



NUNAVUT CLIMATE CHANGE SECRETARIAT



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Introduction

What is the purpose of this toolkit

This Climate Change Champion's Toolkit is designed to empower dedicated individuals from communities across Nunavut to become advocates for climate action. By engaging with this toolkit, you will deepen your understanding of climate change, build confidence in leading community discussions and actions, and access practical resources to drive meaningful change. As a community climate change champion, you will inspire, mobilize, and empower your friends, family, and community members to take collective action in addressing the local and global challenges of climate change.



Figure 1: Ice Jumpers (Ballygrant Boy, 2013)



Who is a Climate Change Champion?



Figure 2: The Governor General with the Nunavut Climate Change Youth Advisory Committee (2024)

A Climate Change Champion is a community member who actively supports and advocates for actions and policies to address climate change. Champions serve as local leaders, role models, and agents for environmental awareness and action. They work to:

- Share knowledge about reducing greenhouse gas emissions and promote clean renewable energies (mitigation).
- Promote strategies for adapting to the impacts of climate change.
- Foster practices that enhance resiliency and sustainability within their community.

Climate Change Champions lead by example, raise awareness, and collaborate with others to strengthen the resilience of their communities. They play a critical role in ensuring their communities are informed, engaged, and prepared to meet the challenges of a changing climate.

Why being a Climate Change Champion matters

Nunavut is at the forefront of global climate change, with warming temperatures, melting ice, and shifting ecosystems profoundly affecting the land, wildlife, and Nunavummiut. As a Climate Change Champion, you are uniquely positioned to lead efforts in fostering climate resilience within your community. By sharing knowledge, inspiring action, and building partnerships, you contribute to a collective effort to preserve Nunavut's environment, culture, and future. This toolkit is your starting point. Together, let's take meaningful steps to address one of the most pressing challenges of our time.



How to become a Climate Change Champion



Figure 3: The Nunavut Climate Change Youth Advisory Committee at their media training workshop (2024)

Becoming a Climate Change Champion is both a personal and community-driven journey. Here are actionable steps to begin:

Educate Yourself: Gain a strong foundation in climate change, including the causes, impacts, and solutions. Remember, climate change knowledge is not only found in textbooks and research papers but also in the stories, teachings, and experiences of Inuit Elders, hunters, and other knowledge holders. Embrace opportunities to listen and learn from those who have been observing changes firsthand. This toolkit provides access to Inuit knowledge, courses, documents, newsletters, and other resources compiled to help you stay informed. By incorporating knowledge from various sources, you will gain a more comprehensive and meaningful perspective on climate change—one that respects the past, acknowledges the present, and prepares for the future.

Raise Awareness: Use your voice and platform to spread knowledge about climate change. Organize community events, host discussions, and engage with others through social media or local gatherings. Every conversation helps build momentum for change. We have provided several outreach guides to aid you.

Lead by Example: Demonstrate sustainable practices in your daily life, such as reducing waste, conserving energy, and supporting environmentally friendly initiatives. By modelling these behaviours, you inspire others to follow suit.



Engage Your Community: Collaborate with local organizations and participate in community projects like clean-ups or climate-focused events. Strengthen connections within your community while taking action on climate issues.

Support Local Initiatives: Advocate for climate-friendly policies within your hamlet or region, such as renewable energy projects, waste reduction programs, or homes that support sustainable living.

Build Partnerships: Connect with fellow champions, youth, elders, educators, and organizations to share ideas and resources, amplifying your collective impact. This toolkit includes a list of organizations working towards climate action in Nunavut.

What this toolkit includes

To support your journey as a Climate Change Champion, this toolkit provides information on:

- Climate focused courses and recommended readings – Opportunities to expand your knowledge and understanding of climate science.
- Newsletters – Email subscriptions to stay updated on the latest climate news.
- Nunavut-specific climate organizations – Contact information for local groups working on climate initiatives.
- Climate conferences – Compilation of Indigenous, northern, national, and international climate conferences, along with funding options.
- Forming your own Climate Change Committee – Advice and tips on forming a community Climate Change Committee.
- Conducting outreach activities – Step-by-step guides for organizing community events and workshops.



Climate Change Courses

As we use technology to learn more about climate change, it is important to think carefully about where we get information. Always use trusted sources, such as credible media and recognized knowledge holders. Listed are a few free courses available online to further your understanding and knowledge on climate change, its impacts, and feasible adaptation & mitigation strategies. The course descriptions provided below are as per their respective websites.

1. United Nations Climate Change E-Learn

<https://unccelearn.org/>

Tackling climate change requires action at every level of society, from individuals and educators to policymakers and businesses. This free course fosters awareness, builds capacity, and inspires innovation to equip learners with the knowledge to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate. Empower yourself and your community to take meaningful steps toward sustainability.

2. ECCC Public Service Climate Literacy Courses

These self-paced online courses designed by Environment & Climate Change Canada, provide foundational knowledge of climate science and explores what a changing climate means for Canada. While designed for public servants, it is a great resource for anyone trying to further their understanding of climate change and how Canada's adaptation and mitigation strategies.

a. Applying Climate Literacy Foundations

<https://opn.csps-efpc.gc.ca/viewer/CHC101-EN>

This course introduces the core challenges presented by the climate crisis, emphasizing the importance of climate literacy in delivering on mandates and contributing to a climate-resilient, net-zero-emissions future. With reconciliation as its framework, this course also weaves Indigenous knowledges and climate leadership.

b. Contributing to a Net-Zero Canada

<https://opn.csps-efpc.gc.ca/viewer/CHC102-EN>

Canada is committed to achieving net-zero emissions by 2050. This course introduces the country's Net-Zero Challenge and the policies supporting this transition. Learn about the science behind net-zero targets and discover how public servants play a crucial role in this nationwide effort.



- c. Adapting to a Changing Climate in Canada
<https://opn.csps-efpc.gc.ca/viewer/CHC103-EN>

Record-breaking climate events highlight the urgent need for adaptation. This course provides practical examples of climate resilience and adaptation strategies relevant to Canada. Gain insights into building resilient communities and fostering a strong economy while striving for net-zero emissions.

3. MIT OpenCourseWare: Climate Science, Risk & Solutions: A Climate Primer

<https://ocw.mit.edu/courses/res-env-005-climate-science-risk-solutions-a-climate-primer/>

This introductory course from MIT offers a comprehensive primer on the science of climate change, the risks it poses, and the solutions available to address it. You'll delve into the fundamentals of climate systems, the evidence of human-induced changes, and the societal and economic impacts of a warming planet. The course also explores actionable solutions, including innovative technologies, policies, and strategies to mitigate risks and adapt to changing conditions. Ideal for educators, policymakers, and anyone seeking a clear understanding of climate challenges and pathways to resilience.

4. Khan Academy: Climate project

<https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/climate-project>

Explore the science of climate change and its impacts through engaging, interactive lessons. This free course empowers learners with knowledge about climate systems, the evidence of global warming, and sustainable solutions. Designed for students and educators, it uses relatable examples and real-world data to build climate literacy. Join the movement to understand and act on climate issues affecting communities worldwide.

5. Coursera: Build Essential Climate Change Skills

<https://www.coursera.org/courses?query=climate%20change>

Coursera offers a wide range of courses designed to help you develop critical skills to address climate challenges. Topics include climate science, environmental policy, sustainable development, and renewable energy. These courses empower learners to create sustainable solutions and make a positive impact on the planet. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced professional, there's something for everyone.



6. Alison: Environmental Education

<https://alison.com/course/environmental-education-climate-change-the-science>

This free online course introduces the science of climate change, covering its causes, impacts, and solutions. Drawing on real-world examples and scientific data, you'll explore the role of greenhouse gases, climate cycles, and the evidence linking human activity to global warming. Gain the knowledge to foster resilience and inspire informed action in your community.

7. CARE Climate Academy: Understanding the Climate Crisis

<https://academy.careclimatechange.org/enrol/synopsis/index.php?id=37>

Discover how climate change disproportionately affects the world's most vulnerable populations. This concise course provides essential knowledge about the causes and effects of climate change, helping you understand the social justice dimensions of the climate crisis and inspiring action to build a fairer, more sustainable future.

8. EdX: Climate Change

<https://www.edx.org/learn/climate-change>

EdX offers expert-led courses that delve into the science of climate change and its broader implications. Learn how to analyse environmental changes, develop strategies for mitigation and adaptation, and communicate findings effectively. These courses are ideal for anyone looking to deepen their expertise and make a meaningful contribution to climate solutions.



Recommended Readings

Listed below are a few recommended readings pertaining to climate sciences, and milestone climate news and reports. The descriptions provided below are as per their respective websites.

1. AR Synthesis Report (IPCC)

<https://www.ipcc.ch/report/sixth-assessment-report-cycle/>



Figure 4: Sixth Assessment Report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC, 2023)

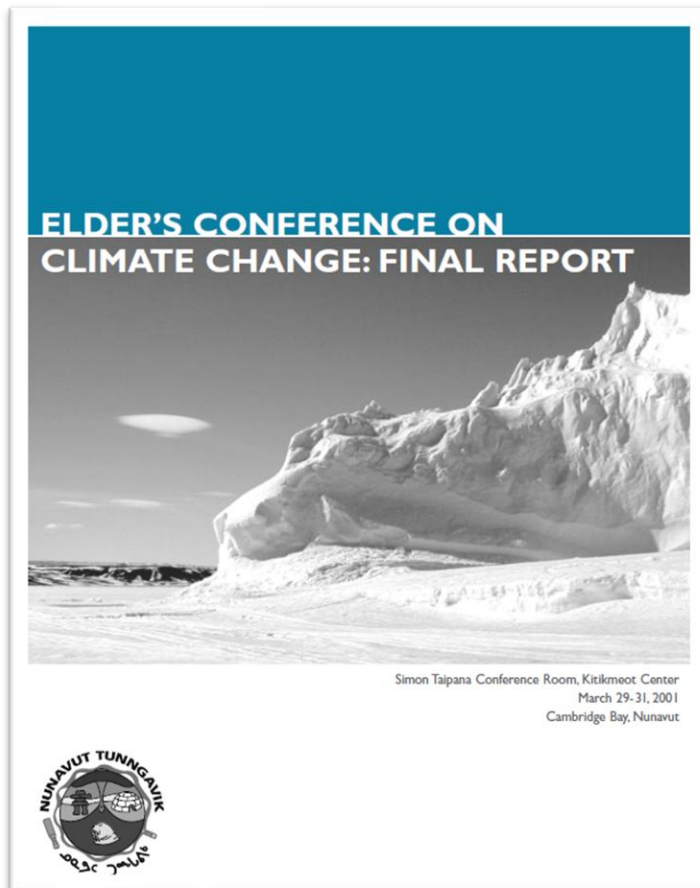
This report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) provides a comprehensive overview of the state of the climate, divided into three sections: *Current Status and Trends*, which examines historical and present data; *Long-term Climate and Development Futures*, exploring scenarios up to 2100 and beyond; and *Near-term Responses in a Changing Climate*, focused on actions within current policy frameworks through 2030-2040. This integrated approach offers a well-rounded understanding of the climate challenge and pathways forward.

Summary for Policymakers - <https://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar6/syr/summary-for-policymakers/>



2. The Elders' Report on Climate Change

<https://www.tunngavik.com/documents/publications/2001-03-21-Elders-Report-on-Climate-Change-English.pdf>



*Figure 5: Elder's Conference on Climate Change: Final Report
(Nunavut Tunngavik Inc., 2001)*

Presents Inuit Elders' observations and knowledge of changing environmental conditions in Nunavut. Based on interviews conducted across Inuit communities, the report shares insights on shifting weather patterns, sea ice dynamics, wildlife behaviour, and the impacts on traditional practices and livelihoods. It emphasizes the importance of Indigenous knowledge in understanding climate change and calls for integrating this wisdom with scientific research to guide effective adaptation strategies for northern communities.



3. Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and Climate Change in Nunavut

<https://climatechangenunavut.ca/inu/node/841>

Between 2002 and 2004, the Government of Nunavut gathered insights on Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and climate change through interviews with Elders and community members across the territory. The transcriptions from Qikiqtaaluk and summaries for the entire territory highlight the importance of integrating Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit with scientific research to create effective, culturally grounded climate adaptation strategies for Nunavut.

4. The Paris Agreement

https://unfccc.int/files/essential_background/convention/application/pdf/english_paris_agreement.pdf



Figure 6: Signing of the Paris Agreement at COP21 (UNFCCC, 2015)

Adopted at COP21 in December 2015, the Paris Agreement represents a global commitment to combat climate change. By fostering international cooperation, it set goals to limit global temperature rise to well below 2°C, while pursuing efforts to cap it at 1.5°C. This landmark accord underscores the need for united action to address a crisis that transcends borders.

Video: What is the 'Paris Agreement', and how does it work? -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5THr3bFj8Z4>



5. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

<https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/what-is-the-united-nations-framework-convention-on-climate-change>

The UNFCCC, in force since March 1994, is a foundational treaty aimed at preventing dangerous human interference with the climate system. With near-universal membership, this convention brings together 198 nations committed to addressing climate change collaboratively.

6. Canada's Climate Plan

<https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/campaigns/climate-change-plan.html>

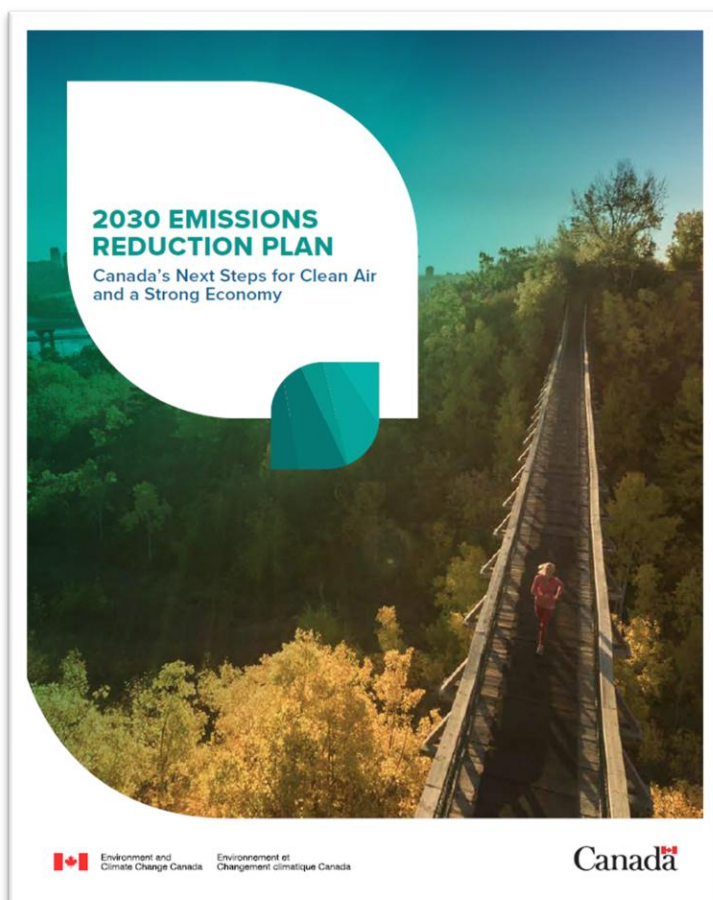


Figure 7: Government of Canada 2030 Emissions Reduction Plan (ECCC, 2022)

A comprehensive roadmap for meeting Canada's 2030 climate targets under the Paris Agreement. It sets out sector-specific strategies to cut greenhouse gas emissions by 40-45% below 2005 levels while driving sustainable economic growth. The plan highlights investments in renewable energy, clean technology, and nature-based solutions, emphasizing collaboration with Indigenous Peoples, provinces, territories, and all Canadians to build a low-carbon future.



7. National Inuit Climate Change Strategy

<https://www.itk.ca/projects/national-inuit-climate-change-strategy/>

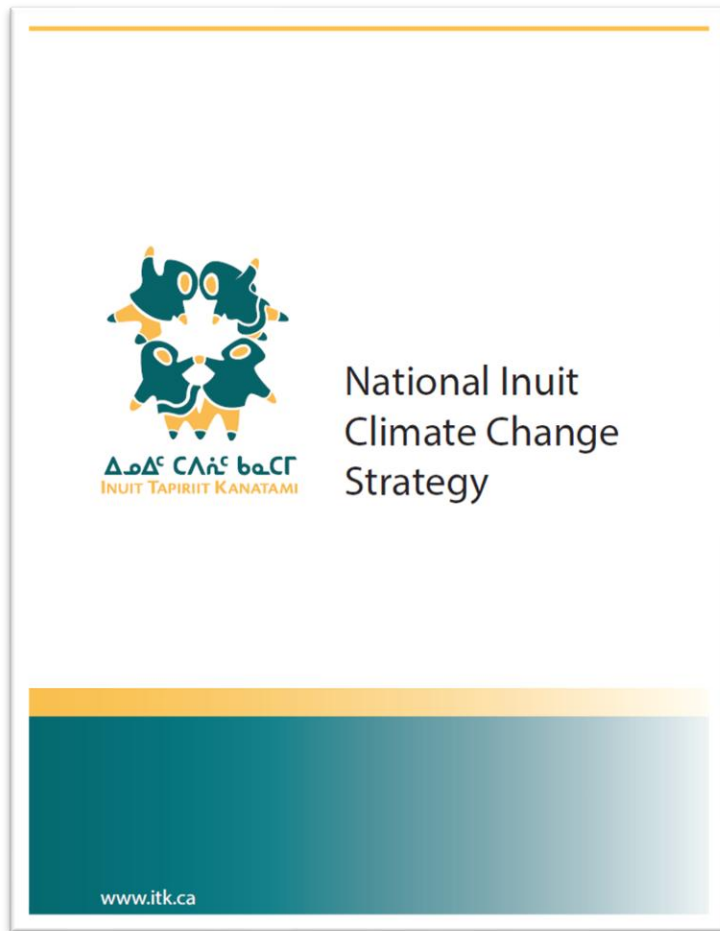


Figure 8: The National Inuit Climate Change Strategy (ITK, 2019)

The National Inuit Climate Change Strategy (NICCS), developed by Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami (ITK), outlines a collective plan for climate action aimed at safeguarding Inuit culture, language, and way of life amidst a rapidly changing environment. The strategy focuses on five interconnected priority areas: knowledge & capacity building, health, wellbeing, & the environment, food systems, infrastructure, and energy. By emphasizing these areas, the NICCS aims to advance Inuit-determined actions that strengthen the sustainability and resilience of Inuit communities in the face of climate change.



8. Government of Canada Adaptation Action Plan

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environment/weather/climatechange/climate-plan/national-adaptation-strategy/action-plan.html>

Outlines the nation's strategy to build resilience to climate impacts across sectors and regions. As part of the National Adaptation Strategy, it identifies concrete actions and investments to protect communities, strengthen infrastructure, safeguard biodiversity, and support sustainable economic growth. By prioritizing collaboration with Indigenous Peoples, provinces, territories, and stakeholders, this plan fosters a proactive, whole-of-society approach to a changing climate, ensuring preparedness and adaptation for the future.

9. Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environment/weather/climatechange/pan-canadian-framework.html>

The Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change (PCF), adopted in 2016, is Canada's comprehensive strategy to address climate change while promoting economic growth. Developed collaboratively with provinces, territories, and in consultation with Indigenous peoples, the framework aims to meet Canada's emissions reduction targets, stimulate the economy, and enhance resilience to a changing climate.

10. NASA: Climate Change Evidence

<https://science.nasa.gov/climate-change/evidence/>

NASA presents compelling evidence of Earth's changing climate, tracing patterns over the last 800,000 years. The site explores natural cycles, such as ice ages, and human influences driving current climate trends. This resource offers a scientific foundation for understanding the factors shaping our planet's climate future.

11. Canadian Climate Institute: Emissions Reduction Plan

<https://climateinstitute.ca/reports/2030-emissions-reduction-plan/>

Published in March 2022, Canada's 2030 Emissions Reduction Plan outlines a clear strategy to achieve a 40-45% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 and net-zero emissions by 2050. As mandated by the Canadian Net-Zero Emissions Accountability Act, this plan sets milestones to track national progress toward a sustainable future.



Climate Change Conferences

Listed below are Climate Change related conferences, information on when and where they are held, and funding resources available for attendees. All descriptions provided above are as per their respective websites.

Indigenous-Focused Conferences

1. SevenGen Indigenous Youth Energy Summit

<https://sevensgenenergy.org/>



Figure 9: Nunavut Climate Change Youth Advisory Committee at SevenGen 2024 in Iqaluit (2024)

- a. **About:** SevenGen Energy is an Indigenous youth council committed to a sustainable and equitable energy future. Their mission is to create a space where Indigenous youth and communities are mobilized to advance in the energy and sustainability sector through capacity building, program development, mentorship and advocacy.
- b. **Focus:** A youth-led, indigenous-focused climate conference aimed at bringing together Indigenous leaders, community members, industry experts, government officials and stakeholders across the country to engage in dialogue, knowledge sharing and collaboration on energy-related issues.
- c. **When/Where:** Location varies, held biennially.



- d. **Registration:** Announced on the SevenGen website.
- e. **Funding:** Often fully funded for indigenous participants, covering travel, accommodation, and meals through sponsorships or government grants.

2. Indigenous Climate Action (ICA) Youth Events

<https://www.indigenousclimateaction.com/>

- a. **About:** Indigenous Climate Action (ICA) is an Indigenous-led organization guided by a diverse group of Indigenous knowledge keepers, water protectors and land defenders from communities and regions across the country. Their work involves the development and implementation of strategies created with, by and for communities, with the goal of uplifting Indigenous voices, sovereignty and stewardship of the lands and waters for future generations.
- b. **Focus:** Indigenous youth engagement in climate justice, and Indigenous rights and sovereignty, by providing resources, education, training, and creating movement spaces.
- c. **When/Where:** Events hosted throughout the year across Canada.
- d. **Registration:** Announced on the ICA website.
- e. **Funding:** Often includes travel bursaries for participants.

Canadian Conferences

1. Climate Policy Conference by Canada's Net-Zero Advisory Body (NZAB) x Canadian Climate Institute (CCI)

<https://www.nzab2050.ca/collaboration/canadian-climate-institute>

- a. **About the Net-Zero Advisory Body:** NZAB is a group of experts appointed by the Governor in Council on the recommendation of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change to provide the Minister of Environment and Climate Change to provide independent advice on the most likely pathways for Canada to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050 and to advise on the setting of interim emissions reduction targets on the pathway to net-zero emissions in Canada by 2050.
- b. **About the Canadian Climate Institute:** CCI is an independent climate change policy research organization that brings together experts from diverse disciplines to undertake rigorous research, conduct insightful analysis, and engage a range of stakeholders and rights-holders to provide evidence-based advice on climate policy.
- c. **Focus:** This annual conference convenes climate policy experts and decision makers, Indigenous knowledge holders, industry leaders and civil society to highlight the latest research and advance a shared understanding of current policy issues.



- d. **When/Where:** Date varies annually, sometimes held online or in a hybrid format.
- e. **Registration:** Announced on the CCI website.
- f. **Funding:** Free virtual sessions.

2. Youth Climate Lab Events

<https://www.youthclimatelab.org/programs>

- a. **About:** Youth Climate Labs aims to enable young people to become leaders in the climate space by empowering them with skills, financial access and policy knowledge through the creation of tools and programs.
- b. **Focus:** Canadian-based workshops on climate policy innovation and Indigenous knowledge-sharing.
- c. **When/Where:** Held across various cities in Canada.
- d. **Registration:** Announced online per event; often free for youth participants.
- e. **Funding:** Partners frequently provide travel or accommodation grants.

International Conferences

1. COP (Conference of the Parties)

<https://unfccc.int/process/bodies/supreme-bodies/conference-of-the-parties-cop>

- a. **About:** A global conference where world leaders, policymakers, and stakeholders discuss and negotiate international climate change policies and agreements.
- b. **Focus:** A key task for the COP is to review the national communications and emission inventories submitted by Parties. Based on this information, the COP assesses the effects of the measures taken by Parties and the progress made in achieving the ultimate objective of the Convention.
- c. **When/Where:** Location varies annually.
- d. **Registration:** Participation coordinated through UNFCCC official website and national government delegations. Observers and NGOs register via accredited organizations.
- e. **Funding:** Limited travel support and grants available for youth, Indigenous groups, and civil society representatives from developing countries, typically provided by UNFCCC, Climate Action Network (CAN), and partner organizations.



2. COY (Conference of Youth)

<https://youngoclimate.org/>

- a. **About:** Pre-COP conference fostering global youth collaboration on climate strategies.
- b. **Focus:** to empower youth and formally bring their voices to the UNFCCC processes to shape the intergovernmental climate change policies.
- c. **When/Where:** Location varies annually.
- d. **Registration:** Managed online via the YOUNGO platform.
- e. **Funding:** Some NGOs and partners offer travel support for Indigenous youth.

3. UNESCO Youth Forum on Climate Action

<https://www.unesco.org/en/youth/forum?hub=79837>

- a. **About:** The Forum provides youth with a space to engage in discussion & debate, and to share recommendations & solutions with Member States during UNESCO's General Conference.
- b. **When/Where:** Location varies annually.
- c. **Registration:** Opens online via UNESCO's official website.
- d. **Funding:** Travel bursaries available for youth from underrepresented communities.

Arctic/Northern Conferences

1. Arctic Youth Conference

<https://arctic-council.org/about/norway-chair-2/arctic-youth-conference/>

- a. **About:** Born out of the Norwegian Chairship of the Arctic council, and its commitment to youth empowerment, the Arctic Youth Conference is designed to break away from tokenism, ensuring the involvement of Arctic youth in shaping and executing the conference.
- b. **Focus:** Supports youth leadership in Arctic governance, cultural preservation, and environmental advocacy.
- c. **When/Where:** Date and location varies with Arctic Council Chairship.
- d. **Participants:** Arctic youth, young professionals, students, and Indigenous knowledge holders.
- e. **Registration:** Online registration via the Arctic Council website.
- f. **Funding:** Travel and participation support is often available for indigenous youth.



2. Arctic Circle Assembly

<https://www.arcticcircle.org/assemblies>



Figure 10: Arctic Circle Assembly 2024 (Arctic Circle, 2024)

- a. **Focus:** This is one of the largest international forums focusing on Arctic issues, including climate change, geopolitics, and sustainable development, attended by more than 2000 participants from over 60 countries.
- b. **When/Where:** Every October, at Harpa Concert Hall and Conference Centre, Reykjavík, Iceland.
- c. **Participants:** Heads of state, ministers, scientists, entrepreneurs, indigenous leaders, and youth.
- d. **Registration:** Open to all, with options for early bird and student discounts. Details are available on their official website.
- e. **Funding:** While there are no direct funding programs for attendees listed, organizations like University of the Arctic and other partners often provide grants or sponsorships for youth and indigenous participants from Canada.



3. ArcticNet's Arctic Change Conference

<https://arcticnet.ca/conferences/>

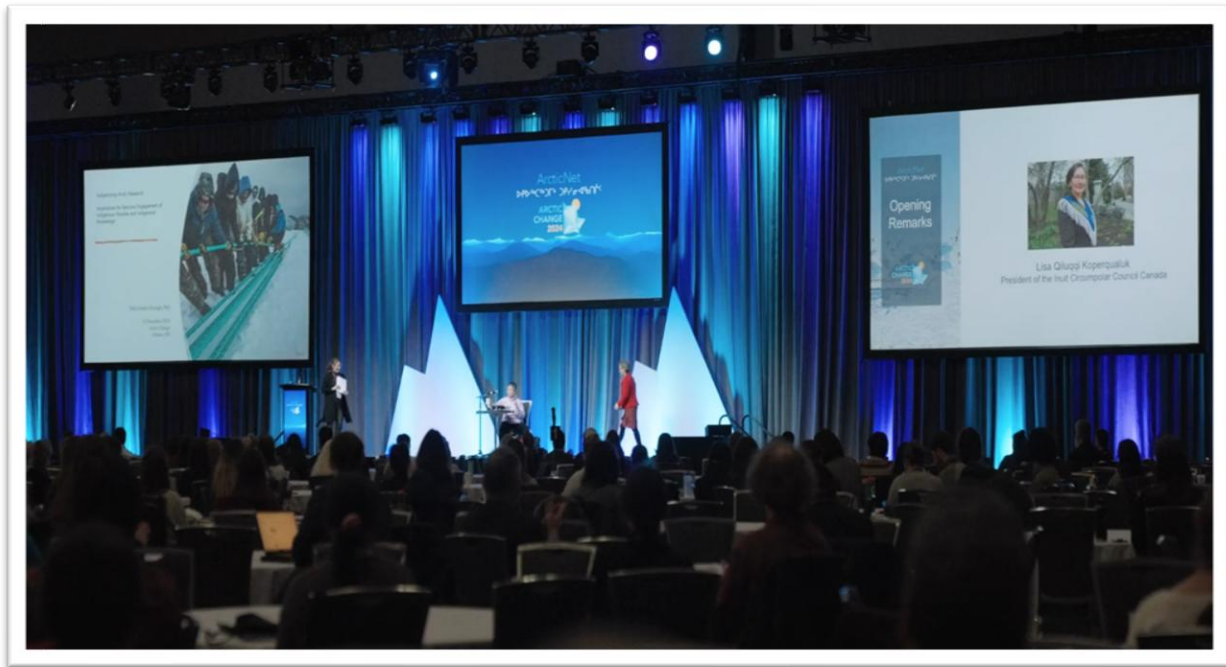


Figure 11: ArcticNet 2024 held in Ottawa (ArcticNet 2024)

- a. **About:** Arctic research leaders worldwide, partners from Inuit organizations, northern communities, federal and provincial agencies and the private sector, convene to share knowledge, build relationships, and foster a strong Arctic research network.
- b. **Focus:** International collaboration to address the challenges and opportunities brought forth by climate and socio-economic change in the Arctic.
- c. **When/Where:** Hosted across the country, typically in early December.
- d. **Registration:** Online registration with reduced fees for youth delegates; details announced on the ArcticNet website.
- e. **Funding:** Scholarships for travel and accommodation are typically available.

4. Arctic Frontiers

<https://arcticfrontiers.com/>

- a. **Focus:** Addresses sustainability, climate, and economic development in the Arctic, connecting research, policy, and business sectors.
- b. **When/Where:** Typically held in January in Tromsø, Norway.
- c. **Participants:** Academics, policymakers, indigenous leaders, and students.
- d. **Registration:** Required, with discounted rates for students and early registrants.
- e. **Funding:** Offers fee waivers for indigenous participants.



5. Arctic Youth Dialogue

<https://www.arcticwwf.org/newsroom/news/arctic-youth-dialogue-call-for-participants/>

- a. **About:** A platform aimed at fostering dialogue, understanding, and cooperation among Arctic youth to share perspectives on climate change, culture, and sustainability.
- b. **Focus:** Youth involvement and youth co-decision making to discuss Arctic issues, especially in the context of climate and environmental policies and participation in the EU Arctic Forum, EU Indigenous Peoples' Dialogue and the EU Arctic Youth Dialogue.
- c. **When/Where:** Varies annually, often tied to larger Arctic events.
- d. **Participants:** Young leaders, indigenous youth, and climate advocates.
- e. **Registration:** Applications open for youth leaders via the WWF Global Arctic Program.
- f. **Funding:** All costs are covered by the WWF Global Arctic Program.

6. Arctic Youth Network Events

<https://arcticyouthnetwork.org/events/>

- a. **About:** Facilitates knowledge-sharing among Arctic youth on sustainability and leadership while providing them with the tools and experience they need to create change locally and internationally.
- b. **When/Where:** Hosted in various Arctic Council member nations and virtually.
- c. **Registration:** Details available via the Arctic Youth Network website.
- d. **Funding:** Financial assistance may be available for Indigenous youth from Arctic communities.



Collaborate – Arctic Climate Organizations

In the fight against climate change collaboration is key. This section highlights organizations active in climate change initiatives across the Arctic. Whether you're looking to partner with a group, join a movement, or seek resources, these organizations can support your efforts and amplify your voice. All descriptions provided below are as per their respective websites.

Nunavut Climate Change Youth Advisory Committee



Figure 12: Nunavut Climate Change Youth Advisory Committee with the Governor General at Silvia Grinnell Park (2024)

A group that provides a platform for youth in Nunavut to actively engage in addressing climate change issues in their communities. It is organized by the Government of Nunavut's Climate Change Secretariat to ensure that the voices and perspectives of young Nunavummiut are included in decision-making and climate change initiatives.

<https://climatechangenunavut.ca/en/youth>

They can be contacted via NuClimateChampions@gmail.com



ArcticNet Students Association (ASA)

The ASA is part of ArcticNet and focuses on broadening the ArcticNet student experience by promoting student learning, research and networking opportunities between students, academics, governmental partners, and northerners. It provides opportunities for learning, leadership, and networking by organizing events like Student Day during the ArcticNet Annual Scientific Meetings. <https://arcticnet.ca/student-association/>

Arctic Council

The Arctic Council is a leading intergovernmental forum addressing sustainable development and environmental protection in the Arctic. It includes Arctic states, Indigenous organizations, and observers, promoting cooperation on critical issues like climate change and biodiversity. <https://arctic-council.org/>

- **Sustainable Development Working Group (SDWG)**

This Arctic Council working group focuses on improving the quality of life in Arctic communities by advancing sustainable development. Its projects emphasize economic development, social progress, and environmental conservation, with significant involvement from Arctic Indigenous Peoples. <https://sdwg.org/>

Arctic Funders Collaborative

A collaborative of philanthropic organizations supporting projects focused on Arctic conservation and Indigenous leadership. Funds initiatives addressing climate adaptation, cultural preservation, and sustainable development. <https://www.arcticfunders.com/>

The Arctic Youth Network

This platform connects Arctic youth to share ideas, collaborate on projects, and amplify their voices in global discussions about Arctic issues. It fosters leadership development and encourages youth participation in science, policy, and advocacy. <https://arcticyouthnetwork.org/>

Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS)

A leading environmental charity advocating for the protection of Canada's wilderness, including Arctic ecosystems. Works on conserving Arctic marine and terrestrial environments, focusing on biodiversity protection and climate resilience. <https://cpaws.org/>



Ecology North

Based in Yellowknife, Ecology North focuses on sustainability and climate change adaptation in northern Canada. They conduct programs on food security, renewable energy, waste reduction, and climate change education. <https://ecologynorth.ca/>

Environment and Climate Change Youth Council



Figure 13: Environment and Climate Change Youth Council Canada (ECCC, 2024)

Comprised of a group of youth in Canada who are passionate about protecting the environment and taking climate action, in their communities and beyond. The Youth Council have demonstrated leadership in these areas and are inspiring others to do the same. They provide non-partisan advice on key environmental and climate issues to inform decisions by the Government of Canada.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environment/weather/climatechange/get-involved/environment-climate-change-youth-council.html>



Indigenous Clean Energy (ICE)

ICE promotes Indigenous leadership and participation in clean energy projects across Canada. It focuses on capacity-building, knowledge-sharing, and implementing renewable energy solutions that align with Indigenous values and environmental stewardship. Their programs, such as ICE Social Enterprise and Catalyst 20/20, are well-recognized for their impact.

<https://indigenoucleanenergy.com/>

Indigenous Climate Action (ICA)

Canada's only Indigenous-led climate justice organization advocating for Indigenous sovereignty in climate action. Supports youth programs, workshops, and policy development integrating Indigenous knowledge. <https://www.indigenousclimateaction.com/>

Oceans North

Dedicated to protecting Arctic waters and promoting sustainable use of marine resources. Focuses on conserving biodiversity and supporting Arctic communities in managing marine ecosystems by listening, learning, and understanding the unique challenges these communities are facing. <https://oceansnorth.org/>

MakeWay (previously Tides Canada)

A charitable organization that supports community-led conservation and sustainability efforts, including Arctic-focused projects. Funds grassroots organizations working on renewable energy, food security, and conservation in northern communities. <https://makeway.org/>



Climate Change Newsletters

Staying informed is key to taking effective climate action. This section lists a few newsletters that provide updates, insights, and resources related to climate change. While these can be valuable tools, it's important to critically evaluate where you get your news. Always ensure your sources are credible and evidence-based to avoid misinformation. All descriptions provided above are as per their respective websites.

CBC – What on Earth



Figure 14: CBC's What on Earth (CBC)

CBC's What on Earth explores environmental trends and solutions shaping a sustainable future. This weekly newsletter focuses on practical actions and inspiring stories, connecting readers with a vision of what's possible for our planet.

<https://subscriptions.cbc.ca/listmanagement/forms/whatonearth>

Globe and Mail – Climate

Stay informed about Canada's environmental challenges and achievements with Globe and Mail – Climate. This newsletter offers in-depth reporting on climate change and its impact on our world, helping readers navigate complex environmental issues.

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/newsletters/globe-climate/?outputType=newsletters>

UN News Climate Newsletter

The UN News Climate Newsletter delivers essential updates on the global fight against climate change. It explores critical topics like the science behind the climate crisis, international negotiations under the Paris Agreement, and major events like COP29. Each instalment highlights inspiring leaders and innovative solutions, empowering readers with the knowledge to actively engage in addressing the urgent challenge of global heating.

<https://news.un.org/en/content/un-news-climate-newsletter>



NASA's Global Climate Change Newsletter

Stay informed about global warming and climate change with NASA's Global Climate Change Newsletter. Drawing from space, sky, sea, and land, it offers unparalleled access to data, research, and updates, enabling a comprehensive understanding of our planet's shifting climate. https://climate.nasa.gov/newsletter_signup/?intent=121

BBC Future Earth



Figure 15: BBC's Future Earth (BBC)

BBC Future Earth offers a refreshing perspective on climate and environmental issues by focusing on solutions and inspiration. In a world of daunting challenges, this newsletter delivers clear insights and hopeful stories, helping readers stay informed about both the problems we face and the answers that can guide us toward a sustainable future.

<https://www.bbc.com/newsletters>

The Guardian - Down to Earth

Down to Earth is The Guardian's roundup of essential environmental stories. From triumphs to challenges, this newsletter covers the most important news about the planet, offering a balanced view of the progress and setbacks in the fight for sustainability.

<https://www.theguardian.com/global/2022/sep/20/sign-up-for-the-down-to-earth-newsletter-our-free-environmental-email>

Yale Environment 360

Yale Environment 360 is an authoritative platform for global environmental dialogue. Featuring original reporting, and thought-provoking debates, it delves into the most pressing environmental challenges with contributions from scientists, policymakers, and visionaries worldwide.

<https://e360.yale.edu/newsletter>



Reuters Sustainable Switch

Reuters Sustainable Switch breaks down the efforts of businesses and governments tackling critical issues like climate change, diversity, and human rights. This newsletter provides a sharp analysis of sustainability challenges and solutions in a rapidly evolving global landscape.

<https://www.reuters.com/newsletters/reuters-sustainable-switch/>

Reuters Power Up

Stay ahead in the global energy industry with Reuters Power Up. This newsletter provides a clear overview of the forces driving the shift to renewable energy, delivering essential insights into policy, technology, and market trends.

<https://www.reuters.com/newsletters/reuters-power-up/>

Carbon Brief

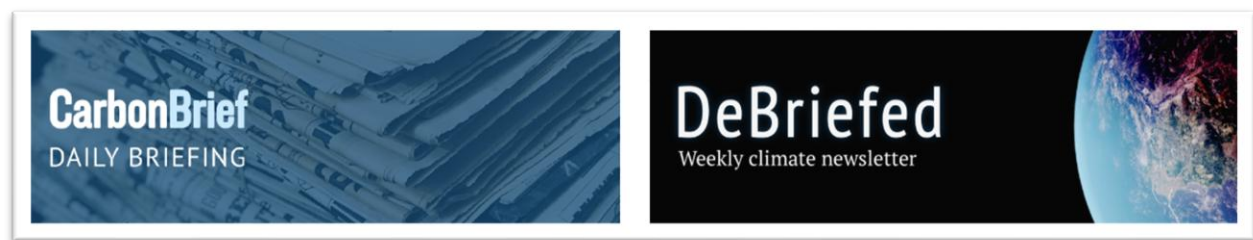


Figure 16: Carbon Brief's Daily Briefing and Debriefed (Carbon Brief)

Daily Briefing - A concise roundup of the day's top climate and energy stories from global media sources, offering readers quick access to the latest developments.

Debriefed - A deep dive into cutting-edge climate science, key statistics, and insightful analysis, crafted by Carbon Brief's diverse team to provide a comprehensive understanding of the issues shaping our world.

<https://www.carbonbrief.org/newsletter-sign-up/>

The Energy Mix

The Energy Mix newsletter is a trusted publication that delivers curated news and insights on climate change, renewable energy, and sustainability. It focuses on the global energy transition, highlighting developments in clean energy technologies, policy changes, and actions to reduce carbon emissions. The newsletter emphasizes solutions for achieving a sustainable energy future while providing critical analysis of current trends and challenges.

<https://www.theenergymix.com/subscriptions/>



How to Form a Climate Change Committee

Creating a Climate Change Committee in your community is a powerful way to bring people together to address climate challenges collaboratively. Remember, this doesn't have to be a formal or overwhelming process—it can simply be an informal gathering of friends meeting over lunch or chatting after school to share ideas and discuss ways to take action. Starting small allows you to build momentum for bigger initiatives over time.

However, if you would like to follow a more formal process consider some these steps to establish a successful and impactful committee. Feel free to reach out to us, The Nunavut Climate Change Secretariat at ClimateChange@gov.nu.ca/ 867 975 7755 or the Nunavut Climate Change Youth Advisory Committee at NuClimateChampions@gmail.com for any further guidance and assistance.

1. **Assess Community Interest** – Start by gauging interest in your school or community. Host an informal meeting or discussion to identify individuals who are passionate about climate action. Use social media, bulletin boards or local radio announcements to spread the word.
2. **Define the Committee's Purpose and Goals** – Work with interested community members to outline the committee's mission. Define clear goals such as promoting climate literacy, organizing sustainable projects, or advocating for local policies that address climate change.
3. **Draft a Committee Structure** – Establish roles and responsibilities for members, such as a chairperson, secretary, and outreach coordinator. Create a meeting schedule and communication plan to keep everyone engaged and informed.
4. **Engage Key Stakeholders** – Reach out to elders, educators, local leaders, and representatives from Inuit and community organizations. Their guidance and support can strengthen your committee's impact and credibility.
5. **Develop an Action Plan** – Identify specific initiatives your committee will focus on, such as:
 - Hosting workshops or educational events.
 - Promoting energy conservation or renewable energy use.
 - Coordinating community clean-up days or recycling programs.
 - Documenting and sharing Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit related to climate resilience.



6. **Secure Resources and Support** – Identify potential funding sources, partnerships, and resources. Apply for grants or collaborate with local organizations to access materials and expertise. Some of the organizations listed under “Arctic Climate Organization” may be a good place to start.
7. **Communicate and Build Awareness** – Keep the community informed about the committee’s activities and progress through social media updates, community bulletin boards, and/ or local radio. Encourage feedback and input from the community.
8. **Monitor and Evaluate Progress** – Regularly review your committee’s initiatives to assess their impact and identify areas for improvement. Celebrate successes and adjust plans as needed to address emerging challenges or priorities.
9. **Foster Inclusivity** – Ensure the committee represents diverse voices in your community, including different genders, backgrounds, and if applicable ages. Inclusivity strengthens the committee’s relevance and effectiveness.
10. **Stay Motivated and Adaptive** – Climate action can feel like a big, long-term commitment, but it doesn’t have to be! A committee can form simply to organize a single event or action. Starting small is a great way to make an impact. Celebrate your achievements, learn from setbacks, and stay flexible as you adapt to new ideas and changing circumstances.



Funding Resources

Below are some funding resources available to you. If you need any assistance with applying, feel free to reach out to us at the Climate Change Secretariat.

Climate Change Preparedness in the North Program (CCPN)

<https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1481305554936/1594738066665>

The Climate Change Preparedness in the North Program (CCPN) provides funding and guidance to Indigenous and Northern communities to enhance their capacity to adapt to climate change impacts. The program supports projects that increase the climate resilience of existing community infrastructure, aligning with self-determined priorities. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis and reviewed by regional climate change technical committees. Prospective applicants should contact the program via email at adaptnorth-northernadapt@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca or call the Public Enquiries Contact Centre at 1-800-567-9604. Applicants will be connected with a climate change community liaison officer for their region, who will assist with the application process.

Indigenous Community-Based Climate Monitoring (ICBCM) Program

<https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1509728370447/1594738205979>

The Indigenous Community-Based Climate Monitoring Program provides funding to support Indigenous-led projects that monitor climate and environmental changes within community boundaries and traditional territories. The program encourages the integration of Indigenous Knowledge Systems with western knowledge to inform adaptation strategies and address climate data gaps. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. To inquire about funding opportunities and application procedures, contact the program via email at surveillanceclimat-climatemonitoring@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca.



Climate Change and Health Adaptation Program (CCHAP)

<https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1536238477403/1536780059794>

Climate Change and Health Adaptation Program (CCHAP) supports First Nations and Inuit communities in identifying, assessing, and responding to health impacts associated with climate change. It offers funding for community-driven projects that develop and implement health-related adaptation plans, produce knowledge-sharing materials, and aid decision-making at various levels. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis and are reviewed by regional climate change adaptation committees. Communities in Nunavut can seek assistance in proposal development from the Climate Change Community Liaison by contacting meagan.leach@qhrc.ca.

Climate Change Secretariat

<https://climatechangenunavut.ca/>

The Nunavut Climate Change Secretariat may be able to provide a one-time contribution to support community-led climate action, activities, or events. Funding may be available for initiatives such as organizing climate change committees, hosting awareness events, and leading community projects that address climate change. To learn more about available funding opportunities and the application process, contact the Secretariat at climatechange@gov.nu.ca.



Outreach Guides

Active participation is essential to fostering understanding, learning, and engagement around climate change. To support Champions in facilitating this, we present a series of guides to help you organize various activities and events in your community.

For younger Champions, we encourage you to seek guidance from your parents, Elders, leaders and trusted educators in your community, who can provide valuable insights and support as you navigate these activities.

Guides are included for each of the activities listed below:

1. Tea Talk with an Elder on the Land
2. Walk on the Land
3. Neighbourhood Clean-up
4. Community Movie Night
5. Community Art Exhibit
6. Community Creative Writing Sharing



Guide to Organizing a Tea Talk with an Elder on the Land: Climate Change Theme

A Tea Talk with an Elder on the land offers a powerful opportunity to bring your community together, share Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit, and foster meaningful discussions about climate change. This guide is designed to help Climate Champions plan and execute this unique event, emphasizing effective preparation and community engagement.

1. Assemble a Planning Team

Form a small group of volunteers to help plan and oversee the event. This team can include:

- Community members or leaders.
- Representatives from local organizations.
- Teachers or youth group leaders.

2. Identify and Connect with an Elder

- Find the right Elder: Seek guidance from community members or local organizations to identify an Elder with insights on the environment and climate change.
- Discuss the theme: Share the focus on climate change and invite the Elder to share stories, observations, and reflections.

3. Select a Suitable Location

- Go on the land: Choose an accessible natural setting close to the community, such as a shoreline, a tundra spot, or a quiet area with a connection to the environment. Have backup options for bad weather, like an indoor location.
- Consider cultural significance: Select a location meaningful to the Elder or the community, if possible.
- Plan for safety: Ensure the location is safe and accessible for participants of all ages and abilities.

4. Set the Date and Time

- Agree on a date and time that is convenient for the Elder and the community.

5. Engage Your Community

- Spread the word: Use community bulletin boards, social media, local radio, or word-of-mouth to invite community members to the event.
- Invite diverse groups: Encourage youth, parents, hunters, and other community members to participate.



- Collaborate with local organizations: Partner with groups that may support with logistics, funding, or additional resources.

6. Prepare Supplies and Materials

- Refreshments: Bring tea, coffee, bannock, pitsik, or other snacks to share.
- Comfort items: Consider providing blankets, chairs, or seating mats to ensure comfort for all participants.
- Safety equipment: Have a first aid kit, and an emergency contact list.

7. Set the Stage for a Respectful Event

- Welcome participants: Begin with introductions and share the purpose of the gathering.
- Honor the Elder: Allow the Elder to guide the discussion, share stories, and lead the conversation.
- Encourage engagement: Invite participants to ask questions respectfully, put away mobile phones, and listen attentively.

8. Follow Up and Reflect

- Debrief with participants: Facilitate a discussion to reflect on key takeaways and insights.
- Share outcomes: Document the event with permission (photos, written summaries) and share with the community.
- Thank the Elder: Present a token of appreciation or honorarium, for their time and knowledge.



Checklist

Before the Event

- ☐ Confirm the Elder's participation.
- ☐ Choose and secure a suitable location.
- ☐ Engage community members and promote the event.
- ☐ Arrange transportation if necessary and gather supplies.

During the Event

- ☐ Ensure participants are dressed for the weather.
- ☐ Set up the space for comfort and accessibility.
- ☐ Serve tea, coffee, and snacks to create a welcoming atmosphere.
- ☐ Facilitate respectful participation.

After the Event

- ☐ Debrief with participants and share reflections.
- ☐ Thank the Elder and the community for their involvement.
- ☐ Explore follow-up actions inspired by the discussion.

Supplies for Consideration

- ☐ Refreshments: Tea, Coffee, snacks (bannock, pitsik, biscuits), cups, and napkins.
- ☐ Seating: Portable chairs, blankets, or ground mats.
- ☐ Weather-appropriate gear: Extra hats, gloves, tarps, or tents for rain protection.
- ☐ Safety: First aid kit, hand sanitizer, and emergency contacts.
- ☐ Token of Appreciation: A small gift or honorarium for the Elder.



Guide to Organizing a Walk on the Land for Students: Climate Change Theme

A walk on the land is a fun and educational way to further connect and foster a sense of stewardship for the land. This guide will help you plan a meaningful and safe experience that combines learning and exploration.

1. Assemble a Planning Team

Form a small group of volunteers to help plan and oversee the event. This team can include:

- Community members or leaders.
- Representatives from local organizations.
- Teachers or youth group leaders.

2. Identify and Connect with a Knowledgeable Guide

Invite someone with expertise to lead the walk, such as:

- An Elder or hunter who can share knowledge and stories.
- A local conservation, wildlife or parks officer familiar with the land around your community.
- A teacher or knowledge holder who knows the area well.

The guide can point out plants, animals, and environmental changes while sharing stories and cultural or scientific insights.

3. Select a Suitable Route

- Select a safe, accessible route, such as a popular local trail, a path along the shoreline, or some other similar trail.
- Consider routes with various points of interest to enrich the learning experience.

4. Obtain Necessary Permissions

- Share the idea and intention of the walk with a teacher or a principal.
- Develop a plan and present to the local District Educational Authority.

5. Set the Date and Time

Choose a day and time that fits the school schedule.

6. Prepare Supplies and Materials

- Refreshments: Water and snacks.
- First aid kit: For safety during the walk.



- Activity sheets: Scavenger hunts, observation lists, and drawing materials (see Appendix A for activity sheets)
- Hand sanitizer: For hygiene before and after the walk.
- Garbage bags: For litter collection.
- Weather-appropriate clothing: Remind students to dress appropriately for the weather.

7. Encourage Conversation Among Students

Before the walk, allow students to discuss key topics amongst themselves:

- The importance of respecting and caring for the land.
- The interconnectedness of ecosystems and how their actions can impact the environment.
- How climate change is affecting Nunavut's land, animals, and people.

8. Plan Engaging Activities

Make the walk interactive and educational by including activities such as:

- Nature Scavenger Hunt: Find items like animal tracks, unique rocks, or plants.
- Observation Challenges: Spot environmental changes linked to climate change.
- Nature Drawing: Sketch plants, animals, or landscapes using art supplies.
- Sound Exploration: Listen to the sounds of nature, like birds or crunching ice, and discuss what they reveal about the environment.
- Litter Pick-Up: Collect litter while learning about its impact on the land (use gloves).

Activity sheets can be found in Appendix A

9. Set Ground Rules and Safety Guidelines

Establish clear expectations before the walk:

- Always be within eyesight and earshot of a supervising adult.
- Bring all garbage back and dispose of it properly.
- Stay hydrated and take breaks when necessary.
- Report any injuries or issues to the supervising adults.

10. Follow Up and Reflect

- Debrief with students: Facilitate a discussion to reflect on key takeaways and insights.
- Share outcomes: Document the event with permission (photos, written summaries) and share with the school/community.
- Thank the Elder/ Guide: Present a token of appreciation, to honour their time and knowledge.



Checklist

Before the Walk

- ☐ Set date, time, and location.
- ☐ Obtain school and parental permissions.
- ☐ Confirm a knowledgeable guide.
- ☐ Prepare supplies and activity materials.
- ☐ Encourage students to talk about climate change and the importance of respecting nature.
- ☐ Prepare a participant checklist or a headcount.

During the Walk

- ☐ Review ground rules and safety guidelines with students.
- ☐ Provide snacks and ensure everyone is well hydrated.
- ☐ Facilitate interactive activities to engage students.
- ☐ Supervise and guide students as they explore and learn.

After the Walk

- ☐ Reflect on the experience with students through discussions or creative activities.
- ☐ Properly dispose of any collected litter.
- ☐ Thank the guide and any helpers for their contributions.
- ☐ Share students' work (e.g., drawings, reflections) with the school or community.

Supplies for Consideration

- ☐ Refreshments: Water, snacks.
- ☐ Activity Materials: Scavenger hunt sheets, art supplies (crayons, paper).
- ☐ Safety Supplies: First aid kit, emergency contact list, hand sanitizer, garbage bags, gloves.
- ☐ Weather Gear: Extra hats, gloves, jackets, sunscreen (if necessary).



Guide to Organizing a Neighbourhood Clean-Up for the Community

A neighbourhood clean-up is an excellent way to bring the community together to care for the environment while fostering teamwork, responsibility, and pride in shared spaces. Follow this guide to plan a safe, engaging, and impactful event.

1. Assemble a Planning Team

Form a small group of volunteers to help plan and oversee the event. This team can include:

- Community members or leaders.
- Representatives from local organizations or businesses.
- Teachers or youth group leaders (if involving schools).

Assign roles such as supervising safety, distributing supplies, or managing waste disposal.

2. Identify a Need

Start by pinpointing the main areas that require attention. For example:

- Garbage or litter in public spaces.
- School premises, parks, playgrounds, shorelines, or trails in need of cleaning.

3. Set the Date, Time, and Location

- Date: Choose a day that allows for enough preparation and accommodates most participants (e.g., a weekend or holiday).
- Time: Schedule the clean-up at a convenient time, such as mid-morning or early afternoon.
- Location: Identify safe and accessible areas in the community that need cleaning.

4. Obtain Necessary Permissions

Before organizing, secure permissions from:

- Local municipal authorities or community leaders.
- Landowners if cleaning private property.

5. Prepare Supplies and Materials

Work with local businesses, organizations, or government agencies for donations.

You'll need:

- Garbage bags and gloves (latex-free for allergies).
- Trash grabbers or brooms (if available).
- Refreshments like snacks and water.
- A first aid kit.



- Tables to set up supplies and refreshments.
- Garbage bins or bags for sorting collected items (if applicable).

6. Encourage Conversations Beforehand

Discuss topics such as:

- The environmental impact of litter on the land and wildlife.
- How proper waste management contributes to a healthier and safer community.
- Sorting garbage and recycling correctly when possible.
- Taking pride in their efforts and seeing how their actions make a positive difference.

7. Set Ground Rules and Safety Guidelines

Ensure all participants understand these rules:

- Clean Safely: Wear gloves.
- Stay in Groups: Work with a buddy or group for safety and efficiency.
- Follow Instructions: Stay in designated clean-up areas.
- Use Hand Sanitizer: Clean hands before and after the clean-up.
- Stay Hydrated: Bring reusable water bottles and take breaks.

8. Plan for Trash Disposal

Coordinate with your local municipal leaders to properly dispose of the trash. If applicable, set up separate bags for burnable, non-burnable, and hazardous materials.

9. Follow Up and Reflect

- Debrief with participants: Facilitate a discussion to reflect on key takeaways and insights.
- Share outcomes: Document the event with permission (photos, written summaries) and share with the community.
- Thank the Participants: Thank the participants and encourage them to take pride in their efforts.



Checklist

Before the Event

- ☐ Identify the clean-up area and needs.
- ☐ Choose a date and time.
- ☐ Obtain permissions from all required parties.
- ☐ Form a planning team.
- ☐ Secure donations or purchase supplies.
- ☐ Plan for delivering the garbage to the local dump

On the Day of the Event

- ☐ Set up a table with supplies (bags, gloves, sanitizer).
- ☐ Provide snacks and refreshments.
- ☐ Review safety guidelines and assign roles to participants.
- ☐ Supervise and support volunteers during the clean-up.

After the Event

- ☐ Ensure proper disposal of all collected garbage.
- ☐ Thank all volunteers and donors for their support.

Supplies for Consideration

- ☐ Garbage bags: Enough for all participants.
- ☐ Gloves: Latex-free options for allergies.
- ☐ Trash grabbers or brooms: For ease of cleaning (reach out to local municipalities for equipment).
- ☐ Snacks: Healthy options like Bannock, fruit, granola bars, or Pitsik.
- ☐ Water or beverages: To keep everyone hydrated.
- ☐ First aid kit: For any minor injuries.
- ☐ Hand sanitizer or wipes: For hygiene.
- ☐ Weather-appropriate clothing: Hats, jackets, sunscreen if needed.

By organizing a neighbourhood clean-up, community members can come together to make a tangible difference in their environment. Together, you can inspire pride and responsibility in caring for shared spaces!



Guide to Organizing a Community Movie Night: Climate Change Theme

A community movie night is a fantastic way to bring people together to discuss climate change, learn, and share experiences. Here's how to organize an enjoyable and meaningful event that resonates with your community.

1. Assemble a Planning Team

Collaboration is key. Gather a few volunteers or ask for support from:

- Local teachers or school staff.
- Friends, family, and community members.

Assign roles, such as

- Equipment setup.
- Snacks and refreshments.
- Greeting and guiding attendees.

2. Select a Suitable Location

Choose a location that's accessible and welcoming, such as:

- The community centre, cultural centre, or recreation hall.
- The school gym or multipurpose room.

Key considerations:

- A blank wall or surface for projecting the movie (or bring a portable screen).
- Sufficient seating for everyone—consider using mats, benches, or chairs.
- Reliable access to power outlets for equipment.

3. Obtain Necessary Permissions

If the movie requires a license for public screening, check with the distributor or a film organization. Some educational films or documentaries about climate change may waive licensing fees for small free community events.

Reach out to your community librarian for assistance in obtaining public screening permission.

4. Set the Date and Time

Pick a time when most community members are available, such as an evening or weekend. Check with local leaders or community members to avoid scheduling conflicts with other community events.



5. Prepare Supplies and Materials

Resources can be borrowed or shared. Reach out to:

- Local schools for a projector or sound system.
- Hamlet offices or recreation staff for technical equipment.
- Community members who may have personal equipment to lend.

Supplies to consider:

- A Large TV, Smart Board, or projector and screen (or a blank wall).
- A speaker system for clear audio.
- Extension cords and power strips.
- A laptop, DVD player or streaming service to play the movie.
- A technician or someone familiar with setting up electronics.

6. Choose the Movie

Select a film that aligns with the theme of climate change and is meaningful to your audience. Suggestions:

- Family-Friendly Options: The Lorax (PG), Wall-E (G), FernGully: The Last Rainforest (G).
- Documentaries: The Last Ice (PG), Before the Flood (PG), An Inconvenient Truth (PG), 2040 (G).
- Indigenous Perspectives: Films featuring Inuit knowledge or Arctic climate impacts, such as The Snow Walker, Inuit Knowledge and Climate Change or other documentaries by Inuit creators.

7. Advertise the Event

Spread the word using methods that resonate in your community:

- Post flyers at key spots like the co-op, school, bulletin boards, or hamlet office.
- Announce the event on the local Facebook page and radio station.
- Use word of mouth—ask community leaders or teachers to share the news.

Include:

- Date and time.
- Location.
- The movie title.
- Any items attendees should bring (e.g., blankets or snacks).



8. Create a Comfortable Atmosphere

- Make the space cozy and inviting:
- Encourage attendees to bring their own blankets, warm clothing, or small cushions.
- Provide extra seating or mats for those who need them.

9. Offer Snacks

Food adds to the fun! Set up a simple concession stand with:

- Popcorn (easy to make in bulk).
- Local treats (e.g., bannock, pitsik).
- Juice boxes, coffee, tea, or hot chocolate.

Ask local stores or community members for donations or consider a small fundraiser to cover costs.

10. Follow Up and Reflect

After the movie night, take time to hear from attendees:

- Ask for feedback in person or through a simple comment box.
- Discuss what worked and what could improve for next time.
- Thank everyone for attending and contributing.



Checklist

Before the Event

- ☐ Form a small planning team with clear roles.
- ☐ Reserve the venue.
- ☐ Borrow or arrange equipment (projector, sound system).
- ☐ Choose a climate change-themed movie.
- ☐ Obtain permissions or licenses for the film.
- ☐ Decide on snacks and seek local donations or funding.
- ☐ Advertise through posters, radio, social media, and word of mouth.

Day of the Event

- ☐ Test all equipment and set up the venue.
- ☐ Arrange seating and make the space comfortable.
- ☐ Set up the snack station.
- ☐ Greet attendees and introduce the event's theme.
- ☐ Monitor the screening and help if technical issues arise.

After the Event

- ☐ Clean up the venue and return borrowed equipment.
- ☐ Thank attendees and volunteers.
- ☐ Collect feedback for future improvements.

Supplies for Consideration

- ☐ Projector and screen (or access to a blank wall).
- ☐ Laptop or DVD player.
- ☐ Speakers and extension cords.
- ☐ Flyers and posters for advertising.
- ☐ Snacks and drinks.
- ☐ Serving supplies (napkins, cups).
- ☐ Blankets, mats, or extra seating.
- ☐ Hand sanitizer and garbage bags for clean-up.
- ☐ First aid kit (just in case).



Guide to Organizing a Community Art Exhibit on Climate Change in Nunavut

Hosting a community art exhibit under the theme of climate change is a powerful way to inspire creativity, raise awareness, and encourage meaningful dialogue about an issue that directly impacts life in Nunavut. This guide will help climate change champions organize a successful and impactful event.

1. Assemble a Planning Team

- Assemble a small team of enthusiastic volunteers or community members to oversee the exhibit.
- Responsibilities include recruiting participants, organizing materials, managing logistics, and ensuring deadlines are met.

2. Select a Venue and Display Plan

Select a location accessible to the community:

- Community centre, hamlet office, cultural centre, or local school.
- Outdoor venues for larger displays or installations (weather permitting).
- Online gallery or social media platforms for digital submissions.

Plan the setup to ensure space for all submissions:

- Use tables, easels, or wall space to display artwork.
- Ensure proper lighting and signage for the exhibit.

3. Set the Date and Time

Pick a time when most community members are available, such as an evening or weekend. Check with local leaders or community members to avoid scheduling conflicts with other community events.

4. Define Participation Details

Determine who can participate:

- Open to all community members, including students, youth groups, and adults, or specify any age groups or categories, if applicable.

Accepted Art Mediums. Clearly outline the types of art accepted, such as:

- Disciplines: Drawing, painting, sculpture, photography, digital art, prints, etc.
- Media: Watercolour, acrylic, pastel, recycled materials, etc.
- Size: Set maximum dimensions for submissions (e.g., no larger than 24"x36").
- Special requirements: Specify if pieces must be framed or ready to display.



5. Set a Theme and Prompt

Use a clear and inspiring prompt related to climate change:

- “How does climate change affect Nunavut’s land and wildlife?”
- “Imagining a sustainable future for Nunavut.”
- “What I want our community to look like in 2100!”

6. Establish the Entry Process

Outline how participants will submit their artwork:

- Submission format: Physical drop-off, digital upload, or both.
- Deadlines: Set clear timelines for submissions.
- Entry forms: Collect details like participant’s name, title of the piece, and a brief description.

7. Promote the Exhibit

Spread the word using methods that resonate in the community:

- Posters or flyers at local co-ops, schools, bulletin boards, and community centres.
- Announcements on local radio stations and social media platforms.
- Word of mouth: Engage community leaders, youth groups, and elders to help spread awareness.

8. Host the Event

Display the artwork in a gallery-style format:

- Include labels for each piece with the artist’s name, title, and description.
- Arrange works by theme, age group, or medium to create a cohesive experience.

Organize a small ceremony to:

- Congratulate participants on their hard work.
- Highlight the importance of climate change and community action.
- Encourage discussions about the messages conveyed through the artwork.
- Invite the entire community, including elders, families, and local leaders.

9. Celebrate Participation and Creativity

- Certificates of participation.
- Small tokens like art supplies, notebooks, bookmarks, or eco-friendly items.

10. Follow Up

- Share photos of the event and artwork on social media or community platforms.
- Thank all participants, volunteers, and sponsors for their contributions.
- Gather feedback to improve future exhibits and community events.



Supply Checklist

Organizational Supplies:

- ☐ Entry forms and guidelines.
- ☐ Promotional materials (posters, announcements).
- ☐ Art Materials (if providing)
- ☐ Tokens of appreciation for participants (if providing)

Event Setup:

- ☐ Tables, easels, or wall mounts for displaying artwork.
- ☐ Labels for artwork (artist name, title, description).
- ☐ Signage for the event venue.

Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Refreshments for attendees (optional).
- ☐ Camera or phone for capturing photos of the event.
- ☐ Hand sanitizer and garbage bags for clean-up.

This guide ensures your community art exhibit not only celebrates creativity but also sparks meaningful conversations about climate change. By showcasing diverse perspectives and artistic expressions, you'll empower participants and attendees to reflect on the importance of climate action in Nunavut.



Guide to Organizing a Community Creative Sharing Event on Climate Change

A creative sharing event under the theme of climate change can inspire people of all ages to express their thoughts and feelings about the environment creatively. This guide will help champions organize a meaningful and engaging event tailored to Nunavut's unique context.

1. Assemble a Planning Team

Appoint a few community members to coordinate the event. Responsibilities include:

- Recruiting participants and volunteers.
- Distributing materials and promoting the event.
- Setting up the venue and overseeing the recital.

2. Select a Suitable Venue

Venue Options:

- Community centre, community learning centre, library, or Elders' Hall.
- Virtual platforms for online participation.

Setup Requirements:

- Prepare a stage or speaking area for participants to share.
- Arrange comfortable seating for the audience.
- Borrow or source any necessary audio equipment, like microphones and speakers.

3. Set the Date and Time

Pick a time when most community members are available, such as an evening or weekend. Check with local leaders or community members to avoid scheduling conflicts with other community events.

4. Define Event Details

Specify who can participate:

- Age group: Youth, adults, or both.
- Is the event open to members of your community or region.

Set submission rules:

- Word or time limit (e.g., 5 - 10 minutes).
- Accepted formats: Storytelling, song, free verse, rhyming, haiku, or open format.
- Language: Allow entries in Inuktitut, English, or open format.



Guidelines - Participants can:

- Write their own original story or poem.
- Share a favourite story or poem by someone else.

5. Set a Theme and Prompt

- “The Changing Arctic Landscape.”
- “Our Role in Protecting Nunavut’s Future.”
- “Voices of the North: Climate Change and Our Community.”

6. Establish the Entry Process

- Physical submissions: Handwritten or printed and delivered to a designated location.
- Digital submissions: Accept via email or an online form.
- Set clear deadlines for submissions.
- Include an entry form with: Participant’s name, age (if applicable), and title.

7. Promote the Event

Spread the word through:

- Posters or flyers at local co-ops, schools, bulletin boards, and community centres.
- Announcements on local radio and local Facebook groups.
- Partner with Elders, schools, or local organizations to generate excitement and involvement.

8. Plan the Recital

- Organize a welcoming recital event.
- Participants recite their selected or written stories, songs, etc. to an audience.
- Encourage sharing thoughts on why they chose or created it and its connection to climate change.
- Decorations inspired by the theme (e.g., Arctic landscapes, climate action).
- Optional background music or additional creative performances.

9. Celebrate Participation and Creativity

- Certificates of participation.
- Small tokens like notebooks, bookmarks, or eco-friendly items.

10. Follow Up

- Share videos, photos and event highlights on social media or in local publications.
- Thank participants, organizers, and attendees.
- Collect feedback to improve future events.



Supply Checklist

Organizational Supplies

- ☐ Entry forms with submission details and guidelines.
- ☐ Certificates or small tokens of appreciation.
- ☐ Printed program or agenda for the recital.

Event Setup

- ☐ Stage or podium for recitals.
- ☐ Microphone and speakers (if needed).
- ☐ Chairs for the audience.
- ☐ Decorations related to the theme.

Miscellaneous

- ☐ Refreshments for the event (optional).
- ☐ Camera or phone for capturing the event and showcasing the poems.

This community creative sharing event will empower participants to creatively express their thoughts on climate change, and foster awareness on impacts of climate change.

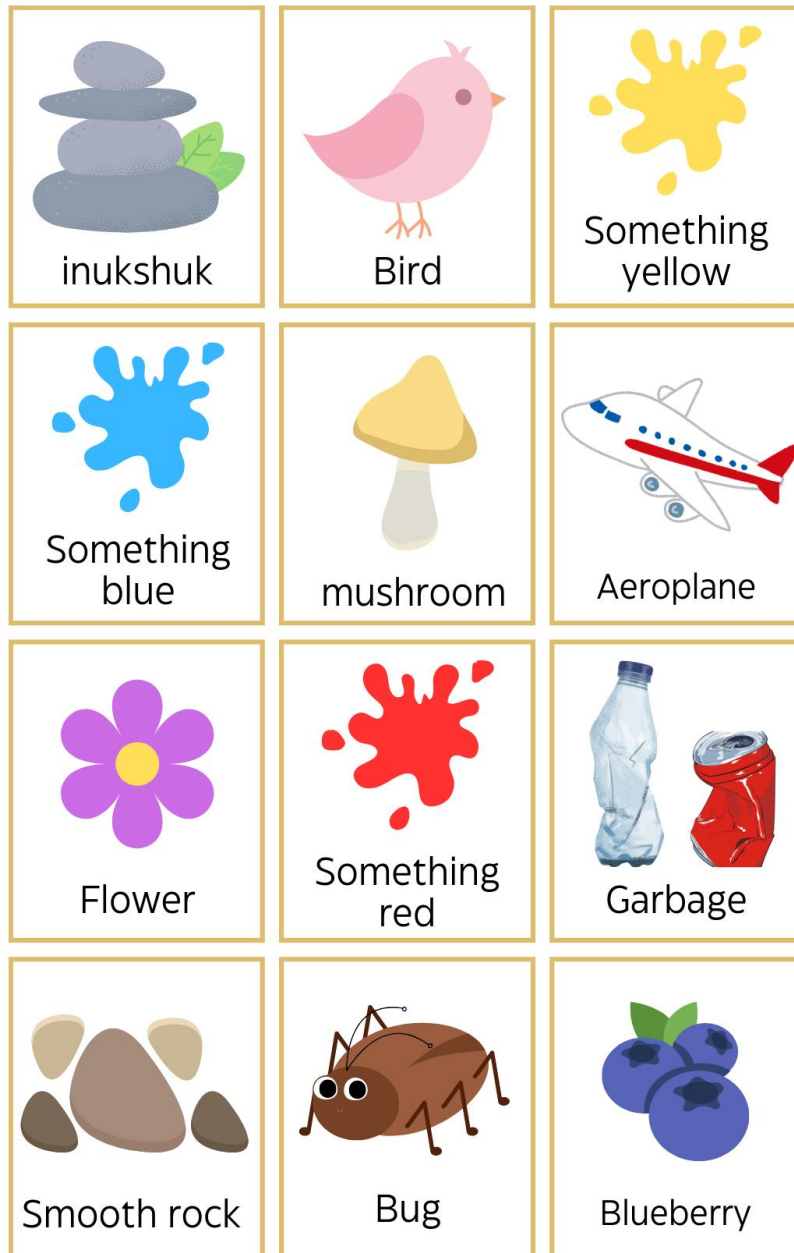




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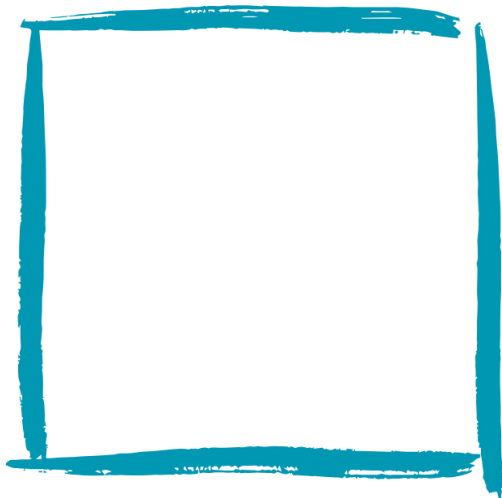
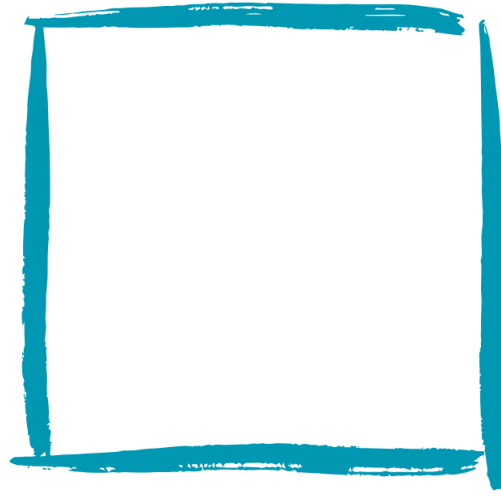
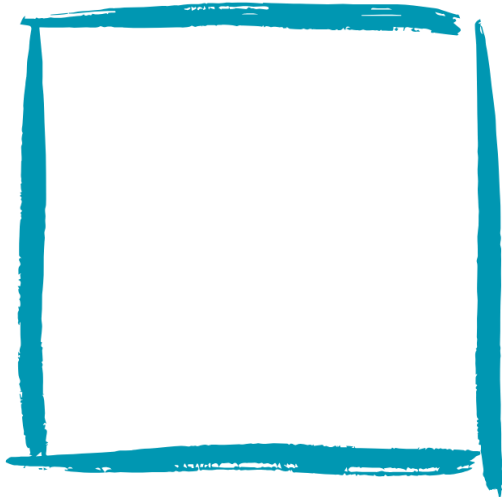
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Try and find everything on this list!



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Draw the different shapes of clouds you see



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