# What is SSAFE?

# Senior Stewards Acting for the Environment (SSAFE)



**SSAFE** is a network of senior living communities (SSAFE Chapters) in action on the path to net-zero emissions. SSAFE is unique – no other elder climate organization is structured around senior living communities. Started in 2020, SSAFE is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Because SSAFE is a cross-campus initiative, all national meetings take place online over Zoom.

## Membership:

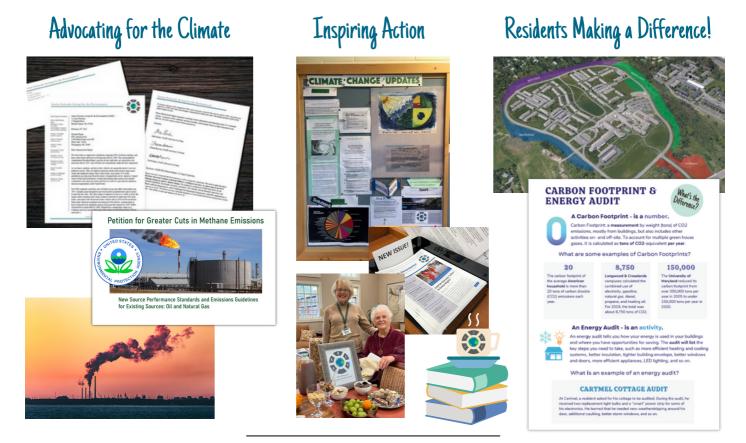
Any resident of a SSAFE Chapter community may sign-up for free SSAFE membership. Go to SSAFE.org, click the blue button "Join SSAFE Today", and fill out the appropriate form. Or, email info@ssafe.org and ask to register.

# What is included with SSAFE Membership?

As soon as you register to become a SSAFE member, you will receive:

- 1. Occasional SSAFE Advocacy Action Alerts: Sign a petition or email a letter to elected officials and policy makers about key climate legislation.
- 2. Quarterly SSAFE Newsletter notices (free access through the SSAFE website).
- 3. An invitation to the monthly General Committee meeting held on the first Thursday of the month.

# What are some examples of SSAFE activities?



# Senior Stewards Acting for the Environment (SSAFE) Structure

#### SSAFE Board of Directors

The SSAFE Board of Directors is comprised of one resident representative from each SSAFE Chapter or associated community as follows: The Admiral, Cartmel, Collington, Coniston, Crosslands, Hanover, Ithaca, Lathrop-East, Lathrop-North, Lexington, Longwood, Oberlin, Piper Shores, and Wake Robin.

## **SSAFE** General Committee

Any SSAFE Chapter resident who has registered on SSAFE.org is considered a SSAFE member and part of the SSAFE General Committee. Any SSAFE member may attend the monthly General Committee meeting to listen to presentations and share ideas.

# **SSAFE Project Teams**

SSAFE Members may request to participate in any of the three focus areas known as SSAFE Project Teams. The project teams meet monthly to discuss specific actions based on SSAFE's mission and goals. SSAFE project teams present useful information and encourage members to share ideas to spread across all campuses advancing and amplifying SSAFE's mission and goals.

## **Advocacy Project Team**

- SSAFE Action Alerts for climate policy/legislation
  - Petitions
  - Letter campaigns
- State & local advocacy
- Divestment Actions

## **Education Project Team**

- Inspirational messaging
- Newsletter
- Educational supplements
- Film & book catalogs
- Campus displays
- Earth Day Projects

#### Greening Our Campuses Project Team

- Energy audit & carbon footprint guides
- Encourage progress toward IPCC goals
- Document best practices
- Learn about electrification
- Landscaping & arboretums examples
- Highlight sustainable campus projects

#### **SSAFE Mission Statement**

#### We seek

- to unite thousands of residents from SSAFE member communities (chapters) in addressing the greatest challenge facing our planet: climate change
- to mitigate the effects of global warming by drawing on our combined experience, knowledge, resources, and talents
- to share our methods with all SSAFE chapters, their staff and administration, and with other senior living communities.

# Supporting SSAFE's Mission

SSAFE's mission is accomplished through volunteer efforts and professional assistance. Consider making a donation to support SSAFE by sending a check to:

Scot Drysdale, SSAFE Treasurer 32 Penn Road, Apt. 419 Hanover, NH 03755

SSAFE uses these funds to support efforts such as guiding senior living campuses to net-zero emissions, climate advocacy, and climate education. Senior Stewards Acting for the Environment (SSAFE) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. EIN: 87-1229514.