Dear Friends and Allies,

The climate crisis has already begun to wreak havoc:

- Increasing temperatures, melting ice caps, and rising seas
- Stronger, more destructive storms
- Increasing flooding, drought, famine, and disease
- Damage to infrastructure, farmland, and crops
- Displacement of millions of people
- Rapid changes that may threaten human civilization on Earth

Youth activist Greta Thunberg has called the world to action, with a mass mobilization of youth demanding governments act now. Connecticut youth leaders are responding. This coming September, another global week of action is planned, with events worldwide — and across Connecticut — September 20-27.

Connecticut students are asking adults to join with them for a Climate Action on Friday, September 20 (time TBA) at our State Capitol in Hartford to kick-off a week of local events.

The CT Climate Crisis Mobilization (C3M) is bringing together a diverse coalition of individuals and groups to plan actions that call attention to the climate crisis, including a call for environmental justice, social and racial justice, economic and immigration justice, as these are all connected with our fight to maintain a livable Earth. The CT Climate Strike on September 20 begins a week of action in every city and town, every school, every workplace, every house of worship.

Will you be part of the Connecticut Climate Crisis Mobilization?

We need big societal change, not business as usual. We need changes to individual patterns of behavior and entrenched policies. To change everything, we need everyone, not only environmental activists. If you and your organization or business can participate on Friday, September 20 and/or can plan a local action, please reply to C3Mobilization@gmail.com. We will add your name to the participant list and follow up with planning information. We look forward to adding your event to the statewide list and/or look to see your members on the State Capitol steps, overlooking Bushnell Park, at 12 p.m. on Friday, September 20.

In Solidarity, CT Climate Crisis Mobilization (C3M)
A few possibilities for powerful events in CT Sept. 20-27

- High school and college campus walkouts
- Community vigils
- Public artistic expressions
- Faith-based activities to bear moral witness
- Workplace expressions of support for climate action and just transition
- Appeals for a moratorium on new fossil-fuel power plants
- Community action against polluting power and waste facilities
- Demands for mass transit and reduced transportation emissions
- Actions calling for an end to war and militarism — major sources of climate pollution
- Defensive actions against deportation of climate immigrants and refugees
- Events highlighting the special climate vulnerability of disadvantaged communities, women, and LGBT+ people
- Pushing the courts to recognize young people’s right to a livable planet
- Any and all other activities calling for a just and sustainable society — what are your concerns and priorities?

How can your organization engage?

1. Start planning now to help build this statewide week of action. Be creative.
2. Forward this call to action to other groups who should be involved.
3. Contact C3Mobilization@gmail.com to connect with CT Climate Crisis Mobilization. C3M will act as a clearinghouse for information on all actions planned by CT organizations during this global week of action.
Organizations endorsing this call to action (so far)

350 CT  
CHEER  
Chispa CT  
Clean Water Action  
Consumers for Sensible Energy  
CT Citizen Action Group  
CT League of Conservation Voters  
CT Roundtable on Climate & Jobs  
Eastern CT Green Action  
First Church of Christ Simsbury  
Food & Water Watch  
Global Warming Blog  
Hartford's Advisory Council on the Environment  
Hartford's Solid Waste Task Force  
Interreligious Eco Justice Network  
National Association of Social Workers  
People’s Action for Clean Energy  
Sierra Club, CT Chapter  
Sustainne  
Unitarian Society of Hartford, Green Sanctuary  
Wilton Go Green  
Windsor Climate Action

Representatives of numerous other organizations have been involved in initial organizing meetings that led to this call to action.

Organizations are invited to formally endorse this call to action. Please send endorsements to C3Mobilization@gmail.com.