WEALTH Day of Environmental Advocacy and Education at the Capitol

Learn about and advocate for Kansas Water, Energy, Air, Land, Transportation, & Health
Monday, February 10, 2020
Kansas State Capitol Building - 300 SW 10th St., Topeka, KS 66612
Visitor Center Auditorium and Classroom, 1st and 2nd Floor Rotundas

On Monday February 10, 2020, WEALTH Day will bring together organizations, advocates, and legislators from across Kansas to connect on Water, Energy, Air, Land, Transportation, and Health - WEALTH. The Climate + Energy Project has been hosting a collaborative event around climate issues for over a decade. In 2019, WEALTH Day convened 250 Kansans, 60 legislators, and 40 organizations. You won’t want to miss WEALTH Day 2020!

"WEALTH Day provides a unique opportunity for Kansans to connect with each other, with organizations, and with legislators on environmental and climate issues,” said Dorothy Barnett, Executive Director of Climate + Energy Project. “By bringing Kansans together under the capitol dome, we hope to ignite important dialogs that lead to a resilient Kansas.”

New this year, the WEALTH Coalition will be sponsoring a Comprehensive Climate Hearing. The hearing will bring together a committee made up of members representing both chambers and parties, as well as members of the community with expertise or commitment to climate action to discuss the science of climate change, the costs to our state and agriculture economy, our health and environment, along with solutions and strategies for resilience. The chair of the hearing will be Representative Don Hineman of Dighton and will include Representatives Horn, Xi, Cox and Kuether, and Sen. Hardy along with a host of others.

Rabbi Moti Rieber, Executive Director of Kansas Interfaith Action and one of the organizers of the hearing, said, “This hearing will not be a rally, or a show; it will be a serious effort to address a problem that Kansas has been ignoring for too long. The information will be solid and the proposals will be both achievable and effective. We hope that it will kickstart a long-overdue conversation about climate disruption in Kansas.”

Draft Agenda - subject to change
8:15-8:50 Interfaith Climate Prayer Vigil - Visitor's Center Classroom
9:00-10:15 Policy Briefing - Visitor's Center Auditorium
10:00-3:00 Solutions Showcase: exhibitors - 1st floor Rotunda
11:00-11:30 Local Foods Luncheon - 2nd floor, North Wing
11:30-12:45 Climate Hearing - 582-N
1:00-1:30 Climate Rally - 2nd floor, North Wing
1:30-2:00 Water Dialog - 118-N
2:00-3:00 Cookies & Conversation - 1st Floor Rotunda

WEALTH Day registration for the local foods lunch, catered by Raven’s Table, must be in by Wednesday, 2/5/2020.

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