

Climate Action Update: January

Welcome to 2022! We know the start of this year hasn't gone to plan for so many parents out there. That's why we've put together an easy, simple list of updates and actions you can take this month.

Monthly meetings - New date and time

We'll be holding our monthly meetings on the LAST Thursday of every month at 8 p.m. Join our first meeting of 2022: Thursday, January 27th at 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome to listen in and share. [RSVP for the zoom meeting](#) (then if you can't make it we can still make sure to send you the minutes!). [Read our minutes](#) from our December Meeting



Let it Grow! Update on Ottawa's Boulevard Bylaw

FOK parents recently met with Councillor Rawlson King on our motion to update Ottawa's outdated boulevard bylaw. Soon, we hope to launch our "Let it Grow" campaign and will need your help. We will be looking for people to share the campaign over social media and also email community organizations. [Send us an email](#) if you're interested in learning more and have an hour or two to help. (We have the templates written, so it will be easy to help!)

Let's pass; no more gas

Write to your Ontario MPP about phasing out natural gas power plants. Ontario needs to hear that we cannot ramp up power plants and that we need net-zero electricity. You can read more [here](#), or head right to [our template](#) to customize and send to your MPP.

Improving Canada's 2030 climate target

Thank you to all who submitted online and shared the [link to FOK's page](#) on this - it's pretty clear that the federal government did not expect the volume of submissions it received (more than 20 000 BEFORE the consultation was extended by a week!) We are definitely making our voices heard and standing up to protect the planet for our kids and the next generation. March 29 is the deadline for the gov't to release its emissions-reduction plan to meet the 2030 target, including an interim objective for 2026. As a reminder, you can find the [timeline for plans and reporting here](#).

Here comes the sun

It's not all doom and gloom out there. [Here's a round up of stories](#) that are giving climate researchers hope for the future.

And if you are new to For Our Kids, you will find the monthly national welcome calls (hosted on the last Tuesday of every month), inspiring and hopeful. [Join this month's Welcome Call](#) (January Tuesday 25th at 7 pm)

Thanks for your continued support. Let's continue together to make change happen in 2022.

 For Our Kids Ottawa-Gatineau team 

Get involved: Ready to take the next step and help us run some actions, post on social media or help with petitions? Send us an [email!](#)

Invite others to join us. If you like our approach and our projects, please help make our impact stronger by forwarding this message to another parent or grandparent. They can also signup for our monthly newsletters [here](#).

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