

THINGS YOU CAN DO TO ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE

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- **Become Informed**

- Take classes at local universities (Osher Lifelong Learning (Wilm.) and UD (Newark))

- **Read good books:**

Climate Literacy: The Essential Principles of Climate Science.

(www.globalchange.gov)

Climate Change Evidence & Causes. An Overview from the Royal Society and the National Academy of Sciences, National Academies Press, 2014. At:

<http://www.nap.edu/catalog/18730/climate-change-evidence-and-causes>

Lester R. Brown, *Plan B 4.0: Mobilizing to Save Civilization.* W. W. Norton & Co., NY, 2009.

Bill McKibben, *Eaarth: Making a Life on a Tough New Planet.* Henry Holt & Co., NY, 2010.

David Archer, *The Long Thaw: How Humans are Changing the Next 100,000 Years of Earth's Climate.* Princeton University Press, Princeton, NJ, 2009.

Kathleen D. Moore and Michael P Nelson, Eds., *Moral Ground : Ethical Action for a Planet in Peril.* Trinity University Press, San Antonio TX, 2010.

- **Find web sites with reliable information:**

Climate Change News (Google "climate Tolman") to keep up on energy and climate science, public policy, opinion, ethics and economics

Price on Carbon: Putting the Market to Work by Linda Swift, endorsed by LWVUS *State and Trends of Carbon Pricing.* World Bank, Washington D.C., October 2016.

Toolkit for Climate Action, US League of Women Voters (LWVUS)

NOAA Global Climate Change Indicators

NOAA Trends in Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide

Climate Change Science: An Analysis of Some Key Questions. The National Academies Press, 2001

- **See films:**

The Koch Brothers' War on Climate Science. The Real News Network, October, 2016

Chasing Ice. A documentary about ice loss from largest glaciers, 2014.

- **Visit museums with good climate exhibits:**

American Museum of Natural History in NYC

(<http://www.amnh.org/exhibitions/climate-change>)

Climate Change Museum in NYC

(<http://www.amnh.org/exhibitions/climate-change>)

Marion Koshland Science Museum in Washington, DC

(<https://www.koshland-science-museum.org>)

- **Reduce Your Family's Carbon Emissions**
 - Use book: *Cooler Smarter: Practical Steps for Low-Carbon Living* – Expert Advice from the Union of Concerned Scientists, Island Press, Washington, D.C., 2014.
 - Make your home, appliances and cars more energy efficient.
 - Reduce your consumption of meat, esp. beef and pork.
 - If you fly, buy carbon offsets. Learn about them at [Green America](#).

- **Support and Volunteer for Organizations Working for Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation, and Social Justice**
 - Your church
 - League of Women Voters
 - Interfaith Power and Light
 - Sierra Club
 - Union of Concerned Scientists
 - Environmental Defense Fund
 - National Wildlife Federation – Delaware Nature Society
 - Citizen's Climate Lobby

- **Write Letters-to-the-Editor and Opinion Pieces for Local Newspapers**

- **Meet with Your Public Officials and Legislators at Local, State and National Levels**

- **Question Candidates for Public Office about How They Would Address Energy and Climate Change, If Elected**

- **VOTE !!**