



CT Roundtable on Climate & Jobs



Labor and Climate Education Project

The **Connecticut Roundtable on Climate and Jobs** has launched an education and outreach campaign designed to strengthen and broaden the emerging coalition of diverse groups demanding a fair and just transition to an economy that protects both the climate and the livelihoods of working families.

Our participatory workshops help participants explore the interconnections between the economic crisis and the climate crisis. We need to fight for a clean-energy economy that provides good jobs for working people.

To do that, we need workers to have a better understanding of how climate change will impact our communities and workplaces and how aggressive climate protection efforts can create tens of thousands of local jobs right here in Connecticut.

We also need local community groups concerned about climate change to understand the importance of incorporating working families' voices in their messaging and in their organizing.

Topics covered in the workshops include:

- Climate Change 101:
 - What is it?
 - What are the causes?
 - Current and future impacts in CT and New England
- Two Crises, One Solution: Let's put people to work protecting the climate!
- Organizing and Advocacy in CT: How can your union or organization get involved?

We can tailor the participatory workshops to meet your group's needs, with an introductory discussion as short as 30 minutes, a more thorough dialogue and basic action planning in 90 minutes, or more in-depth exploration and strategizing in multiple sessions.

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The CT Roundtable on Climate and Jobs seeks to strengthen collaboration among CT's labor, environmental, and religious groups in advocating for public policies that address concerns about climate change while creating good-paying local jobs.

By providing opportunities for constituencies that have often disagreed on environmental issues to engage in dialogue, identify areas of common ground and embrace their diversity as a source of power, the Roundtable has played a constructive role in helping to shape the state's energy policy and reinvigorating the state's climate change planning.

With the Governor's Council on Climate Change preparing a new climate change action plan for 2016, now is the time to build a robust movement to demand a bold vision and a just transition that protects the climate, working families and the communities they live in.