Climate Framework and Laws
The Climate Framework for Delaware (2014) is a summary of state agency recommendations for both climate mitigation and adaptation. It identifies state agency actions to reduce greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change, increase resiliency to climate impacts, and avoid and minimize flood risks that increase state liability and decrease public safety.

Energy
The Green Energy Program (GEP) provides grants to homeowners, local businesses and other relevant stakeholders to fund renewable energy systems, from solar photovoltaic systems to small wind turbines, geothermal heat pumps, and fuel cells. With an annual operating budget of $3.3 million, the GEP has provided grants for over 4,300 renewable energy projects and increased Delaware’s solar capacity from 8.6 MW in 2010 to 98 MW in 2018.

Energy Efficiency
The Energy Efficiency Investment Fund (EEIF) provides grant money to Delaware businesses, local governments, and non-profits to make facility upgrades that lower their energy use and cost. In 2017, EEIF distributed close to $2.4 million in grant funding over 146 projects that collectively amounted to 28,930,300 kW hours avoided. The Energy Efficiency Industrial (E2I) Program provides grants directed toward large industrial and commercial businesses whose annual energy consumption is greater than 10,000 MW hours or 95,000 MMBtu annually. The Weatherization Assistance Program provides energy retrofits to low income homes in Delaware and in 2016, generated energy savings of approximately 135,000 kW hours and 5,700 MMBtu. Delaware’s Energy Conservation and Efficiency Act (2009) designates energy efficiency as a priority energy resource and created Energy Efficiency Resource Standards requiring a reduction in energy use through conservation measures.

Transportation
Delaware’s Clean Vehicle Rebate Program provides financial incentives ranging from $1,000 to $3,500 for residents and businesses to buy or lease new alternative fuel vehicles. This program complements the Delaware Workplace Charging Program, which offers technical guidance and rebates of up to $5,000 to businesses for every installation of an electric charging station and supports Delaware’s broader efforts to be a Clean Car State, having adopted California’s Low Emission Fuel Standard in 2010.

Resilience
Through various mechanisms, including the Open Space Program and the Coastal Zone Act, Delaware has permanently protected an estimated 90% of its coastline. The Beach Preservation Act directs the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control to prevent and repair damage to shorelines and has a dedicated funding source derived from the Accommodation Tax.

Climate Finance
The Delaware Sustainable Energy Utility is a non-profit organization that administers various energy efficiency and renewable energy projects for Delawareans, including the Solar Renewable Energy Credit Purchase Program, the Community Energy Centers and Faith Efficiencies Partnership, and the Energy Efficiency Investment Fund, that totaled $27 million in spending in 2017.

Natural and Working Lands
The Urban and Community Forestry Program offers grants for tree planting, tree care, and tree management projects on publicly-owned lands. Since its passage, the Delaware Land Protection Act (1990) has protected 57,000 acres of land from development.