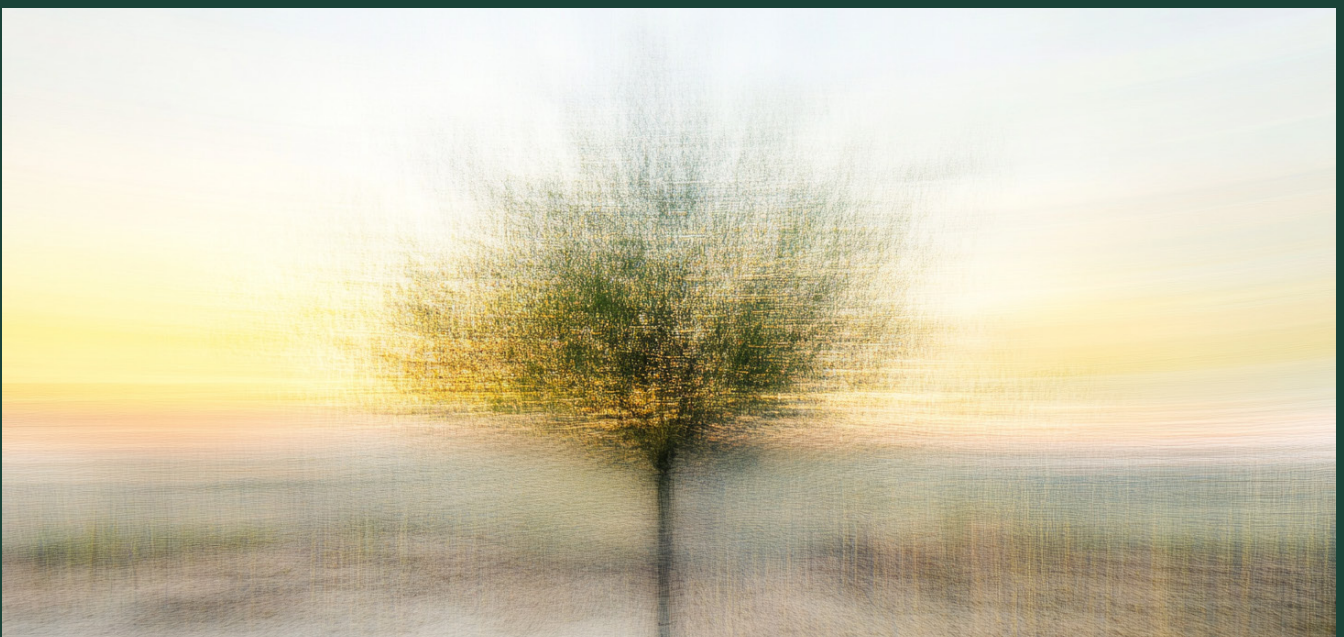


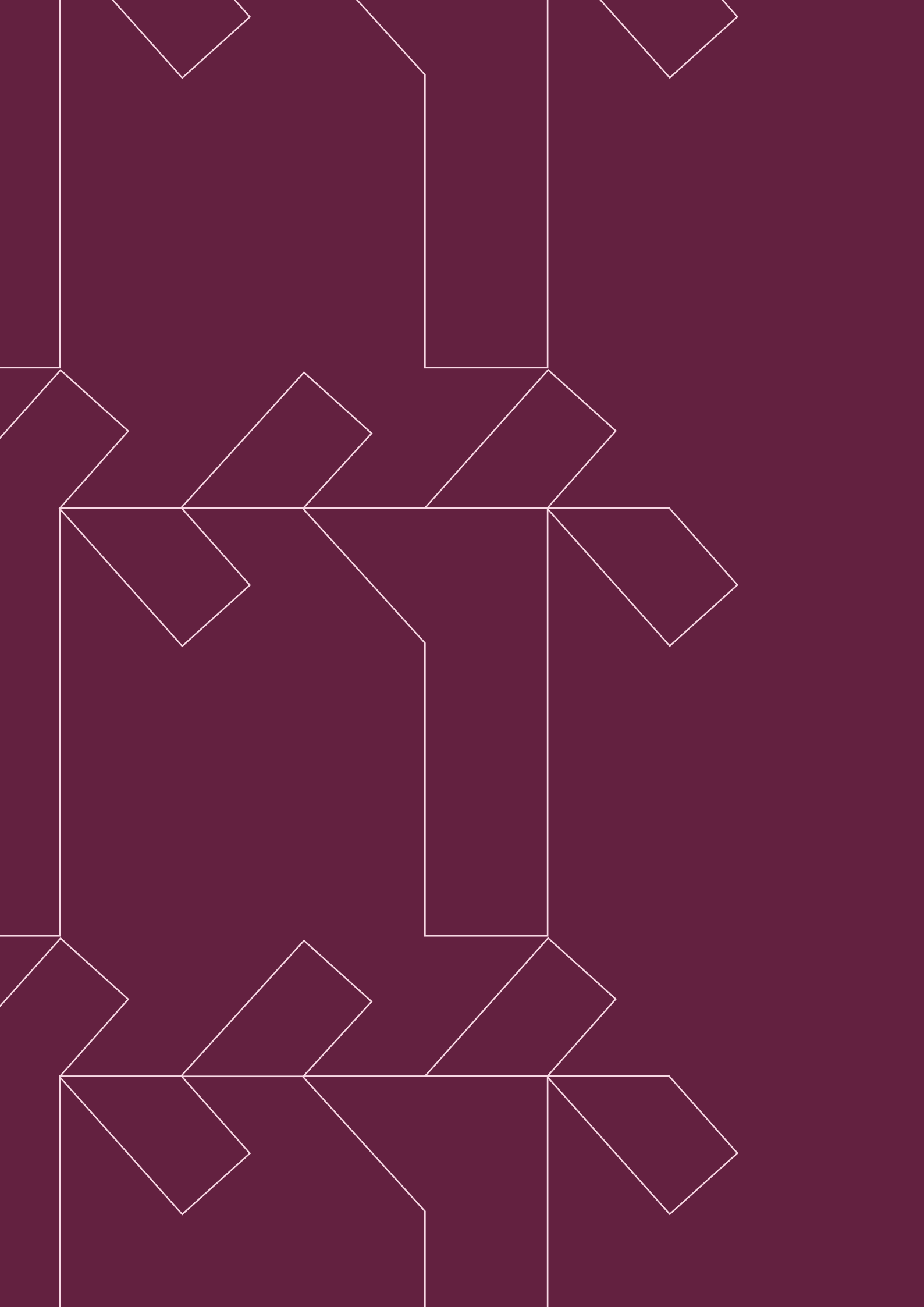


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Annual Report 2024

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WHY IS JEWISH CLIMATE TRUST NEEDED?



The world is heating up at an unprecedented rate. We're already facing climate disruption across the globe. If we don't act, the consequences will be devastating.

We have to dramatically reduce emissions now. We also need to become far more prepared for and resilient to climate disasters, from floods and hurricanes to droughts, wildfires and extreme heat.

Climate is a universal issue. It affects the whole of humanity, and demands a response from every sector, every country, and every community.

We believe that the Jewish people and the State of Israel can and should be driving large-scale climate action, both within our own communities and outside of them. That's why Jewish Climate Trust exists: to focus the wisdom and resources of the Jewish people on addressing the most pressing issue of our time.

LETTER FROM STEPHEN & MICHAEL



Dear Friends,

This past year marked the successful launch of the Jewish Climate Trust, an initiative born from our dedication to confronting the escalating climate crisis. As co-chairs, we are proud to be leading a philanthropic organization that is deeply rooted in Jewish values, unwavering in its focus on climate impact using the best science available, and dedicated to helping prepare Israel for the climate challenges to come — while using Israel’s scientific and technological leadership to build climate solutions throughout the Middle East and around the world.

By year-end we formally committed \$3m to Adamah in North America to drive systemic change in Jewish life on climate. No other organization has chosen to work at scale in this manner. We will continue to strengthen innovative work on climate across sectors in both Israel and the North American Jewish community — but that’s where our work starts, not where it stops.

To truly drive climate impact, we have to be oriented outwards as well as inwards. That’s why, at every opportunity, we’ll look to amplify and scale the projects that we support across communities and borders, building bridges by working together on the most pressing issue of our time.

Our motivation is clear: climate change poses an existential threat, and we believe the Jewish people have a crucial role to play in addressing it. We invite you to join us.

Sincerely,

Two handwritten signatures in purple ink. The first signature is on the left and the second is on the right.

Stephen Bronfman & Michael Sonnenfeldt

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MISSION

To catalyze the Jewish people and the state of Israel to improve our performance on climate.

VISION

There are many foundations, companies, non-profits and individuals doing good and vital work on climate. But there is no dedicated philanthropic platform, working at scale across the Jewish world, that is focused on effecting change on one of the most crucial issues of our time.

Jewish Climate Trust exists to fill this gap — to catalyze systemic change as effectively as we can.

WHAT DOES THIS LOOK LIKE?

We're here to leverage the strength and ingenuity of the Jewish people and Israel.

We believe that the Jewish people can and should punch above our weight on climate.

We will succeed if Israel and the Jewish people are making a significant positive contribution — improving our own performance, and working in partnership with others to make a difference globally.

2024 IN REVIEW

OVER **100** MEETINGS WITH **70+** ORGANIZATIONS

UP TO **\$3m** AWARDED TO ADAMAH TO STRENGTHEN THEIR CLIMATE WORK IN NORTH AMERICA

UP TO **\$3m** IN MATCHED FUNDING COMMITTED TO STRENGTHENING THE ENVIRONMENTAL NGO SECTOR IN ISRAEL

2024 MILESTONES

FEBRUARY	Jewish Climate Trust is registered as a 501(c)(3)
JUNE	Inaugural board meeting online
JULY	Organization and first staffers start work on July 1st First meetings of the Program Committee
SEPTEMBER	First in-person board meeting at the Jewish Museum in New York
DECEMBER	Approval of two significant strategic initiatives: Adamah grant and Israel match Finalizing of brand identity and logo

Our challenges:

To map the climate space in Israel to identify the greatest opportunities for impact

To work to scale climate action in the North American Jewish community

To focus our strategy and animate a growing number of stakeholders and partners to increase impact on climate





Climate change is a threat that cannot be ignored. It's vital that we galvanize the Jewish community to address the climate crisis."

DR DANIELLA HIRSCHFELD

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING, UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY
JEWISH CLIMATE TRUST STAKEHOLDER

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This is a moment when the intersection of Jewish thought about stewardship of our planet, the pressing needs of climate change and available community resources have to come together."

DR JEFF SOLOMON
SENIOR ADVISOR, CHASBRO INVESTMENTS
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