



GreenFaith Circles: Putting Belief into Action for the Earth

People of diverse faiths and spiritualities, united by a commitment to diversity and a spirituality of environmental justice and compassion, are connecting locally to lead their communities in response to environmental degradation. Together, they are generating respect and reverence for Earth's sacredness, building an economy that sustains people and the planet, and rising as a multi-faith human community.

GreenFaith, an interfaith, international environmental organization, is helping develop people of faith to lead in local GreenFaith Circles. Circles are empowering people of faith to build public relationships, leadership skills, and power for environmental stewardship and justice. By working locally and connecting globally across religions, races, and cultures, GreenFaith Circles are growing people of faith to lead in defense of our common home and in support of a sustainable future.

How Circles work

GreenFaith Circles consist of leaders of **five or more faith institutions** from **at least 3 different religions**, who commit to building relationships around common concerns, work together to care for the environment locally, and collaborate with regional, national, or international partners. Participating faith communities appoint two individuals to meet at least four times each year with leaders from other faith communities.

Together, these leaders, **learn, plan, carry out their work, and reflect on their efforts**. With the support of their faith community, they carry out an **environmental action each year in their own congregation** and **plan and participate in a public Circle effort**. Each Circle selects its own name, territory, and the issues they want to address, in concert with GreenFaith.

GreenFaith provides an organizer to support the organizing of Circle leaders, campaign, and mobilization opportunities, and a host of resources for congregational education and action. Each participating faith institution submits a **Commitment and Support Form**, stating the appointed leaders and financial contribution for membership dues.

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