

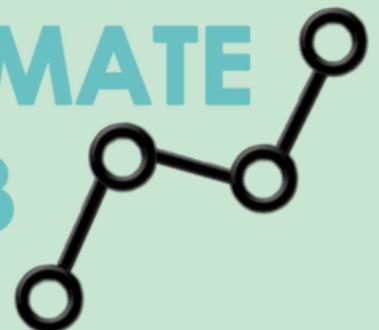
ANNUAL REPORT

CALGARY CLIMATE HUB

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2021

CALGARY
CLIMATE
HUB



VISION & MISSION

Vision: Calgary is a leader on climate action.

Mission: We educate and empower Calgarians to become active climate citizens.

ABOUT THE HUB

The Calgary Climate Hub is a volunteer-led, non-profit organization that unites a diverse group of Calgarians committed to working together to support meaningful local action on climate change.

We represent a variety of communities, industries, cultures and causes. We believe that a broad and diverse range of Calgarians and organizations need to be engaged on the climate crisis to develop impactful solutions that fit our unique political and economic circumstances.

We are part of the Climate Reality Project Canada's national network of climate hubs. Over the past year, we have helped make climate an election issue and successfully advocated for Calgary to adopt a target of net-zero GHG emissions by 2050.

THE TEAM

CALGARY CLIMATE HUB

Board members:

Joan Lawrence (Co-chair)
 Joe Vipond (Co-chair)
 Marie Donohue (Secretary)
 Yvan Beaubien (Treasurer)

Directors-at-large:

Kelley Robins
 Adrita Haque
 Sabrina Grover
 Deepak Dayal
 Robert Tremblay

Contractors:

Steve Bentley
 Adria Lund

Node Leaders

Communications Node:
 Kelley Robins (Co-chair/Co-leader)
 Marisa Barber (Co-chair/Co-leader)

Net-Zero Node:
 Adrita Haque (Co-chair/Co-leader)
 Robert Tremblay (Co-chair/Co-leader)

Mobilize Node:
 Bob Morrison (Chair/Leader)

Fundraising Node:
 Joan Lawrence (Chair/Leader)

Node Leaders

HR Node:
 Joan Lawrence
 Pamela Scott

Youth/Fridays for Future:
 Mackenzie Cumming (Co-representative)
 Stephanie Oloniyo (Co-representative)

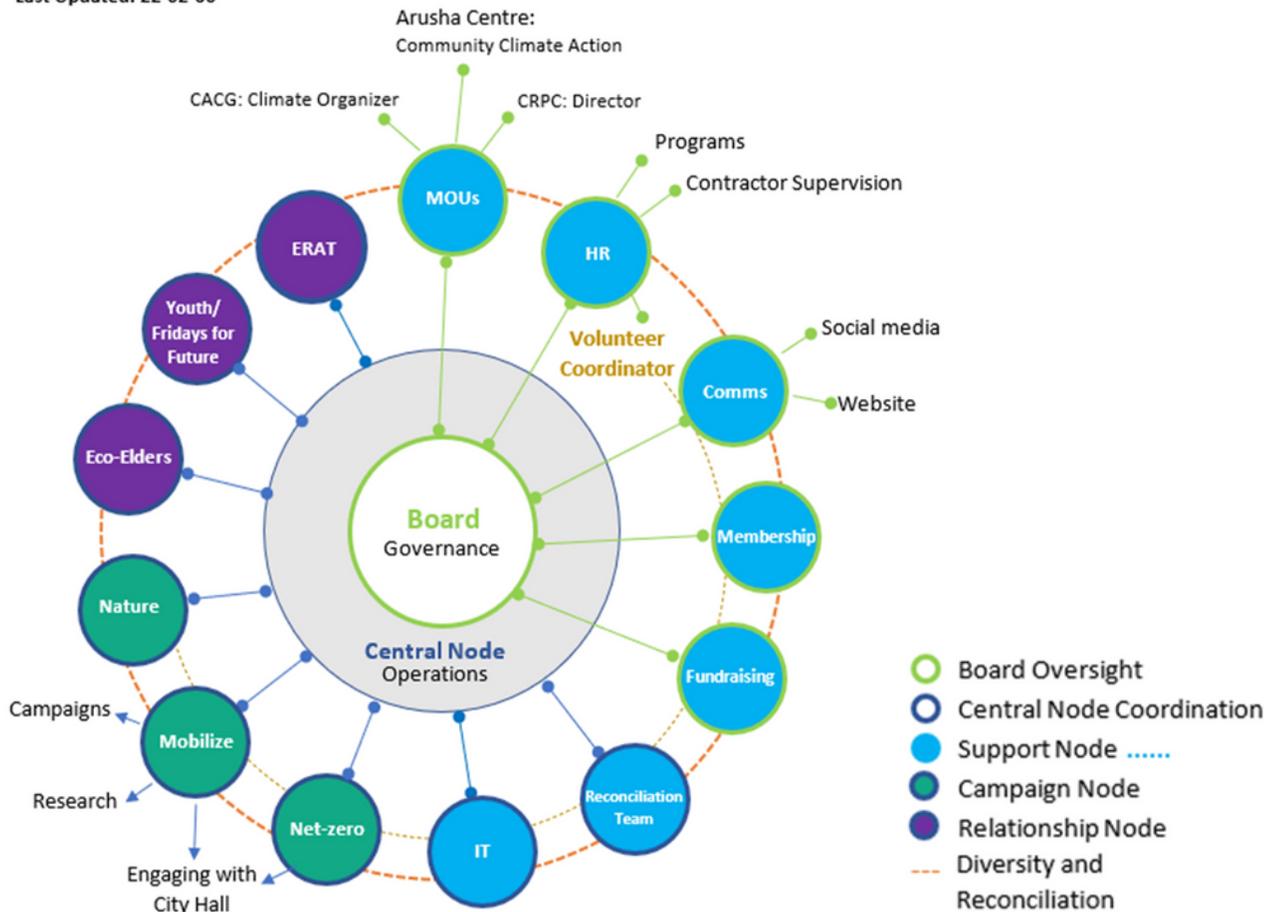
Eco-Elders:
 Janet Gourlay-Vallance (Chair/Leader)

Nature Node:
 Rob Miller (Co-Chair)
 Sandra Mills (Co-Chair)

Membership Node:
 Deepak Daya (Chair/Leader)

CCH Organizational Chart

Last Updated: 22-02-06



Message from Joe Vipond

Co-Chair of the Calgary
Climate Hub

It has been so great to watch our organization grow up over the last five years of its existence. From but an idea, to a small group of volunteers struggling to create something out of nothing, to now a full-fledged organization with a roster of volunteers and contractors. And this last year has been yet another giant step in our growth.

We have ongoing interactions with city administration and councillors on all things climate, advocating for stronger policy. We played a key role in the election, suggesting platform ideas to candidates, hosting forums, creating election signs, and even co-funding a citizen's poll to highlight that Calgarians are ready to transition to a safer future. And we continue to engage citizens, by giving them a platform to actively engage on climate, and by providing information through our (now online) series of talks and engagement sessions.

This is my last year as co-chair, after being here from the beginning. I will continue on as a board member, but I leave the co-chair position knowing that the foundations and values of the Hub are incredibly strong, and that this is but the beginning of a long history. I can't wait to see what amazing things we get up to next!

Message from Joan Lawrence

Co-Chair of the Calgary
Climate Hub

I was privileged to take on the role of Co-chair in 2021. To paraphrase one of the Hub's stalwart volunteers, Pamela Scott, it has been a year of challenges and joy. My personal challenge this year was to work on leadership - my own, and finding other leaders throughout the Hub. Having never been on the inside of a nonprofit before, I still have work to do on my own leadership, but I am constantly finding joy in the talent, dedication and enthusiasm of Hub volunteers, partners and the contractors who support us. There are leaders everywhere I look.

In addition to the amazing work our Election Node did making climate an election issue, we hosted workshops on writing letters to politicians, climate grief, and using creativity in climate action. We piloted training for Kitchen Table Conversations, toured the downtown cycle track network and took a 'watershed moment' to look at natural solutions. Volunteers hosted our first book club meetings and helped redesign our website. And, of course, volunteers baked the "Time is Shortbread" for COP26.

We found strength in working with others: partnering with Action Dignity, AMexCal and Engineers without Borders, Calgary Alliance, Green PAC, Global Shapers Calgary, Canadian Physicians for the Environment, Open Streets Events, Green Exodus and others on events ranging from a town hall on severe weather to a guided meditation series.

I am grateful for the guidance of those who were here before me, and for the energy of those who have joined more recently. This year we are partnering with Calgary Alliance, Arusha Centre and Climate Reality Project Canada to launch three new initiatives which will grow the Hub in new directions. I'm sure there will be challenges, but I am just as certain that there will also be joy.

Messages From Node Leaders

Eco-Elder Node

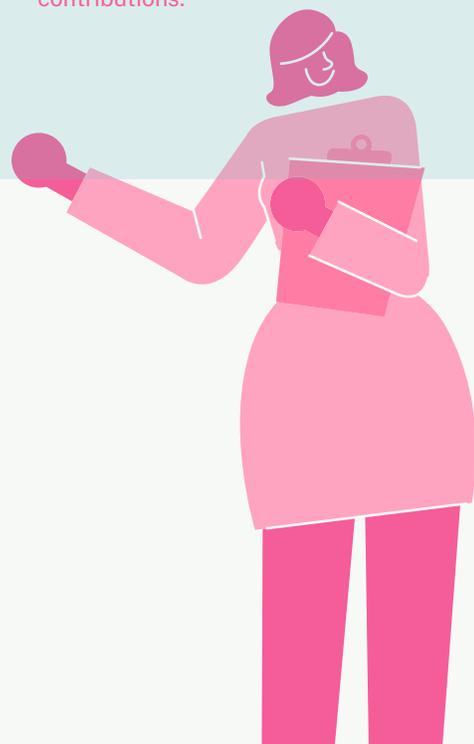
The Eco-Elder Node had a full year of advocacy activity including; partnering with CALL (Calgary Assoc of Lifelong Learners) to organize a very successful panel discussion on Calgary's role in addressing climate change with Noel Keough, Druh Farrell, Melanie Thomas (UoC researcher on public opinion regarding the energy transition) and Annalise Klingbeil (City Hall journalist); lobbying our Provincial Government alongside various provincial organizations (CPAWS, AWA, Niitistapi Water Protectors) to take a stand against the negative environmental impacts of allowing coal mining on our Eastern slopes; undertook a writing campaign through published articles, advocacy letters to decision makers both Provincial and Federal supporting a just, green energy transition; partnered with 'SHIFT - pension wealth for planet health' to present two webinars focused on the activities of AIMCO (Alberta Investment Management Corporation) and closely followed, advocating with submissions for the deliberations and passing of the Net-Zero Accountability Act.

Nature Node

2021 was a quiet year for Nature Node. The Node researched and compiled a report in support of 3 priorities: Lights Out/Bird Friendly initiatives, Watershed Protection and Urban Canopy. The report highlighted the following:

- A solid coalition worked to have Calgary designated a "Bird Friendly" city; Lights Out and light pollution mitigation work is ongoing
- Urban Canopy expansion faces multiple challenges:
 - Risk of deforestation on private land
 - Few organizations devoted to public education around the significance of retaining mature trees
 - Budget cuts reduced the number of trees the City could plant
- Watershed protection are a critical priority for multiple groups. The contentious issue of mining in the headwaters of multiple Alberta watersheds, which has further animated the discussion, indicates a vigorous and mobilized network.

Additionally, Node chair Brooke Kapeller stepped away from her duties in service of a new role. Thanks to Brooke for her leadership, knowledge and contributions.



WHAT HAPPENED IN 2021

We believe in our city and the power of our people. We proved our community resiliency by showing up for the victims of the floods, forest fires, and hailstorms. We supported our local businesses during the pandemic. We advocated for #DefendABParks. We showed that when we come together as a community, we can make a difference and keep our representatives accountable for the action we want to see.

In 2021, the Fast & Fair Climate Action Campaign gathered Calgarians together to help elect a council that declared a Climate Emergency for Calgary. The motion also included a mandate to join the global community of cities working on getting to net-zero and a requirement that The City engage with First Nations to ensure intersectional Climate Change strategies.

ENMAX announced a net-zero target for 2050! The Climate Hub launched its ENMAX net-zero campaign in February of 2020, engaging in multiple meetings with the ENMAX administration and board of directors over the following 14 months.



THE NUMBERS

CALGARY CLIMATE HUB

HOW ARE WE ADDING UP?

Number of volunteers: [96]

Number of current members:
[163]

Number of 2021 donors: [36]

Events: [71]

Attendees: [2844]



COMMS NODE

3,555
followers



1,700
followers

1,665
followers



15
media
stories



76 subs

DIGITAL EVENTS

How we connected

13

ACOCS

Reached 2,347
people

13

COP26 SHOWS

279 viewers

3

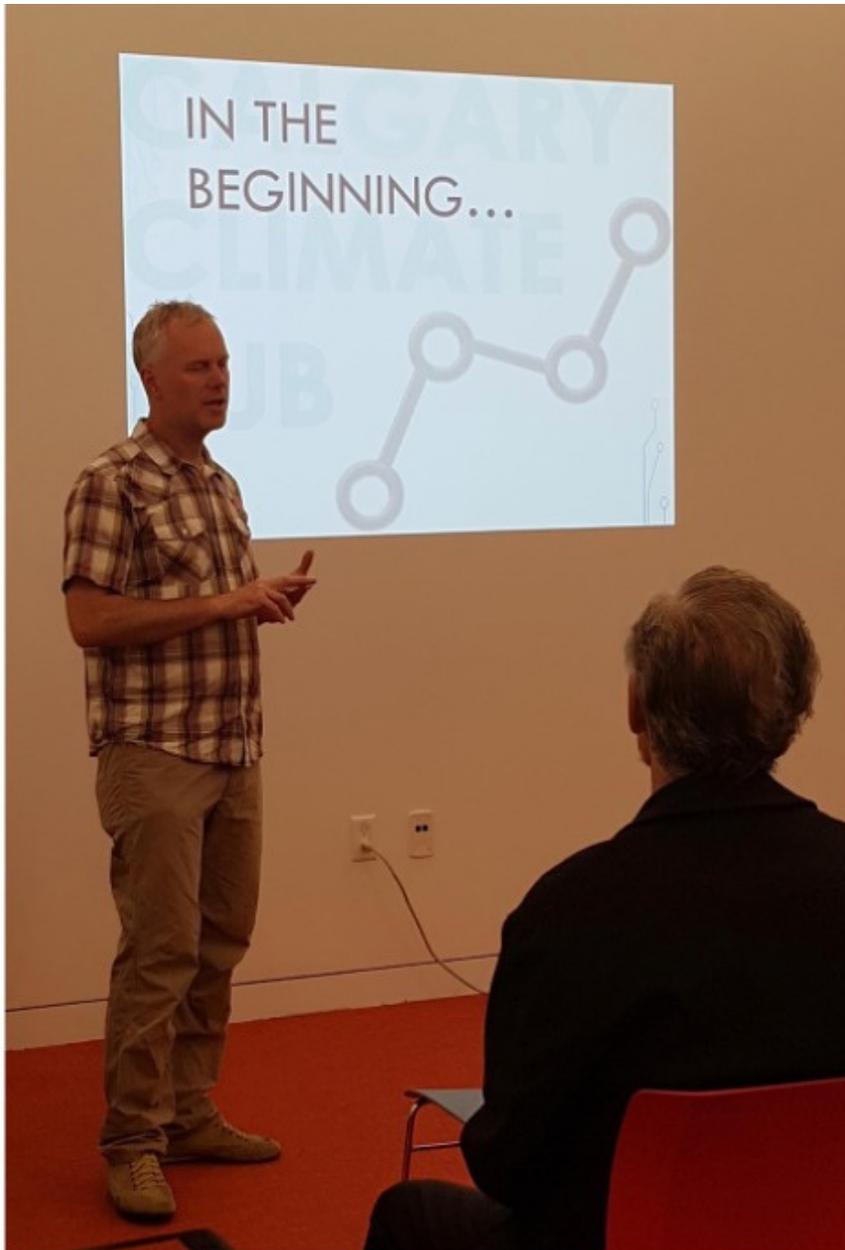
CCCS + ACS

112 Calgarians



THANK YOU JOE

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Joe Vipond, one of the founding members of the Calgary Climate Hub, is stepping down from his role as Co-Chair. He will remain on the board. We would like to thank him for all his hard work!

Thank You Joe!

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**Very Reverend
Dr. Bill Phipps**



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