THUNDER BAY **CLIMATE CHANGE CONNECTION**

YOUTH CLIMATE ACTIVISM



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DID YOU KNOW?

Fridays for Future Thunder Bay:

- Fridays for Future Thunder Bay is a group of young people dedicated to pushing for stronger action on climate change. All youth are invited to join. The group is part of a global network of youth fighting inaction on climate change.
- Our first strike was held outside City Hall on March 15, 2019.
- Our largest strike yet was on September 20, 2019—a huge global strike with about 7,000,000 participants worldwide. In Thunder Bay it was organized by young adults and university students and took place in front of an MP's constituency office on Red River Road, with about 600 attending.

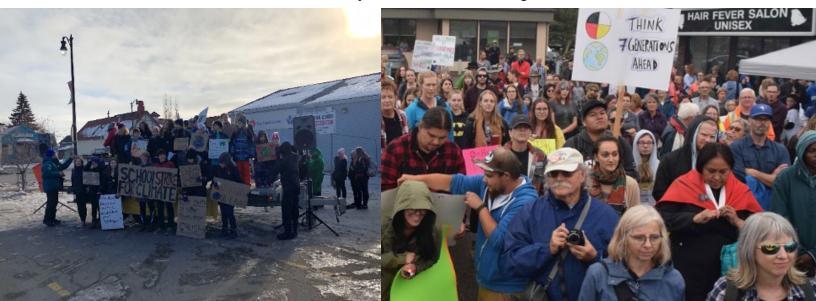
Our winter strike happened on November 29, 2019 and was hosted by the current leading group of high school students with the support of our adult friends. It took place on Algoma Street in the Italian Cultural Centre parking lot. Our key demand was for the City of Thunder Bay to declare a climate emergency, which they did, unanimously, on January 13th, 2020.



Other opportunities in Thunder Bay:

- Most schools either have an eco-team or are willing to start an eco-team, which is a great way to make environmental progress within schools.
- There are wonderful student climate groups at Lakehead university, including The Sustainability Initiative and Fossil Free Lakehead.
- In its eighth year of activism, Fossil Free Lakehead succeeded when, on November 26th, 2020 the Lakehead Board of Governors announced that Lakehead would become the 6th Canadian university to divest its endowment from fossil fuels.
- NOSM, the medical school, has a student Global Health Committee that does advocacy work on climate change.

"We must begin an era of healing and restoration." -Walker Lucchese





WHAT CAN WE DO?

Get involved:

- Join Fridays for Future Thunder Bay in-person and online: https://www.facebook.com/
 FridaysForFutureThunderBay/
- Follow Fridays for Future on Instagram
 @fridaysforfuturethunderbay and Twitter @fridays_bay
- Start online striking (tag us in your posts or email your picture to us and we'll add you to our story).
- Join our group or tell youth you know about our group.
- · Share our posts.
- · Donate to reputable environmental organizations.
- Sign petitions for environmental causes, especially local petitions!
- · Read the Fridays for Future Thunder Bay climate zine titled "THUNDER! Making Noise

in the age of climate denial", which contains artistic climate works made by local youth. Find it via social media, or here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/12_dM9ynM4RJgo1iXvOCOaeS2TgBCyk_L/view?usp=sharing



TAKE ACTION NOW!

- Communicate about climate change
- Encourage decision makers to take action
- Get involved with community initiatives



"I would rather be fed the whole, terrifying truth than lies that mean nothing and help no one." -Natalie Horton



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