Be the Spark!

Spring 2024 Series
Minnesota Interfaith Power & Light

MN IPL is a multi-faith community co-creating a just and sustainable world. We work in partnership with communities in Minnesota to build transformative *power* and bring the *lights* of people’s unique gifts to addressing the climate crisis.

We work to **build the climate justice movement** in Minnesota by empowering communities across the state to take action that is authentic, effective, and energizing in their context. We focus the intersection between **Indigenous Rights and Climate Justice** and were the co-convenor of the Rise and Repair Alliance.

We offer **leadership development programs** and **action opportunities** that provide tangible ways to make an impact.
Lobby + Rally Day: March 12th, 2024

This is the big Turnout Event & Media Moment! Lobby visits with ~50 Reps & Rally!

Recruitment Goal: 1,000 People

Date: March 12th, 2024 ahead of March 22nd Committee Deadline

AM: Lobby Visit Training

Noonish: Large Photo/Media Moment

1pm: Rally in the Rotunda

(RISEANDREPAIR.ORG/RALLY)
Agenda For Today

- Intro and Welcome
- Overview of MNIPL and Rise and Repair
- Group Intros
- History and Pedagogy of Be the Spark
- What to Expect in 2024
- Reflection Time
- Questions
Remember this?
Leadership

Accepting responsibility for enabling others to achieve shared purpose under conditions of uncertainty.

--Marshall Ganz
LEADERSHIP IN ORGANIZING

- shared story
- shared relationship
- shared structure
- shared strategy
- shared action

goals → values

resources → constituency
strategy
   head
   critical reflection on experience
   HOW
   COGNITIVE
   LOGOS
   ANALYSIS

narrative
   heart
   story telling of experience
   WHY
   AFFECTIVE
   PATHOS
   MOTIVATION

shared understanding leads to
action
   hands
Snowflake Model

Each person in this snowflake could be part of a local leadership team. Just a couple are illustrated here for simplicity.

Core leadership team

Local leadership teams
A SMART Goal:
Vision

Specific
Measurable
Activating
Realistic
Time-Bound

Strategy
Tactic

A
B

Minnesota INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT
Three-legged Stool of Climate Action
Week by Week Topics

1. Story of Self and What’s at Stake for You
2. Shared Story
3. Shared Structures
4. Strategy & Action
5. Pulling it all together
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Climate Justice Congregation Certificate Program

- Create an action plan
- Attend Be the Spark
- Identify a Community Connector
- Host an MNIPL programming event
- Become a Sustaining Congregation
Commitment: Three-legged Stool of Climate Action

- **Practical Solutions**: conserving energy, promoting solar, recycling, gardening...
- **Systemic Change**: advocating for policy rooted in climate justice, organizing to grow the climate movement...
- **Spiritual and Relational Actions**: calling on our communities to provide wisdom and sustenance for the work, bringing balance and health to our relationships...
Be the Spark Spring 2024 Series Dates

Info Session: Thursday, February 29 | Noon - 1 pm CT
Session 1: Wednesday, March 27 | Noon - 1 pm CT
Session 2: Wednesday, April 10 | Noon - 1 pm CT
Session 3: Wednesday, April 24 | Noon - 1 pm CT
Session 4: Wednesday, May 8 | Noon - 1 pm CT
Session 5: Wednesday, May 22 | Noon - 1 pm CT

All sessions will be on Zoom

https://www.mnipl.org/movement-building/be-the-spark/