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**U.S. Senate**
“Climate change exacerbates the racial and economic inequalities the coronavirus pandemic has laid bare, and with millions out of work and at risk of losing their homes, their health care, and their loved ones, the time for bold, forward-thinking action is now,” said Senate Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer. “While President Trump and Congressional Republicans continue to ignore climate change, I am proud to work with my Democratic colleagues and many advocates and progressive groups on the THRIVE agenda. Even in the face of a global pandemic, we can and must develop solutions to the climate crisis that create good jobs, invest in communities, and ensure healthy lives for everyone regardless of your zip code.”

“COVID-19 has exposed and exacerbated many of the inequalities in our country, from racial injustices to economic inequity and exposure to pollution,” said Senator Booker. “We still have so much work to do to stop the spread of this virus, but as we prepare for the long recovery ahead we must ensure we are laying the foundation to address climate change and build a more just country for everyone.”

“Our economy works for the wealthy and well-connected instead of struggling families, especially families of color,” said Senator Warren. “These unprecedented public health and economic crises have only made these longstanding injustices worse and we need big, bold structural solutions. I am thrilled to be introducing the THRIVE Agenda with my colleagues and dozens of grassroots groups to revive our economy and tackle the ongoing crises of COVID-19, climate change, racial injustice, public health, and economic inequity.”

“We are currently facing the worst health and economic crisis in modern history,” said Senator Sanders. “Climate change is a global emergency already devastating our communities and threatens the future of our planet. Half-measures are not going to get us out of this. Now is the time to act boldly—to work from the ground up to transform our society and economy to work for all of us. What this resolution says is that we must and we will create an America based on the principles of justice. Economic justice. Racial justice. Social justice. Environmental justice.”

“We have been made over the years, significant work remains to achieve true equality and justice for all,” said Senator Wyden. “Congress must take deliberative and decisive action to tear down systemic barriers and invest in those communities that are often oppressed or forgotten.”

“Oregonians and Americans in every corner of our country are hurting in so many ways. They’re crying out for racial justice, while also fighting to pay their bills and stay safe from raging wildfires and the coronavirus,” said Senator Merkley. “If there’s one thing we’ve learned from the administration’s handling of the pandemic, it’s that big problems don’t go away if you ignore them. Our communities need a blueprint for a better future that tackles climate chaos and systemic racism and builds back a stronger, more inclusive, sustainable economy. We can turn the page, rise to the moment, and solve big problems, and the THRIVE agenda shows the way.”
“The disregard for communities of color in environmental decisions has had lasting and devastating consequences on their economic opportunities and public health. I am proud to be an original cosponsor of the THRIVE resolution, which lays out a strong agenda that will help our economy recover with good-paying jobs and a healthy environment, clean air, and clean water for everyone,” said Senator Gillibrand. “As we work to rebuild our economy, we must prioritize the economic well-being, health and safety of all Americans, no matter their zip code, by investing in long-term, sustainable solutions rooted in environmental, racial and economic justice.”

“The staggering effects of climate change have been laid bare this week with the horrific fires and record-breaking temperatures,” said Senator Blumenthal. “This environmental crisis, alongside the ongoing public health and racial injustice crises, demands immediate action and leadership – absent from this administration. I am proud to support the THRIVE resolution to put our country on a path toward a more just, healthy, and equitable society every American deserves. Its guiding principles will help revive our country’s economy while tackling climate change, racial injustice, public health, and economic inequity.”

“Marginalized communities—communities of color, low-income communities and Native communities—often bear the worst consequences of environmental pollution that profits the rich and powerful,” said Senator Udall, vice chairman of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. “Native American Tribes are still waiting for restoration owed to them from many decades of environmental exploitation, while air, water and toxics pollution caused by big corporations disproportionately affects minority and low-income communities every day. Moving forward, we must chart a new path forward to achieve broader prosperity and environmental justice and prevent the worst effects of climate change by including and empowering those who are most affected. The THRIVE Agenda is designed to create a more just and sustainable future, and we must use this framework to work for an equitably-shared recovery from the intersecting crises we are facing.”

“The THRIVE Agenda provides a visionary framework for economic recovery and climate action, while simultaneously taking on the generational, systemic challenges of racial injustice and economic inequality,” said Senator Heinrich. “That’s why I am proud to support this vision for putting millions back to work building a more fair, resilient, and clean economy for all Americans.
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“Like no other time in our nation’s history, we are facing multiple intersecting and compounding crises that threaten public health, our economic future, and the health of the planet for future generations. The THRIVE Agenda puts forth a bold, transformative vision for our society, economic renewal, racial injustice, public health, and mitigating climate change. I am proud to co-lead this resolution with my House and Senate colleagues, as well as all the groups backing this effort and their tireless fight to address the long standing economic and racial inequities that have plagued us for too long.” - Congresswoman Debbie Dingell

“The current COVID-19 crisis once again illustrates the legacy that racism and white supremacy has had in our country, and the desperate need to address the inequality that continues today. We cannot change 400 year old systems of oppression without a fight. This resolution is an important step in addressing the issues of economic inequality, climate change, and empowering workers.” - Congresswoman Barbara Lee

“To get our country back on track, we need to think big. Now is the time for New Deal-like programs, and the THRIVE Agenda outlines exactly what we need to support the American workforce while advancing an environmentally stable platform. It bolsters unions to ensure these jobs have high wages and strong benefits. It ensures we address the injustices from racist policies that have set back vulnerable communities for generations. And it progresses us towards a sustainable future by mitigating climate change. I’m excited to co-lead this effort and work with the large coalition of supporters to bring the THRIVE Agenda to fruition.” - Congressman Brendan Boyle

“The multiple crises we are facing are deeply intertwined. We need a bold, holistic solution to revive and rebuild our economy in an equitable way that prioritizes people and our environment over corporate interests. I am proud to co-lead this resolution with not only my Democratic colleagues but also with the many advocates and progressive groups working together to create a movement. A return to normal after this pandemic is not enough. The THRIVE Agenda is the renewal plan we need to achieve racial, environmental, and economic justice.” - Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro

“It’s long past time for Congress to take bold action to protect our families, jobs, and planet. At a time when the global pandemic has destroyed lives and livelihoods across the US and exacerbated the inequalities that are impacting our communities, it is more important than ever to tackle this crisis in a comprehensive and equitable form. The THRIVE Agenda puts people first. It creates millions of union jobs, invests directly in Black, Brown, and Indigenous communities, addresses our climate catastrophe, and reinvests in public institutions. It’s time to invest in solutions that meet the scale of the challenges we face.” - Congresswoman Ilhan Omar
“As communities across the nation navigate intersecting crises threatening public health, equal justice under the law and the future of our planet, this much is clear — America cannot go back to normal because normal was never good enough. These compounding crises demand that our response fulfill the promise of America as a ‘garment of shared destiny.’ In that spirit, I am pleased to join my colleagues in introducing the THRIVE agenda, a historic call-to-action for Congress to turn this moment of national pain into the power needed to foster much-needed economic renewal while upholding principles of equal dignity, healing institutionalized harms affecting our communities and making bold investments in a vibrant, green future.” - Congressman Donald McEachin

“As we navigate the COVID-19 crisis, we cannot forget there is another massive crisis looming—climate change. Solving the environmental issues before us requires a whole-of-government response, involving comprehensive policy changes to a myriad of issues before us. I’m proud to join with Congresswoman Haaland on the THRIVE agenda, which will bring together a broad coalition of policymakers to mitigate the impacts of climate change and make sure that our future economic recovery efforts prioritize the needs of the environment,” - Congresswoman Chellie Pingree
Organizations

“To meet this moment, we cannot accept short-term solutions that pretend our problems are siloed. We can’t stop police from murdering Black people, without investing in Black and Brown communities through secure jobs with living wages and benefits. We can’t address a pandemic that is ravaging Black and Brown people without ensuring access to quality health care and the basic right of not living with or drinking toxic pollutants. Everything is connected, and we do ourselves a grave disservice by maintaining normality when momentum is on our side.”
- Karissa Lewis, National Field director, Movement for Black Lives

“Indigenous peoples know that everything in life is connected and related. This is also the case with the issues humanity are facing today. The THRIVE agenda addresses the climate crisis, racial injustice, mass unemployment, economic injustice and the global pandemic while recognizing the importance of recognition of our Indigenous and tribal sovereignty and treaty rights. Indigenous knowledge provides a path forward, acknowledging any form of economic recovery must respect the sacred relationship to Mother Earth, to assure nature and ecosystems are not viewed as capital in a carbon and conservation offset market system and THRIVE recognizes that." - Tom BK Goldtooth, Executive Director of the Indigenous Environmental Network

"Communities across the country cannot afford incremental and piecemeal solutions to the dire intersectional issues we face, including the climate crisis, racial injustice, mass unemployment, and the deadly pandemic, to name a few. Our government must rise to the moment and enact the bold, large-scale solutions outlined in the THRIVE Agenda, which lays out a forward-thinking vision that creates millions of secure jobs, supports cleaner air and a more stable climate, takes aim at racial injustice, and invests in the health of frontline communities. The Sierra Club calls on members of Congress to take immediate action and invest in a healthy, just, equitable economic recovery for all." - Michael Brune, Executive Director of the Sierra Club

"It is about time that we move from helping our communities just live and survive to a focus on how our communities can thrive. We support the THRIVE Agenda that centers the most marginalized people because when those closest to the pain are healed, the whole nation heals." - Linda Sarsour, co-founder, MPower Change Action

"In the midst of mass unemployment and the pandemic, we need to pass the THRIVE agenda. Thrive will put millions to work building the clean, renewable energy economy we need to fight climate change while addressing racial injustice and strengthening workers' right to organize." - Maurice Mitchell, National Executive Director, Working Families Party

"As care workers, we urge congress to pass the THRIVE Agenda so we can expand and honor the critical essential labor of thousands of predominantly women of color workers across this country who look after the well being of children, people with disabilities, the elderly - our loved ones and those most vulnerable." - Santra Denis, Miami Workers Center, GGJ member, Florida
"I've never before seen a coalition this broad demanding something so bold. For once in my life, I truly believe we have the unity and power to actually stop the climate crisis and afford the good life to all people. The THRIVE agenda is the economic recovery-for-all plan that will guide us from global pandemic to prosperity." - Kaniela Ing, Climate Campaign Director.

"As our nation confronts a global health pandemic, a recession, and as fires rage in California and a White House bent on division and fear rather than confronting the long needed reckoning with racial, environmental and economic justice, the THRIVE agenda helps lay out a plan to meet this moment. It includes investing in equitable public education opportunities, including career and technical education pathways that prepare students for high-quality jobs of the future, and providing for the critical social, emotional academic and digital supports kids need to learn and thrive. After decades of neglecting our schools and other critical public institutions, it’s clear we must put investment at the center of the agenda, and demand the federal government take action to fund our future. THRIVE contains important building blocks in our journey toward a more just and equitable future for all.” - Randi Weingarten, President, American Federation of Teachers

“Mid-Ohio Valley Climate Action is excited to support this initiative that does not silo social justice issues, but recognizes that climate & environmental justice—like racial, immigrant, class, gender, and consumer justice—is vital to humanity.” - Eric Engle, Chairman

“We’re thrilled to see so many forces uniting behind this agenda, which delivers a clear mandate for the next administration and Congress to get started on a Green New Deal to tackle climate change and lift us out of economic recession. Between now and November we’re getting to work mobilizing our generation to defeat Trump and elect a new generation of leaders to Congress who will fight to make this vision a reality.” - Varshini Prakash, Sunrise Movement Co-founder and Exec Director

"Postal workers have seen first hand how the pandemic has exacerbated injustices in our communities that have persisted for far too long. This moment calls for bold, transformative policies to advance climate, economic and social justice as the country works towards recovery. We know that vibrant public services like the Postal Service are essential to ensuring everyone meets their needs and that’s why we’re proud to endorse the THRIVE resolution." - Mark Dimondstein, National President, American Postal Workers Union

"Our nation faces a perfect storm of extraordinary challenges – a tragic health crisis, an economic recession, climate change, and racial and economic injustice. Since this pandemic began, our members have been risking their lives on the frontlines. We have tragically lost more than 85 brothers and sisters to this virus. We applaud Senator Markey (MA) and Rep. Deb Haaland (NM) for introducing the THRIVE agenda. We urge Congress to take swift action to enact bold policies to support this agenda to create jobs, protect workers, and ensure a just and fair society for all Americans.” - John Costa, ATU International President
“As we confront the interwoven crises of climate change, structural racism, and COVID-19, we must demand nothing short of transformational change from Washington. The THRIVE Agenda offers a vision of a more just, hopeful future, one in which workers rights and our shared climate come before corporate profits. It's a chance for us to build back better rather than return to a normal in which Black, Brown, and Indigenous communities were sacrificed to the fossil fuel industry. Only by addressing environmental, social, and economic injustice at their roots can we navigate out of multiple crises at once.” - Janet Redman, Greenpeace USA Climate Campaign Director

“Texas workers, communities and the environment have been hard hit by the pandemic and the fossil fuel-based economy. Luckily our wind, solar and other renewable resources are abundant. The THRIVE Act would help Texas out of the boom-and-bust cycles that treat people as disposable and especially lift the boats that are sinking fastest in the multiple crises we face right now.” - Executive Director Robin Schneider

“The THRIVE ACT is the best thing we’ve ever seen for workers, climate action, social justice and equity! Work for it, fight for it, day and night for it, because our lives and livelihoods do indeed depend on it.” - Joe Uehlein, President, Labor Network for Sustainability

“The Fight for Climate Justice is personal for black and brown essential workers who live in cities that have been destroyed by hurricanes, urban areas suffer with skyrocketing asthma rates, toxic fumes from trucks and incinerators. Communities that have done the least to cause climate change—the poor, people of color, displaced immigrants—are disproportionately bearing the burden of climate change. We echo Pope Francis’ plea for world leaders to take swift action on climate change as “…cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor,” and now we call on Congress to honor its moral duty to address the climate crisis.” - Kyle Bragg, President of 32BJ SEIU

"Our country and our economy will be forever changed by the crisis brought on by the pandemic. As we plan for the recovery, the THRIVE agenda gives us the opportunity to invest in good, safe jobs that address the climate challenge and build power for all workers by guaranteeing the freedom to join unions." - Christopher M. Shelton, President, Communications Workers of America.

“Black, brown, white, and Asian Pacific Islander working-class families are more likely to live in zip codes with hotter temperatures, dirtier air, or more polluted water. That’s not an accident. It’s the outcome of policies that force working people to suffer the worst consequences of a changing climate. As frontline service and care workers, SEIU members will fight for the THRIVE Agenda because we want policies that create a secure, livable future for our kids and grandkids.” - Rocio Sáenz, International Executive Vice President of the Service Employees International Union.

"Our systems have failed us. We’re living at the nexus of interlocking health, economic, and racial crises with climate catastrophe pushing us over the edge. These times demand historic solutions, which is why People’s Action is proud to support the THRIVE Agenda and its vision for a just, healthy economy that serves everyone." - Bree Carlson, People's Action Deputy Director
"We’re in a time of terrible overlapping crises. It’s critical that we repair the damage from COVID-19, advance racial and economic justice, and end the climate crisis. The THRIVE resolution shows how we can do all these things at once, and Congress should use it as a roadmap." - David Arkush, Director, Public Citizen’s Climate Program

“Our emphasis on protecting property has caused us to neglect protecting people. THRIVE brings balance by centering the protection of people at the forefront.” - People’s Justice Council

“We support the THRIVE agenda because we know that true racial, economic, gender, and environmental justice will only come when we divest from an economy that prioritizes profit from war and climate destruction and invest in an economy based on peace and justice.” - Carley Towne, CODEPINK

“Our collective well-being depends on all members of our community being able to thrive. Anything less than that, means we have work to do!” - Laurie Woodward Garcia with Broward for Progress

“We wholeheartedly support the THRIVE Agenda’s powerful vision for unity and momentum for economic renewal. It’s high time the federal government provides immediate and direct relief from the compound crisis of COVID-19, climate destruction, and racial and economic injustice, through a Just Recovery. Instead of handing out billions of dollars to failing fossil fuel companies, we need our government to prioritize those most impacted, primarily Black, Indigenous, immigrant, communities of color, and working class people. We need to provide direct relief to communities, mutual aid, and real solutions in which we all thrive.” - Natalie Mebane, Director of Policy at 350.org

"The THRIVE Agenda is the bold new vision we need to create millions of good jobs, repair and revive our economy, and address the overlapping crises of mass unemployment, racial injustice, public health, and climate change. It is critical that any recovery package offered by Congress rise to meet the level of crisis, rather than inexcusably shrink to the scope of political convenience." - Mary Small, Legislative Director, Indivisible

“Moms across the country are calling on our leaders to respond to the multiple pressing crises of racial injustice, the COVID–19 pandemic, and climate change. These crises all threaten our most precious resource: Our children. And these crises all contain within them the seeds of an incredible opportunity, because we know that solving these problems will unlock so many benefits for our children, our families, and our communities. That’s why Moms Clean Air Force supports the THRIVE agenda. This is exactly the kind of hope we need in this moment, when we are watching the living breath being taken from Black people, over and over again; when communities of color are bearing the brunt of the COVID crisis; when the devastating health impacts of climate pollution are becoming more and more apparent; and when, as has been the case for so long, we do not all breathe the same air. Until we do, we will not be able to live in a just, fair society. We applaud Congressional leaders for laying out a vision of the future that prioritizes our children. We share this vision, and we have your back as you work to make this vision a reality.” - Heather Toney, National Field Director, Moms Clean Air Force
"Our work must be to uplift the marginalized and invisible communities across the country, like that of American Indian/Alaskan Natives, giving them access to quality health care, upward mobility, housing stability, rental assistance, and uplifting them out of the pandemic by preparing them for a competitive job market and a forever changed way-of-life." - Joseph Quintana, Development Director, United American Indian Involvement, Inc.

“The Thrive Agenda is exemplary 21st Century legislation, as it highlights a truth that far too often goes unrecognized - that the major crises of our time are fully interconnected. American society must confront its history of racial injustice; the fact that economic dignity is out of reach for far too many workers, most conspicuously in communities of color; and the unfolding global environmental catastrophe continues unabated, as its direct impact is felt disproportionately in poor communities. These issues are interrelated and the pathway to creating an inclusive, anti-racist, prosperous, and sustainable America requires the integrated approach of the Thrive Agenda.” - Alan Minsky, Executive Director, Progressive Democrats of America

“The Green Workers Alliance is proud to support the Thrive Agenda. Those who work in green jobs and those who want the opportunity for good, clean jobs know that we need to transform our economy to achieve environmental, racial and social justice and end climate change." - Matthew Mayers, Green Workers Alliance Advisory Committee Board Chair

"The Thrive Act gives this country the chance to bring about a future wherever everyone has the freedom to thrive. A future Black, Indigenous and People of Color have been fighting for generations. We are excited to bring about this change and push for the Thrive Act!" - Dianne Enriquez, Director of Opportunity Campaigns, Center for Popular Democracy

“As we rebuild after the pandemic we need to dare to do so in a way that allows everyone to thrive, not just those who were before.” - Yasmeen Silva, Partnerships Manager, Beyond the Bomb

“Heal, and Renew by Investing in a Vibrant Economy (THRIVE) agenda provides a detailed approach on rebuilding our communities and lifting up citizens in a manner that is sustainable and equitable. If we truly want to address the issues that have plagued us for too long, this is the way to do it!” - Mary Gutierrez, Executive Director, Earth Ethics, Inc. Transform

“It is possible to get on the 1.5 C path in time and deliver clean air, good jobs, a better future, with much more justice for all.” - Catholic Network US

“Frontline communities have been leading the climate justice fight for years and decades – from the 1991 Principles of Environmental Justice, the ’96 Jemez Principles and recent landmark legislation passed in New York and New Jersey, California, Oregon and Washington State, we’ve been in this struggle to make climate justice a reality. We’ve survived growing white supremacy, more powerful storms, increased wealth inequality, but surviving is not enough, we know we need much more, we also need to THRIVE. Climate Justice Alliance is pleased to support this effort that puts us on a path to regenerative economies rooted in Just Transition, Energy Democracy, and Food Sovereignty." - Angela Machecha Adrar, Executive Director, Climate Justice Alliance
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“350 New Mexico supports the THRIVE agenda because solving the climate crisis requires bold, rapid, emergency solutions that we can only accomplish with everyone’s help. That means simultaneously fixing the sources of system racism and economic oppression and environmental looting that have brought us to this point. Unless we do, the demagogues among us will keep tearing society apart, dooming us to a future that none of us will survive.” - Tom Solomon, co-coordinator, 350NM and Jim Mackenzie, co-coordinator, 350NM

"This country needs and deserves a bold, racially just, transformative response to this crisis. We need the THRIVE agenda so that everyone can get through this tragic time safely and with dignity, and to resolve the longstanding health, racial, and economic disparities that have caused it." - Tim Judson, Executive Director of Nuclear Information and Resource Service

"We stand with the Sunrise movement and the Green New Deal to bring America equitable, sustainable transportation and affordable communities for all." - Andy Kunz, President & CEO, US High Speed Rail Association

“For centuries employers, corporations and health care institutions have systemically excluded Black, Brown and Indigenous people. The financial and health inequities that they have caused are now exacerbating the COVID-19 pandemic. Now we demand the federal government invest in the renewal of our communities by supporting workers, addressing years of environmental injustice, and directing resources to counter gender and racial injustice to ensure that our communities can thrive in healthy and safe environments, and have access to basic necessities they need to live." - Color Of Change President Rashad Robinson

“The THRIVE Resolution underscores that tacking the most challenging problems facing our nation today requires a diverse and broad coalition jointly committed to this purpose and working in an intersectional way. Earthjustice is proud to stand with the organizations and Members of Congress leading this important effort.” - EarthJustice

"The THRIVE Agenda is designed to meet the needs of people -- expanding access to clean and affordable energy, water, transportation, energy, high-speed broadband, and public water for all -- while also providing economic justice and pathways out of poverty for the Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC) communities across the country.” - Michelle Romero, National Director of Green For All

"Too many of our communities are beset by constant crisis and disaster. Whether its mass evictions, job loss, or climate change, we need an economic recovery plan that will put working people and the environment first. The time is now to invest in a sustainable future. That’s why we need the THRIVE Agenda. To put policy behind the issues that matter most to everyday people." - Jayanni Webster, National Field Organizer Right To The City Alliance
“Now is the time for hope. The pieces of the puzzle are in place. We have the solutions, and THRIVE is an opportunity to create legislation to fortify the holes in our system -- and ensure a just recovery from this pandemic away from fossil fuels — that protects workers, communities, and the climate. We have the chance to do something extraordinary, and re-create our entire system to tackle the overlapping crises of unemployment, racial injustice, public health, wealth inequality, and climate change. Let’s go - we rise together!” - Lee Anne Williams Co-Director Green New Deal VA

“2020 has laid bare what we've known for too long, that the structures of colonization, racism, patriarchy and extractive economics are destroying our communities and the Earth. It is time to turn the tide with every ounce of our strength to dismantle these interlocking systems of oppression, and instead invest in Indigenous rights, Black liberation, gender justice, community care, and climate justice to build a liveable future where people and planet truly thrive together.” - Osprey Orielle Lake, Executive Director, Women’s Earth and Climate Action Network (WECAN)

“As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to expose the longstanding racial and economic inequality plaguing our country and climate change is threatening communities in all corners of our nation – from historic wildfires to the strong storms on record – we are proud to support the THRIVE Agenda. This resolution shows how these crises are inextricably linked, and sets forth principles to put millions back to work building a more equitable and sustainable society.” - LCV VP of Government Affairs Sara Chieffo

“Ending the fossil fuel era must be a cornerstone of any new deal for the country. THRIVE is a critical starting point for Congress to address the triple pandemics of COVID, the climate emergency and systemic racism. But to tackle the climate crisis and advance environmental justice, actions based on THRIVE need to include immediately halting new oil, gas and coal projects and phasing out fossil fuel production nationwide, with strong protections in place for impacted workers and communities.” - Ben Goloff, senior climate campaigner at the Center for Biological Diversity

“In the past, the only robustly funded "solutions" to the climate crisis were militarized ones. We’re supporting the THRIVE agenda because it puts on a path towards realizing true security for our communities by finally investing in what actually meets our needs and keeps us safe.” - Lorah Steichen, Outreach Coordinator National Priorities Project at the Institute for Policy Studies
“Evergreen Action is proud to sign on to the THRIVE Agenda. The diversity and scope of this coalition is proof of the growing mandate for policy approaches built on clean energy standards, robust public investments, and environmental justice. There is no public appetite for milquetoast or incremental reforms while climate disasters like the fires are ravaging the west right now, and the economic crisis and racial injustice are wreaking havoc in our communities. A true mobilization to build the clean energy economy means thinking big. That’s because climate isn’t just one issue, it’s every issue. The THRIVE agenda smartly addresses the climate crisis with a comprehensive agenda to grow good-paying union jobs in a clean energy economy, address environmental racism and structural inequality with major investments in Black, Brown, and Indigenous communities, and lays out a plan to rapidly decarbonize the economy to protect our health and our future. The ambition of this vision compels all of our leaders and lawmakers to think bigger and bolder about the challenges we face. This is a key step in the growing movement for bold climate action in Congress. And we look forward to fighting with our coalition partners to make this vision a reality next year.” - Jamal Raad, Evergreen Action Campaign Director

“As wildfires suffocate the west and hurricanes batter the Gulf south we see climate crisis does not stop as we grapple with economic crisis and pandemic. We are now living in climate chaos, and the poor, and Black and brown communities are suffering the worst through it. The THRIVE Agenda lays the groundwork for the national mobilization we need to restore our economy and create millions of good jobs, while also taking hold of the climate reality we face and leveraging our power to build a future that is regenerative and resilient for all.” - Adrien Salazar, Senior Campaign Strategist, Dēmos