



**MN350 and Moving Planet**  
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**What is MN350?**

*MN350's mission is to inspire Minnesotans to rise to the challenge of the climate crisis -- to recognize the urgency and create a new sense of possibility for our planet.*

To do this we shine a light on individuals and organizations already doing this incredible work, knitting these many efforts together into a powerful call to action—a call that is global, scientific, and specific. By providing a shared platform with the 350 target\*, we can work together to form a whole that is truly greater than the sum of its parts.

Our active organizational partners include churches, businesses and non-profits focusing on a wide range of issues including energy efficiency, poverty, world hunger, and national and international climate policy. Our active volunteers include individuals whose passions include renewable energy, local food, social and environmental justice, biking and more. We come together with a clear message for the world: we are united in our shared call to action on climate change.

**What is 350 ppm\*?**

**350 ppm (parts per million) is what many scientists, climate experts, and progressive national governments are now saying is the safe upper limit for CO2 in our atmosphere.**

The Acceleration of arctic warming and other early climate impacts have led scientists to conclude that we are already above the safe zone at our current 394 ppm, and that unless we are able to rapidly return to below 350 ppm, we risk reaching tipping points and irreversible impacts such as the melting of the Greenland ice sheet and major methane releases from increased permafrost melt. These events would have devastating ecological consequences leading to tens of millions of climate refugees. To read more about the science visit [350.org](http://350.org).

We also like to remind people that to get to 350 we'll need a people powered movement (ppm!).

**What is Moving Planet?**

Each year [350.org](http://350.org) and MN350 choose one day to gather our local communities in concert with millions of people around the world. On this day we raise our voices about the climate crisis and rally to inspire our leaders to embrace both the urgency and the possibility of our time. **This year the international day of climate action is going to be about movement in every sense of the word.** Not just the big shoulder-to-shoulder campaign we've been building together, but also actual, powerful, fun dramatic movement in the streets -- putting into action our demand for a future free from dependency on fossil fuels and dangerous climate change.

***Circle September 24 on your calendar -- Moving Planet: a day to move beyond fossil fuels.***

On the 24th of September Minnesotans will be gathering at the State Capitol at 2pm. We will ride bicycles, one of the few tools used by both affluent and poor people around the world. We will gather with our faith





communities to become one of the largest interfaith rallies in the history of the US climate movement. **But we won't just be cycling or marching--we'll also be delivering a strong set of demands that can have real political impact.** At the national level we will ask that our leaders prepare to take bold action on climate change, including supporting strong federal clean air protections under the Clean Air Act and opposing the Keystone XL Pipeline. At the state level we ask our leaders to support solar and wind energy and energy efficiency development in Minnesota, and work to create jobs that will put Minnesotans back to work.

### **What is our Goal for Moving Planet in Minnesota?**

To gather thousands of our friends, neighbors, peers and loved ones across the state to:

1. **Learn** about the urgent need to move beyond fossil fuels in order to dramatically reduce carbon emissions and restore our climate to balance.
2. **Inspire** each other, our elected officials and the larger public about the possibilities for a transition to a renewable future that creates enduring prosperity and respects our common good.
3. **Build** the global climate movement to solve the climate crisis by joining with people around the world and raising our voices in a collective call to action.

### **What is the Schedule?**

- **11AM:** [Mass Ride bike event](#) starting on north side of Stone Arch Bridge at Father Hennepin Park
- **2 PM:** [Interfaith Procession](#) gathers for short program @ Cass Gilbert Memorial Park located on the corner of Sherburne Ave and Cedar Street in Saint Paul. (Heart of the Beast Puppets included)
- **2 PM:** Official start of the event @ the State Capitol (Resource Fair, Kites, art, frisbee, yoga, music)
- **3 PM:** Mass Ride and Interfaith Procession will arrive @ the Capitol lawn.
- **3:15-4:45 PM:** Program designed to examine the many dimensions of the climate movement and inspire us to action with music, dance, and spoken word.
- **4:45-8 PM:** Party! The New Primitives, Alicia Wiley, and Lucy Michelle and the Velvet Lapelles

### **How can I get Involved?**

1. **Join us on 9-24.** Bring your friends, your family, your community, your neighbors and see how you can get to downtown St. Paul with the lowest carbon footprint (walk, skate, bike, bus, carpool).
2. Join up with the **Interfaith Procession** or **Mass Bike Ride**.
3. Share your creative talent and help with the planning. We need your voice to bring forth the message from your community, organization or faith community! Email [kate@mn350.org](mailto:kate@mn350.org).
4. **Spread the word!** Print out some flyers on our website, and let people know about this critical event.
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