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we are?” he asked. “The only possible answer is that we still lack strong leadership to take the bold decisions needed to put our economies and societies on the path of low-carbon growth and climate-resilience.” Guterres’ comments echo those of climate researchers, who say the

Cooperation and Development found the cost of taxes and permits for carbon emissions among dozens of leading economies is over 76 percent below the estimated actual cost of 30 euros (\$35.21) per metric ton. Guterres said climate-related disasters already cost the world

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world could miss even the less ambitious goal of the Paris accord of keeping temperature increases below 2 degrees Celsius (3.6 degrees Fahrenheit) by the end of the century compared with pre-industrial times. The U.N. chief challenged governments to end fossil fuel subsidies, help shift toward renewable energy and back a price for carbon emissions that reflects their actual cost. A recently published report by the Paris-based Organization for Economic

\$320 billion last year, a figure likely to grow with increased warming. He singled out the world’s 20 leading and emerging economies — known as the G-20 — saying they account for about 80 percent of global greenhouse gas emissions. As Guterres spoke at the United Nations, across town corporate leaders and government officials announced a range of programs intended to pump billions of dollars in public and private funds into what’s

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day morning would continue to employ fare enforcement checks “in a manner that we think, frankly, is very lawful.” The letter was signed by Rep. Diego Hernandez, Rep. Chris Gorsek, Rep. Carla Piluso, Rep. Mitch Greenlick, Rep. Margaret Doherty, Rep. Sheri Malstrom, Rep. Janeen Sollman, Rep. Rob Nosse, Sen. Michael Dembrow, Rep. Susan McLain, Rep. Karin Power, Rep. Barbara Smith Warner, and Rep. Alissa Keny Guyer — all Democrats representing the Portland area. “A policy of sweeping fare enforcement searches violates the constitutional rights of transit riders. This practice exacerbates disparities in the criminal justice system and

contributes to the over-policing and over-prosecution of people of color, people with disabilities, and people experiencing homelessness and other forms of economic insecurity,” the letter said. In December, TriMet’s board of directors voted to reduce penalties for fare evasion — from \$175 to \$75 for first-time offenders. David Douglas School Board Member and prominent community activist Ana Del Rocio was stopped in March and asked to provide proof of fare as part of a routine fare inspection as she exited a MAX train. According to media reports, Del Rocio was holding her cell phone and activated an unused ticket on TriMet’s tick-

eting app, then was asked for her real name and for proof of legal ID, then was arrested when her identity could not be confirmed. “I didn’t feel safe having these strangers know where my kids and I sleep at night “I obviously don’t look like a white person, so the possibility of me being racially profiled was definitely on my mind,” Del Rocio said, according to court transcripts. “So being



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Where Do We Go From Here

Actor and activist Danny Glover enjoys a laugh with people attending “Where Do We Go from Here”, a forum organized by the Seattle Chapter of the A. Phillip Randolph Institute on Sept. 22 at Garfield Community Center. The event featured a panel of guest speakers including Mr. Glover, who helped organize the Million Worker March in October 2004. The 2004 event proposed a working people’s political agenda independent of any corporate party. The forum covered the importance of continuing the fight for the 21 demands made by the Marchers in 2004 including Single Payer health care, workers rights to organize and protection for Social Security.

often referred to as the “green economy,” which aims to reduce the environmental impact of business. Among them, the World Bank announced it would invest \$1 billion in battery storage systems for developing and emerging economies. World Bank president Jim Yong Kim said the Washington-based institution expected to raise an additional \$4 billion for the venture to triple battery storage capacity in developing countries by 2025. The coming months will see a flurry of negotiations over the rules that countries will have to follow as part of their commitment to the Paris accord. Signatories have set themselves a deadline of agreeing to rules by the time leaders meet in Katowice, Poland, in December.

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Oregon does not restrict the voting rights of individuals with felony convictions. In Washington, you can register to vote if you are:

- 18 years old by the day of the next election
- A legal resident of Washington and citizen of the United States
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order
- Not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington felony conviction

Registering in Oregon

If you live in Oregon and want to vote in the November election, the deadline to register is Oct. 16. You can register to vote on the Oregon Secretary of State’s website at <https://sos.oregon.gov/voting>. You can

also check your or update your voter registration at <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/orestar/vr/showVoterSearch.do>. You can also download and print a paper registration form from from: <https://multco.us/education-and-outreach/how-do-i-register-vote>. That link includes forms written in Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Somali and Russian. If you or a loved one have a disability and need accommodation or assistance, visit the Oregon Secretary of State’s Services for People With Disabilities web page for information about how to access appropriate help: <https://sos.oregon.gov/voting/Pages/disabilities.aspx>. You can also register to vote in person at a county elections office:

- Multnomah County: Duniway-Lovejoy Elections Building, 1040 SE Morrison St., Portland, OR 97214; (503)

- 988-3720
- Washington County: 3700 SW Murray Blvd # 101, Beaverton, OR 97005; (503) 846-5800
- Clackamas County: 1710 S Red Soils Ct # 100, Oregon City, OR 97045; (503) 655-8510

Registering in Washington

If you live in Washington and want to vote in the November election, Oct. 8 is the deadline for online & mail-in voter registration, all address changes, name changes, and other updates. In-person voter registrations for new voters accepted up to eight days prior to election day. You can register to vote on the Washington Secretary of State’s website at <https://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/register.aspx>. The Secretary of State’s website also has printable registration forms in 21

languages, downloadable at <https://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/print-voter-registration-forms.aspx>. You can also request forms via mail – up to 1,000 if you are running a voter registration drive – at <https://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/register-mail.aspx>. Voters with disabilities can access accessible formats of the voters’ pamphlet, information about accessible voting areas, and more at <https://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/voters/voters-with-disabilities.aspx>. You can also register in person. Here are addresses for the elections offices in our coverage area:

- Clark County: 1408 Franklin Street Vancouver WA 98660-2879 PO Box 8815; (564) 397-2345
- Renton County: 919 Southwest Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057-2906; (206) 296-8683