

HOW-TO GUIDE:

A Practical Guide to Turning Ideas Into Action

Building Youth Climate Resilience Through Preparedness and Action

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Climate Change Makers is a youth- and family-centered climate leadership initiative that helps communities understand climate impacts, prepare for extreme weather, and take meaningful climate action through creative expression, digital tools, and community engagement.

Through hands-on learning, preparedness activities, and creative activism, young people build resilience while strengthening family and neighborhood readiness. Climate Change Makers is designed as a multi-entry ecosystem that meets youth and families where they are and supports action at multiple levels. Youth explore climate impacts through interactive, age-appropriate learning. Families access trauma-informed preparedness resources for extreme heat, hurricanes, drought, flooding, and severe storms. Young people express lived experience through activism and storytelling shared in a public digital gallery, while youth and families turn learning into action through planning tools, workshops, and community engagement.

Replicate This!

How To Get Started

- 1 Use a 10-step, gamified model to guide climate learning and action.
- 2 Incorporate climate quizzes and interactive emergency kit planning.
- 3 Engage youth in activism and storytelling to build connection and leadership.
- 4 Create opportunities for reflection that strengthen confidence and preparedness.
- 5 Connect youth and families through shared activities that build readiness.