

# ACHIEVE 100% CLEAN ELECTRICITY FOR MAINE BY 2040

Create new jobs and reduce fossil fuel dependence by investing in homegrown clean energy.

## **Maine's dependence on oil and gas saddles families and businesses with high, volatile energy costs.**

- Maine's dependence on fossil fuels for heating, transportation, and electricity generation is the primary driver of the high energy prices facing Maine families and businesses.
- Burning fossil fuels is the primary cause of climate change, which is already harming our communities through flooding and extreme storm damage.
- Maine sends more than \$4 billion out of state every year to pay for oil and gas -- money that could be spent creating homegrown clean energy jobs instead.

## **100% clean electricity by 2040 is a practical path forward to a lower-cost energy future and a strong clean energy economy.**

- Low-income families and businesses across our state are struggling because of rising energy costs linked to our region's dependence on oil and natural gas, as well as the costs of responding to storms made worse by climate change.
- Because of the falling costs of clean energy, Maine's *Pathway to 2040* analysis shows reaching 100% clean electricity by 2040 could lower average household energy costs by about \$1,300 per year.
- Transitioning to clean electricity through Maine's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) has already resulted in a billion dollars in investment, \$21.5 million annually in ratepayer benefits, and more than 1,000 new clean energy jobs. More than 15,000 Maine people already work in the clean energy industry.



## **Creating more homegrown clean energy sources will save Mainers money, create good-paying jobs, and benefit the environment for generations to come.**

- Investing in homegrown clean energy solutions creates good-paying jobs that keep people here in Maine.
- Clean energy solutions help save Mainers money and make us more energy independent by diversifying our energy mix and reducing our reliance on expensive out-of-state fossil fuels like home heating oil and natural gas.
- Responsible development of clean energy protects Maine's heritage fishing and farming industries while preserving our rural character and conserving natural resources.
- Advancing the clean energy transition will reduce air pollution and help us avoid the worst impacts of climate change.



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Invest in Maine people and energy. **Achieve 100% Clean Electricity by 2040.**

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# Environmental Priorities Coalition

Maine's **Environmental Priorities Coalition** is an inclusive statewide alliance of 39 conservation, climate action, and public health organizations. Each year we collectively identify a slate of policy priorities to act on the climate crisis, further environmental justice, protect land, water, and wildlife, and cultivate healthy Maine communities.

