Boldly Fighting the Threat of Climate Change & Securing Virginia's Clean Energy Future

Moving Virginia to 100% Clean Energy by 2035 to Create Good Jobs, Strengthen Climate Resilience & Fight Inequities

THE PLAN

As Virginia’s next governor, Terry will tackle the growing threat of climate change and ensure Virginia is resilient in the face of climate threats. That means accelerating Virginia’s path to 100% clean energy by 2035 and aligning Virginia with President Biden’s climate goals and efforts, investing in energy efficiency, decarbonizing Virginia’s transportation sector and creating good jobs of the future. Terry’s plan will ensure a just transition to clean energy that will protect consumers, lower utility bills, and break down environmental inequities that have disproportionately impacted Black and Brown communities.

TERRY’S RECORD

As Virginia’s 72nd Governor, Terry fought for climate action against an extreme climate denying-Republican legislature. Terry’s accomplishments include joining the U.S. Paris Climate Agreement, appointing the state’s first Chief Resilience Officer and creating the Climate Change and Resiliency Update Commission, securing a $120 million HUD grant to mitigate flooding in two predominantly Black neighborhoods in Norfolk and a $50 million settlement from DuPont over mercury spills used to restore and protect the environment. Terry grew solar jobs by 65% in 2016 and expanded solar energy production by nearly 8,000% throughout his term.

"Securing Virginia’s clean energy future is critical to securing our future. I promise you Virginia will lead the nation in tackling climate change and transitioning to clean energy."

Terry McAuliffe

THE WORK AHEAD

• Accelerate Virginia’s path to 100% clean energy by 2035 and ensure a just transition that protects communities that have been impacted the most.
• Restructure Virginia’s regulatory system to protect consumers and incentivize the transition to 100% clean energy.
• Reduce energy consumption by investing dramatically in energy efficiency.
• Expand clean energy jobs and build the workforce needed to supply the clean economy with highly-qualified, skilled workers.
• Equitably improve access to clean public transportation, electric vehicles and EV charging infrastructure.

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