

The GLC Community

The **Green Leaders for Change (GLC)** is a community of NRDC's philanthropic supporters and advocates who are politically active in ways that promote NRDC's goal of advancing solutions that protect the health and well-being of people, communities, and the planet.

GLC members regularly lobby officials in Congress and the administration on behalf of NRDC, sign on to congressional leadership letters, strategize with NRDC experts, and leverage their connections to further NRDC's mission. In 2021 and 2022, GLC members completed nearly 200 direct advocacy actions in support of NRDC's work on the climate provisions contained in the Inflation Reduction Act.

Our flagship event is the GLC Advocacy Summit, held each spring in Washington, D.C. This 2.5 day conference is a unique opportunity for NRDC supporters to engage with NRDC leaders and experts while weighing in directly with members of Congress and the administration. GLC Advocacy Summits attract top-notch speakers and include meetings with cabinet members, presidential advisors, and politicians who are directly involved with making or shaping our nation's climate policies.

Established in 2008 by NRDC's founding director, John Adams, the GLC has grown from a small group to a robust community of supporters, advocates, and ambassadors. Together, the community continues to sustain NRDC's position as one of the most effective environmental organizations in the world.

What do GLC members do?

- 1. Stay informed:** GLC members attend the GLC Advocacy Summit, join webinars, and read NRDC blogs and GLC communications to stay active and up-to-date on the latest from NRDC.
- 2. Grow political power:** GLC members know it's important to build relationships with their representatives through meetings, fundraisers, and political contributions. GLC members share information about the relationships they've built so GLC leaders are aware and able to plan for the strategic deployment of the political capital and leverage that have been built.
- 3. Weigh in with policymakers:** GLC members attend lobbying meetings through the Advocacy Summit and other opportunities. They also engage in making direct personal asks when the need and opportunity arise.



Courtesy of Joe Andrucyk | Maryland Governor Wes Moore and GLC Member Noah Taft shaking hands at the 2023 GLC Advocacy Summit in Washington, D.C.

Level of commitment

GLC members are asked to be in touch with their political representatives at least three times per year, whether through GLC activities or on their own. GLC members have exclusive access to year-round webinars and group calls and are encouraged to join regularly as a way of staying informed about our issues and connected with our community.



HOW TO JOIN

To join the GLC community or get more information, please contact the GLC team at GLC@nrdc.org. The GLC Advocacy Summit, which is held in Washington, D.C. each spring, is a particularly good way to get involved and learn more.