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We need your support to accomplish the work ahead. Your individual contributions will provide LNS with the resources we need for bold, independent action that will be necessary to accomplish our goals.

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## People's Climate March Edition

Unions Representing  
Millions on People's  
Climate March Steering  
Committee



In addition to many unions and other labor organizations that are partner organizations of the Peoples Climate Movement, these unions are on the Steering Committee:

32BJ SEIU  
1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East  
Amalgamated Transit Union  
The American Federation of Government Employees, Council 238  
American Federation of Teachers

American Postal Workers Union  
Communications Workers of America  
Service Employees International Union

## Join the Labor Network for Sustainability Events, April 28th-30th, Washington, DC

For those of you planning to be in Washington DC for the Peoples' Climate Movement March for Climate, Jobs and Justice on April 29th, we invite you to join LNS for our other activities that weekend:

### [Reception for the Labor Contingent and Friends:](#)

Join us for an evening of fun and entertainment with music by [Joe Uehlein and the U-Liners](#)

**Friday Evening, April 28, 7pm-10pm,**

Location: [Johnny Pistolas](#)

2333 18th St. NW,  
Washington, DC 20009  
(202) 817-3255

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### [Rally and March for Climate, Jobs and Justice:](#)

**Saturday, April 29th 11am**

Join LNS and the rest of the Labor Contingent at the March.

Location: Department of Labor Building,  
200 Connecticut Ave. NW,  
Washington, DC

We will join the main march at noon

*Confirm your attendance on our [Facebook event page](#)*

### [Labor Debrief, Brunch and Brainstorm:](#)

**Sunday, April 30th 10am-2pm**

Join us for brunch to discuss strategy that builds on the momentum of the PCM and how we fight for an Economy Program for Climate, Jobs and Justice.

Location: [The Loft at 600 F](#)

600 F St. NW  
Washington DC, 20004  
(202) 431-8516

[Register Here](#)

*In addition to the knowledge and insight of the participants, the workshop Sunday, April 30 will feature several sources to draw on for strategy and program.*

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## LNS Releases Working Paper on the Alternatives to the Trump Agenda



The Labor Debrief Sunday, April 30 will see the unveiling of the Labor Network for Sustainability's new working paper

[\*Jobs for Climate and Justice: A Worker Alternative to the Trump Agenda\*](#)

Send comments to:

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## Labor Convergence on Climate



### Connecticut labor building up for People's Climate March

As part of the build-up for the Peoples Climate March, the Connecticut Roundtable on Climate and Jobs is sponsoring a press conference with U.S. Senators Blumenthal and Murphy, along with labor, religious, environmental and community leaders.

As the Trump Administration seeks to roll back decades of progress on environmental and climate protection, local and state initiatives in CT will continue to advance a shift toward a clean energy economy that creates local jobs while reducing greenhouse gas emissions and creating healthier, more resilient communities.

GEU-UAW Local 6950 is sponsoring a bus for union members. (Contact Pres. Todd Vachon for more details "president@uconngradunion.org")

### Bay Area Labor Council moving on climate and jobs

Saturday, April 8 the Alameda Labor Council held a forum on Labor, Climate, and Jobs initiated by the Council's Climate and Environmental Justice Caucus.





More information on the forum will be provided in the next edition of MLLP

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**More...**

**The LEAP**



Participants in our Debrief, Brunch and Brainstorm on April 30th will hear a presentation on the [LEAP MANIFESTO](#), which has been endorsed by major Canadian unions and labor organizations.

We could live in a country powered entirely by renewable energy, woven together by accessible public transit, in which the jobs and opportunities of this transition are designed to systematically eliminate racial and gender inequality. Caring for one another and caring for the planet could be the economy's fastest growing sectors. Many more people could have higher wage jobs with fewer work hours, leaving us ample time to enjoy our loved ones and flourish in our communities.

We know that the time for this great transition is short. Climate scientists have told us that this is the decade to take decisive action to prevent catastrophic global warming. That means small steps will no longer get us where we need to go. So we need to leap. . .

The LEAP MANIFESO has already stimulated many Canadian unions to focus on an alternative vision and program for the Canadian economy that meet the

needs of working people while protecting the climate. For example, the Canadian Postal Workers' "[Delivering Community Power](#)" plan tells "How Canada Post can be the hub of our Next Economy":

What if the post office could play a central role in building our next economy—an economy that is more stable, more equal, and less polluting?

We're thinking big. Will you join us? Just Imagine...

- Charging stations for electric vehicles at post offices
- A renewable-powered postal fleet that connects farms to dinner tables
- Door-to-door mail carriers checking in on seniors and people with mobility issues
- As well as delivering locally-produced food and other public services
- Post offices as community hubs for digital access and social innovation, connecting communities and climate-friendly businesses to customers
- Postal banking services that provide inclusive financial services - like loans to those underserved by commercial banks
- Public-interest financial services that fuel the green energy transition in urban, rural and indigenous communities

We want a 100% renewable economy that addresses inequality, puts power in public hands and improves our lives. Our Post office can deliver it.

"What's powerful about *Delivering Community Power*," says Naomi Klein, "is how it takes on economic, environmental and social issues at the same time. Our post offices can become centers of community care and economic development, while bringing emissions down -- this is the kind of leap we need in Canada."

### **Letter Calls for Climate Justice Solidarity on May Day**

An [Open Letter](#) initiated by Climate Workers and Movement Generation Justice & Ecology Project calls on environmental and climate justice organizations to support upcoming May Day demonstrations for worker and immigrant rights.

Worker power, immigrant rights, and racial justice must be at the heart of environmental and climate movements.

We declare our support for protests planned for International Workers Day (May Day), May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and for workers who choose to participate by honoring the general strike.

Organizations can sign on to the letter [Here](#)

**For more information, contact Climate Workers at**

## The secret's out...

Want to know the backstory of LNS co-founder Joe Uehlein? ["Joe Uehlein still fighting for sustainable jobs and a living planet"](#)

by longtime union activist Len Shindel tells Joe's story from his early years in Lorain, Ohio to his decades of work with the AFL-CIO to his formative role in the Labor Network for Sustainability - not to mention his role in the environmental movement and his life as a roots music singer and songwriter.

Shindel ends by quoting the Labor Network for Sustainability's co-founder Brendan Smith saying that activists, young and old, should call on Uehlein's experience and perspective.

"Joe's got both the vision and the organizing chops the world desperately needs right now. More than anyone else I know, he's able to leverage the escalating threats of climate change and inequality into a powerful message of solidarity that brings people from different sides of the fence together. If the labor movement wants to survive, let alone be relevant, in the coming decades of turmoil, I'd have Joe on speed dial."

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