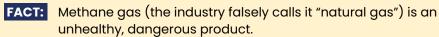
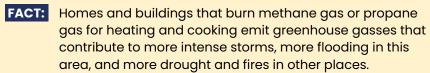
## Montgomery County Must Face Facts!





FACT: Homes that burn methane gas or propane gas for stoves and cooktops significantly increase the risk of asthma and other respiratory diseases that especially affect children and older people.

**FACT:** Methane gas continually leaks from underground pipes, and some leaks are big enough to cause massive, sometimes fatal explosions.

**FACT:** Methane gas prices are up 38% in the past year and gas "distribution costs" are projected to rise at least 200% in coming years.

**FACT:** Clean, renewable electricity gets cheaper and more abundant every year.

**FACT:** People who have all-electric heat pumps, water heaters, and stoves save on utility costs, stay safer and healthier, and reduce their personal impact on the climate.

**FACT:** Around the nation, from California to Massachusetts, state and local governments are requiring newly constructed homes and buildings to be all-electric.

FACT: Washington, DC just passed one of the strongest laws in the United States, requiring most new buildings to be not only all-electric but "net-zero energy," meaning they generate their own electricity.

## The Solution Is Clear:

All-Electric Buildings are Montgomery County's Future!





This fall, the Montgomery County Council will consider a bill to require new buildings in the county to be all-electric, one of the key pillars of the county's 2021 Climate Action Plan.

This bill—"Bill 13-22, Comprehensive Building Decarbonization"—will require the County Executive to issue all-electric building standards by January 1, 2024 for new construction, major renovations, and additions.

County Executive Marc Elrich and Councilmembers Hans Riemer and Will Jawando support the bill. It needs 3 more votes to pass.

Bill 13-22 is a small but critical step to make Montgomery County safer, healthier, more affordable, and more climate-friendly — and to make it an example for the nation.

## **TAKE TWO ACTIONS NOW!**

Tell your Councilmember that you support this vital step towards a better future for Montgomery County.

**#1** Use the QR code at right to join hundreds of others in signing a citizen petition to the Montgomery County Council.

#2 Visit the County Council's website at <a href="https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/">www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/</a> and use the "Contact Us" link at the top to easily send an email to all 9 Councilmembers. Just write 1 or 2 lines in the box telling our Councilmembers that you support Bill 13-22, Comprehensive Building Decarbonization.

