

Tacoma Citizens' Climate Lobby



Creating political will for a livable planet

Core values: focus, optimism, relationships, integrity, personal power, being non-partisan

CCL NEWS

THE MIDTERMS ARE JUST DAYS AWAY!

CCL National is holding [Earth Day: Election Edition](#), "a second Earth Day to help draw attention to the importance of the elections," on **Oct. 22**. Chapters will celebrate with various events of their own. Our chapter participated by co-sponsoring and staffing a booth on **Oct. 1st** at the local community event, **Climate Change is Here: Challenges and Actions**. [photos](#)

VOTE!

Help remind others to register and vote. Ask candidates about their stance on climate (see our [chapter's questions on p. 2](#)), and volunteer for the [Environmental Voter Project](#) or our own postcard-writing group (meets **Oct. 21**)

CCL DECEMBER CLIMATE CONFERENCE 2022

GOING BIGGER AND BOLDER IN THE FIGHT FOR A LIVABLE PLANET

Held online on **Dec. 3-4**. Read more and register on [p. 2](#).

PREVIOUS MEETING

Our **September** meeting included lively and interesting interviews with **Paula Lonergan** and **Robyn Denson**, candidates for **Pierce County Council District 7**, using the questions shown on [p. 2](#).

It is worth noting that the Republican candidate, **Paula Lonergan**, expressed skepticism

about attending the event *beforehand*, but amicable appreciation *afterwards*! And a few days later, she attended the **Climate Change is Here** event. This is a great example of how the fair, friendly CCL approach fosters relationships and can "nudge" candidates of all parties on climate! See interview videos [here](#) and meeting minutes [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, Oct. 21, 2-4 pm
"Get Out the Vote" Group
postcard writing meeting
Contact [Mary Forman](#)

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 7 pm
Chapter Meeting on Zoom
Program: "Affecting Elections"
[RSVP](#)

Wednesday, Nov. 2, noon
CCL Study Group meeting
discussing articles that we email ahead of time. Join us on Zoom!
Contact [Sue Lepore](#)

Saturday, Nov. 5, 8-3, Tabling at [Thriftapalooza](#), (a thrifting event for waste reduction and sustainability), **Tacoma Convention Center**. Contact [Linda Cohan](#)

[Tacoma Tree Foundation](#) has multiple events this month, Check out their new expanded [calendar](#)

Dec. 3-4, CCL December Climate Conference, online

The [Climate ARTivism](#) page on our website was updated **10/9**

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

Elly Claus McGahan's appointment to the **Tacoma Public Utilities** board opens her spot on the city council's **Sustainable Tacoma Commission**. Interested? [Contact Elly](#).

Climate Talk radio program, with interviews and commentary by **John Doherty**, is on **KTAH & KVSH 101.9 FM**, and is archived on our [website](#) and at the **Tacoma Public Library**.

Oct. 19—**John Doherty's** talk, "Using the Inflation Reduction Act to Further Your Personal Carbon Footprint Goals," to the **Mercer Island Women's Club**, to be held at **Women's University Club, Seattle**.

Oct. 7 & 14—Our **Get out the Vote Group** wrote postcards and had fun doing it! Join us again on the **21st**! Contact [Mary Forman](#)

[Ginny Lohr](#) is doing a great job with [Facebook](#). You can help by sending her photos (with captions) to post.

Find us on **Twitter (@CCLTacoma)** and **Instagram (ccl_tacoma)**.

Tabling Oct., Climate Change is Here: Challenges and Actions. Beautiful venue, climate-minded booths, and stimulating community leaders' panel discussion. **Elly Claus McGahan** was one of the event organizers. See [photos](#). If you'd like to help at our booth at [Thriftapalooza](#) on Nov.5, contact [Linda Cohan](#). It is likely to be our last event of the year-- a *really solid* year for tabling after the pandemic lull.

[Past newsletters](#) are on the webs

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From **CCL Executive Director Madeleine Para**:

After an AMAZING and HISTORIC year of national climate wins, you might be asking yourself: Now What?

If you're feeling like a fish out of water in this new territory, come to the CCL December Climate Conference on December 3rd. We'll share what's next, and why we're on the inside track with Congress like never before.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

We know you'll have lots of questions. Here are just a few that will be answered:

- What climate legislation will the new Congress likely take up in 2023?
- What are the prospects for a price on carbon?
- Is CCL really on the inside track with Congress now? What's changed?
- How will CCL be getting bigger and bolder in the fight for a livable planet?

We're so excited to share next steps in the path to net zero. We hope you'll take a few hours out of your day to get yourself ready to rock 'n roll in the upcoming year. Find more information on our [conference website](#).

CCL Tacoma Election Forum Questions for Candidates – 2022

1. Now that there is federal money specifically earmarked for combating climate change, what projects are already in the works that need federal funding? What priorities and other projects do you envision to bring (climate) federal funding to Pierce County?
2. **PC Sustainability 2030** is a GHG emission reduction plan. How will you help the council move the ball faster to see a measurable reduction in GHG emissions by the next inventory?
3. What is your plan for bringing green, renewable energy jobs and industries to the county? As part of that, there is an opportunity for Washington to become a **green hydrogen hub** and Tacoma already has an interested customer. What will you do to make that happen?
4. Transportation is the sector with the highest GHG emissions, and freight traffic particulate pollution is responsible for health care costs related to lung diseases, heart attacks, and premature deaths as the TPCHD health equity map shows. Then there's simply traffic congestion. What does Pierce County's transportation future look like to you?
5. The **Tideflats subarea plan** is of huge interest to many stakeholders. As a council member what will you be looking for in terms of how the port develops to accommodate the 10,000 additional jobs laid out in the **PSRC** planning target?

Be a 5-minute Activist!

By participating in the **Monthly MOC Calling Campaign**. Sign up [here](#) to call your federal representatives once a month. You'll receive a text reminder on your assigned day, phone number and optional script provided. Easy yet effective, try it!