

# **Vermont Legislators**

## ***'A Commitment to the Health and Well-Being of All Vermonters'***

The science is clear and unambiguous - climate change is happening and is primarily driven by the burning of fossil fuels. Left unchecked, carbon pollution will have catastrophic impacts on the environment, the global economy, and the health of humans and animals everywhere.

Our changing climate is already upending the ways in which people sustain the health and prosperity of their families, and the ways in which communities ensure the well-being of citizens. Vermonters are not immune from the impacts of climate change on their health and well-being.

There is hope. By transitioning from fossil fuels to cleaner, renewable energy sources, we will drive our contribution to carbon pollution down, strengthen our local economy, and protect the health of all Vermont's citizens - especially our children, the elderly, the chronically ill, and those living in low income communities.

As Vermont policymakers, we pledge to accelerate the transition to a healthier, cleaner, and more prosperous energy future. As we move forward, we will consider how all proposed policies impact this pivotal goal.