

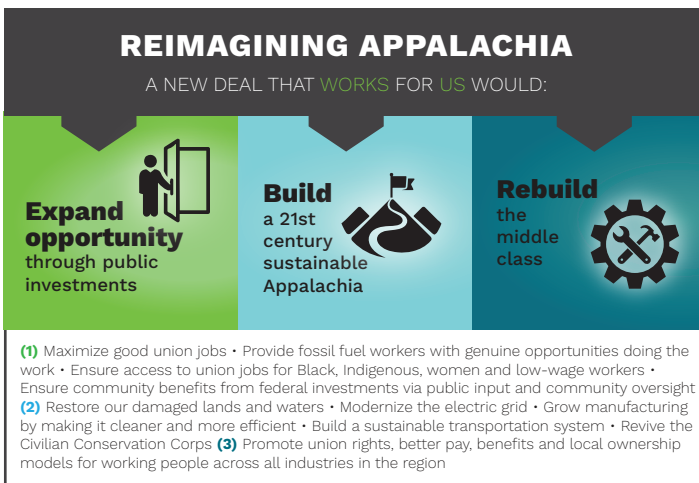
Let's strike a new deal that works for US

Most Appalachians—whether white, Black or brown; whether they live in cities, small towns or the backwoods—care deeply about their communities. For too long, absentee corporate CEOs and a handful of their politicians have rigged the rules against us, draining the natural wealth from our region while we suffer from poverty, low wages and high unemployment.

Reimagine Appalachia is dedicated to making sure that no matter what we look like or the size of our bank account, everyone who lives here can have a good job, is cared for, can put down roots for the future, and leave healthy land for their children. Today national conversations are taking place around climate change and federal stimulus packages designed to create jobs and upgrade our nation's infrastructure. We are demanding those plans not only include Appalachians but make us a priority. The blueprint we created shows the way forward.

Our nation is in crisis. The pandemic and the economic collapse of 2020. The long-term challenges of economic inequality, racism, and climate change. There is little question that the United States needs change—real, lasting, structural change.

The people of Appalachia's Ohio River Valley—spanning West Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, and Pennsylvania—must have a say in how that change happens. It is an opportunity to bring much needed resources into the region.



We believe

The people of the Ohio River Valley have the ingredients to lead the United States into economic recovery.

We have the skills, the grit, the natural resources, and the commitment to each other. Whether we're white, Black, or Brown, live in big cities or small towns, we love our neighbors and our families.

We can rebuild our economy by (1) expanding opportunity through public investments, (2) building a 21st Century economy with investments that create jobs by greening the economy; and (3) rebuilding the middle class including by strengthening workers' right to form unions in all sectors and boosting local ownership.

Join our campaign

Reimagine Appalachia is a new campaign for lasting economic fairness. It is by and for the people of Appalachia. It includes policy experts, grassroots groups, and community leaders from across the region, including the organizations that have endorsed our blueprint.

The work of Reimagine Appalachia is time sensitive. Federal policymakers are already designing stimulus and infrastructure packages to lift us out of the COVID recession, work that is likely to intensify after the presidential election. In addition, long-overdue debates about climate legislation and racial justice are intensifying. The people of Appalachia need to be at the table making these decisions—or we'll be on the menu.

We're asking you to join us. Share your hopes, visions, and ideas for Appalachia. Visit ReImagineAppalachia.org to learn how you can add your voice and help make the vision a reality.

List of current endorsers

Appalachian Citizens' Law Center (ACLC)
Appalachian Voices
Appalshop
Art of Pieces
Ashtabula County Young Democrats
Athens County's Future Action Network
BCMAC-Beaver County Marcellus Awareness Community
Black Women Rising
Breathe Project
Center for Energy & Sustainable Development, WVU College of Law
Children's Defense Fund-Ohio
Climate Reality Pittsburgh
Communities First Sewickley
Concerned Ohio River Residents
Congress on Faith and Justice
Earthworks
Foundation for PA Watersheds
FracTracker
Freshwater Accountability Project
Institute for Sustainable Power
Izaak Walton League of America- Allegheny County
Kentucky Center for Economic Policy
Kentucky Resources Council, Inc.
Kentucky Waterways Alliance
Keystone Research Center
Mid-Ohio Valley Climate Action
Mountain State Justice
National Association of Social Workers West Virginia Chapter
National Wildlife Federation
New Morning Energy, LLC

Ohio Environmental Council
Ohio Interfaith Power & Light
Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition
PASA Sustainable Agriculture
PennFuture
Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center
Pennsylvania Council of Churches
Planned Parenthood South Atlantic
Plant-Based Pittsburgh
Policy Matters Ohio
Powhatan Point Church of the Nazarene
Protect PT (Penn-Trafford)
Reimagine Beaver County
Reimagine Butler County
Revolt Energy
RiverWise
Slippery Rock University Sustainable Enterprise Accelerator
Solar United Neighbors
SWPA Environmental Health Project
The Battle of Homestead Foundation
Thrive At Life: Working Solutions
West Liberty University
West Virginia Center on Budget & Policy
West Virginia Environmental Council
West Virginia Headwaters Waterkeeper
West Virginia Interfaith Power and Light
West Virginia National Organization of Women
West Virginia Rivers Coalition
WV Citizen Action