

# TARGETS



## Canadian Red Cross Climate and Environmental Charter Targets

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### **Commitment 1: Step up our response to growing humanitarian needs and help people adapt to the impacts of the climate and environmental crises**

1. Year by year, CRC will increase its internal capacity for the DRM continuum.
2. By 2024, all CRC programs and responses will have environmental considerations in them.
3. Year by year, CRC will continue to grow its prevention, preparedness, risk reduction and recovery services in order to reduce the impacts of climate change and extreme weather events.
4. Year by year, CRC will increase its capacity to look at climate events holistically, including the intersections with health, migration and social protection, with a focus on supporting resilient communities.

### **Commitment 2: Maximize the environmental sustainability of our work and rapidly reduce our greenhouse gas emissions**

1. In 2022, the Canadian Red Cross will publish an environment policy.
2. In 2022, the Canadian Red Cross will establish a GHG emissions baseline for core operational processes, and a plan to achieve GHG reduction targets will be launched in 2023.
3. By the end of 2023, our programs and services quality evaluation criteria will include environmental sustainability considerations.

### **Commitment 3: Embrace the leadership of local actors and communities**

1. By 2025, CRC will integrate a community-led approach into all operational plans, policies and procedures related to the DRM continuum.
2. By 2024, CRC will have an Indigenous Advisory Network to ensure we are enabling community-based leaders and actors to support and guide the CRC in DRR and climate change adaptation strategies to foster local stewardship and traditional territory care.

#### **Commitment 4: Increase our capacity to understand climate and environmental risks and develop evidence-based solutions**

1. Year by year, we will strengthen ties and collaboration with the IFRC climate center, while improving hazard data sharing and access across Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement partners, government, academia, and humanitarian sector partners.
2. CRC will share information and engage on climate and environmental risks with communities across Canada in an accessible way.
3. By 2025, CRC will have a national strategy and Society-wide resources and reference centre on Indigenous DRR and Humanitarianism to amplify and promote local Indigenous knowledge, leadership, actors, organizations, evidence-based research, and best practices on climate change adaptation.

#### **Commitment 5: Work collaboratively across the humanitarian sector and beyond to strengthen climate and environmental action**

1. CRC will use its technical expertise in partnership with levels of government and relevant authorities, including Indigenous government and authorities, civil society organisations and other partners to strengthen domestic frameworks related to climate including on adaptation, preparedness, recovery and responding to climate crisis.
2. CRC will continue to collaborate with Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement components and external partners to exchange best practices, engage in advocacy, and maximize funding opportunities to strengthen climate and environmental action.
3. CRC will grow partnerships with environmental organisations.

#### **Commitment 6: Use our influence to mobilize urgent and more ambitious climate action and environmental protection**

1. In 2022 CRC will engage with levels of government to advocate for stronger adaptation, mitigation and emissions reduction policies and programs that address the whole risk environment.
2. By 2023 CRC will establish collaboration with partners to address increasing financial, social, and health impacts of climate change and disasters, with a focus on supporting resilient communities.
3. By 2023 CRC will consult on culturally appropriate pathways to address preparedness, response and recovery, and adopt and advocate for distinct Indigenous considerations for climate change and environmental crises.