

California Climate Champions

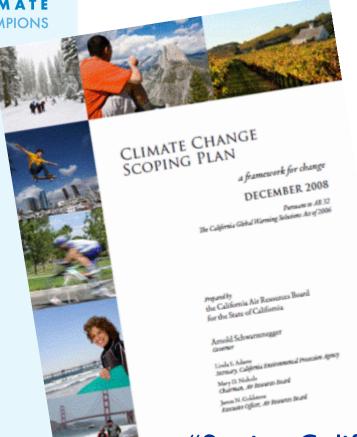
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Scoping Plan Measures



- Regulations
- Market mechanisms
- Voluntary actions
 - Local Governments
 - Small Businesses
 - Households
 - Schools and Youth

"Setting California on track to a low-carbon future beyond 2020 will be a multigenerational challenge."

- ARB Scoping Plan 2008



The Behavior "Resource"

In California, estimates of energy efficiency potential for 2020 suggest:

- $-\sim$ 20% reduction from projected energy demand in 2020
- $-\sim$ 26 MMTCO₂e reduction in GHG emissions
- -> \$400-500 annual savings/California household by 2020



Role of Youth

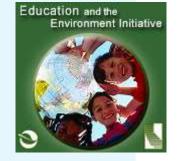
- Simple low-C actions now are likely to lead to bigger low-C choices later
- "IT Generation" is constantly plugged in
- Youth influence their family and peers
- Young people are strongly influenced by teachers and school programs



California's Youth Efforts







Education and the Environment Initiative

CoolCalifornia.org Schools Toolkit





Green Jobs: education and training



History of Climate Champions



CALIFORNIA CLIMATE CHAMPIONS

Program Goal





Promote voluntary climate change action by inspiring students, engaging classrooms and schools, and helping young people see the connections among personal action, curriculum, and the school itself.



Program Objectives

- Develop the leaders of the "Climate Generation" to legitimize the youth voice on climate change
- Instill in youth the need for climate change initiatives
- Support Local, National, International
 Climate Change Initiatives and Policies



What is the Champions program?





- Projects
- Training
- SpeakingOpportunities/MediaAppearances
- International Collaboration



Projects



- Energy/fuels research
- Art: clothing design, play-writing
- Columns or segments in local news media
- School and community education and events



Projects



- Working with SF Environment and local schools to support the city's composting program.
- Educates mall-goers how to properly sort their trash at the Stonestown Galleria
- Developing a program to educate middle school students on gardening and composting.

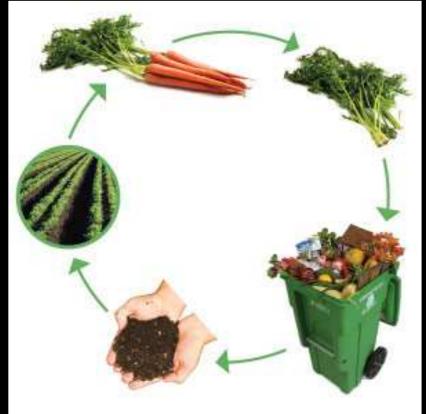
Soraya Okuda Freshman, San Francisco State University 2009 Climate Champion





GARDENING WITH KIDS

Providing a healthy activity, while teaching basic environmental concepts



CLIMATE CHAMPIONS PROGRAM:

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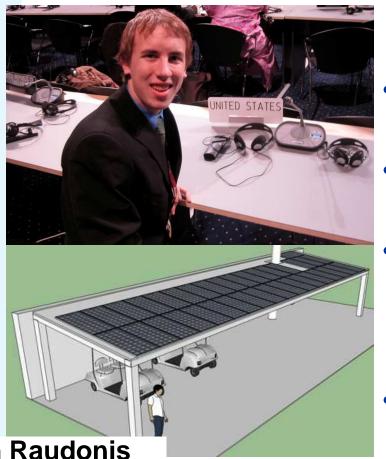
Not only providing support and resources for student projects





...But nurturing innovation and inspiration among youth, as well as helping to further global awareness.





Adam Raudonis

Senior, Westlake High 2008 Climate Champion

Projects

- Signed contract for a 6.3kW DC 36 panel array at WHS
- Expanded to 13 schools across the globe
- Created studentsforsolarschools.org as an online resource for student solar campaigns
- Raised \$5,900, excluding donated labor and materials worth over \$50,000 total





Program Direction

Launch classroom-based program component in Fall 2010

 Engage a growing number of schools and young people in projects linked to EEI curriculum

Create a program that could be easily replicated



Empowering Our Youth Today to have an Impact Tomorrow



