What is the Creation Care Team (CCT) Program?

It is an exciting, innovative, and effective program designed to educate and equip our parish or school along with the U.S. Catholic community to confront climate change—as a group.

CCTs work together to

- Create sustainable parish and school facilities.
- Integrate Creation care into all aspects of parish or school life.
- Advocate for faith-informed climate policies.

Creation Care Teams help transform their community to be, in Pope Francis’s words, “protectors of God’s gifts” and caretakers of “our common home.”

Creation Care Teams commit to meet at least once a month to produce tangible results in their communities. CCTs can be either long-standing groups or newly formed groups. They must sign up on the Catholic Climate Covenant’s website in order to start receiving Creation care resources.

What Catholic Climate Covenant provides:

Every two weeks, we send a resource email to all CCT members. The email contains an advocacy alert, hands-on activities, and a reflection to spur discussion at CCT meetings. In addition, we host conference calls and webinars to train and inspire, provide access to a CCT resource library, and deliver one-on-one coaching and trouble-shooting to support successful CCT activities.

Toolkits available in the CCT Resource Library:

1. Getting started
2. Road map
3. Recruitment guide
4. Community engagement
5. Downloadable/editable sample flyer and bulletin insert to help advertise a CCT
6. Courageous conversations
7. Communications 101
8. Climate change in youth
9. Integrating creation care in Catholic ministries
10. Guide to climate change and Catholic social teaching
+ more to come!

Recent Webinars and One-on-One Conversations:

Catholic Climate Covenant is committed to providing resources to educate and equip your parish and school members. CCT members get advance notice to register for informative webinars. Covenant staff is also available to assist CCTs in planning and executing programming within their communities. Through one-on-one conversations we can discuss how to get a team started, how to mobilize and energize your team, and brainstorm ideas that will get your team noticed!

Next Steps: Are you ready to create your own Creation Care Team? Or does your parish or school have an ongoing care for Creation committee, and you'd like additional resources? Join the Creation Care Team program if you’re ready to produce real results in your community. To sign up your parish or school’s CCT go to: http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org/partners/creation_care_teams.