



THE SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF PHILADELPHIA

Laudato Si' Action Platform Year One Plan



The Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia, having made a public commitment to the Laudato Si' Action Platform and ecological conversion, have chosen to focus on **Ecological Education** during this first year. We will engage our sisters, companions, coworkers, and significant organizations with which we are associated.

Efforts for Ecological Education

We will develop materials to educate the congregation and other significant groups on the Laudato Si' Action Platform (LSAP) process, including the seven goals. Materials will include a video overview, information, and reflections related to each of the seven goals and a plan for the 2022 Season of Creation.

Our video will be for the congregation and other associated groups and will explain the LSAP process. We will also post the YouTube series *A Journey to Integral Ecology: The Seven Goals of the Laudato Si' Action Platform* sponsored by the [Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth](#).

Materials related to the goals will be posted on our internal website so that each regional chapter, local community of sisters, and companion group can access the materials. They will also be shared with our coworkers and significant organizations with which we are associated. We will contact Neumann University and Red Hill Farm to identify personnel with whom to discuss collaboration possibilities.

The materials for each goal will include but will not be limited to:

- A summary of the goal
- Prayer and reflections relating the goal to our Franciscan charism
- Actions we have taken in the past that are in line with the goal
- Examples of actions from other congregations
- Suggested actions for our next step(s)

A feedback sheet will be included to be returned to the committee after each discussion is held. The suggested time frame for prayer, discussion, and feedback would be no less than one hour.

Various means of disseminating and using these materials will be researched. Possibilities include:

- Posting on internal website (OSFConnect)
- Emailing each sister and companion
- Sending printed material via U.S. mail
- Sharing at regional meetings
- Using materials for monthly or year-end retreats

Discussions can be held at regional chapters, within the local community, or through congregation-wide Zoom meeting discussions for those who wish to discuss with a larger group and/or individuals from a different geographical area. Discussions could also happen at the year-end retreat and/or at monthly recollection days. Information from the feedback sheets would be sent back to the committee to be collated. Based on the priorities identified by the sisters, companions, and coworkers, along with input from Neumann University and Red Hill farm, we will plan for year two of the LSAP process.

We will connect the various congregational committees with the goal that is pertinent to their area. For example, our JPIC committee would naturally focus on the cry of the poor; our spirituality committee and our spiritual centers would naturally focus on ecological spirituality. We will keep a chart of those committees and the steps they are taking to bring that goal to life.

We will conclude year one with the **“Season of Creation, 2022: Listen to the Voice of Creation”** and provide prayer services and other materials to further LSAP education.