



Who we are

A number of faith congregations and climate justice groups have created a fund to help historically marginalized communities benefit from the transition to clean energy.

This initiative, **Green Buildings Now**, is a response to the moral imperative that we address the climate crisis in a fair way in our community. Ending greenhouse gas emissions in Seattle requires replacing fossil fuel energy systems with clean electric systems in every building in the city. This transition is not happening rapidly enough.

Our initial commitment is to pay for building weatherization and installation of non-polluting heating, cooling and water heating appliances for the South Beacon Hill Resilience Hub pilot project. We see this as an opportunity to educate citizens about the need for building electrification and to build support for more vigorous government action.

The project

The South Beacon Hill Resilience Hub, a collaboration between Bethany UCC and environmental justice advocacy group Got Green, is designed to meet community needs during emergencies and throughout the year.

Green Buildings Now, guided by leaders in the diverse Beacon Hill neighborhood, has agreed to fund replacement of fossil-fuel energy systems at the Resilience Hub. Our decarbonization effort will complement the planned installation of a solar-power array with battery backup.

How you can participate

We invite individuals and organizations to support the **Green Buildings Now** fund. Ask us about becoming a partner organization.

Seattle First Baptist Church has agreed to hold donations in a separate account. Donations to **Green Buildings Now** [may be made online](#) or by check payable to Seattle First Baptist Church (Memo: Green Buildings Now), Attn: Darren Hochstedler, 1111 Harvard Ave., Seattle, WA 98122.

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