

Being a Community Connector with MNIPL

Our theory of change:

At MNIPL, we believe the work of climate justice requires us to act with other people, not just on our own. In order to create the change we need, we believe in empowering others to empower others. You can help make this happen by being a Community Connector!

What is a Community Connector?

MNIPL has over 250 Community Connectors across Minnesota working to connect their communities to the larger multifaith climate movement. As a Community Connector, you are a liaison between MNIPL and your community—whether that's a faith or spiritual community, or a group of neighbors or friends. The goal is to inspire and support meaningful, sustained climate action in your community.

Being a Community Connector means you're part of something bigger—a vibrant movement of thousands of people of faith, spirituality, and conscience all acting for climate justice!

What do Community Connectors do?

As a Community Connector, your role has a large range of possibilities. There is no one, "right" way to be a Community Connector! The role can range from tracking what's happening at MNIPL and sharing relevant updates or opportunities with your congregation, all the way to being a key organizer in your climate justice or green team. You are also invited to share successes or stories from your community with MNIPL so we can cross-pollinate ideas!

What support will you receive from MNIPL?

 Monthly Community Connector webinars to build relationships with other CCs, learn about action opportunities and updates, and more. We generally hold these on the first Tuesday of each month, from 7-8 pm. You can find the upcoming webinar on our Events page; we also will send you an email invitation.

- A "Monthly Spark" email, which includes information about an event or action opportunity you can share with your congregation or community. Simply "copy/paste" to include in community emails, worship or assembly announcements, bulletins, newsletters, and more.
- **Biweekly MNIPL newsletter**, with news and udpates, action opportunities, events, stories, and more!
- Support and coaching from MNIPL
- Access to MNIPL workshops and development trainings, such as <u>Be the</u>
 <u>Spark</u>, to build core organizing and leadership skills to help you spark action in
 your community.
- Opportunities to connect with statewide campaigns and mobilizations
- Opportunities to **connect with other Community Connectors** in your area and/or from your faith or spiritual tradition.
- Support in becoming a <u>certified Climate Justice Community</u>, making an annual action plan that helps your community take effective action.

Visit our <u>Community Connector web page</u> to learn more and to complete the sign-up form. If you have any questions, please email <u>outreach@mnipl.org</u>.