



AN INVITATION FROM THE HT GREEN TEAM!

For more information, we invite you to listen to the [HT Green Team Meeting](#) recorded on February 28 and featuring federal and local advocates. Action items from the meeting are highlighted below.

Virginia Residents

ACTION: Thank Gov. Northam:

Share your message with Gov. Northam through [this contact form](#).

Response required: Yes

Subject (feel free to adapt): Continuing your work on environmental justice

Body (please personalize):

Dear Gov. Northam,

Thank you for being a champion on environmental justice issues. As a Catholic, I feel called to act for environmental justice as a form of caring for my neighbor. Can I count on you to continue your leadership on this important issue by signing the Environmental Justice Amendment Act (SB 1318) and the Environmental Justice Interagency Working Group Act (HB 2074) into law?

Sincerely

Maryland Residents

ACTION: Listen to Bob Simon's portion of the HT Green Team Meeting. Consider emailing the [Maryland Catholic Conference](#) and ask that the following bills be added to their priority list:

- [HB114](#): Maryland Transit Administration - Funding (Transit Safety and Investment Act)
- [HB334](#): Maryland Transit Administration - Conversion to Zero-Emission Buses (Zero-Emission Bus Transition Act)
- [HB583](#): Climate Solutions Now Act of 2021

Maryland Residents

ACTION: Urge Montgomery County representative Susan Lee and Ben Kramer to support Transit Safety Investment Act (HB114/S199) as an environmental and equity issue.

Learn more about the [bill](#)

Read: [Pastors See Moral Imperative to Fund Baltimore Transit](#)

Call Sen. Susan Lee (District 16) at 301-858-3124

Call Sen Ben Kramer (District 19) at 301-858-3740

Transit Safety & Investment Act
Senate Bill 199/ House Bill 114

- Address \$2B shortfall in transportation budget
- FTA reports MTA buses/trains WORST in reliability in US among peer agencies
- Baltimore region supplies nearly 50% of Maryland's GDP, yet transit system failing their residents
- 6-year funding plan is getting pushback -- yet MD agreed to fund WMATA at increased levels indefinitely
- Justice + Clean Environment
 - Upward mobility, reliability for supporting families and holding jobs
 - Dismantle historic discrimination and injustices
 - Young people are less likely to get their licenses nowadays

Fund the MTA
SaveMDTransit.org

Pass the Transit Safety & Investment Act

88% of Maryland voters say it's important that the state invest more to increase public transit access for low-income communities and communities of color.

- Need 4 more Senators to pass
 - Prince George's County – Sen. Joanne Benson
 - Southern Maryland – Sen. Arthur Ellis
 - Montgomery County – Senators Susan Lee and Ben Kramer
- Call, Call, Call Senators!!
 - Spread the word to others in those districts
- Tweet at Sen. President Ferguson and the 4 senators above
- Op-Ed from 2 Presbyterian Pastors – retweet/share
 - IPC News
 - Talking Points to Use
- Our Action Alerts

What Can You Do?

DC Residents

End subsidies for fossil fuels. [Sign the petition](#) to stop subsidizing gas in DC's energy efficiency program and to offer robust support for clean energy and highly efficient heat pump systems, especially for low-income households.