language.



INNOVATION

Access to over a hundred local incubator, accelerator and co-working spaces gives your business the resources it needs to succeed. San Francisco is consistently ranked as one of the most innovative cities in the world and is the #2 best performing city for creating and sustaining jobs (Milken Institute 2015).

INVESTMENT



The Bay Area is home to the world's largest concentration of VC firms, with a significant number having a presence in San Francisco. 142 cleantech venture capital investment deals worth 3.5 billion took place in San Francisco from 2011-13, the highest in the nation.



LIFESTYLE

San Francisco is considered one of the top cities in the world for work and leisure. From the iconic Golden Gate Bridge to renowned exhibits at SFMOMA, San Francisco takes pride in its vibrant culture, unique neighborhoods and exceptional quality of life.

FAST FACTS

Land Area: 47 square miles (121 square km)

Population: 864,816

Median Age: 38

Total housing units: 380,512

Median household income: \$78,378

Colleges and universities: 25

Annual VC investments: \$6.5 billion

Average temperature: 58°F (14°C)

Annual visitors: 24.6 million

Clean Power / Finance

