

Dear community member,

Like people all over the world, we are feeling the effects of climate change here in Thurston County. As the region moves forward to address the climate crisis, do you want your voice to be heard?

The Thurston Climate Mitigation Collaborative (TCMC) invites you to apply to join the TCMC's Community Advisory Workgroup (CAW). Experience in climate science and climate change is not required. We encourage applicants from diverse backgrounds including youth, seniors, tribal members, people with disabilities, people of color, business owners, poor and working-class folks, professionals—in short, anyone who cares about our community and wants to share their perspective on climate solutions!

Thurston County and the cities of Lacey, Olympia, and Tumwater have come together as the TCMC to create the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan, which sets greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals by 2030 and 2050 to reduce local contributions to climate change. The CAW serves as a community stakeholder workgroup to support the implementation of this Plan. The CAW meets 10 to 12 times per year to provide community perspectives and feedback on climate mitigation progress and priorities to the cities and County, the TCMC Staff Team, and the Executive Committee of elected officials. As a member, you can receive compensation of \$50 per meeting unless you are paid by your employer while attending meetings.

Interested individuals are encouraged to apply by September 30, 2023. Apply online at www.ThurstonCAW.org or contact pbraff@ci.olympia.wa.us or (360) 753-8249 for translations, paper copies, or questions.

You can read more about the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan at www.ThurstonClimatePlan.com.

Thank you,

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