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| My Starter Three-Month Climate Action Plan | | | | | | |
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| Type of Action | **Description** | | **What’s Needed (skills, people, time….)** | **Deadline** | **Potential Impact** | **Actual Impact (write here (ok brag here) about it!)** |
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| TRANSPORTATION |  | |  |  |  |  |
| Community | Join a Bikeshare, whether or not you have one in your town (Fort Worth Texas has one, for instance.) | | * <$100 via a credit card. * Access to the internet * An email account | March 31st | * $ will go to support bikeshare infrastructure. * You will have great access to free bikes (free for a short time period.) * You may bike more. * You may get in shape * You may get in Lara Croft shape * You may live to a greater age. |  |
| Community | Support Rail – buy a train ticket, whether for mini-train rides for kids, for metro, for Amtrak, for high-speed in another country | | * <$20-$200, * Time set aside for the trip. * If a train trip (versus metro) snacks are needed.   A credit card is not necessary. | April 30th | * $ will go to support train infrastructure. * You will have a decent-to-nice train trip. * Friends/Family/Strangers will see you train-ing and may jump on the bandwagon. (may not be measurable) |  |
| Community | Tell at least one new friend each month how much you want to change your commute or travel habits. | | * Friends * A phone call or social event that may necessitate you hanging out with your friend(s) | May 31st | * Three friends will hear, and think * 1-2 friends may change their habits. If you find out they do, come home immediately and write down the result in this here action plan. |  |
| Community | Call three car dealerships in your area and ask whether they have any EVs | | * A phone * A phonebook | April 15th | * Three car dealerships will have at least one person there think. * Increased interest by yourself in a possible test drive on an EV. |  |
| Community | Call a EV Taxi | | * A location with EV taxis * $ * A need to call a taxi * A hearty thank you to the taxi driver for driving an EV! | May 31st | * <$ supporting non-EV taxis * >$ supporting EVs |  |
| Individual | Divest your savings, 401K, and other holdings from any fossil-fuel based transportation sectors (and refineries). It may be difficult to tell, but greener funds tend to be labeled ESGs, or talk to your banker, financial representative. Reinvest in ESGs, green transportation infrastructure. | | * Savings, 401K, or other holdings. Not all of us have those, unfortunately * A computer * Internet * Or phone | May 31st | * Longer-term stability in your holdings (based on my single experience, need a ref.) * Investment in green infrastructure. * A more enlightened financial advisor. * A more green-investment experienced financial advisor. |  |
| Individual | Increase your biking to work/errand/for fun by once a week for three months. =13 trips. Make sure it is not in the dead of night but in the light of day where people can see you | | * A bike or access to bikeshare * A safe place to bike * An errand basket or backpack * A helmet * A headlight for any of those night trips. | May 31st | * 13+ People may see you and say – oh, I can do that. * City/town cameras will record your activity (shudder), and notch it up towards a need for more bikelanes. * For fun, record how much you travel, and see how many calories you saved and how much carbon wasn’t emitted. (Bikeshares do this for you already)   (neither of the first two are really measurable) |  |
| Political | Support bike lanes and rail – write one handwritten letter each month to a major political entity in your region. Request, demand actually, we stop supporting fossil fuel subsidies. (Focus fist on newly elected officials who might be more open-minded) | | 30 mins, paper, stamps, eloquence or passion or both. | June 31st | Ranging from a mere staff member raising one eyebrow (but the thought is in her head now), to actual lawmaker-support of bills. |  |
| Political | Become familiar with your town’s website to find announcements for when city transportation plans are discussed. | | * 30 mins. * Computer * Internet | March 31st | Familiarity with your town’s internet system. |  |
| Political | Read any transportation plans in the works | | * 2 hours. * Computer * Internet | April 31st | Familiarity with how your town’s transportation system functions. Assuming it functions. |  |
| Political | Comment on transportation plans in person in a city planning meeting. | | * 4 hours. * Computer * Internet * Preparation of a statement, eloquent or not. | May 31st (or the next planning meeting) | * An elevator speech that you can use as a base for conversations with friends. * A time when the city/town councilors have to listen to you. Have to. * A great chance to meet like-minded people |  |
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| Other ideas can be found here: | https://climatesteps.org/travel/ | |  |  |  |  |