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**On July 8, Green Umbrella invites you to discover the
25 Communities Project, and how you can help build
a sustainable tri-state!**

Thursday, June 18, 2025

Dear Advocates for Creation,

On July 8, invite your house of worship and friends to discover how you can strengthen sustainability across the tri-state region through Green Umbrella's new 25 Communities Project! Please share the invitation to FCGG Advocacy Team's webinar, presented by Green Umbrella Executive Director Ryan Mooney-Bullock. By reducing emissions your local government will help not only its constituents but also people all over the world.

Also, we are delighted to share the link to the recording of Brent Boyd's May 20 forum "Finding New Paths for Green Energy."

The U.S. Senate is now contending over their version of the Reconciliation Bill. with climate tax credits one of the most endangered and controversial elements. We include a link to the Jewish Earth Alliance's resource page. Use it as you prepare to contact your Senator. In the meantime, may Juneteenth bring you courage and hope!


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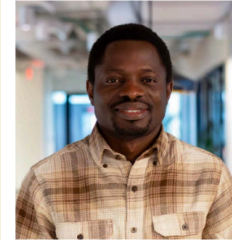
Advocating for Climate Action in Your Community: Faith Communities

 **July 8th, 2025**
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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Faith Communities Go Green is hosting Green Umbrella to introduce a powerful new effort to make our tri-state region increasingly sustainable, resilient, and healthy. On July 22, Green Umbrella will launch the [25 Communities Project](#), a regional cohort of communities working together to reduce pollution and strengthen resilience.

Join our July 8 webinar to learn how community advocates can help their local governments discover the power to protect their communities and save money by developing and implementing sustainability plans. This workshop will include an overview of the technical assistance Green Umbrella provides to local governments, a success story, and specific ways that you and your congregation can help engage elected officials and public sector staff.

We are delighted and grateful to welcome these eminent presenters: Ryan Mooney-Bullock, Executive Director of Green Umbrella, and Bamidele Osamika, Green Umbrella's Regional Climate Collaborative Manager.

Please [register at this link](#) and share the invitation with all your friends.

The 25 Communities Project is an unprecedented opportunity to benefit your neighbors and the entire planet by adopting clean energy and energy efficiency, and reducing exposure to air pollution, dangerous heat, and flood damage. Please attend to learn the critical role that faith communities have in this endeavor.

If you would like to revisit or share solar energy expert Brent Boyd's May 20 webinar, "Finding New Paths for Green Energy," here is the [link to the YouTube recording](#). Thanks to Brent for sharing his experience and insights with us!

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Calling on Congress to act on climate.

Ask Senators Husted and Moreno to preserve clean energy incentives

Here's Jewish Earth Alliance's [spring overview](#) of the reconciliation bill which passed the U.S. House by a single vote and is now in the Senate. "The federal budget lays out the spending and the revenues of the U.S. federal government. [Budget reconciliation](#) allows the majority party, currently Republicans, to pass legislation that affects the federal budget (taxes and spending) with a simple majority, avoiding the 60-vote minimum normally needed to overcome a filibuster in the Senate. The reconciliation process eliminates the need for bipartisan support for a budget.

"Both Houses of Congress are using the budget reconciliation process to strip important climate programs and agencies," the Jewish Earth Alliance adds, "threatening the country's ability to meet climate and environmental justice goals."

But the clean energy incentives of the Inflation Reduction Act are stimulating economic development in both red and blue states. A vote to kill them will be politically perilous for many Senators. Your advocacy, as Ohio constituents, can still make a difference. Click [this link](#) for resources from the Jewish Earth Alliance. They provide sample letter you can customize to express your faith perspective and direct experience of the benefits of environmental protection and clean energy. You can email [Senator Moreno](#) and [Senator Husted](#) by clicking on their names.

We welcome your input on news and advocacy! Please share with us what your congregation is doing to promote public policy and economic decisions that protect Creation. We look forward to connecting with you at the May 20 webinar! In the meantime, write to us at advocacy@fcgg.org

Yours in shared commitment to stewardship of creation,
Ted Bergh and Ariel Miller, FCGG Advocacy Co-Chairs

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