

# TIM WALZ: A CLIMATE CHAMPION FOR VICE PRESIDENT



*“The coalitions we built were so strong and so diverse... knowing we are going to build this clean energy economy with good union jobs.”*

*-Governor Tim Walz, addressing LCV and state affiliates, May 2023*

- As Governor, Tim Walz made Minnesota a national leader on climate, signing bipartisan legislation to move the state to 100% clean electricity by 2040, one of the most ambitious standards in the nation.
- Governor Walz signed over 40 climate initiatives into law in 2023, including helping Minnesotans make their homes more climate resilient, establishing a carbon-free electricity standard, building more electric vehicle charging stations, funding clean energy apprenticeship programs, and more.
- In his first year as governor, Walz created a Climate Change Subcabinet of state agency and department leaders and a citizen-led Advisory Council on Climate Change to identify strategies to reduce the state's climate emissions and build more resilient communities.
- His Clean Cars Minnesota initiative is bringing more fuel-efficient cars to the state and increasing consumer choice while reducing climate and other air pollution.
- Governor Walz strengthened the state's commitment to environmental justice, signing legislation that would require the assessment of cumulative impacts of pollution and environmental degradation in environmental justice communities.
- He has championed clean water--signing historic legislation for lead replacement, invested in addressing toxic PFAS "forever chemicals" in communities across the state and helping low-income families replace septic systems.

