



OWDA Climate and Environment Charter Targets (Until 2035)

Organization for Welfare and Development in Action's (OWDA) long-term Climate and Environment Charter targets until 2035 are extrapolated below. These targets aim to consolidate the organization's initial commitments into a comprehensive strategy for carbon reduction and climate resilience over the next decade.

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1. Carbon Footprint Reduction (Technical & Energy Transition)

Target	Key Action	Remarks
100% Solarization of Water Systems.	By 2035, all OWDA-supported water systems (boreholes, river intakes and surface pumps) powered by solar energy across all intervention areas.	
Full Renewable Energy for Offices	By 2035, OWDA will ensure 100% of electricity consumption in all OWDA offices, including Jijiga and Gode, is sourced from renewable energy systems (solar panels).	

2. Organizational Eco-Efficiency & Waste Management

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Zero Single-Use Plastic Policy	OWDA will eliminate single-use plastic water bottles from all operations by 2035. We will establish and enforce a zero-tolerance policy, requiring all offices to transition to and maintain the use of water dispensers and reusable water containers for daily consumption.	
Comprehensive E-Waste Circularity	OWDA commits to achieving, by 2035, a formalized, durable partnership with accredited Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) centers. This collaboration will facilitate the safe, non-hazardous, and circular disposal of our entire inventory of electric	



	utilities, directing recoverable components and devices to the TVETs for practical, hands-on educational instruction.	
Near-Zero Landfill Waste	By 2035, OWDA will institute a Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle management system in all OWDA offices to achieve a state of near-zero solid waste disposal into open landfills.	
Paperless Operations	By 2035, OWDA will significantly enhance its sustainability footprint by realizing a 70% decrease in overall paper usage. Key actions include making dual-sided printing the institutional default for all equipment and fully embedding digital-first practices across project management and administrative functions.	

3. Operational Resilience and Staff Engagement

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Full Climate Resilience Integration	By 2035, OWDA commits to ensuring that 100% of all new humanitarian and development projects, with a particular focus on WASH initiatives, have climate resilience and adaptation strategies fully integrated into their initial design and throughout their implementation lifecycle.	
Water Conservation Efficiency	By 2035, OWDA will commit to enhancing its water conservation efforts by ensuring the installation of water-efficient taps (such as washer or low-flow taps) across all office facilities. This measure is projected to significantly minimize overall institutional water consumption and reduce the organization's environmental footprint.	
Promotion of Active Transport	To significantly reduce our operational carbon footprint, OWDA will ensure that by 2035, a quantified percentage of staff regularly utilizes active transport (cycling or walking) for their office commute, sustained through robust incentive and motivation programs.	



4. Strengthen Climate Resilience Awareness and Early Warning Communication for community and Partner Organizations.

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EW communication and working with communities on DRR.	OWDA will ensure the long-term integration of a robust Early Warning (EW) communication system by 2035. This initiative will focus on building community capacity to adopt and apply specific Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) methods, ensuring sustained preparedness and a measurable reduction in hazard vulnerability.	
Capacity strengthening and sensitizing partners on the Climate Charter.	OWDA will champion climate action by 2035, focusing on empowering local and national NGO partners to formally commit to the Climate and Environment Charter. This initiative involves a structured three-step approach: first, achieving their formal signature; second, providing technical support to develop specific, ambitious implementation targets; and third, actively monitoring progress to ensure targets are met, thereby boosting collective resilience across the region.	