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Pennsylvania Climate Convergence Descends on Harrisburg's Riverfront Park and Capitol with Festival, Panels, March and Rally June 11-13, 2022

This June advocates, activists and concerned residents will come together in Harrisburg to tell Gov. Tom Wolf, lawmakers, regulators, and other state officials that they need to step up and take action to lead our state on climate.

Pennsylvania leaders have been denying climate change while subsidizing fossil fuel production and supporting the buildout of a carbon capture and sequestration hub in Pa., a boondoggle that will cost taxpayers well over \$100 billion a year while exacerbating climate change and harming people's health. This hub would also drive up utility bills, create few new jobs, ineffectively reduce emissions, and block better, less costly climate solutions like renewable energy development and energy efficiency retrofits, according to the Ohio River Valley Institute (ORVI).

The 3-day event will feature a prominent lineup of speakers, festival of art, music and theatre, rally and march on the Capitol and the installation of a 6' Climate Countdown Clock in the East Wing of the Capitol

The full lineup of events can be found [here](#).

The event kicks off with a Panel Discussion on the **Climate Crisis and False Solutions** followed by a discussion on **Petrochemicals and Plastics, How We Win**, and what **Science is Telling Us**. Author and New York fracking activist Sandra Steingraber and Rolling Stone freelance journalist Justin Noble are among the illustrious speakers.

The evening Youth Climate Leader Panel will include youth climate leaders Ariana Genna, Elders Climate Action, Aidan Graber, ProtectPT, Ben Hunkler, Ohio River Valley Institute, Ilyas Khan, Sunrise Pittsburgh, Robert Malone, Sunrise Philadelphia, Malcolm Miller, Earth Alliance, and Luna Plaza, Sunrise Pittsburgh and will be moderated by **Will Bunch of the Philadelphia Inquirer**.

On Sunday the call for climate action will move to the streets after an invocation, panels on **How We Win (Part 2)**, **Environmental Justice is Climate Justice** and more. An Invocation, Joe Uehlein's band The ULiNERS will perform from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. A Rally and March to the Capitol will culminate the day.

The event will conclude on Monday with a day of Actions at the Capitol that include the **Delivering the Pennsylvania Climate Convergence Petition** and individuals visiting their legislators. The **6' Climate Countdown Clock** will be installed in the East Rotunda at NOON followed by a press conference.

“We’re making history with the biggest-ever climate action in the state capital, but the Convergence is just the beginning. We’ll return as often as it takes to get the climate action we so desperately need,” says Karen Feridun, Co-founder of the Better Path Coalition and one of the organizers of the Convergence.

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