

To the editor:

With 2023 sure to be the hottest year in recorded human history, and Croton having experienced an unmistakable taste of the worsening effects of climate change, there is no time to waste in adopting clean, renewable energy... and to save money doing it!

Thanks to recent legislation supporting the clean energy transition, including President Biden's 2022 Inflation Reduction Act, the 2019 New York State Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act and the 2022 New York State Environmental Bond Act, clean energy solutions for homes and for transportation are more accessible than ever. In fact, a recent survey of 140 Croton-Harmon and Hen Hud juniors and seniors, conducted

by two local students and published in *The Gazette* on August 10, found that over 70% wanted their families to aggressively reduce their carbon footprint.

So, while world leaders and policy makers gather this month at COP28 to plan critical steps in the global transition from fossil fuel energy, Croton residents can learn how to take advantage of existing policies to begin or continue their own transition to a clean energy future.

This weekend at the Croton Free Library from 2 to 3:30 p.m. representatives of the Climate Reality Project and Sustainable Westchester will present on financial incentives for green energy available to you and your family. This is also a fantastic opportunity to meet and learn from other residents who are taking their own steps to decarbonize, and to learn of other local green initiatives.

The event, hosted by local climate action groups Croton100, CURE100, Green Ossining and Sustainable Westchester, will also have childcare on-site for children over three years old. Information can be found on flyers posted around town (for example, at The Black Cow). For more information, please email communications@croton100.org.

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