



## Climate Change Leadership Institute

**TAKING CLIMATE ACTION** 

Climate solutions that uplift the community:

CCLI's endeavors include our on-going project advancing regenerative agriculture by providing policy support, education and resources including bridge funding to farmers engaged in soil health. See <u>what we're doing</u> in this space and the many benefits involved;

Our newest initiative is called <u>the 7F Project</u> standing for Fossil Fuel Free Fast For our Future on Friday. This project calls on all of us to **boycott fossil fuels** (the dominant cause of the climate crisis) beginning once per week and building. We can't just wait for clean tech to save us. We also need to step up now and act bravely for the greater good.

Speaking of stepping forward, CCLI's Executive Director Robb Hirsch just wrote a book called *Walking Four Directions: A Journey for Regeneration in the Land of Enchantment.* The book is a testament not only to the restorative power of walking but to the vital importance of building a mass movement to solve the climate crisis. The book is being published & you can pre-order a copy <u>here</u>.

In our on-going commitment to young people, CCLI continues to offer paid student internships, organize pilot projects including a new partnership with Trees NM and the School for the Deaf, and provide annual CCLI Scholarships with the LANL Foundation. This year's deserving recipient is Delilia Gonzales, a graduate of the Santa Fe Indian School (where she headed the Green Team) & SFCC (where she specialized in public health). She is a proud member of San Ildefonso Pueblo, and she's bound for university to major in wildlife biology. HONORING LEADERSHIP CCLI 2022 Climate Grant Award Winners:

Climate Courage Award to Patagonia Founder Yvon Chouinard who dedicated the company to solving the climate crisis saying now "Earth is our only shareholder." In Patagonia's spirit of responsible sourcing we are giving the seed grant portion of the award to a local clothing company called <u>ACONAV</u> which features designs inspired by the culture, artistry & stewardship of Acoma Pueblo.

Justice Award to <u>DINÉ C.A.R.E.</u> for advocating for their traditional teachings by protecting and providing a voice for all life within and beyond the Four Sacred Mountains, which is the greater Chaco region.

**Conservation Award to** <u>William deBuys</u>, a splendid author & conservationist who not only is raising awareness of the primacy of the nature around us but also is walking the walk by helping take care of it.

**Direct Action Award to Maia Hillock-Katz,** a NM School for the Arts student who spearheaded a vibrant composting project in collaboration with Reunity Resources. She says: "start with small steps personally and work together to set off a chain reaction!"

Innovation Award to Pueblo of Jemez Natural Resources Department for leadership in wildfire prevention. A seed grant will go to training their youth in healthy forestry.

Education Award to Catherine Harris, a professor of landscape architecture at UNM encouraging students and all of us to <u>develop a sense of agency on climate change</u>.

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