

## **Laurel's 5 year Climate Action Plan** (version 1/26/23)

### **Big Ideas to Guide Myself**

**My Assets** - RC brings me courage and integrity, willingness to try new things, keep thinking, skilled listening, loving many people and relationship building

**Unique positions of leverage** - I can have the largest effect by working locally and regionally based on relationships, Use storytelling and music

**Do what creates more energy for me and helps me balance. Act Regenerative!**

**Do a few big things**

**Be strategically hopeful**

## **My 5 Year Action Plan**

### **Lead in RC - Region**

2023 - Collaborate on Regional Slow Workshop on Unified Goal on Climate (UGC)

- Meet regularly with Marilyn & Barb as climate emergency coordinator for the region
- Lay out plan for Teams
- Lay out support for the Teams including topics in the class meetings
- Consider who to ask to assist me and build our relationship
- Regular contact with Community leaders, support their leading on UGC
- Set up a Support Group for key leaders from around the region
- Plan to lead a half day WS in our region on UGC
- Evaluate in 6 month and re-calibrate the plan

2024 - Teams functioning well and taking larger actions

- Teams working with/inside public climate justice efforts
- Support group on COE/UGC in each community in region
- Have an established assistant who starts doing more leading

2025 - Teams re-organize by location to focus on their local community's effort to act as large and radical as necessary to resolve the climate crisis

- Replace myself with a younger leader in RC for the region

2026- Teams collaborate across the region in and out of RC for large social movement actions to resolve the climate situation

2027 - Complete reprioritization in society to a circular economy with the thriving of all life on the planet as the long term sustainable goal well advanced

### **Lead in RC - Locally**

2023 - My Local Community Ongoing Class

- Counsel the teacher on topics related to UGC
- Establish a Climate moment in each class
- Encourage using one "go-around" to include "my climate action of the past week" to normalize taking action and talking about our actions
- Work with the local Teachers and Leaders to think well about helping everyone become part of a Team for climate action

2024 - Teams functioning well and taking large public actions

- RC Community has a regular COE/UGC support groups

2025 - Teams collaborate with local public climate action groups for mass movements

2026 - Teams influence local governments to take bold action on climate justice

2027 - Local towns are well on the way to thriving under a reprioritized

circular economy to provide local necessities and support for all living things

## **Lead Publically**

### **2023 - Organize with Third Act Regional Working Group**

- Press the Strategy Committee to move on bigger goals - get more creative with bold public actions that have impact, shift society about consumption and toward circular economy
- Build more diversity into the Coordinating Committee
- Support the leadership of Women, Raised Poor and Working Class folks
- Replace myself as Co-Facilitator within 6 months, build in more redundancy into the system generally
- Lead the organization and creation of Regional action groups with a local leaders
- Use my role liaison with Third Act Central to put broader economic goals into the vision and mission of TA; consult with P. H. on economics and climate; get bolder about supporting D. M. - strategist for TA to move this forward; talk with her about TA VT vision, mission, values and needing a longer view from TA central
- Continue my work with Youth Lobby - Rally for the Planet and the local young people working on it; actively develop the leadership of younger members of the group; bring young people to Third Act events

2024 - Locally lead parents and grandparents related to Climate for Families

- TA regionally continue to hold a strategic position to expand the horizons of the vision, mission values and goals
- Create pathways for general social acceptance of degrowth

economics and lifestyles to enable a good life for everyone

2025 -

2026 -

2027 -

### **2023 - Organize in my Town**

- Decide on one big project - community solar?
- Listening Groups re: climate issues, economics, community values

2024 -

2025 -

2026 -

2027 -

### **Lead Hyper-locally Networks for Resilience**

**2023** - Build relationships across all divisions in my 50 household neighborhood

- Block party 2 x this year including everyone, use music and storytelling
- Rotating weekly potluck in neighborhood
- Circle of support - ask and give help through listening
- Collaborate to weatherize all homes in this neighborhood, begin with education of resources that are now available
- Car and pickup sharing in the neighborhood
- Track what we do and how it works and how to make it better,

**2024** - Hold an event to interest other neighborhoods to form Networks

- Collaborate to weatherize all homes in this neighborhood

**2025** - Everyone in town part of a neighborhood

- Include Hazard Mitigation education
- Collaborate to weatherize all homes in other neighborhoods

**2026** - Host Support group for neighborhood leaders

- Collaborate to weatherize all homes in this town

**2027** - Collaborate on a town-wide celebration event through Neighborhood networks

### **My Relationships - not on a timeline, but always a priority**

- Support the work of local Indigenous friends, Linda, Rich, Roger, Diana
  - Especially, learn about about Rich's project in my town
  - Include these folks in discussions about Outstanding Resource Waters applications
- My relationships with my four legislators - to get bills passed this year for Affordable Heat Standard, Renewable Energy Standard, Weatherization at Scale, Complete Streets, Michelle, Leslie, Wendy, Nader
- Long term with legislators - get Vermont Climate Action Plan and Environmental Justice bills funded and integrated throughout the state to reach goals in the plans
- B F Bike Project
- Join or get other folks to join Bike-Ped committee to create and implement a 5 year plan, Bonnie, Rick
- Vocally support the concept of "complete streets" for multi-modal transportation
- Lobby to get "Driver Ed" to become "Transportation Ed" and

include driving EVs, carpooling, E-bikes, regular bikes for transportation, walking for transportation and the use of local public bus system

- Promote El Paseo - Sunday evening stroll in neighborhoods
- Hazard Mitigation including effects of climate change
  - Build relationship with State Climatologist & her work with Town Hazard Mitigation plans
  - Send reminders to each “Responsible Party” in our Hazard Mitigation Plan of the work assigned to them related to the effects of climate change
- Long term - share the process throughout the state, perhaps through the Regional Commissions, Chris, Alyssa, Margo, etc.