



Seniors' Climate Witness Update #5 (September 15, 2026)

The caravan is on the road!

What began as an idea less than two months ago is now rolling across Canada. **Seniors ages 62 to 86 are travelling by electric vehicle from the west and east coasts to carry a simple message to Ottawa:**

**FUND A SAFE, CLEAN FUTURE
— NOT NEW PIPELINES.**

Since leaving Victoria, we've been welcomed at send-off rallies and gatherings in **Victoria, Vancouver, Kamloops, Salmon Arm, Revelstoke, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Regina and Winnipeg**. At every stop, we are meeting people concerned about the climate crisis and collecting their stories to bring to Ottawa.

And our Caravan continues to grow. We're delighted that **Dr. David Swann, physician, former Chief Public Health Officer for Medicine Hat and former MLA and leader of the Alberta Liberal Party, has now joined us on the road. Our Maritime and Toronto friends start travelling on Wednesday to join us!**



Vancouver send off with Dr. David Suzuki



1. PEOPLE ARE NOTICING

The Caravan has already received coverage from **CBC, CTV, Global News, Toronto Star, Canada's National Observer** and numerous other media outlets.

Our Facebook page is reaching tens of thousands of people, helping our message travel much farther than our seven vehicles ever could. Nina Newington's post of the National Observer article got 20K views in a few hours! David Suzuki's Foundation's interactive map of the journey is very popular on our Facebook page. [Follow the journey!](#)



Please help us keep that momentum going: Hit the "follow" button and share our Caravan posts with your friends and networks.

1. WHAT DO YOU WANT US TO CARRY TO PARLIAMENT?

As we cross Canada, we're collecting **photos and stories of people, other living beings and places affected by the climate emergency—or that Canadians want our leaders to protect.**

It could be **your child or grandchild, someone affected by wildfire or extreme heat, an animal, forest, river, coastline or community you love. We'll carry these photos and stories with us to Ottawa and deliver them to the desks of MPs as a reminder of what is at stake.**



What do you want to protect?

Send a photo or short story with us to Ottawa.

UPLOAD YOUR PHOTO OR STORY [HERE](#)



*Calgary send off with Former Chief Medical Officer for Medicine Hat
Dr. David Swann*



3. NEXT STOP: NORTHERN ONTARIO

We're heading east, with upcoming rallies and gatherings in:

Thunder Bay → Sault Ste Marie → Sudbury → North Bay → and onward to Ottawa.

If the Caravan is coming through your community, **come out and meet us**. Bring your family and friends—and help us show that Canadians across the country want action for a safe climate future.

Check out the schedule [here](#).



4. JOIN US IN OTTAWA

The Caravan is only the beginning.

From **September 19–24**, seniors, people of faith, young people and allies will gather in Ottawa for marches, gatherings, public witness and peaceful nonviolent action as Parliament returns.

Join our **Nonviolent Action Training, Saturday, September 19, 2–5 pm.**

Learn about the history and practice of nonviolent civil disobedience and prepare for upcoming Seniors' Climate Witness actions!

No previous experience is required, and attending involves no commitment to participate in any particular action.

Register [here](#). Further details will be sent upon registration.

Also: please join our Intergenerational Solidarity Potluck Dinner with Indigenous and youth activists on Saturday September 19 at 530–730 pm (at St Peter's Lutheran Church, 400 Sparks Street). Bring some food to share if you can, or just come!

5. KEEP DONATING – AND MAKING CHANGE POSSIBLE

We have now raised **more than \$20,000** to support the Caravan and our week of action in Ottawa.

That support is helping with transportation, accommodation, meeting spaces, printing, organizing and the many other costs of bringing people together from across Canada.

Thank you to everyone who has donated, billeted travellers, organized events, driven vehicles, made signs, shared our posts or simply come out to welcome us.

And if you haven't yet contributed and are able to:

[DONATE HERE](#)

HELP CARRY THE CARAVAN TO OTTAWA

There are many ways to be part of this:

Send us a photo or story. Share our posts. Greet or join the Caravan. Come to Ottawa. Donate if you can.

Every person who joins us helps strengthen the message we're carrying to Parliament:



Seniors Climate Electric Fleet Stops in Kamloops
van continues to Ottawa to advocate for clean energy

Leaving Kamloops. Media interest is high wherever we go.

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Fund a Safe, Clean Future, Not New Pipelines.

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