

In Support of the Sustainability Resolution brought forward by Andover WECAN

The climate crisis is real. In Andover we will experience warmer winters, so less snow, but more freezing rain, higher amounts of precipitation, so more flooding, and hotter longer summers. The disruptions nationally will also affect us from more natural disasters, to the shifting landscape as people in other locations leave their homes as they become uninhabitable.

Andover is a town of neighbors, of people working on important work locally, nationally, and globally. Climate change already affects us in our daily lives.

Immediate action can take us off the worst-case scenario paths. Water conservation, energy conservation, sustained fossil fuel reduction, and waste reduction are equitable actions that promote a livable future. Looking ahead to that future, educating Andover youth about a green lifestyle and environmental sustainability literacy will keep us on track.

Andover Green Advisory Board is pleased Andover WECAN has worked tirelessly to broadly develop support for this resolution. We support this resolution to act, to advocate, to promote sustainability, reduce fossil fuel consumption, contribute to biodiversity restoration, and develop the Climate Action Plan towards an equitable future.

Andover can do our part in our own backyard to meet our climate goals.