



## What have we been up to?

In April 2017, the Sustainable Montpelier Coalition (SMC) was formed, springing from the Sustainable Montpelier 2030 Design Competition. We were fortunate to receive our 501c3 in May of 2018. That spring, we applied for grants from the Canaday Family, the National Life Group, and the Block Family Foundations and were fortunate to be awarded generous support from all three. In July 2018 our funding officially started. Now that we have our feet on the ground and understand our priorities, we want to share with you what we have been up to and invite you to participate in our work. [Read More >>](#)

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## Climate Change Comes to Vermont

We recently hosted an event with meteorologist Roger Hill, who talked about the negative impacts that climate change will have on our community. For those who couldn't make it, a video of the presentation is available [here](#).

### **Community Roundtable:**

We realize there are many unanswered questions about our climate crisis. We want to do our best to discuss them and come up with action steps to take. Because of this, we have decided to host a discussion on Tuesday, June 25th at the Unitarian Church at 6:30 pm. We hope you can join us for an insightful and deep discussion.

# Read All About it



## ODMT in Depth

On-demand, Micro-transit (ODMT) is an alternative to traditional transportation. Read Laura Biren's piece on ODMT coming to Montpelier.

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## Will We Act Now?

We all know climate change is happening and happening fast. Elizabeth Courtney talks about action steps we need to take to not let climate change win.

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## Our Squandered Rivers

Our rivers are an important part of our community but are being threatened by climate change. Read Dan Jones' piece on how we need to step up and protect them.

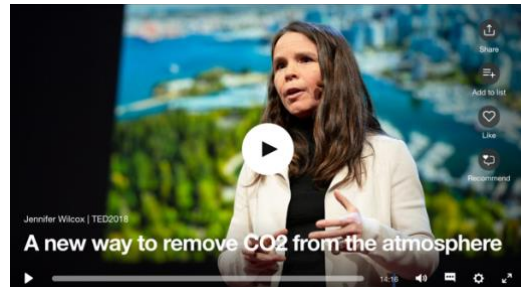
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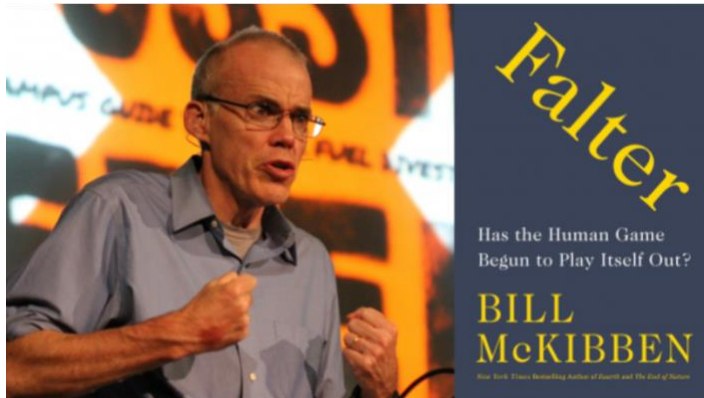
## Recommendations



Watch Per Espen Stoknes' TED Talk on how to change our psychology about climate change in order to take action [here](#).



Watch Jennifer Wilcox's TED Talk on technology that is ready to take on CO2 in the atmosphere [here](#).



Many of those who attended our Roger Hill event also had interest in hearing Bill McKibben speak. Fortunately, Bill has spoken in Montpelier before on the effects of climate change, and his presentation is available to listen to [here](#).

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We have an intern this summer! Josie Gingold will be working with us as our content curator, helping with social media among other things. Josie grew up in Montpelier and will be starting her sophomore year at the University of Vermont in the fall, where she will be studying public communications. We are excited to have her on board!



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Check out our website [here](#) to learn more about our vision, the projects we are working on, and how you can take action.