

WISCONSIN CLIMATE TABLE

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WINTER SUNSET
PHOTO BY SUSAN GAEDDERT

FROM THE WCT COORDINATOR

SUSAN GAEDDERT, 1000 FRIENDS OF WISCONSIN

Last night Wisconsin had its first ever tornado in February. As I write this, roads are closed, several thousand people are without power, and damage reports are still coming in. Thankfully, it seems there were no deaths or serious injuries this time around, but the psychological wounds will surely last a long time.

But I do have good news to share! The Wisconsin Climate Table continues to grow. We welcomed **two new member organizations** in January, and the Clean Energy Plan Campaign has announced two awardees in response to the RFP for **Equitable Implementation of the Wisconsin Clean Energy Plan**.

Finally, make sure you save the date **Friday, May 3**, for our next full table in-person meeting in Madison, WI! The Leadership Team is finalizing some details, and registration opens soon.

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LIZZIE CONDON, WISCONSIN ACADEMY OF ARTS, LETTERS & SCIENCES

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The [Couillard Solar Foundation](#) helps Wisconsin nonprofit organizations get access to solar power through grants and education opportunities. They fund Solar For Good and Solar On Schools and focus on nonprofits who serve underserved populations across the state.

[Rights of Nature Wisconsin](#) is a volunteer organization that brings an indigenous lens to environmental justice work through education, advocacy, and collaboration. Their mission is to recognize that nature has inherent rights that must be respected and protected. They seek to codify the rights of nature in the legal system, transforming legal and economic systems to reflect this understanding.



CAMPAIGN UPDATES

Clean Energy Plan Campaign

Co-chairs: Montre Moore & Ted Kraig



The Clean Energy Plan Campaign is pleased to announce that we are awarding grants to [350 Wisconsin](#) and [Green Neighbor Challenge](#) for **Equitable Implementation of the Wisconsin Clean Energy Plan**. 350 Wisconsin will be engaging with climate justice communities and organizations and developing communications materials to break down barriers to engagement with the Public Service Commission. Green Neighbor Challenge is working with organizations across the Midwest to develop an interactive scorecard for Rural Electric Cooperatives. We received a number of excellent proposals in response to the RFP, and we will continue to look for opportunities for funding.

The next CEP campaign meeting is Wednesday, February 28 from 12-1pm.

If you would like to be included on the CEP Campaign email list, contact Ted Kraig: kraigt@weac.org.

Community Commitments

Co-chair: Susan Gaeddert

The next Community Commitments Campaign meeting is Thursday, February 15 at 1pm.

If you are interested in joining Susan Gaeddert as CCC co-chair, send an email to susan@1kfriends.org

!! MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE !!

The WCT Coordinator is contacting member organizations individually to ensure that all member information is up to date and accurate. If you have questions, please contact Susan Gaeddert at susan@1kfriends.org

Save the date!

The WCT will meet in person on *Friday, May 3* in *Madison, WI.*

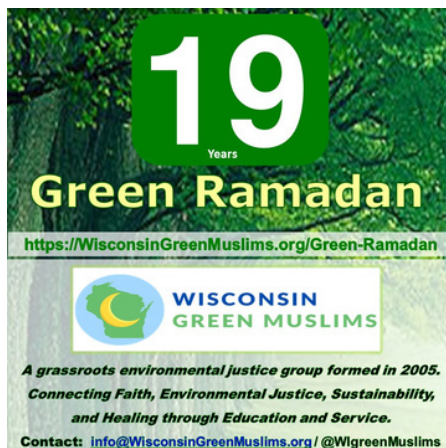
Registration information is coming soon.

WCT MEMBER UPDATES

Wisconsin Green Muslims

The [Public Broadcasting Service \(PBS\) Great Lakes Now](#) interview: "Waves of Change: Meet Wisconsin Green Muslims founder and director Huda Alkaff," which premiered on January 29, 2024 and airs on PBS stations across the Great Lakes basin on that date and over the next few weeks (check local listings!) The episode is available on the [PBS App](#) and on [YouTube](#).

19th Green Ramadan Campaign



The graphic features a large green number '19' with 'Years' written below it, set against a background of green trees. Below the number is the text 'Green Ramadan' in green. A URL is provided: <https://WisconsinGreenMuslims.org/Green-Ramadan>. At the bottom, there is a logo for 'WISCONSIN GREEN MUSLIMS' which includes a crescent moon and star. Below the logo is the text: 'A grassroots environmental justice group formed in 2005. Connecting Faith, Environmental Justice, Sustainability, and Healing through Education and Service.' and 'Contact: info@WisconsinGreenMuslims.org / @WgreenMuslims

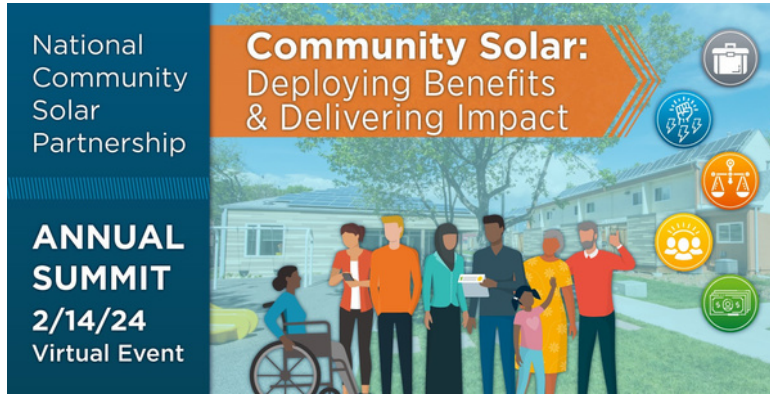


Mark your calendar for the third **Climate Fast Forward** conference! On **November 14-15**, the **Wisconsin Academy** will host the Climate Fast Forward conference in Rothschild, Wisconsin. For the first time, this event will be two days long. Attendees can expect to hone their skills in workshops, further action on the Climate Action Plan, hear from statewide and national experts on climate action, and strengthen networks.

If your organization or business is interested in supporting this conference, consider becoming a sponsor! Learn more and contact **Jess James**, the Climate & Energy Program Manager at jjames@wisconsinacademy.org.

Check out the WCT website! <https://wisconsinclimatetable.org>

JOB POSTINGS & OTHER OPPORTUNITIES



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Healthy Climate Wisconsin
(formerly Wisconsin Health Professionals for Climate Action) is hiring for several positions. [Check here for all full-time and part-time openings.](#)



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The **RE-AMP Network** seeks a full-time Federal Navigator to work with RE-AMP members and Midwestern communities to identify and access appropriate public grant funding opportunities to strengthen the capacity of underserved communities, especially in rural geographies, to address the environmental, energy, infrastructure, and public health challenges they face. [See the full position description here.](#)

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS!

Items for the next WCT newsletter should be submitted by end of day **Friday, March 8, 2024.**

Send a write-up of no more than 200 words plus an image and any links to share. I am also looking for seasonal photos from around Wisconsin to feature on the cover page each month.

Send all information to:
susan@1kfriends.org



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