

Long Agenda w/notes Tucson CCL Chapter Mtg 3/7/26 at Himmel Park

Welcome new members: Owen Brosanders, Sam Cloud, Nathan Farris, Nicholas Hishaw, Kayli Navas, Jenny Tran

National CCL Actions / Legislative Updates

Congress mostly preoccupied with Iranian situation and DHS funding shutdown issues. PROVE IT Act ("Providing Resources on Emissions from Various Entities and Intensity Techniques Act") became law through appropriations process. Permitting Reform still in focus, ongoing discussions, but no comprehensive bill yet.

2025 Fall Lobby Meeting Report: 83 lobby meetings in Senate (83%), 291 in House (66%)

National CCL Mtg / Monthly Call Saturday 3/14 10 am – Marija Verner, PhD, Climate Change Communication Researcher & Educator, Yale Program on Climate Change and Communication

Take Action on <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/get-loud-take-action/>
In February Tucson chapter members took 73 actions, including 65 contacts with legislators.

National CCL March fundraising drive – goal of \$10,000 in recurring monthly donations this month, matched monthly through the end of 2026. <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/donate/>

Tell Congress: Treat EV and Hybrid Drivers Fairly – message our MOCs. (58 messages on Treat EV and Hybrid Drivers Fairly from Tucson chapter in February). Highway Reauthorization Bill, which finances the Highway Trust Fund. <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/get-loud-take-action/ev-fee/>

Post card campaign / post card chapter team (Bill Jones)

EPA Endangerment Finding (Richard McAllister)

CCL statement on the Endangerment Finding released last August:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IH7FIY8ivUcQ4HdgsOBpSuJTrlJU4XjE/view>

CCL press release on the rescission of the Endangerment Finding:

<https://citizensclimatelobby.org/blog/news/epa-move-shows-urgent-need-for-congressional-climate-action/>

New CCL Mission Statement: “Citizens’ Climate Lobby empowers everyday people to bridge divides and build political will for effective **climate solutions in Congress.**”

New CCL Policy Commitments: At CCL, we’re committed to advancing federal policies that: **Reduce Emissions, Remove Climate Pollution, and Protect People**

<https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/item/24/20397>

Upcoming CCL Trainings (<https://community.citizensclimate.org/events/category/24>)

BRIDGE (“Building Relationships in Dialogue, Growth and Engagement) Advocacy
<https://community.citizensclimate.org/BRIDGE/Unit-1>

Unit 1: Understanding Ourselves (3 trainings)
The Unseen Driver: Why Facts Alone Can't Save the World
The Six Moral Foundations: Understanding Others by Understanding Yourself
Moral Reframing in Practice

Unit 2: Strategic Advocacy (Available in April)
Unit 3: Communication Skills (Available in July)

Additional training sessions on Energy Affordability and Security, Campaign Season and Election Activities, Permitting Reform, New Volunteers, Climate Advocate, Tabling

Action teams: <https://community.citizensclimate.org/groups/action-teams>

Carbon Price Action Team; Advocating for effective carbon pricing mechanisms to accelerate the transition to clean energy while protecting vulnerable communities through policy design.

(<https://community.citizensclimate.org/groups/home/3102>)

Held a Kickoff Mtg 2/25; see recent group discussions online at site above. Next mtg Wed 3/25 at 10 am

CCL Weekly Briefing 3/4/26 email survey:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe1gAB7LgzU-nlpfQVHzdJW3Ib7C3ZZDHLAkj7kCQto_hWhpg/viewform

National Youth Action Team; Two main objectives:

1) to provide a space for CCL youth under 18 to communicate and interact with other young people;

2) to educate and support local chapters in providing opportunities for effective and empowering youth engagement.

CCL Members: <https://community.citizensclimate.org/groups/home/988L> Members:

CCL Youth website: <https://youth.citizensclimatelobby.org/>

Chapter "Liaison" Between CCL and AZYCC and vice versa?

AZYCC Updates: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-JMry97z2P1dML8isp2Nkezuy1ZoRp-xQ17SqCP_CSE/edit?tab=t.0

AZYCC Updates

- Our Tucson team has continued working with TUSD to continue the implementation of the district's climate action plan that was written by AZYCC members and was passed last year
- Tucson team has also started working on drafting a research paper on DCP, which stands for distributed capacity procurement, and is a proposed energy model that makes energy production for sustainable by relying more on stored solar energy from batteries and other sources. We are hoping to get this paper published by one of the city's commissions by the end of the semester
- Additionally, we have been scheduling meetings with various city council members to talk to them about environmental issues

- We have also tabled at various events such as at environmental lobby day and at the heat summit held at the U of A a few weeks ago
- Our Phoenix team has been working on getting their own climate action plan passed by the Phoenix Union High School district and it's being voted on very soon
- They have also been meeting with and attending board meeting ran by city officials in an attempt to get this climate action plan passed
- Our outreach team has established a school clubs toolkit that outlines how to start and run an environmental focused club at schools across the state
- Our policy team has been working on endorsements for various elections across the state and has also been researching many environmental issues
- Our Finance team has been working on acquiring more grants for the organization
- Our communications team has continued to post regularly about environmental issues and they've continued their purpose of getting the word out to youth specifically about the effects of climate change

CCL Sitewide Forums <https://community.citizensclimate.org/forums>

Forums: General; Ask Us Anything; CCL's Policy Agenda; Lobbying Congress; Media Relations; Grassroots Outreach; Grasstops Engagement; Chapter and Volunteer Development

National CCL Conservative Climate Caucus

<https://citizensclimatelobby.org/climate-change-conferences/conservative/>

Online Satd 4/18/26; virtual lobby days to follow; Application process deadline 3/31/26; non-conservative CCL members may register (\$10 fee) to view livestream of 4/18/26 events.

Spring Congressional Recess tentatively 3/30 – 4/10

No public in-district events presently listed on websites for Reps Ciscomani and Grijalva or Sen Gallego.

Nonpublic event: Rotary Club of Tucson Lunch Meeting with Sen Kelly Wed 4/1/26 12 noon to 1:20 pm at the Tucson Convention Center (Rotary member guest fee \$40).

Tucson Chapter Updates

Successful tabling event 2/7 at the 2026 Southern Arizona Heat Summit

Thank you tablers Michael and Dodie Jones, Katy Garmany, Garrett Weaver, Bill Jones, Ed Beshore

Upcoming tabling event Tuesday 4/21 at Climate Community Day at the Amethyst Rm at the downtown campus of Pima Community College from 9 am to 1:30 pm (with post event organization collaboration discussion tentatively to 3:30 pm), with tablers needed from 12 pm to 2 pm. Lunch provided. Registration details to follow.

Finances update (**Thank you to our donors!**)

Wells Fargo Statement Activity summary

	Beginning balance	Deposits/Credits	Withdrawals/Debits	Ending Balance	memo
12/04/25	\$ 743.48	\$ 100.00		\$ 843.48	Donation
12/23/25	\$ 843.48	\$ 927.00		\$ 1,770.48	GoFundMe
2/2/2026	\$ 1,770.48	\$ 214.26		\$ 1,984.74	GoFundMe
2/5/2026	\$ 1,984.74	\$ 3,233.00		\$ 5,217.74	Cash Donation

Student Scholarship program (Mary Stout)
Book Club (Rick and Marian)
ACC Watch and possible chapter book exchange (Barbara Liguori).

Reminder of AZ SOS site for signing candidate petitions and clean election \$5 donation:
<https://apps.azsos.gov/apps/election/eps/op/>

Guest speaker, Derek M Lemoine, PhD, Professor of Economics, University of Arizona,
Tuesday 3/17/26 at 5 pm by Zoom (Phx and Flagstaff CCLers invited)

Call for Volunteers

CD-7 Liaison; Finance committee; tabling; post carding;
Other needs of our Chapter?

Next Mtg date is 4/18/2026 10 am – 12:30 pm at Martha Cooper Library

Open forum / Other Opportunities for Tucson CCL? / Comments / Questions