

# BELFAST FREE LIBRARY



## All Of Belfast: Climate Dialogues

Welcome to **All of Belfast: Climate Dialogues (ABCD)**, a **community memory project** funded by the Institute for Museum and Library Services. Our goal is to **collect, document, share and save Belfast area residents' observations, perspectives, concerns and hopes about climate change impacts in our region** at this critical time. This collection will increase awareness among residents of each others' experiences, and serve as a benchmark for future reference - and perhaps as a catalyst for taking action now.

To accomplish this, the library will host a [series of programs](#) on climate change with follow up sessions with time for reflection and conversation. Participants will be invited to [share their climate change observations](#) in words, pictures or video to our digital archive. See below for the schedule of events, how to contribute to this project and a link to informative webpages about climate change, dialogue and what Belfast is doing to respond. Get involved by taking a short [survey](#), and stay informed by signing up for the [monthly ABCD newsletter](#).



## Community Resilience for the Climate Emergency

**Wednesday, July 19th, 2023 at 6:00 PM at Belfast Free Library (with Zoom option)**

The Peace & Social Justice Forum/Waldo County, in coordination with ABCD and Possibility Alliance, will host Dr. Peter Kalmus, award winning author and climate scientist from NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab. He has said that "Global Warming is happening with a rapidity that leaves me speechless" and is dismayed that our government is not placing this existential threat at the center of the challenges that we are facing. Moving beyond fossil fuels and how we as individuals can work toward this goal, while living fulfilled lives is the question he and his family have been grappling with. Dr. Kalmus will share his personal journey in this essential work, and will discuss how we can respond as individuals locally, and in collective ways to move us toward a fossil free future. His award winning book is titled "*Being the Change: Live Well and Spark a Climate Revolution.*"

[Learn more and view all ABCD events](#)



## Share Your Story

Calling all Belfast area residents! How is climate change impacting you, your family, and our community? *Concerned about extreme heat days? Worried about sea level rise? Afraid of ticks and brown tail moths? Confused about community solar? Curious about heat pumps? Wondering about impacts for farmers, fishermen, foresters, or others?*

We invite you to share YOUR concerns, observations, and hopes about the impacts of climate change in our region. [Share your story on the ABCD site here.](#)

Click here to [see what others are saying.](#)

[Have your voice heard- take a quick survey](#) and tell us what climate change issues are important to you.



## Belfast is Responding to Climate Change

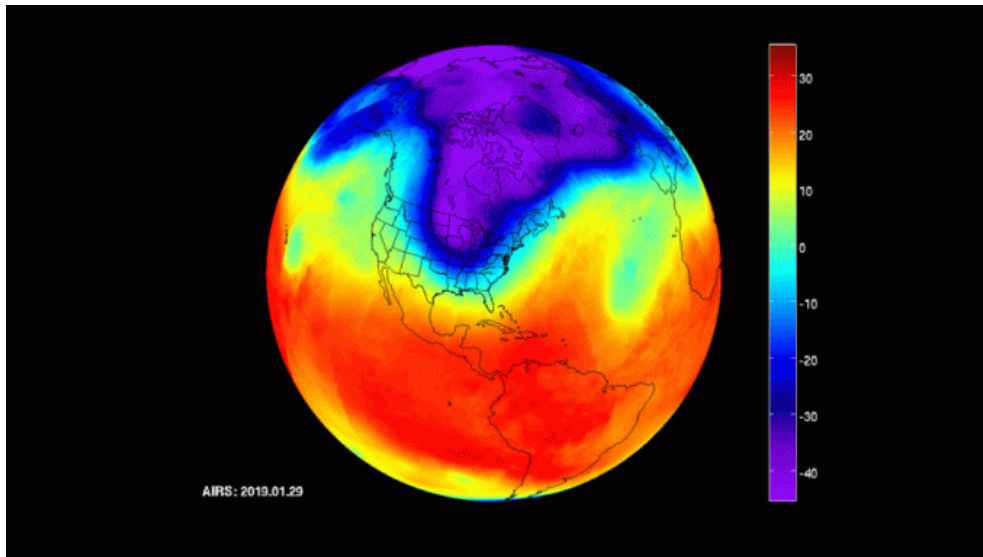
The City of Belfast has been proactive about reducing its carbon footprint, investigating potential impacts of climate change such as [sea level rise](#), and mitigating potential impact. Learn more about [what our city has done to date](#).



## Why Talk About Climate Change?

Climate change requires humans to respond collectively: to create policy, to change practices; "Individuals, communities, societies act on climate change through communication with others"

[Explore more here](#)



### Climate Change 101

There is broad agreement in the scientific community that climate change is real, happening now, and that it poses risk to life as we know it. [Explore our collection of resources](#) -- from basics to advanced -- to learn more.

### New Books about Climate Change



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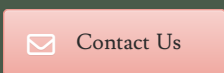
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Monday 9:30 am - 8:00 pm  
Tuesday 9:30 am - 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Noon - 8:00 pm  
Thursday 9:30 am - 6:00 pm  
Friday 9:30 am - 6:00 pm  
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