



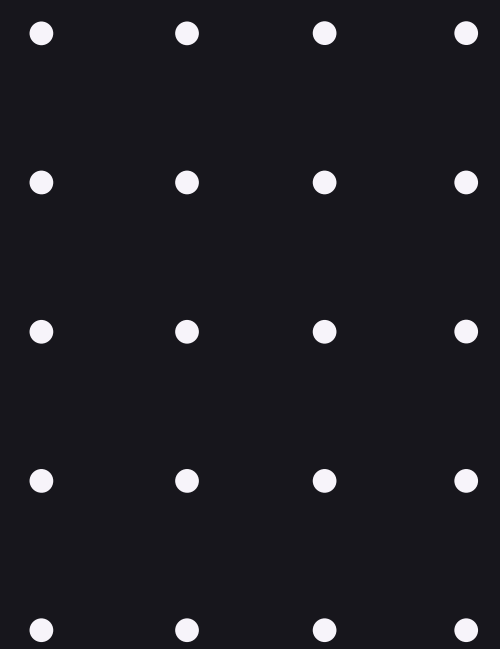
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Federal, State, and Local Environmental Advocacy

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OVERVIEW

- OEC & Family of Organizations Overview
- Legislative Tracking
- OEC in Southwest Ohio
- Taking Action

MISSION:

To secure healthy air, land, water, and democracy for all who call Ohio home



ENERGY



WATER



LAND

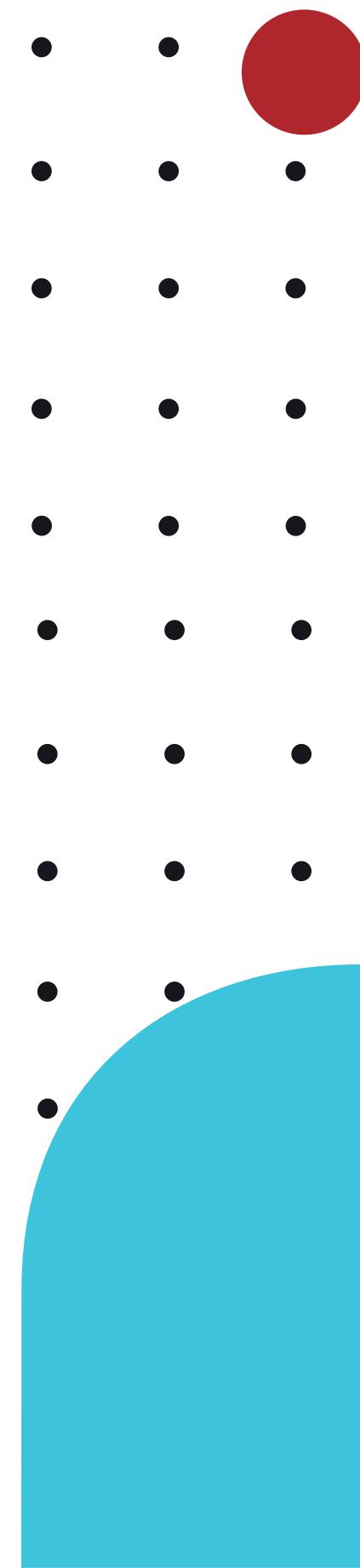


DEMOCRACY



HOW WE WORK

- Advocacy
- Campaigns
- The Law
- Organizing

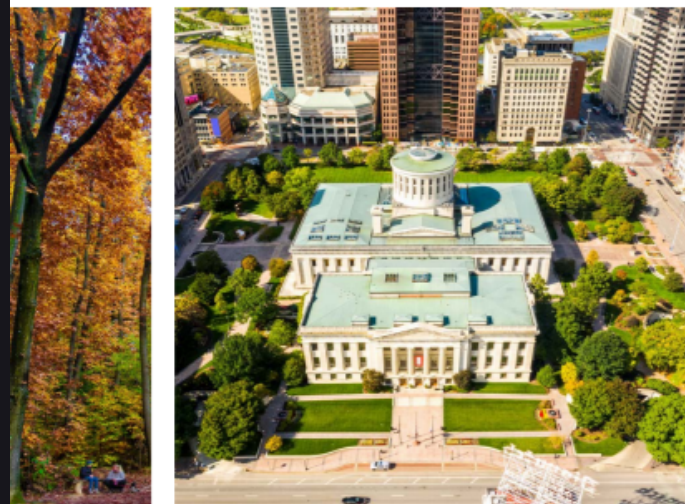


TOOLS FOR ENGAGEMENT



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- Policy Development
- Public Education
- Member Engagement
- Action Alerts
- Testimony



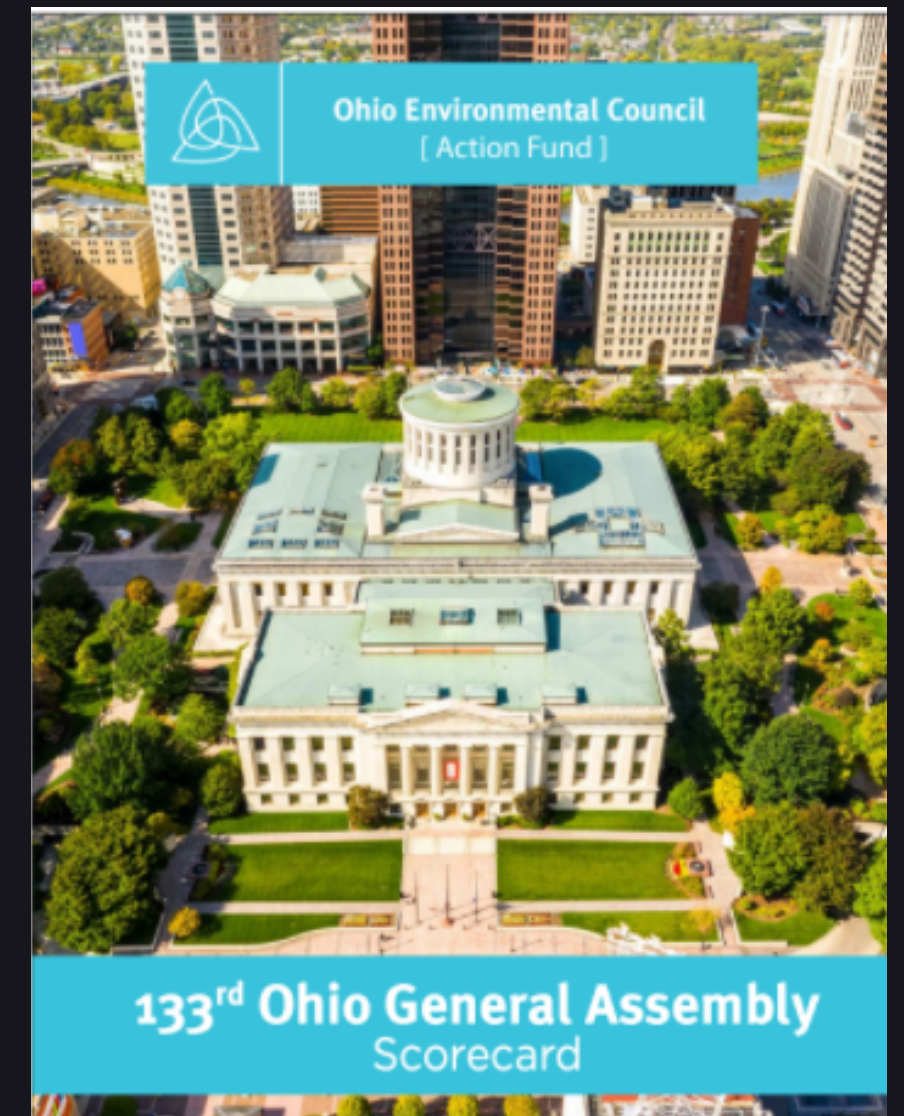
ADVOCACY TOOLKIT

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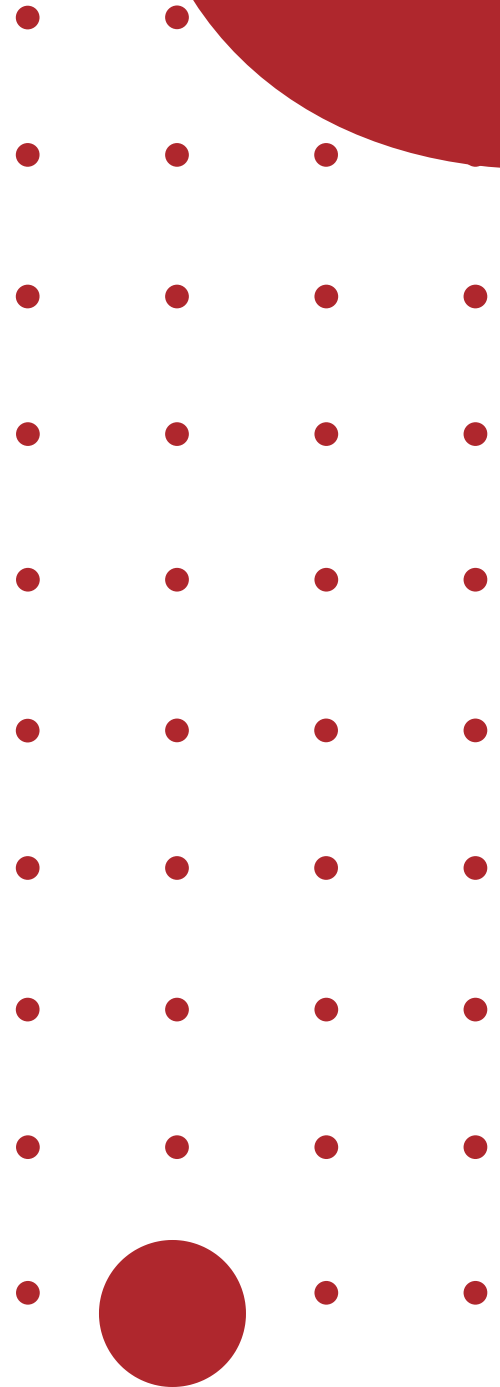
- Direct Lobbying
- Legislative Scorecard
- Candidate Pledges
- Action Alerts
- Testimony



CLIMATE & ENERGY

Key Issues and Bills

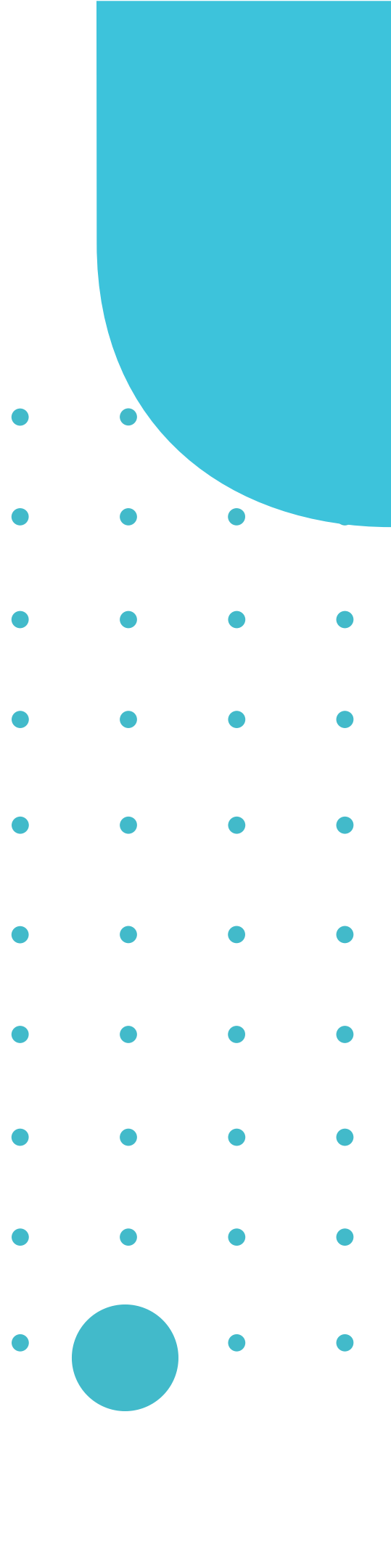
- **SB 117 & HB 351** - Ends the HB 6-enacted subsidies for two coal fired power plants (one in Ohio, one in Indiana)
- **HB 389** - Voluntary energy waste reduction programs to replace the elimination of energy efficiency rebate programs
- **HB 450** - Allow development of community solar projects
- **HB 429 - Energy Jobs & Justice Act:** Emphasizes jobs and economic benefits in plan to be 100% clean energy by 2050



WATER

Key Issues and Bills

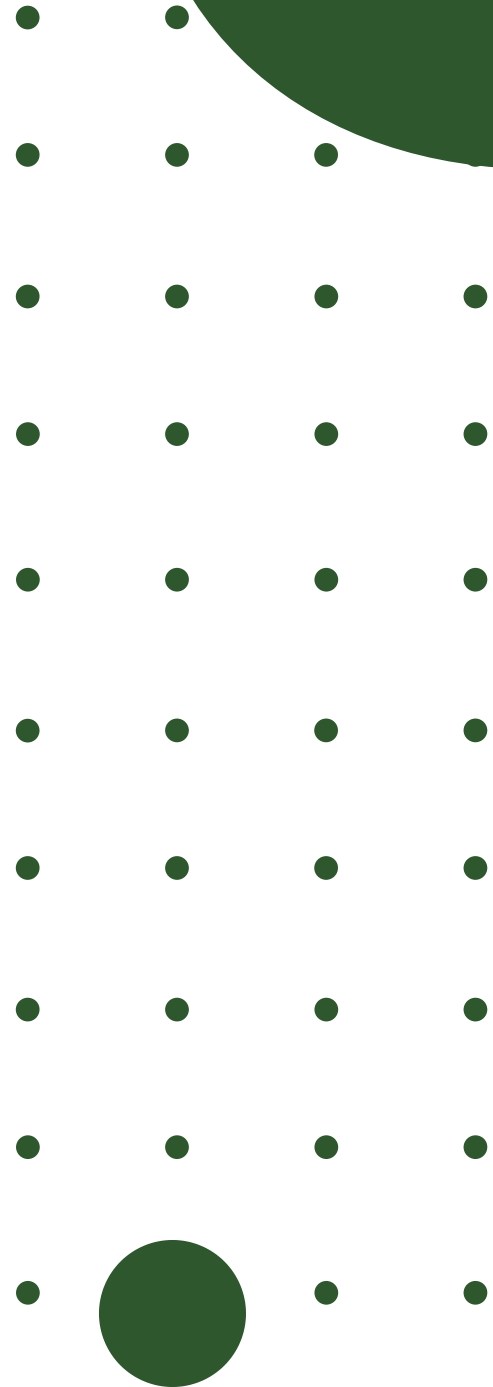
- **H2Ohio Funding:** \$170 million over 2 years for water quality investments
- **Senate Joint Resolution 2 (SJR 2):** Long term H2Ohio funding via bonds
- **HB 175:** Removes rain-dependent streams from Ohio EPA jurisdiction, putting drinking water sources at risk
- **Federal Infrastructure Funds & Build Back Better:** Implement infrastructure dollars to improve drinking and stormwater systems in communities



PUBLIC LANDS

Key Issues and Bills

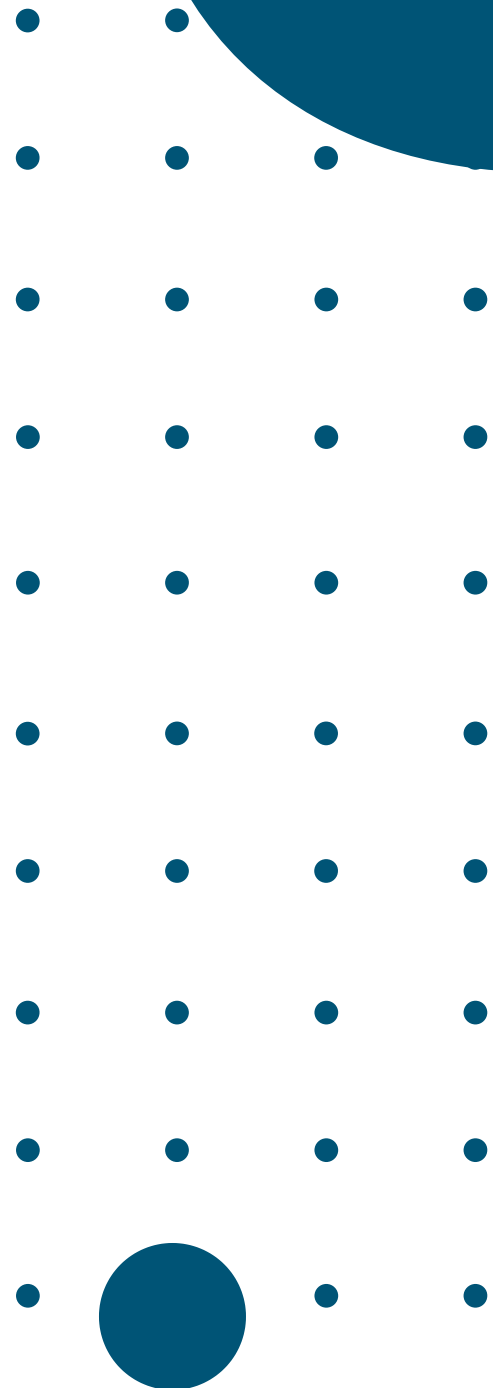
- The 2021 state budget bill made nearly \$350 million in new **brownfields remediation** funding available to municipal governments and other eligible entities
- Strong and **equitable investments in urban tree canopies** can combat growing urban heat island effects and protect public health



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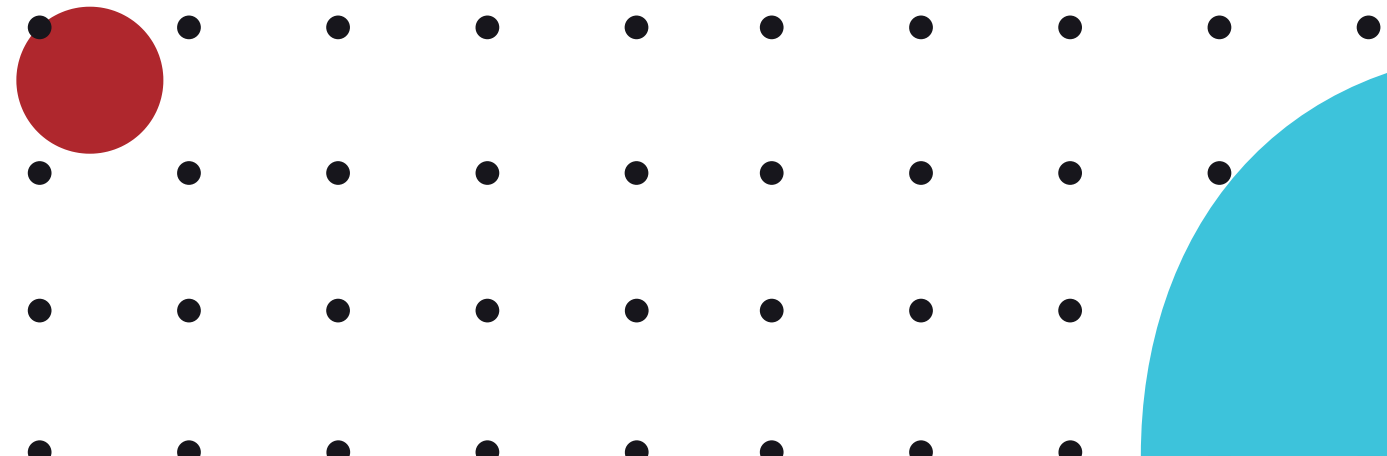
Redistricting

- OEC was a party in the statehouse appeal and filed an amicus brief in the congressional appeal.
- The Ohio Supreme Court ruled that Statehouse and Congressional district maps were unconstitutional. The Ohio Redistricting Commission and Ohio General Assembly must re-draw the districts.



FIELD ADVOCACY

- Empowered, equitable, accessible **environmental movement**
- Support **policy & advocacy objectives** at local level, connect region to statehouse
- **Develop environmental champions** among local elected officials



PARTNERING FOR LOCAL PROGRESS



CANDIDATE EDUCATION NIGHT: SUSTAINABLE ACTION IN CINCINNATI

April 14, 7:00-8:30 PM via Zoom

All candidates for Mayor and City Council in the City of Cincinnati are invited to learn about actions and policies needed to achieve the goals of the Green Cincinnati Plan.

HOSTED BY:



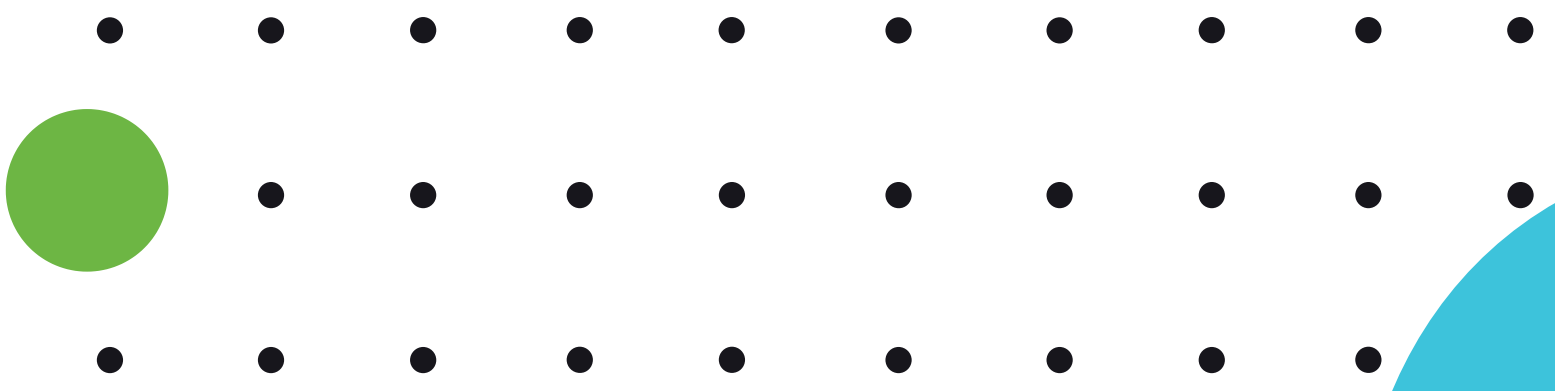
EMERGENT STRATEGIES FOR AN
EQUITABLE, CLIMATE PREPARED REGION

THURSDAY JUNE 16, 2022

HYBRID EVENT: ATTEND IN-
PERSON OR VIRTUALLY

CINTAS CENTER
@ XAVIER UNIVERSITY







Nonpartisan coalition
working with local leaders
to develop and implement
proven climate solutions

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TAKING ACTION



**Green Cincinnati Plan
Update**



Our Earth Is Worth Fighting For

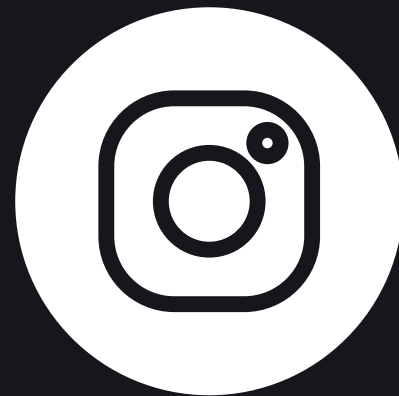
**National Week of Action
Build Back Better Act**

OHIO DAY OF ACTION FOR CLIMATE INVESTMENT

Supporting the Build Back Better Act in Congress



JANUARY 25



Join OEC Action Fund and leaders across the Buckeye State to call on Congress to pass the largest investment in climate in our nation's history.



Post on **Social Media**, put out a **Press Statement**, or create a **Selfie Video** to help us get the word out that we want to **#PassBBB** for an **#OhioClimateRecovery**

RESOURCES

OEC Southwest Regional
Newsletter

Email kjohnson@theoec.org

Advocacy Toolkit & Trainings
theoec.org/advocacy-toolkit/





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Become a Member:

Join a network of more than 30,000 individuals & 100 groups working around the state



Take Action:

Sign up for OEC's action alerts, call & write your lawmakers, and get involved in efforts to protect Ohio's environment in your backyard



Get Social:

Find us on Facebook, Twitter, & Instagram and share our updates with your networks



Donate:

Help secure healthy air, land, and water for all Ohioans

THANK YOU!

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