

CARE Summit grows climate action among students and beyond!

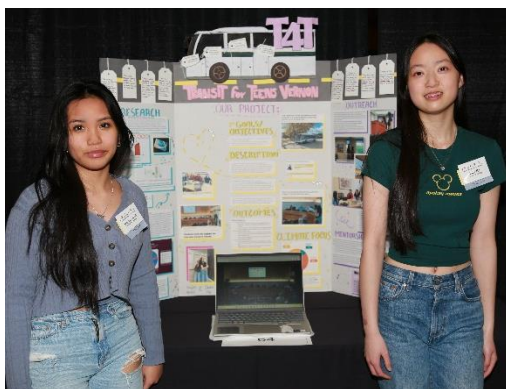
About 600 students, teachers, mentors, judges, sponsors, and community members gathered to celebrate diverse climate-action projects displayed and judged at the third Climate Action Ripple Effect (CARE) Student Summit hosted at the Vernon Curling Club.



More than 60 judges from the public, private, and non-profit sectors selected the following winning projects from six categories based on a variety of environmental, social, and economic factors.

“It was exciting and rewarding to experience the great energy and obvious pride in the room,” says School District 22 Superintendent Dr. Christine Perkins. “Given the growth in teachers, students, and mentors who CARE, its lasting impact within the school system and the community will be significant.”

1st Overall Senior (Grades 10-12)	Transit 4 Teens	Jade Ha, Haylee Andal (Fulton Secondary)
2nd Overall Senior (Grades 10-12)	Cactus Club Food Waste	Clara Jolie, Clowie Chatto, Geillan Mace, Tana Foss (Fulton Secondary)
3rd Overall Senior (Grades 10-12)	Bugs & Blossoms	Jaida Correia, Alex Simms, Makayla Barker (Seaton Secondary)
1st Overall Junior (Grades 7-9)	T-Totes	Isabell Hull, Claire Weathermon, Rylee Marchand (Seaton Secondary)
2nd Overall Junior (Grades 7-9)	From Food to Healthy Food for Schools	Jillian Bevan, Brooklynn Schibli, Zoe Milliken, Brielle Baird (Charles Bloom)
3rd Overall Junior (Grades 7-9)	Rubber Boot Garden	Isabelle Pelentsov, Sierra Sidwell (Charles Bloom)



TRANSIT 4 TEENS: First-place overall winners in the senior category Haylee Andal (left) and Jade Ha and from Fulton worked with teacher Dan Curtis and mentor Mary Stockdale to create a proposal promoting free transit for youth under 18. They presented their insights and ideas to both City Council and School District 22 trustees, the local MLA, and the provincial ministers of Transportation and Environment & Climate Strategy.



T-TOTES: First-place overall winners in the junior category were Claire Weathermon (left), Rylee Marchand, and Isabelle Hull from Seaton. They made tote bags from landfill-bound t-shirts with help from their teacher Yvonne Fiala and mentor Oliva Thompson, a grade 12 Seaton student who won 1st place overall in the fall 2022 round of CARE.

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