

FOR GROUP LEADERS

How to use this September Action Sheet

If your volunteers are confused about the difference between the reconciliation package and the bipartisan infrastructure bill and Congress's plan to move the bills forward, please share [this recent CCL blog post](#) with them. And here are [August 30](#) and [September 1](#) CCL blog posts specifically about the budget reconciliation package.

If it stays on schedule, Congress could start negotiating the budget reconciliation package in the second half of September. So getting carbon pricing in the budget - and keeping it in - will be our highest priority. Since local leaders have extra clout with MOCs, **Ask your community leaders to personally call their MOCs** and identify themselves as a community leader when they call. Local elected officials, business executives and faith leaders can be especially persuasive.

You are also welcome to ask constituents who haven't already, to email and call their Representative (cclusa.org/house) and Senators (cclusa.org/senate) during September.

As Congress heads into budget negotiations **Write LTEs to publicize the benefits of carbon pricing** to educate your community that climate policy is urgently needed and budget reconciliation is our best shot at getting carbon pricing enacted this year. If you are able to give volunteers time to start outlining and writing LTEs during your gathering, they will be more likely to finish this action afterward! Your letter authors can also post their published or unpublished letters to their social media for more exposure.

This month's **Activate new chapter members via great onboarding** action lays out a proactive process for enabling new people in your chapter to quickly, easily and successfully do their first action. Giving them access to mentors, resources and tools is part of that process.

Please do some initial planning for our [Nov 15-19 Lobby week](#). If you could get anyone on your dream lobby team, who would you get and how would you get them? Also, please check in with the Liaisons for your district(s) and state to ensure there will be an appointment setter for November Lobby Week.

A sample meeting agenda (suggested time is 40-70 minutes)

1. Ask a few folks to share a short inspirational story about someone who wrote/called their Rep - *5-10 mins*
2. If attendees have seen Aaron Cosby's presentation, invite them to share something they are thinking about after hearing him speak. If you have a big group, use breakout rooms - *5-10 mins*
3. Do the three actions and the bonus action below. Be sure to give people time to outline or start writing their LTE and make a plan to submit it and post it on their social media. *5-10 mins each*
4. Do the Communications Exercise in the Action Sheet - *10 mins*
5. Round robin - what community leader will you ask to personally call their MOCs? - *5-10 minutes*