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As you read this, you may be asking, **what can we do now** to protect ourselves and our climate from fossil fuels and toxic threats to all of us and our environment?

The first step to protect and restore our planet is to recognize and act now as an emergency.

Today, our U.S. **Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell** could lead by demanding that President Biden declare a climate emergency, stop all new fossil fuel projects, and speed transition to clean energy.

But they have not yet even made that first step by sponsoring, advocating, and voting for [H. Con. Res. 37](#) and [S. Con. Res. 9](#), the House and Senate Concurrent Resolution for the President to declare a climate emergency and act now. So right now, [write to them asking for an immediate sign on](#).

Then **ask your family, friends, and groups to sign our petition** to our **U.S. Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell** and U.S. Representatives to endorse, advocate for, and vote for [H. Con. Res. 37](#) and [S. Con. Res. 9](#), to **demand President Biden declare a climate emergency**, stop all new fossil fuel projects, and speed up the transition to clean energy and better protections for our environment now.

Next, join [our next monthly Coalition meeting Tuesday, Nov. 21st at noon on Zoom!](#) We look forward to sharing updates and organizing next actions. Please bring your groups' reports and plans.

Finally, join our **potluck celebration on Tuesday, Dec. 19th at noon, in person** at the Washington State Labor Council, 321 16th Ave. S. in Seattle. We will celebrate our recent actions and strategize for even more in 2024! Please invite a friend who may want to join the action. RSVP to Beth, admin@southseattleclimate.org.

To find out more about our Coalition's past, plans, and priorities, go to [our website](#). If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Beth at admin@southseattleclimate.org.

Thank you for reading, speaking up, and persisting in our movements for a green new deal, climate justice and beyond, please keep it up. Please forward this message to your other groups, family and friends who are looking for ways to learn and act.

In Solidarity,

Beth, Bill, Cortney - the Pass the Federal Green New Deal Outreach Team

The first step to solving a crisis is not evaluating the full situation or taking immediate action. That comes later.

The first step is to realize that you are in one. And we are not there yet. Greta Thunberg, The Climate Book, p. 278