



Announcing the Winners of the 2025 Canadian Youth Climate Action Award

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Pivot Green, in partnership with the Small Change Fund, is pleased to announce the winners of the 2025 Canadian Youth Climate Action Award. Now in its third year, our award recognizes the important work that young Canadians are undertaking in concert with other generations in the fight against climate change. The first-place winner received a plaque celebrating their achievement along with an honorarium of \$7,500 to support their ongoing work. Two runner-up winners have received \$3,500 each. Honourable mentions have been awarded to eight organizations along with a \$1,000 prize.

The overall winner is the **Burns Bog Youth Stewardship Project**, based in Vancouver, BC. This creative project brought together Indigenous youth, new Canadians and a diverse group of young environmental leaders to restore one of Vancouver's most vital carbon sinks. In the opinion of one the judges, "This project took my breath away; it straddles so many important pillars of climate action, including social change, concrete action, education, financial support and connection to Indigenous communities and teachings."

The first of two runner-up prizes has been awarded to **Human Nature Projects Canada**, based in the Greater Toronto area. This project has engaged more than 10,000 youth in environmental education, conservation and restoration. One of our judges commented, "I love this group. Their broad environmental awareness and community clean-up campaigns were incredibly cost-effective and had real impact on the local community." And the second runner-up prize goes to the New Brunswick-based, **The Gaia Project - Climate Action Project**. This group provides students with the skills and mentorship to analyze climate issues which then leads to meaningful local climate action. One member of our judging panel stated, "This is a powerful example of how students can take what they have learned in the classroom and apply it to real-life situations."

Finally, honourable mentions and a \$1,000 prize have been awarded to:

- Break The Divide (Regina, Saskatchewan)
- Co-op CultivAction (Montréal, Québec)
- Edmonton Youth for Climate (Edmonton, Alberta)
- Green Career Centre - Green Career Readiness 360 Program (Ontario, Québec and British Columbia)
- Student Education for Environmental Development (SEED) (Montréal, Québec)
- The Sustainable Act (Vancouver, British Columbia)
- UofC Energy: Siksika Housing Solar Project (Siksika Nation, Alberta)
- Young Eye Initiative (Kitchener, Ontario)

Details on all the winning groups will be available soon on our website: pivotgreen.ca

The Pivot Green team issued a statement about the overall quality of the submissions: “The entries this year were truly inspiring to read. It genuinely filled us with so much hope to see all the impactful things being done right across Canada.”

Pivot Green would like to congratulate all the winners and thank all the groups that took the time to apply. We would also like to extend our sincere appreciation to our judging panel and our partner, Small Change Fund. We would especially like to extend a special thank you to all [our generous donors](#) who provided the funds for this year’s awards.

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