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Tell Costco to Offer a Climate Responsible Credit Card

Information for climate activists and organizations

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WHY target Costco?

We want Costco to offer an alternative to the Costco-Citibank credit card.

Citi is the [second biggest funder](#) of the fossil fuel industry in the world, [continuing to bankroll fossil fuel infrastructure, including Putin's companies](#), and piling billions into new coal mines.

We want Costco to know that their arrangement with Citibank makes Costco look bad.

Let's put Costco on notice that their exclusive arrangement with Citibank doesn't align with their own [Climate Action Plan](#).

WHY this action?

We want to bring media attention to discredit banks that support continued reliance on fossil fuels.

We want to learn if pressuring a big business like Costco to lean on their bad bank to end its investments in fossil fuel is an effective strategy.

Costco is a respected corporation with deep local roots which has a significant presence in Puget Sound communities with corporate offices in Issaquah. **We can organize a whole lot of Costco members, Third Actors and Puget Sound climate organizations** to take collective action.

For many people, this is a relatively easy first step in participating in Third Act's [Bank on our Future](#) pledge because **Costco members have good alternatives to the Costco-Citi credit card**. You can use any debit card or VISA credit card at US Costco warehouses – it doesn't have to be Costco's co-branded Citi card. The Costco-Citi card may not be [the best deal anyway](#) and users aren't getting the [extended warranty protection](#) the card used to offer.

HOW to take action!

If you're a Costco member, **email costcofeedback@costco.com to tell them to find a new bank partner if Citi won't move its investments out of fossil fuels.**

- **Let Costco know that you won't use the Costco-Citi card.** You'll be using a different Visa card, cash or debit card from now on when you shop at Costco.
- If you don't own a Costco-Citi card, **let Costco know you won't ever get one.**

Cut up your Costco-Citi card. Send us a photo of you cutting up your card so TAPS can share it on Facebook and Instagram! Send your photo to: ThirdAct.PugetSound.Climate@gmail.com

Join Third Act's nationwide [Day of Action](#) on Tuesday, March 21, to help grow our movement for climate solutions. Third Actors and partnering organizations can organize locally to visit Costco or Citibank, Bank of America, Wells Fargo and Chase bank branches to make some noise and raise visibility around these banks' role in climate destruction.