

# Implementing a Climate & Health Equity Initiative

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# Dr. Jeff Duchin

## Health Officer

**“Climate change is the single biggest health threat facing humanity.”**







# Julie West Initiative Co-Program Manager

# Presentation Overview

- Starting a Climate & Health Equity Initiative: Our Story
- Climate Change and Health Risk Communication: Investing in effective climate and health communication
- Climate Adaptation & Mitigation: Bringing partners together to focus on community climate & health priorities
- Climate & Health Data Surveillance: Improving the ability to anticipate, respond, and adapt to the effects of climate change

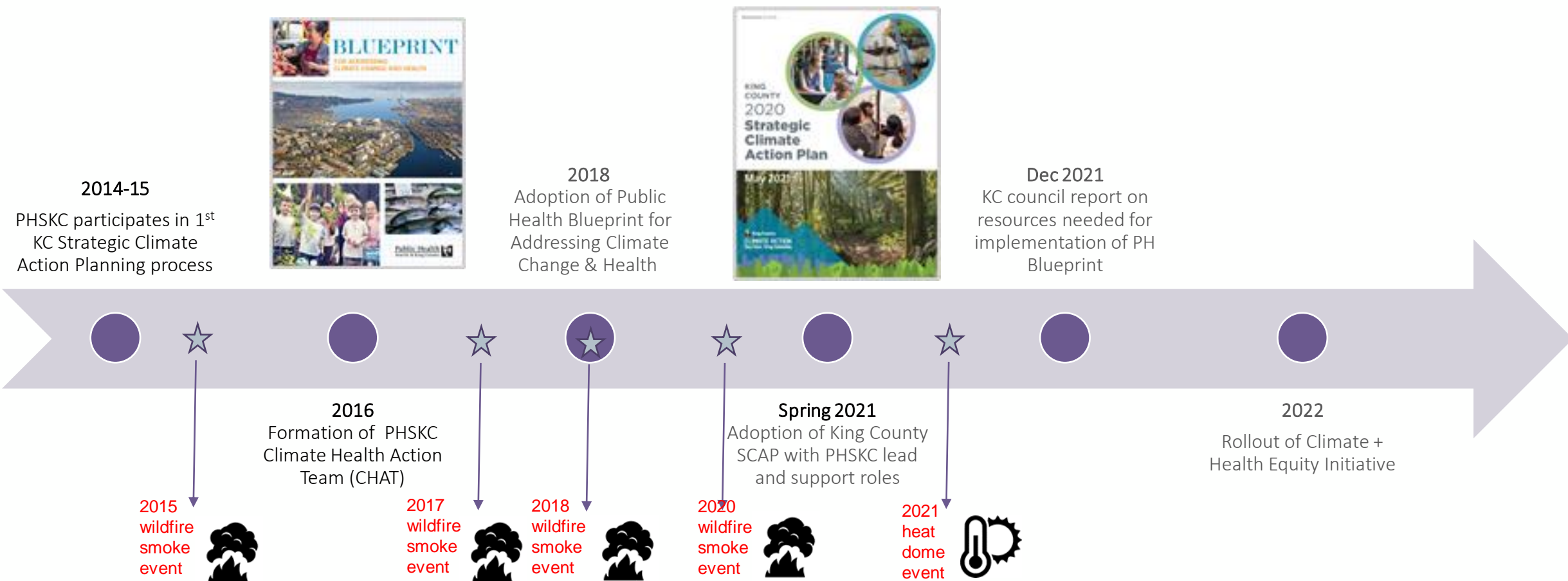


# Brad Kramer

## Initiative Co-Program Manager

Starting a Climate & Health  
Equity Initiative: Our Story

# Developing a Climate + Health Equity Initiative



# Current Work Examples

Climate Change and Health Risk Communication

Climate Adaptation & Mitigation

Climate & Health Data Surveillance





**Meredith Li-Vollmer**

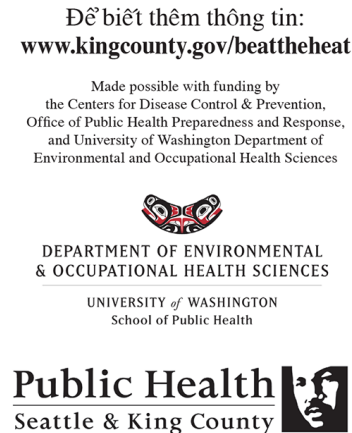
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Climate Change and Health Risk Communication



# Climate Change & Health Risk Communication

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[Climate Changes Health – PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDER](#)

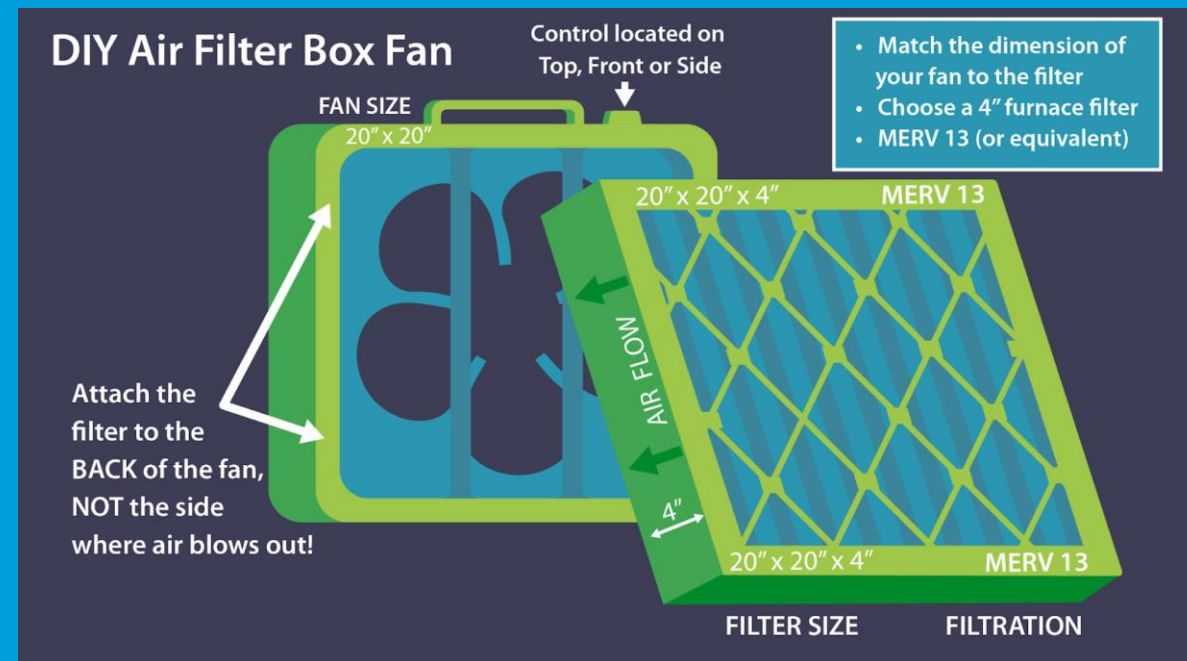
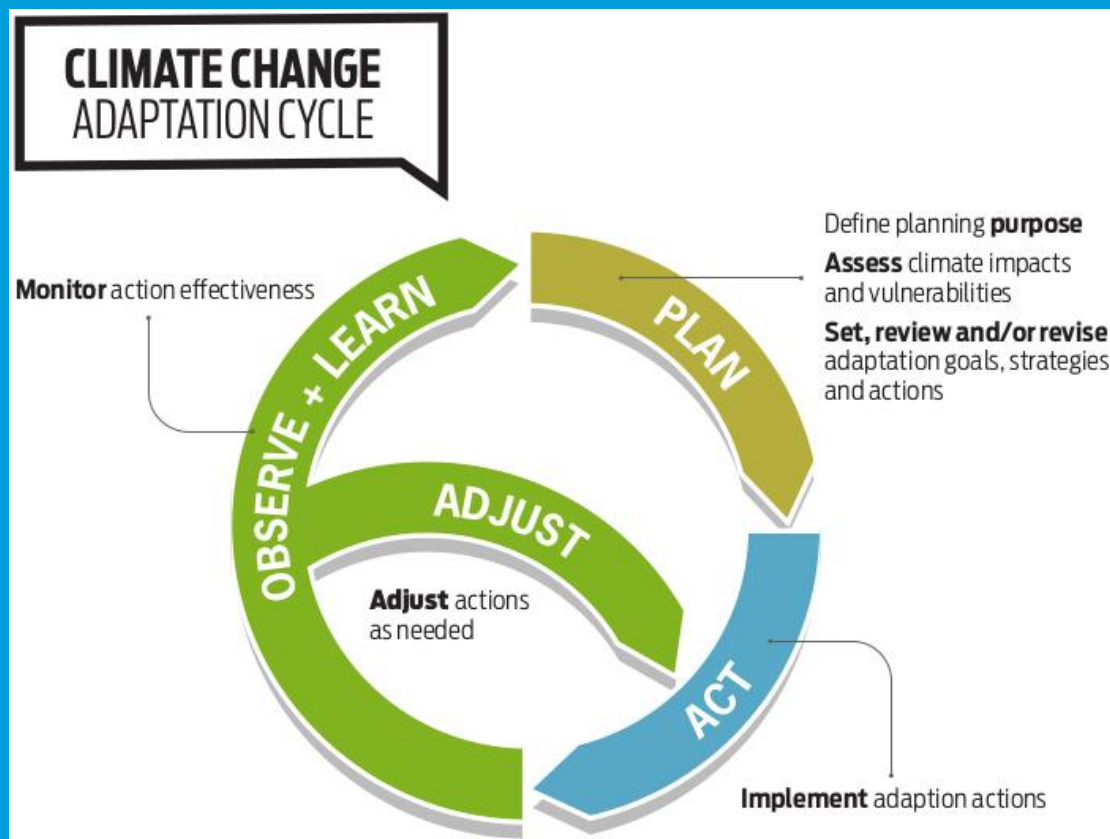


# Addison Houston Climate Adaptation Lead

Climate Adaptation & Mitigation



# Climate Preparedness & Adaptation





# Brad Kramer

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Climate & Health Data  
Surveillance



## Preparing for Climate Change:

Develop and implement a climate change health impact surveillance strategy for Public Health. Public Health will work with partners to develop climate, health and resilience data indicators and surveillance systems for monitoring climate-related health impacts. Information collected through these systems will inform timely public health action and provide a clearer understanding of trends in health status, inequities, and vulnerabilities related to climate impacts.

# 2020-2025 SCAP

# Looking Forward – Climate + Health Equity

Centering efforts on community and equity

Using Public Health expertise

Collaborating with partners

Increasing knowledge & capacity

“The most important thing you can do to fight climate change:  
talk about it.”

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"We have to go out and look for the hope we need to inspire us to  
act -- and that hope begins with a conversation, today."

Katharine Hayhoe, Climate Scientist

Thank you!

Comments & Questions?