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Workers and their unions must tackle the climate crisis by fighting for system change. Public services workers are frontline responders to climate and other disasters. They understand the urgent need to reduce global warming.

Adapt & Mitigate

Promote adaptation to address the IMPACT of the climate crisis and alleviate the CAUSES of climate change. Public services unions can push for actions that:

- Improve public service delivery, create new jobs and consider direct and indirect climate impact
- Ensure vulnerability assessments for different categories of public services workers and the general public
- Integrate gender dimensions and take into account persons with disabilities and the concerns of other equity seeking groups





Reduce emissions and promote public renewable energy systems





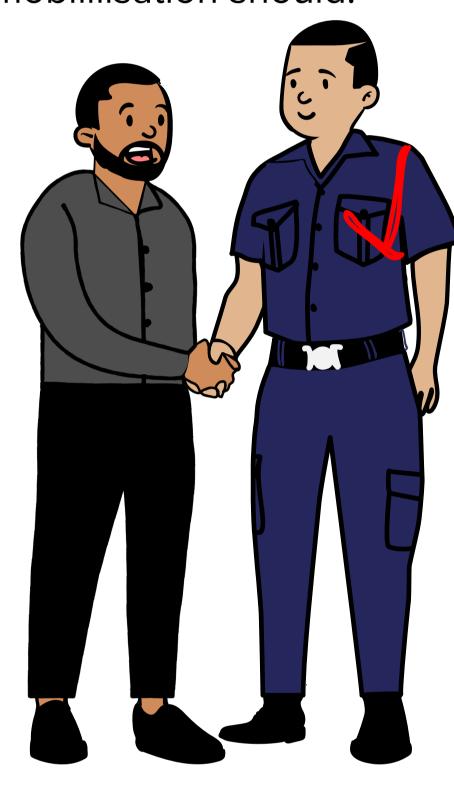
Public procurement

- Urban and rural development & public transportation systems Energy investment & use management
- Equitable regulatory systems Well-resourced emergency and disaster
- preparedness mechanisms Strengthened public operators in the
- water and sanitation sectors



Lobby for A Just Energy Transition

Work with governments to move away from industries and practices that harm workers, community health and the Earth. A just energy transition ensures justice and fairness as workers move to greener, more sustainable jobs. Trade union mobililisation should:



- Address worker-focused concerns and advance the deep socio-economic transformation needed to manage climate instability and its consequences
- Discuss and consult on policies that are fair to all. No one must be left behind
- Take action with communites to radically mitigate and adapt for climate change

Work with Allies

Trade union partnerships and advocacy must integrate climate change issues in public policy AND the workplace to:

- Enhance working conditions and job security without causing detriment to wages Engage women and vulnerable
- groups to promote their full involvement in climate change decision-making Protect the most exposed
- workers in carbon-intensive sectors



PSI is working with its Affiliates to:





Highlight the role of public services in the fight for sustainable development and climate adaptation



refugees



changes in the energy sector, including new entrants in solar, wind and other renewables



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