

Advocacy Far and Near

NWGA Annual Energy Conference

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NW Coalition for
Energy  **Choice**

The Campaign

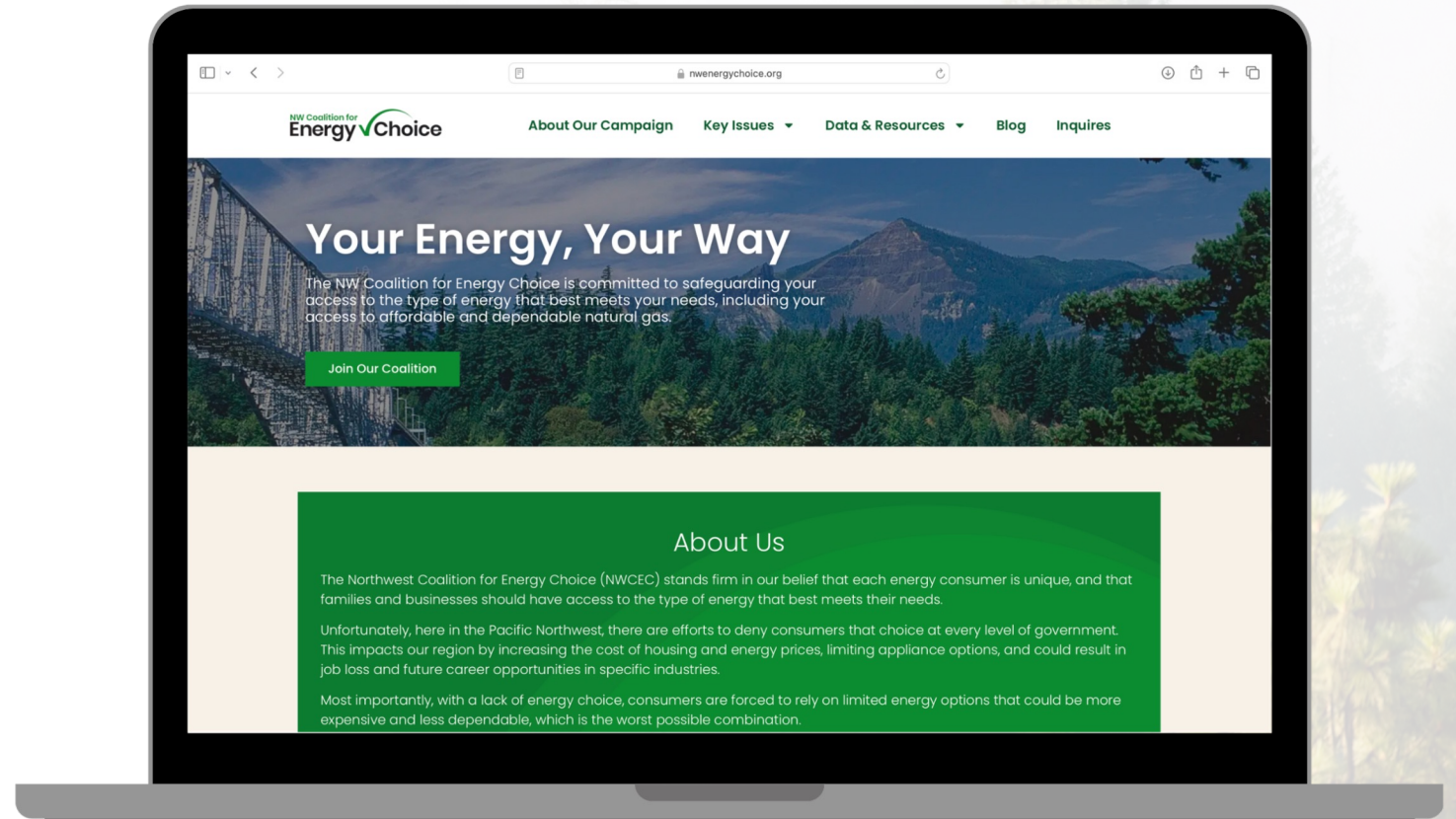
Stood up in 2022 as a 501(c)4 organization.

NWCEC contributors saw the need for more **grassroots advocacy** to push back on policies to ban or restrict energy choice, affordability, and reliability.

Participation includes utility, pipeline, consumer, and labor interests.

Goal

To promote, advocate for, and preserve energy choice, affordability, and reliability.



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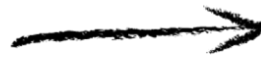
Inform the public on decisions being made by policymakers and unelected bureaucrats to ban or restrict natural gas.

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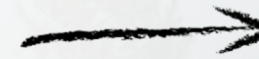
Equip the public to advocate for energy choice on behalf of themselves.

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Activate the public when the issue of banning or restricting natural gas arises.



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Oregon State Legislature



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Oregon House Climate, Energy & Environment Committee Taking Up Legislation Limiting Home Energy Choice

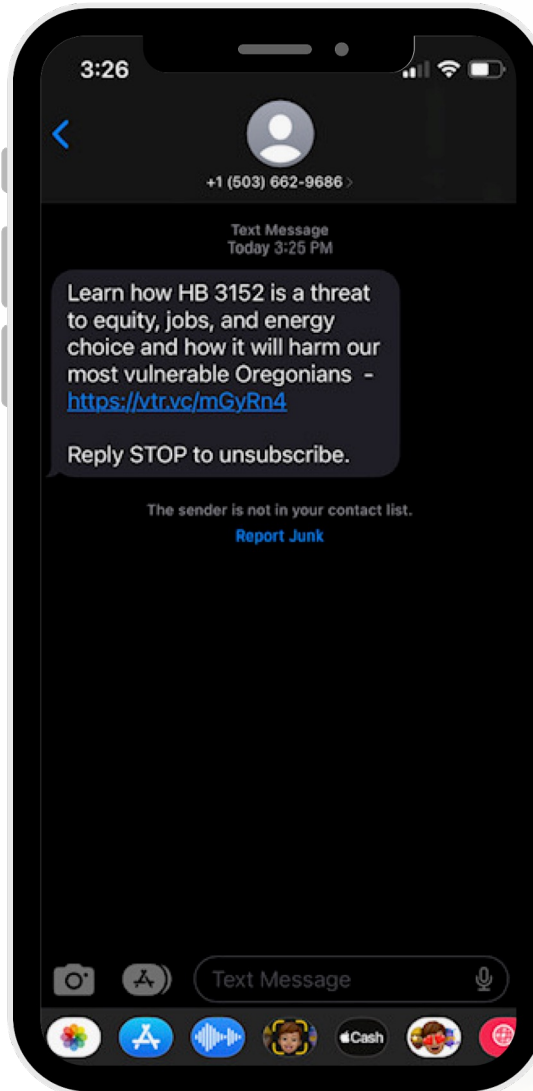
On Monday, March 13th at 3pm, the Oregon legislature will be hearing a bill that will harm our most vulnerable residents. HB 3152 will restrict incentives or subsidies for Oregon residents to purchase gas appliances. It will also end the funds being used for gas lines in residential buildings to support the flow of natural gas.

Low-income residents depend on these funds in order to heat their homes in the winter and HB 3152 will make it impossible for natural gas to remain affordable and dependable for many Oregonians - especially our most vulnerable populations.

[Please send a pre-written message to the Oregon House Committee on House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment, urging them to OPPOSE this harmful legislation.](#)

TAKE ACTION

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Testimony	Trevor Barker	Oppose	Scappoose
Testimony	Cindy Fincher	Oppose	Colton
Testimony	Holly Stokes	Oppose	Portland
Testimony	Jamie Santos	Oppose	Redmond
Testimony	Denise Torj	Oppose	Milwaukie
Testimony	Linda Karceski	Oppose	Sherwood
Testimony	Steven Wright	Oppose	Albany
Testimony	Brea Bach	Oppose	Eugene
Testimony	Shauna McKain-Storey	Support	Hillsboro
Testimony	Sheryl Luper	Oppose	Canby
Testimony	Angela Hammond	Oppose	Wilsonville
Testimony	KEVIN NOLAN	Oppose	Redmond
Testimony	Becky Hakes	Oppose	Medford
Testimony	Harold	Oppose	Salem

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Washington State Building Code Council

Unelected Bureaucrats are Threatening Your Energy Choice Options!



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Unelected Bureaucrats in Washington State are in the Process of Limiting our Energy Choice Options **AGAIN!**

Unelected members of the Washington State Building Code Council (SBCC) are looking to ban natural gas hookups in new building construction and old home retrofits. Homes will become even more expensive, and energy options will be restricted.

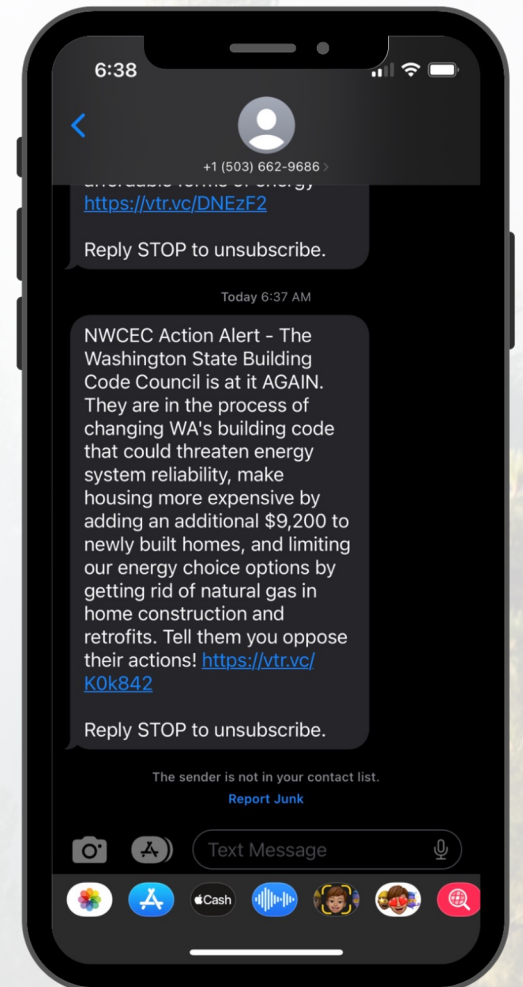
Roughly 30% of Washington homes rely on natural gas. Adding them to our already fragile electric grid without preparation would be a disaster.

[This Thanksgiving, don't let the Washington State Building Code Council leave your family in the dark. Send them a pre-written message and let them know how out of touch they are with their proposals.](#)

Plus, getting rid of natural gas as an energy choice will add *at least* **\$9,200** to the cost of a new home, pricing out nearly 81% of Washington's 3.1 million households.

[Click here to oppose building code proposals that price Washington families out of housing!](#)

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What's Next?



Polling



Advocacy Toolkit



Coalition Building

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