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Montana Moms Celebrate Governor Bullock's Clean Air Initiative, Energy Plan

Highlight provisions to protect clean water, air and develop energy efficiency solutions for schools

Bozeman, Mont: Montana parents voiced enthusiastic support for Governor Steve Bullock making good on his promise to map out a responsible energy future for the children of Montana, protecting our air and water from pollution.

Two groups – Mom's Clean Air Force and the Montana Mountain Mamas -- have been organizing hundreds of children and parents statewide for months, creating handprint art reminding Gov. Bullock that "the future is in our hands."

In April, Mom's Clean Air Force and the Montana Mountain Mamas organized over a hundred children and parents to join [Governor Steve Bullock at the Montana State Capitol](#) to discuss the importance of protecting Montana's healthy environment. The [two groups also took First Lady Lisa Bullock](#) on a Madison River float in May to celebrate Mother's Day as well as discuss clean air and clean water.

"By growing Montana's potential for wind, solar and cutting waste, Montana can protect the clean air and water that Montana kids need to grow up healthy," said Becky Edwards, of Bozeman, director of Montana Mountain Mamas.

The groups highlighted two strong points of the plan: goals to double Montana's solar development by 2025, and develop creative methods to fund public and private solar projects; a \$5 million proposal to the 2017 Montana legislature to fund energy conservation projects in schools across the state.

Erica Lighthiser of Montana Mountain Mamas in Livingston said: "Today's announcement is a huge win for Montana families. By creating a bold made-in-Montana plan for clean energy and lessening our dependence on fossil fuels, we are taking a huge step forward to safeguard Montana's clean air and water. Thank you Governor Bullock for demonstrating leadership for future generations of leaders."

Michelle Uberuaga, of Moms Clean Air Force in Livingston said: "I know a lot of parents and kids that will be excited to learn more about Governor Bullock's positive steps forward on clean energy. We really

appreciate Governor Bullock's leadership and the hard work he has dedicated towards building a strong vision for Montana's future. For us, it's simple: our children need clean air and water to grow and thrive."



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Moms Clean Air Force is a community of over 740,000 moms and dads united against air pollution – including the urgent crisis of our changing climate – to protect our children's health. We arm members with reliable information and solutions through online resources, articles, action tools and on-the-ground events. More here: <http://www.momscleanairforce.org/>