Looking Back on May

Our state legislators heard loud and clear that people of faith care about clean energy and environmental justice on Thursday, May 9th.

Nearly 600 people attended, making this the largest Advocacy Day ever in the 12 years that Faith in Place has joined with the Illinois Environmental Council and other groups to organize State Capitol visits. Thank you to everyone who joined us to make Advocacy Day 2019 a huge success!

Read more about our advocacy in our latest blog post and view photos on Facebook.
Growing in June

Our Eco-Ambassadors summer youth program begins in July! This year, we are excited to have youth from Chicago and the North & West suburbs participate in environmental education, leadership development, and fun field trips across Illinois with us.

We are still accepting applications for the N&W Youth program and the application can be found [here](#).

Watch for updates from this year’s cohort, and read blog posts from last year’s Eco-Ambassadors about the impact of this program.

**NOW HIRING:**

EcoAdvocates

Waukegan
Glendale Heights
South Shore

We are also excited to launch the Eco-Advocate Program this summer which seeks to hire one adult from Glendale Heights for a part-time job focused on
energy efficiency education. Application is due by June 17th and can be found [here](#) so be sure to apply today!

Lastly, we need help in order to be able to participate in the Arlington Heights 4th of July Parade this year. Please see below for how you can help!

**Apply to be an Eco-Ambassador this Summer!**

Do you know a young person who would be interested in a summer environmental program? Our 2-week program for 13-18 year-olds includes camping, leadership opportunities, and a $125 weekly stipend!

**Deadline Extended: EcoAdvocates Job Posting - June 19th**

Do you know someone who is 18 years of age or older and is interested in educating their community about energy efficiency? Encourage them to apply for this part time (10-20 hours per week) job which will include professional skills training and workforce placement after 18 months. Applicants MUST reside in one of the following cities or neighborhoods: Waukegan, *Glendale Heights*, South Shore.

**Smart Energy Grant Opportunity**

Your house of worship could be eligible for a grant of $1,000 to $2,500 to educate faith community members about energy conservation and smart energy!

**Arlington Heights 4th of July Parade - We need your help!**

Faith in Place has partnered with Interfaith Green Partners for the last few years to help organize a float in the Arlington Heights 4th of July Parade. We march near the end of the parade and we pick up recyclables while carrying positive environmental signs. It's a great time and this year we need your help to be able to participate!

Larry, our long time float driving hero, has retired and we need a volunteer with a truck and flat bed trailer to take his place so that we can participate in the parade this year. If you would like to volunteer or know someone who can, please contact me, (Dan) at
Dan@FaithInPlace.org. You can also email me for more info if you would like to march with us in the parade.

**Free Film Screening Kit - Paris to Pittsburgh**

Host a free screening of the film Paris to Pittsburgh at your house of worship. Be inspired to create change in your own community! The film and discussion resources are offered through our national partner, Interfaith Power & Light.

**Winter Farmers Market Applications Available**

Is your faith community interested in hosting 12-20 vendors for an indoor market for a few hours on one Saturday or Sunday morning from November through March? Do you know a farmer or vendor who would be interested in selling local foods at the markets?

**Green Team Summit - September 14**

Enjoy workshops and speakers to find resources and inspiration for Earth care at your faith community. Our keynote speaker this year is Rev. Dr. Clare Butterfield, founder and long-time executive director of Faith in Place, who will help us celebrate 20 years of faithful people caring for the Earth.

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