

Center for Climate Protection World Changers Scholarship

World Changers is a merit-based scholarship for graduating seniors who have engaged in community projects, over the course of their high school tenure with measurable carbon dioxide emission reductions. A strong applicant will be able to clearly articulate their leadership in both planning and organizing activities that tangibly reduce greenhouse gas emissions here in Sonoma County.

Rules & Regulations

- Only 1 entry allowed per person or group
- Students can apply as a group or team, all teammates should be graduating seniors
- Only completed applications will be reviewed
- All photos should be accompanied by a model release form for anyone who appears in the photos
- Judges are selected by ECO2school. All judging decisions are final
- Three judges will individually review each application based on evaluation criteria:
 - 45 points impact of your project, GHG emission reduction, number of people reached and leadership
 - 40 points on the clarity of your goals, methodology, outcome and results
 - 15 points personal transformation

Applications, photos and letters of recommendation (optional) should be submitted via email to eco2school@climateprotection.org or using the google form. All submissions should include:

- Entry Form
- 3 Photos
- Model release forms

Application Guidelines

Name: First: _____ **Last:** _____

Grade: *only seniors graduating in good standing can apply*

School: *name of the school you are graduating from*

Team Mates (if applicable) *Award amount is not contingent on the number of people.*

Project Overview (30 words): *Clearly and briefly summarize your project.*

Length of project:

- Project start date: *When did you begin planning the project, not just the day or days of an event.*
- Project end date: *When did you complete the project including evaluation and sharing results?*
- Number of hours spent: *Include the total number of hours spent not just on implementation but also, planning, outreach and evaluation.*

Number of pounds (or tons) of greenhouse gases reduced:

Number of people reached:

Project Summary (400 words): A concise description of your project. *Tell us what you did. Guiding questions are designed to help you frame your project summary. You are not required to answer the questions per say. However, a strong applicant will incorporate answers to these questions in their statement.*

Climate Story (250 words): What inspires you to address the challenge of climate change? *Connect your personal experience to larger issues, give voice to the local and personal impacts of climate change.*

Next Steps (250 words): How do you intend to bring climate awareness into your college studies? *We are investing in you, the next generation of problem solvers and creative thinkers. How has your climate work impacted your career pathway?*

Photo essay: 1-3 Pictures with a 50 word or less description for each.

- *Model Release forms must be signed for anyone who appears in the photos*
- *Photos should be high resolution, 1-3 megabytes*

Photos should help you tell the story of the project and give reviewers a visual interpretation of your work. No filters or artistic editing.

Special Consideration (100 words)

Is there anything we should know about you or your project that you have not yet shared?

If you have a video link share it here.

If you have questions or need technical assistance contact Amy Jolly, Youth Leadership Program Manager at amy@climateprotection.org or 707-525-1665 x119

Model Release

I do hereby release the Center for Climate Protection the irrevocable right to use our name, picture, portrait, or photograph in all forms and in all media and in all manners, without any restriction for any lawful purposes. I waive any right to inspect or approve the photograph(s) or finished version(s) incorporating the photograph(s), including written copy that may be created and appear in connection therewith.

I agree that the Center for Climate Protection owns the copyright in these photographs and hereby waive any claims I may have based on any usage of the photographs or work derived there from.

I am of full age and competent to sign this release. I agree that this release shall be binding on us, our legal representatives, heirs, and assigns. I have read this release and are fully familiar with its contents.

Model (print name): _____

Signature of model or legal guardian _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____ Date: _____