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Your monthly dose of *good news* about climate change.

Climate heroes are not only designing and building the healthier future we need; they are also defending against actions that threaten science and our health. This issue highlights key stories from this month.

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New 10-Point Climate Policy Agenda

Health leaders step up because climate solutions are *health* solutions.



We've joined over 70 health leaders and organizations in signing the **first-ever** climate and health policy action agenda.

Signed by groups like the American Lung Association, the American Heart Association, and the American Academy of Pediatrics, it calls for **a rapid transition away from coal, oil, and natural gas** to clean, safe, and renewable energy and energy efficiency. It also calls for action on active transportation, sustainable agriculture, and for climate solutions to be incorporated into all health care and public health systems.

Read the Agenda

Climate Stories to Help You Sleep at Night



New York passes its own Green New Deal with aggressive targets (Bloomberg)



11 million people now have jobs in renewable energy (
Forbes)



Maine, Vermont pass plastic bag bans on same day (The Hill)



U.S. renewable power capacity surpasses coal for the first time (Forbes)



Fossil fuels produce less than half of UK electricity for first time (<u>Guardian</u>)



A 100% renewable grid isn't just feasible, it's in the works in Europe (Thinkprogress)



Investors with \$34 trillion demand urgent climate change action (Reuters)



Ireland to unveil bold plan to tackle climate emergency (

<u>Guardian</u>)



Sadiq Khan announces carfree day in London to tackle air pollution (<u>Guardian</u>)

Climate Action in Everyday Living

Gina spoke with The Weather Channel about reasons for climate optimism, and what we can do to keep up momentum.

Over 300 cities have pledged to uphold the Paris Agreement, and here's how we do our part:

- Encourage our communities to embrace the climate challenge
- Weave solutions into our everyday lives
- Push more for electric cars
- Compost
- Buy local food

Gina's advice: Think about choices you make in your every day life and choose the ones that are best for your kids. It's really as ridiculously simple as that.



Watch now



July 4 th is almost here! It's time to eat, drink, be merry, and consider <u>the</u> carbon footprint of your charcoal grill. Then:

- 1. Use this calculator to estimate how much food you'll need to feed your guests
- 2. Think about grilling more veggies than meat
- 3. Check out some sustainable recipes
- 4. If you're scrubbing the house first, use this guide to green your clean

Push Backs on Rollbacks

It can be overwhelming to <u>keep up with</u> announcements about rollbacks. But we are there to stand up for science, along with many other climate heroes speaking out for climate justice.

Putting health first

We worked with the media to raise awareness of the health impacts of EPA's Affordable Clean Energy Rule, which replaced President Obama's Clean Power Plan.

Watch Gina provide context on CNN

Read Gina's op-ed in Newsweek, penned with former colleagues at EPA





Former EPA Administrators Testify to Congress

Our Director Gina McCarthy joined a bipartisan panel of four former EPA chiefs to present a united message that current actions at EPA are putting public health at risk.

- Watch Gina's opening remarks
- Read her written testimony
- Watch the full hearing
- Read in the Washington Post

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