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Hello ChathamCAN Community.

We're holding the people in Western NC in our hearts and doubling down on our resolve to work for climate solutions. We know that only by halting emissions can we prevent collapse and begin the long process of turning things around.

UPDATES AND FOLLOW UP

Before we gather for our next meeting later this month, you might want to review the document we created together at our kickoff in May: [Current and Needed Climate Related Organizations and Projects in Chatham](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS, CALLS FOR ACTION AND RESOURCES

If you're thinking of donating to benefit the folks in the mountains, you might consider this new clean energy approach: [Help Western North Carolina Recover from Hurricane Helene](#) (NCSEA is rated 4 stars on Charity Navigator).

2028 is too late. Free Climate Voter Stickers! <https://2028istoolate.org/> These stickers and postcards are offered free of charge and with no shipping costs! To order, fill out and submit the form. **Order now. Orders arrive in 7 to 10 days.** We'll have some for you at our meeting.

UPCOMING

Drop by our climate tent at **Pittsboro Street Fair** on **Saturday, October 26 10:00 am - 6:00 pm** to say hello! *Together We Can* and *ChathamCAN* will be asking visitors about their thoughts on climate change and solutions. We'll be giving away free climate voter stickers and encouraging people to go vote. If you have extra time and want to volunteer, sign up [here](#).

QUARTERLY GATHERING

The Climate Food Puzzle: Why We Must Act Now on Food Waste & Food Insecurity
Project Drawdown has found that **reducing food loss and waste is one of the largest climate solutions across all sectors, not just in the food system.** It could provide additional benefits to land, water, and biodiversity while also improving food availability and food security. Join us as we look at solutions underway in Chatham County and discuss what more we need to do.
Tuesday, October 29, 2024 Pittsboro Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall 6:00 - 8:00 pm
If you're interested in helping plan this event, reply to this email!

PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

Feed-Well Fridges is Chatham County's first free community fridge program aimed at nourishing our North Carolina community one meal at a time. Founded by Chef and restaurateur Sera Cuni, Feed-Well Fridges supports the placement of fridges in designated areas around Pittsboro, Siler City and eventually in surrounding Chatham County towns and beyond as an additional tool for addressing food insecurity in our communities and eliminating restaurant and commercial food waste.



See: <https://www.feedwellfridges.org/>

WHAT WE'RE READING/WATCHING/LISTENING TO

- **Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing in a Divided World**, Katharine Hayhoe (2021). Available for loan.
- Extreme heat in NC and outdoor workers: [Scorched Workers | WUNC](#).
- 2 minute video overview of food waste solutions [America's Food Waste Revolution](#)
- Food and yard waste recycling is the fastest way to fight climate change in California right now [Short-lived Climate Pollution Reduction Strategy](#) 3 minutes

With appreciation,

Betsy, Carmen, Lenore, Maura, Meredith and Vickie - organizing for ChathamCAN

P.S. Feel free to forward this email to others who might be interested in being a part of ChathamCAN. Let us know if you'd like for us to remove you from our mailing list.