



Vermont Interfaith Power & Light
A faith-based response to global warming



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Green Mountains, Blue Water

Mid-Year Invitation to Support VTIPL's Work

- The time is NOW to Care for Creation
- Support Faith-based Responses to the Global Climate Crisis
- Connect with People Near and Far Committed to Climate Solutions

Dear Friends,

In the first half of 2022, Vermont Interfaith Power & Light (VTIPL) brought together people of faith and conscience to seek solutions to Global Climate Change. We've continued popular programming while launching new initiatives thanks in part to generous donors like you.

In April, we kicked off Earth Month with a **preview of the *Youth v. Gov* film** and discussion led by and for youth. VTIPL's young board member Sylvia Burkman did an excellent job organizing and facilitating this program. We also had a youth presence at our annual conference with Sylvia inviting us to illustrate our dreams for a more just and sustainable future. We are privileged to be able to learn with and engage youth who are passionate about the Climate Crisis and implications for our futures. On April 24, we brought together members and friends resuming **VTIPL's annual in-person conference**. With the theme, ***Limits to Growth: Finding Pathways to a Sustainable Future***, the gathering featured several workshops and a keynote by Dr. Jon Erickson, the David Blittersdorf Professor of Sustainability Science & Policy of UVM. You can access video recordings of conference programs via [VTIPL's website](#).

We also presented the **inaugural VTIPL Green Congregation of the Year Award** to Weybridge Congregational Church including a cash gift for their continued efforts. Over the years, VTIPL has been honored to be able to help many congregations in becoming more sustainable; we decided the Award would be a good way to recognize this work. We'll share information soon about how to nominate a congregation for next year's Award.

Also, after many years of a concerted effort by VTIPL's Board, we are thrilled to have established the **Ellie Cressey Webster Memorial Fund** extending our reach to enable more houses of worship to make important infrastructure changes to increase energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Fund, along with VTIPL's Katy Gerke Memorial Program, allow us to offer grants to all faith communities seeking to make such improvements.

Each month, our informative, attractive e-newsletter connects people to VTIPL events, while sharing climate- and faith-related news from local to broader global communities. We know we must collaborate and support each other in this most important work of our time. If you'd like us to add a friend to our monthly e-news list, please [send us a message](#).

VTIPL accomplishes all of this on a very tight budget through the efforts of our volunteer Board and part-time Coordinator Donna Roberts. Your donation is vital in helping us continue to provide quality programming and to effect change at this critical time for Earth and humanity.

Double your impact with a donation today.

Thanks to generous donors, the first \$1,500 in donations received by June 30 will be matched. Please donate now to make your gift go even further.

[**Donate Now**](#)

For your convenience, you can contribute securely online via the Donate Now link here or on our website, or mail your donation to: VTIPL, P.O. Box 3095, Burlington, VT, 05408. Gifts of every amount are greatly appreciated and enable VTIPL to continue Caring for Creation.

Finally, please let us know if you might be interested in **joining VTIPL's Board and/or volunteering**. Send us an mail! [We'd love to hear from you](#).

With gratitude,

Ron McGarvey
President, Vermont Interfaith Power & Light

Your support today helps continue this important work.

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THANK YOU!



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