

THANK YOU!

Because of you, new community initiatives are being undertaken by passionate, knowledgeable agents of change who, like you, have not and will not give up on our planet.

Thank you for being part of an amazing circle of support. You provide so much more than money; you provide people with the tools they need to fight for environmental justice. You ensure people throughout Manitoba can take part in the decision-making that affects their neighbourhoods and communities.

Here are some things you are making possible.

Because of you, the community is getting vocal about Bill 22.

Working with citizens groups and community members, we're providing information about Bill 22 which will hit the Legislature again this fall. Bill 22 is designed to end restrictions on cosmetic pesticides for private lawns, grassy areas near roadways and some municipal fields and parks. Thanks to you, the community is coming together to find out the facts and get vocal about Bill 22.

Because of you, decision makers are hearing from the people who matter.

More and more people are using the resources developed during our Navigating the Law to Protect the Environment Project. The series explains how our environmental laws are formed and offers guidance on how people can take part in the process and have their voices heard by decision-makers. Stay tuned this year as we, along with the University of Winnipeg and the Public Interest Law Centre, expand the project to make even more powerful information accessible to more Manitobans.



Because of you, we are closer to moving away from fossil fuels.

There are many avenues to encouraging our governments and communities to make more sustainable energy decisions, including reducing reliance on fossil fuels. Thanks to you, Manitoba Eco-Network is conducting research, developing policy and making presentations to spur these changes. We are also advocating for Manitoba Hydro, the Public Utilities Board and the federal and provincial governments to incorporate our perspectives when considering energy options as they navigate this urgent change.

Because of you, those most at risk have a voice.

As you know, many people are left behind to deal with the negative consequences of toxic contamination of the areas where they live and work. Our Healthy Environment Healthy Neighbourhood project continues creating more access to environmental justice in Winnipeg's inner city and finding ways to clean up brownfields and contaminated sites so that people can stay healthy and have peace of mind.



In the next couple of months, you can expect to see two big projects move forward:

1. Right now, community consultations are underway to develop the first **State of Environmental Governance Report Card**. This project aims to publicly identify the Province of Manitoba's environmental promises, to rate their performance against their own measures, and, importantly, to offer solutions to improve the environmental decision-making process in Manitoba. This project will help ensure all Manitobans know how our province is faring, and how they can participate.
2. The second project is the **Neighborhood Climate Resiliency Project**. You are seeing more deadly heatwaves, extreme winter cold and snowfalls, and spring flooding. Yet, many neighborhoods do not have climate resiliency plans, including Winnipeg's inner city. The folks in these neighbourhoods are often the most vulnerable – with seniors, low-income families, those who are houseless, those who work outdoors and other marginalized groups residing there. Like all Manitobans, people in Winnipeg's inner-city and mature neighbourhoods want to take action to ensure they and their neighbours, can cope with climate impacts, today and in the future.

We'll be raising money this fall to work with residents of these communities, to help develop climate resiliency plans so they can access affordable, feasible ways to stay safe in the face of these weather extremes.

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for your amazing commitment to making our environment healthier for all.

