



WHAT IS IT

ClimateInflux merges interactive technologies with human stories to raise awareness for climate migration. We bridge the gaps between art and technology, education and innovation, and the future and now, to emphasize Vancouver's role in climate migration as an immigrant-reliant, high-consumption urban city in a wealthy, developed country (that has contributed far more than its equitable share to global warming).

WHY IS IT NEEDED

Globally, climate change is displacing people from their homes. Vancouver is one of Canada's top three cities for immigrants and refugees. The effects of climate change globally may cause Vancouver's immigration rate to increase in the coming years.

Our research shows that in Metro Vancouver, individuals are not aware of and community organizations are not planning for this increased immigration due to climate change. Currently, there are no Vancouver-based organizations aimed at increasing public awareness on this issue of climate migration. By not addressing this issue, Vancouver's infrastructure (housing, economy, healthcare, social cohesion, etc) will not be able to adequately serve current residents and incoming. This project is also needed because justice and equity is a big part of the climate migration issue. Since Canada is a top contributor to global emissions, our project hopes to show Vancouverites how our actions can affect other people around the world.



HOW IT WORKS

The installation is placed in public spaces with high foot traffic around Metro Vancouver. It is shaped as a butterfly (a common symbol for peaceful migration) with artwork on its wings. In the middle of the body is a touchscreen that provides interesting climate migration stories from around the world. The public installation is meant to spark curiosity, raise awareness on the issue, and encourage people to visit our website.

The website contains powerful images and messages that inspire users to learn more about the issue. The website allows users to access information on climate migration, stories about climate migration globally and its impact on Metro Vancouver. Users can learn what is being done in Metro Vancouver and how each individual can help and understand the importance of their actions.

NEXT STEPS

We are interested in moving this project forward. Our next steps are to...

- Secure funding through grants
- Secure monetary sponsorships from interested organizations
- Partner with climate justice advocacy groups
- Ideate the touchscreen UI/UX

If you would be able to help us with the above in any way, please reach out to climateinflux@gmail.com