

# V. ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE RESOURCE GROUPS

## Alabama

### Federation of Southern Coops, Land Assistance Fund

P.O. Box 95  
Epes, AL 35460  
(205) 652-9676

**Contact/Title:** Cleo Askew, Director of Housing and Development or John Zippert, Director of Program Operation

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Our organization is concerned with saving the land and building communities.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Pesticides, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 25

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1967

### Pine Grove Concerned Citizens

Bennett Rd. 13-865  
York, AL 36925  
(205) 652-2754

**Contact/Title:** Elijah Ivory, Founder

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To prevent burning of liquid waste and monitor ground water contamination.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Parks & recreation, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 24

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood-based

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1986

### Save Aquifers Vital to Environment (SAVE)

P.O. Box 667  
Thoraby, AL 35171  
(205) 646-2947

**Contact/Title:** Ida Stewart

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To get rid of landfills and clean up our water.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Lead, Recycling, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing.

**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 19

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** White

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1995

### WACC: Institute for Human Development

P.O. Box 809  
Eutaw, AL 35462  
(205) 372-3344

**Contact/Title:** Carol P. Zippert, President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Community empowerment through education, economic development, political organizing, and by developing clean, safe communities.

**Issues:** Toxics, Waste disposal, Recycling, Community organizing, Voter persecution

**Activities:** Organization, Education, Direct action, Cultural celebration

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1982

### West Alabama Farmer Association

P.O. Box 95  
Epes, AL 35460  
(205) 654-2276

**Contact/Title:** Yvoenne Hampton, Office Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To help all people of color in the best way we can.

**Issues:** Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 7

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1967

## Alaska

### Alaska Community Action on Toxics

135 Christensen Dr., Ste. 100  
Anchorage, AK 99501  
(907) 222-7714  
Fax: (907) 222-7715  
E-mail: info@akaction.com

**Contact/Title:** Pamela K. Miller

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Working with local tribes and other affected communities providing technical assistance, holding polluters accountable, and encouraging alternative treatment technologies that do not result in the creation of additional hazardous chemicals. Establish a tracking and reporting system for hazardous chemical spills, and develop least toxic alternative policies.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Pesticides, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Report preparation, Workshops, Computer training, Organizing, Legal, Health surveys, Research, Pollution monitoring, GIS/ mapping

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Native Alaskan, Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1997

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## Alaska Health Project

1818 W. Northern Lights Blvd. #103  
Anchorage, AK 99517  
(907) 276-2864

**Contact/Title:** Carl Hild, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To provide information and advocacy on occupational and environmental health issues.

**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides, Recycling, Worker safety, Community organizing, Waste reduction

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 9

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Native American, Middle income, Rural, White, Unions

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Alaska Native Health Board

1345 Rudakof Circle, Ste. 206  
Anchorage, AK 99508  
(907) 337-0028

**Contact/Title:** Anne M. Walker, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To promote the spiritual, physical, mental, social, and cultural well-being and pride of Native people, and to assist Alaska Natives in pursuing health careers.

**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Lead, Community organizing, HIV/AIDS prevention

**Activities:** Consumer advisory

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 10

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1968

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## Association of Village Council Presidents, Inc. (AVCP)

Pouch 219  
Bethel, AK 99559

**Contact/Title:** Nova Blazej, Environmental Planner

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** AVCP, Inc. provides human development, social services, and other culturally relevant programs for the

people to promote self-determination, protection, and enhancement of our culture and traditions through a working partnership with member villages of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Asbestos, Recycling, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Rural sanitation

**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Social/cultural services

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 225

**Number of Volunteers:** 50

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native Alaskan

**Geographic Focus:** Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Inuit Circumpolar Conference

1577 C St., Suite 100A  
Anchorage, AK 99501  
(907) 258-6917

**Contact/Title:** Mary Schaeffer, Special Assistant

**Position:** Full time

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian/Inuit

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1976

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## Arizona

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### Andale Nogales

1068 N. David Drive  
Nogales, AZ 85621  
(602) 287-3779  
Fax: (602) 287-7137

**Contact/Title:** Mary Mendoza, Chairperson  
**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Main project at this moment is the adopt-an-area project in Nogales, with the purpose of clean-up and beautifying parks in Nogales.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Sustainable development, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1988

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## Border Ecology Project

P.O. Drawer CP  
Bisbee, AZ 85603  
(520) 432-7456  
Fax: (520) 432-7473  
E-mail: bep@primenet.com

**Contact/Title:** Dick Kamp, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To address mining and industrial pollution issues along the U.S./Mexico border and in Chile and Peru as they relate to expanded trade agreements and increased investment. Work includes actual binational environmental monitoring and health organizing.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Facility siting, Pesticides, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Lupus

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution monitoring

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 7

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Border Health Foundation

2501 E. Elm Street  
Tucson, AZ 85716  
(520) 795-9756  
Fax: (520) 795-1365  
E-mail: ambhf@ambhf

**Contact/Title:** Mary Baum, Special Projects Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Border Health Foundation was incorporated as a 510(c)3 non-profit organization in 1984, as an offshoot of the Arizona-Mexico Commission, in response to growing concerns about health conditions at the international border between Arizona and Sonora, Mexico. The mission of the BHF is to improve the health of people in the Americas with a particular focus on the U.S.-Mexico border by developing relationships that further knowledge, empower people and maximize the utilization of resources. BHF programs seek to improve coordination and cooperation while respecting diversity.

**Issues:** Children health, Community organizing, Facility siting, Housing, U.S./ Mexico border

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Fund raising, Organizing, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 29

**Number of Volunteers:** 15

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, Citywide, Countywide, Regional, International

**Membership Base:** Serve all border communities in the U.S. border

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1984

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## **Citizens Against Ruining Our Environment (CARE)**

Dilkon Chapter Office  
HC 61, P.O. Box 272  
Winslow, AZ 86047  
(602) 657-3376

**Contact/Title:** Anna M. Frazier, Member, Board of Directors

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To keep toxic waste from ruining our environment; to protect the air, wildlife, and land for our children; and to promote awareness and educate the community about environmental concerns.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Housing, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 12

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/ Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Native American, Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## **Dine' CARE**

HC 61, Box 272  
Winslow, AZ 86047  
(970) 259-0199  
Fax: (970) 259-3413  
E-mail: dinecare@cnetco.com

**Contact/Title:** Anna M. Frazier, Community Organizer

**Position:** Full time

**Issues:** Community organizing, Energy, recycling, Water pollution, Wildlife, Forestry

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/ Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Tribal-Navajo nation

**Membership Base:** Low income, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## **Enlace Ecologico, A.C.**

P.O. Box 186  
Douglas, AZ 85607

**Contact/Title:** Sr. Miguel Angel Gonzales

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Has recently finished an inventory project of hazardous materials in the maquiladora industry of Agua Prieta, Mexico. Has also recently finished a pilot project of pesticides in the north-east of Sonora in the communities of Santa Cruz and Fronteras.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Facility siting, Wildlife, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Worker safety, Environmental justice

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1979

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## **Gila River Indian Community Maricopa County, Arizona**

P.O. Box 97  
Sacaton, AZ 85247  
(602) 562-3301

**Contact/Title:** Clarence M. Chiago, Land Use Ordinance Officer

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We provides services to tribal members in the areas of health, education, social services, fire protection, police protection, medical emergency service, and protection of natural resources and cultural traditions and values. Encourages economic development goals.

**Issues:** Water pollution, Pesticides, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Economic development

**Activities:** Lobbying, Governmental services to the community

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 500

**Number of Volunteers:** 8

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/ Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Native American, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1939

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## **Maricopa County Organizing Project**

1818 S. 16th St., Suite 418  
Phoenix, AZ 85034  
(602) 254-5230

**Contact/Title:** Tupac Enrique or Fransisco Navarete, Co-Directors

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To promote human rights, protect our communities and environment, and work for social and economic justice.

**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Facility siting, Pesticides, Lead, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 25

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1977

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## **Navajo Division of Health Office of Environment and Health Code Enforcement**

P.O. Drawer 1390  
Window Rock, AZ 86515  
(602) 871-6254

**Contact/Title:** Henry Moore, Jr., Program Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To create an effective and credible environmental health office.

**Issues:** Waste disposal, Parks & recreation, Food safety

**Activities:** Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/ Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Native American

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1985

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## **Platicamos Salud**

1852 N. Mastick Way  
Nogales, AZ 85621  
(520) 281-2860  
Fax: (520) 761-2153  
E-mail: psalud@dakotacom.net

**Contact/Title:** Jo Jean Elenes, Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Mariposa Community Health Center is the Largest provider of medical, dental, and traditional public health services in Santa Cruz county. The Health Center's "Promotora" based Health Promotion/ Disease prevention division, Platicamos Salud, was launched in 1991 with Health Resources and Services Administration funding, Office of Rural Health Policy. Platicamos Salud has 14 Promotoras that conduct health outreach and education in the community with special emphasis on low-income, Spanish speaking families.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Lead, U.S./ Mexico border, Health outreach and education.

**Activities:** Proposal/grant writing, Organizing, Health surveys, Public education  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 12  
**Number of Volunteers:** 10  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Latino American/ Hispanic  
**Geographic Focus:** Countywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, People of Color, Schools, Youth  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1991

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## Southwest Arizona Area Health Education Center

1171 W. Target Range Road  
Nogales, AZ 85621  
(520) 287-4722  
Fax: (520) 287-4349

**Contact/Title:** Mark Thomas,  
Environmental Program Coordinator  
**Position:** Part time  
**Mission:** Health education in 3 border countries. Student training in primary care. Train-the-trainer models on various health & environmental issues.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Children's health, Community organizing, Lead, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution  
**Activities:** Health surveys, Workshops, Public education  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 5  
**Number of Volunteers:** 8  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Rural, People of color, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1984

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## Southwest Environmental Health Science Center

The University of Arizona  
P.O. Box 210207  
Tucson, AZ 85719  
(520) 626-2433  
Fax: (520) 626-7659  
E-mail: sanchez@pharmacy.arizona.edu

**Contact/Title:** Bert Sanchez, Assistant Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The mission of the Southwest Environmental Health Sciences Center is to provide a mechanism for integrating, coordinating and expanding, interdisciplinary interactions among a group of established investigators conducting high quality research in the area of environmental health sciences.  
**Issues:** Toxics  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Research  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** N/A  
**Number of Volunteers:** N/A  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1994

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## Tonatierra

P.O. Box 24009  
1818 S. 16th St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85074  
(602) 254-5230

**Contact/Title:** Tupac Enrique, Co-Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** An indigenous Xicano community-based organization working to protect and project our indigenous sovereignty, human rights, and obligations as caretakers of Motherearth.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Facility siting, Pesticides, Recycling, Worker safety, Environmental justice, Community organizing  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Networking  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 3  
**Number of Volunteers:** 3  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Native American/ Indian, Xicano/Mexicano  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Reservation  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1993

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## Traditional Native American Farmers Association

PO Box 0733  
Maricopa, AZ 85239  
(520) 568-3509

**Contact/Title:** Clayton Bruscoupe  
**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** To sustain traditional native communities through education and community building, to sustain traditional farming.  
**Issues:** Toxics, energy, air pollution, water pollution, waste disposal, facility siting, wildlife, pesticides, recycling, housing, environmental justice, community organizing  
**Activities:** Research, organizing, education, direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 2  
**Number of Volunteers:** 10  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Native American/ Indian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional, tribal  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Water Information Network Puerco Valley Navajo Clean H2O Association

P.O. Box #314  
Sanders, AZ 86512  
(602) 729-4129  
Fax: (602) 729-4125

**Contact/Title:** Austin A. Sam  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Fighting the effects of coal development on Black Mesa; problems with water quality and quantity in coal mining areas; problems with reclamation vegetation; and proposed uranium mining in Church Rock.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Housing, Parks & recreation, Recycling, Transportation, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Public education, Mapping/GIS  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 4  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Native American/ Indian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Reservation-based, Grassroots, Coalitions/ Networks  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1970

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## Western Arizona Area Health Education Center, Inc.

2557 S. Arizona Ave, Suite J  
Yuma, AZ 85264  
(520) 726-8270  
Fax: (520) 344-4731  
E-mail: aw\_aquire@awc.cc.az.us

**Contact/Title:** Amanda Aquirre, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The principal mission of Arizona's Area Health Education Centers is to improve the development, recruitment, minority representation, distribution, and retention of health professional personnel in Arizona's rural and medically under served communities.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Housing, Lead, Pesticides, Transportation, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Public education, Impact assessment, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:**

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, Citywide, Countywide, Regional, National, International, Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, Reservation-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1987

## Arkansas

### Arkansas Land and Farm Development Corp.

Route 2, P.O. Box 291  
Brinkley, AR 72021  
(870) 734-1140

**Contact/Title:** Ross King, Director of Rural Community Development.

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To reverse the trend of loss of land and farms in Arkansas.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Wildlife, Pesticides, Recycling, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Financial development

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Multi-ethnic, Low income, Middle income, Rural, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1980

### Arkansas Public Policy Panel, Inc.

103 West Capitol #1115  
Little Rock, AR 72201  
(501) 376-7913  
Fax: (501) 374-3935  
E-mail: app@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** William Kopsky, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Arkansas Public Policy panel is the only non-profit in Arkansas working statewide and across issues to build a progressive citizen constituency capable of participating on even terms with agricultural and industrial corporations in the development of public policy.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Housing, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Water pollution

**Activities:** Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 4

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks **Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1963

## California

### AFSC Proyecto Compensino

111 NW. 3rd St.  
Visalia, CA 93291  
(209) 733-4844

**Contact/Title:** Pablo Espinoza, Office Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To assist the low income community in the areas of housing, health, labor, immigration, and education.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Recycling, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 25

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1955

### Asian Health Services

818 Webster St.  
Oakland, CA 94607  
(510) 986-6850  
Fax: (510) 986-6890

**Contact/Title:** Sherry Hirota, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To advocate and provide quality health care to low-income, limited English-speaking Asians, regardless of ability to pay.

**Issues:** Community organizing

**Activities:** Education, Primary medical care

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 110

**Number of Volunteers:** 65

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Asian/Pacific Islander

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1973

### Asian Immigrant Women Advocates

310 8th St. #301  
Oakland, CA 94607  
(510) 268-0192  
Fax: (510) 268-0194

**Contact/Title:** Helen Kim

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Established by women workers, community activists, and labor organizers to advocate for and empower low income immigrant women workers, especially in the area of workplace injustice and health and safety.

**Issues:** Toxics, Lead, Worker safety, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Asian/Pacific Islander

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1983

### Asian Pacific Environmental Network

310 8th Street Suite 309  
Oakland, CA 94607  
(510) 834-8920  
Fax: (834) 834-8926  
E-mail: apeu@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Peggy Saika, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** All people have a right to a clean and healthy environment where they live, work, learn, play and thrive.

Towards this vision, the Asian Pacific Environmental Network was founded in 1993 to bring together a collective voice among the diverse and unique histories and cultures of native-born, immigrant, and refugee Asian and Pacific Islander communities in the United States. Through a strategy which combines grassroots community organizing, building a network among our communities and collaborating with other environmental justice networks, APEN works to strengthen the capacity of our communities to protect and shape our environments through democratic participation. APEN is part of broad, multi-racial movement for environmental, social and economic justice.

**Issues:** Brownfields redevelopment, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Toxics, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy, Public education, Mapping/GIS

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 10

**Number of Volunteers:** 5-25

**Charge Membership Dues:**

**Constituency Served:** Asian/ Pacific Islander

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Youth

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1994

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## Barrio Planners, Inc.

5271 E. Beverly Blvd.  
Los Angeles, CA 90022  
(213) 726-7734  
Fax: (213) 721-9794

**Contact/Title:** Frank Villalobos, President  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To provide the best quality of life for the community of East Los Angeles.

**Issues:** Facility siting, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 28

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Bay Area Mountain Watch

3306 Shelter Creek  
San Bruno, CA 94066

**Contact/Title:** Lorraine Burtzloff, President  
**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** (1) Saving open space and endangered species habitat on San Bruno Mountains, the last remaining unspoiled franciscan habitat in the Bay Region and a buffer against over-development in the contiguous areas. (2) Alerting the entire shoreline community between San Francisco and South San Francisco to the dangerous pollution caused by unregulated garbage dumping, abandoned railroad operations, and industrial wastes. (3) Preventing housing construction on hazardous waste sites, and calling for complete cleanup of the contaminated areas and restoration of the original wetlands.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Sustainable growth, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Transportation, Urban habitat, Worker safety & health, Housing, Urban planning

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1985

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## Bay Area Nuclear Waste Coalition

2760 Golden Gate  
San Francisco, CA 94118  
(415) 752-8678  
Fax: (415) 221-4267  
E-mail: pklasky@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Philip Klasky, Co-Director  
**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** Our mission is to prevent the construction of a proposed radioactive waste dump in Ward Valley, California, to protect the Colorado River from radioactive contamination, to achieve environmental justice for the Native Americans whose ancestral home is in Ward Valley, to protect designated wilderness and critical habitat for the endangered desert tortoise and to promote a responsible national policy for source reduction and safe containment of nuclear wastes.

**Issues:** Energy, Environmental racism, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Endangered species

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Legal, Research, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** many

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Native American/ Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional, Statewide, National, Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, Reservation-based, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## Center for Community Advocacy

9 West Gobilan Street, Suite 12  
Salinas, CA 93901  
(831) 753-2324  
Fax: (831) 753-0141  
E-mail: centerc@jps.net

**Contact/Title:** Juan Uranga, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Center for Community Advocacy is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving housing conditions and opportunities for farmworker and other low income families in Monterey & Santa Cruz. CCA conducts educational programs at labor camps to inform farm workers of their basic rights and responsibilities.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Housing,

**Activities:** Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 18

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Center for Third World Organizing

1218 E. 21st Street  
Oakland, CA 94609  
(510) 533-7583  
Fax: (510) 533-0923  
E-mail: ctwo@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Jeannie R. London, Acting Office Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Develop and train a growing cadre of organizers/leaders with the skills, analysis, and support they need to build strong and challenging community organizations.

**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 24  
**Number of Volunteers:** 10  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Multi-ethnic, Low income, Urban, Rural, Church-based  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Children's Environmental Health Network

5900 Hollis Street, Suite R3  
Emeryville, CA 94608  
(510) 597-1393  
Fax: (510) 597-1399  
E-mail: cehn@cehn.org

**Contact/Title:** Jennifer Rubenstein, Program Assistant

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CEHN is a national multi-disciplinary project whose mission is to promote a healthy environment and to protect the fetus and the child from environmental hazards. We focus on research, education, and policy.

**Issues:** Children health, Pesticides, Toxics, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Communities for a Better Environment

500 Howard Street, Suite 506  
San Francisco, CA 94105  
(415) 243-8373  
Fax: (415) 243-8980  
E-mail: cbelegal@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Richard Toshiyuk Drury, Legal Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Urban environmental health and justice throughout California.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, facility siting/permit review, Toxics, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Organizing, Legal, Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Mapping/GIS

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 30

**Number of Volunteers:** 100

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grass-roots, Schools, Youth

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1978

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## Communities for a Better Environment

605 W. Olympic Blvd # 850  
Los Angeles, CA 90015  
(213) 486-5114  
Fax: (213) 486-5139  
E-mail: cbela@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Carlos Porras, Southern California Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Urban environmental health and justice throughout California.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Lead, Worker safety, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Legal

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low and middle income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1978

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## Cultural Conservancy

P.O. Box 5124  
Mill Valley, CA 94942  
(415) 491-1948

**Contact/Title:** Patricia Cummings, General Counsel

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** A Native organization working to preserve traditional cultures, empowering them in the direct application of their traditional beliefs and practices on their ancestral lands.

**Issues:** Energy, Water pollution, Wildlife, Environmental justice, Community organizing; Land rights, Cultural resource promotion

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Service to Native Americans

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 8

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1985

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## Data Center's Impact Research Team

1904 Franklin Street, Suite 900  
Oakland, CA 94612  
(510) 835-4692  
Fax: (510) 835-3017  
E-mail: datacenter@datacenter.org

**Contact/Title:** Catherine Powell, Information Activist

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Data Center's impact research team and information activists is building a more successful movement by providing on-call research and analysis, referral and consultation to justice organizations, and by enhancing the movement's research capacity through on-going collaborative projects and skills training sessions.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental justice, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety, Asbestos

**Activities:** Research, Training

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 13

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:** N/A

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1977

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## Desert Citizen Against Pollution

P.O. Box 845  
Rosamond, CA 93560  
(661) 256-0968  
Fax: (661) 256-0674  
E-mail: dcap@gnet.com

**Contact/Title:** Jane Williams, Board Member

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To protect the desert and its peoples from pollution

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Lead, Pesticides, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Media/press campaign, Research, Advocacy, Desert issues

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 6

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, Reservation-based, People of color

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1986

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## District 7 Democratic Club

4909-A 3rd St.  
San Francisco, CA 94124  
(415) 822-9600

**Contact/Title:** Espanola Jackson, President  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** Community empowerment  
**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 8  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** African American/Black  
**Geographic Focus:** Citywide  
**Membership Base:** Multi-ethnic, Low income, Middle income, Urban, Church-based, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1976

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## Ecological Life Systems, Inc. (ELSI)

2923 E. Spruce  
San Diego, CA 92104  
(619) 281-1447

**Contact/Title:** Jim Bell, Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Nuclear, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Sustainable development, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Transportation, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing  
**Activities:** Research, Education, Advocacy  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 5  
**Number of Volunteers:** 10  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic  
**Geographic Focus:** International  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1975

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## Environmental and Economic Justice Project (EEJP)

2826 S. Vermont Ave, Suite 11  
Los Angeles, CA 90027  
(213) 730-4950  
Fax: (213) 730-4957  
E-mail: dpateriya@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Deepak Pateriya, Program Coordinator  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** EEJP works to build the capacity and strategic effectiveness of the movement for environmental and

economic justice through 2 main strategies: (1) Strategic facilitation and training for local grassroots organizations and regional/national environmental justice networks in the areas of organizing training, strategic planning and organizational development; and (2) an intentional program designed to build a stronger international movement by developing relationships among the U.S. based environmental and economic justice organizations and their counterparts in the third world.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Organizing, Research, Education, Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 3  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** African American/Black  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1991

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## Environmental Health Coalition

1717 Kettner Blvd., #100  
San Diego, CA 92101  
(619) 235-0281  
Fax: (619) 232-3670  
E-mail: ehcoalition@igc.apc.com

**Contact/Title:** Diane Takvorian, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** EHC is dedicated to the prevention and cleanup of toxic pollution threatening our health, community and environment. We promote environmental justice, monitor government and industry actions that cause pollution, educate communities about toxic hazards and toxics use reduction, and empower the public to join our cause.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Children health, Community organizing, Lead, Pesticides, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution, Wildlife  
**Activities:** Pollution monitoring, Advocacy, Public education  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 20  
**Number of Volunteers:** 2-5  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Countywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, People of color, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/networks  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Environmental Justice Fund

310 8th Street #309  
Oakland, CA 94607  
(510) 834-8920  
Fax: (510) 834-8926

**Contact/Title:** Amanda Werhane, National Coordinator  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Environmental Justice Fund is an association of six networks of grassroots, community-based organizations: the Asian Pacific Environmental Network, the Farmworker Network for Economic and Environmental Justice, the Indigenous Environmental Network, the Northeast Environmental Justice Network, the Southern Organizing Committee for Economic and Social Justice, and the Southwest Network for Environmental and Economic Justice. We provide a mechanism for the networks to engage in ethical resource development and strategic collaboration in order to further the principles and work of the environmental justice movement.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Fund raising  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 2  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1996

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## Ethnic Coalition

3250 Wilshire Blvd., 4th Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90010  
(213) 381-3663  
Fax: (213) 380-5036

**Contact/Title:** Barbara Miyamoto  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** To participate as a full partner in policy setting in the areas of planning, development, the environment, and transportation.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Lead, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct Action  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 45

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black, Latino American/Hispanic, Asian/  
Pacific Islander  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional **Membership  
Base:** Middle income, Urban, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1989

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## **Farmworker Network for Economic & Environmental Justice**

P.O. Box 66  
Coochella, CA 92236  
(760) 398-5183  
Fax: (760) 398-5183

**Contact/Title:** Ventura Gutierrez  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** The network is composed of seven  
farm worker organizing groups in the  
United States and the Caribbean which  
form an incorporated structured alliance  
designed to enhance, focus, and support  
their work to change environmental and  
economic policy in agriculture.  
**Issues:** Community organizing, Environ-  
mental racism, Pesticides, U.S./Mexico  
border, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Fund raising  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 14  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Latino American/  
Hispanic  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural,  
Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1994

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## **Hesperian Foundation**

1919 Addison St, Ste. 304  
Berkeley, CA 94704  
(510) 845-1447  
Fax: (510) 845-9141  
E-mail: envirohealth@hesperian.org

**Contact/Title:** Diana Reiss-Koncar  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Hesperian Foundation has  
published empowering health docu-  
ments readable by low literacy popula-  
tions for twenty years. We are currently  
developing and environmental health  
guide for community members.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health,  
Community organizing, Environmental  
racism, Pesticides, Recycling, Transpor-  
tation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./  
Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water  
pollution, Worker safety  
**Activities:** offer small grants to CBO's  
conducting health education programs  
for women.  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 20  
**Number of Volunteers:** 10  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** International  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban,  
Rural, Coalition, People of Color,  
Grassroots  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1977

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## **I Love A Clean San Diego County, Inc.**

4901 Morena Blvd. #703  
San Diego, CA 92116  
(858) 274-3940

**Contact/Title:** Shelita Weinfield, Special  
Programs/Membership  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Conservation of natural resources  
through education, research, and direct  
action in both the public and private  
sectors in order to create a balance  
among competing demands on our  
environment.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water  
pollution, Waste disposal, Recycling,  
Community organizing, Water conserva-  
tion  
**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education,  
Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 9  
**Number of Volunteers:** 75  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Countywide  
**Membership Base:** Environmentalist  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1992

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## **International Indian Treaty Council (IITC)**

710 Clayton St. #1  
San Francisco, CA 94117  
(415) 566-0251

**Contact/Title:** Norma Scheurkogel, Staff  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** IITC is a U.N., non-governmental  
organization (NGO) in consultative  
status, Category II. Uses treaties as the  
basis for their work. Have expanded to  
include native peoples worldwide.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water  
pollution, Wildlife, Environmental  
justice, Community organizing, Indig-  
enous self-determination  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing,  
Education, Direct action, Present  
testimony & documentation at U.N  
Human Rights Commission  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 6  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino,  
Native American/Indian  
**Geographic Focus:** International  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle  
income, Urban, Rural, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1974

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## **Labor Occupational Health Program**

2223 Fulton Street 4th Floor  
Berkeley, CA 94720-5120  
(510) 643-7594  
Fax: (510) 643-5698  
E-mail: ptlee@uclink4.berkeley.edu

**Contact/Title:** Pam Tau Lee  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Labor Occupational Health  
Program is funded as a public service  
arm of the Center for Occupational and  
Environmental health at UC Berkeley.  
Its primary purpose is to serve working  
people, unions and community organiza-  
tions, to assist them in taking an active  
role in identifying and controlling  
workplace hazards. Emphasis is given to  
providing assistance for those who are  
traditionally undeserved, including  
women, people of color, young workers,  
unorganized and non-English-speaking  
workers.  
**Issues:** Community organizing, Environ-  
mental racism, Toxics, U.S./Mexico  
border, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health  
surveys, Workshops, Legal, Training &  
Leadership development  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 22  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional, national  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle  
income, Urban, Rural, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1970

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## **Los Angeles Conservation Corps (LACC)**

P.O. Box 15868  
Los Angeles, CA 90015  
(213) 362-9000  
Fax: (213) 362-7958

**Contact/Title:** Bruce Saito, Executive  
Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The LACC employs young people  
to perform urban community beautifica-  
tion and environmental restoration  
projects. LACC participants plant trees,  
clear trails, set up recycling programs,  
and learn more about their community  
and the environment.  
**Issues:** Brownfields redevelopment,  
Children health, Energy, Environmental  
racism, Housing, Parks & recreation,  
Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban  
sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution,  
Wildlife, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press  
campaign, Advocacy, Brownfields  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 80  
**Number of Volunteers:** 500  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban,  
People of color, Youth  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1986

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## Los Angeles Jobs with Peace

2822 S. Western Ave.  
Los Angeles, CA 90018  
(323) 734-3165

**Contact/Title:** Nina Smith, Administrative Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To build and maintain a powerful grassroots alliance in L.A. with the power to re-direct our economy so that it meets the basic human needs of our communities, and is non-military, sustainable, and socially just.

**Issues:** Waste Disposal, Pesticides, Recycling, Parks & Recreation, Housing, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Mexico Information Project

8124 W. 3rd St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90048  
(213) 655-3728

**Contact/Title:** Teresa Sanchez, Director

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** A public information and activist resource center that works to promote closer ties between the people of the U.S. and Mexico.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Pesticides, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Immigration, NAFTA

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Solidarity

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 15

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1992

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## National Committee Against Repressive Legislation, First Amendment Foundation

1313 West 8th Street. #313  
Los Angeles, CA 90017  
(213) 484-6661  
Fax: (213) 484-0266  
E-mail: NCARL@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Frank Wilkinson, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The First Amendment Foundation, a voluntary non-profit foundation, initiates education on vanguard First Amendment issues, with priority to: exposing encroachment by governmental jurisdictions on the rights of free expression of individuals and organizations; and disseminating educational information to audiences unfamiliar with or inattentive to the threats to the First Amendment.

**Issues:** Environmental racism, Housing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3 **Number of Volunteers:** 6

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Grassroots, Researchers, Schools, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1960

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## Nindakin - People of Color for Environmental Justice

c/o Women's Resource Center  
250 Cesar Chavez Center  
Berkeley, CA 94720  
Fax: (510) 268-0194  
E-mail: mrtaruc@yahoo.com

**Contact/Title:** Mari Rose Taruc

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Nindakin: People of Color for Environmental Justice is an organization of students and graduates of color from the University of California at Berkeley that unites to confront environmental and economic racism in the university and communities of color. It is a necessity to build and sustain a movement for environmental and economic justice where youth develop as leaders through hands-on grassroots community organizing. Nindakin believes that students and communities of color organizing together can build power to ensure that all people have the right to live, work and play in a clean and healthy environment.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Environmental justice, Photo exhibit profiling communities experiencing environmental racism

**Activities:** Research, Education, Support work for communities

**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 8  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1991

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## Pesticide Action Network (PAN) North America

49 Powell Street #500  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
(415) 981-1771  
Fax: (415) 981-1991  
E-mail: panna@panna.org

**Contact/Title:** Ellen Hickey, Research Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** PAN North America works to replace pesticides use with ecologically sound and socially just alternatives. As one of five PAN Regional Centers worldwide, we link local and international consumer, labor, health, environment and agriculture groups into an international citizens' action network. This network challenges the global proliferation of pesticides, defends basic rights to health and environmental quality, and works to insure the transition to a just and viable society. PAN North America responds by organizing, coordinating and participating in worldwide action campaigns to eliminate pesticide dependency and promoting ecologically and socially sound alternative practices and systems.

**Issues:** Children health, Environmental racism, Pesticides, Toxic, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Internet training, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 15

**Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** International-North America

**Membership Base:** Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1982

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## Pesticide Education Center

P.O. Box 420870  
San Francisco, CA 94142-0870  
(415) 391-8511  
Fax: (415) 391-9159  
E-mail: pec@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Marion Moses, MD, President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Our mission is to educate workers and the public about the health hazards

of pesticides. we have developed videos/manuals in English & Spanish for farm workers and work very closely with farm workers unions and legal assistance groups throughout the country.

**Issues:** Children health, Environmental racism, Pesticides, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Legal, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 1 or 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1988

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## Plant Closures Project

512 17th St., Suite 200  
Oakland, CA 94612  
(415) 763-6584

**Contact/Title:** Mark Freedman, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To hold corporations and government accountable for how their decisions affect workers and communities.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Recycling, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1981

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## Proyecto Fronterizo de Educación Ambiental

710 San Ysidro Blvd. #88  
San Ysidro, CA 92173

**Contact/Title:** Laura Durazo, Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** PFEA has moved from an experimental stage of testing their programs with children to a stage of doing teacher training for elementary and junior high teachers. PFEA advocates and lobbies for community right-to-know and worker right-to-know about hazardous substances.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Sustainable development, Lead,

Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety

**Activities:** Lobbying, Education, Direct action, Training

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## San Francisco Recycling Program

1145 Market Street Suite 401  
San Francisco, CA 94103  
(415) 554-3400  
Fax: (415) 554-3434

**Contact/Title:** Debby Dunn, Public Outreach Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Providing assistance for a range of recycling services for the community.

**Issues:** Recycling, Waste disposal

**Activities:** Media/press campaign

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1978

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## Santa Clara Center for Occupational Safety & Health (SCCOSH)

760 North First Street, 2nd Floor  
San Jose, CA 95112  
(408) 998-4050  
Fax: (408) 998-4051  
E-mail: sccosh@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Jo Lani Hironaka, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Since 1978 SCCOSH has helped workers to understand the impact of job hazards on health, to exercise their rights, and to safeguard their employment status in obtaining appropriate protections.

**Issues:** Children's health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Public education, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 600

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1978

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## Seventh Generation Fund

P.O. Box 4569  
Arcata, CA 95518  
(707) 825-7640  
Fax: (707) 825-7639  
E-mail: 7genfund@humboldt.com

**Contact/Title:** Chris Peters, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To provide general support grants, training, and technical assistance to grassroots Native American community organizations.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Organizing, Direct action, Foundation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 7

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Native American, Low income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1977

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## Tri-Valley Cares (Communities Against a Radioactive Environment)

2582 Old First Street  
Livermore, CA 94550  
(925) 443-7148  
Fax: (925) 443-0177  
E-mail: marylia@earthlink.net

**Contact/Title:** Marylia Kelley, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Cleaning up the nuclear weapons Lab in Livermore and reducing environmental and health hazards.

Converting the Lab to socially beneficial, environmentally sound research. Ending nuclear weapons research, design and testing in the United States. Abolishing nuclear weapons world-wide. Promoting forthright communication and democratic decision-making in public policy and in nuclear weapons issues, locally, nationally and globally.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Energy, Environmental racism, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety, Nuclear

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 25

**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Geographic Focus:** Citywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Unión Sin Fronteras

P.O. Box 66  
Coochella, CA 92236  
(760) 398-5183

**Contact/Title:** Ventura Gutierrez  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** USF members have deployed their grassroots way of effective action in eight Mexican states, both in the central and border area of that country, and in southern California and Arizona within the U.S. Constituent "tandem membership" mobilized by USF, numbers over 15,000 and is composed almost entirely of Mexican Americans. USF also engages several hundred campesinos in the San Luis/Mexicali delta in pesticide, health and safety issues, as well as in educational efforts benefiting hundreds of families.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Pesticides, U.S./Mexico border, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Organizing, Advocacy  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 2  
**Number of Volunteers:** 5  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic  
**Geographic Focus:** International  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/ Networks, Workers  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1995

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## United Farm Workers of America, AFL-CIO

P.O. Box 62 Old Highway 58  
Keene, CA 93531  
(805) 822-5571 ext. 105  
Fax: (805) 822-6103

**Contact/Title:** Arturo Rodriguez  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** To help provide a food supply that is safe and just for farm workers, the environment, and consumers.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Pesticides, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing  
**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Workers rights protection  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 25  
**Number of Volunteers:** 200  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1965

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## Unity Council

1900 Fruitvale Ave, Suite 2A  
Oakland, CA 94601  
(510) 535-6926  
Fax: (510) 534-7771  
E-mail: tomlimon@yahoo.com

**Contact/Title:** Tomli Mon, Assistant to the Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Unity Council, a network of institutions, maintains as its goal the enrichment of the lives of families in the Fruitvale neighborhood. With this intent, the Unity Council provides a comprehensive program of physical, economic and social development. Programs include leadership in community advocacy, social service delivery, housing, and economic development. The Unity Council also promotes minority leadership and the expansion of social and economic opportunities for minorities in the community. The collective goals of these programs and the chief objective of the Unity Council is to reverse the downward spiral of social, physical, and economic decline in the Fruitvale.

**Issues:** Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Housing Parks & recreation, Recycling, Transportation, Urban sprawl, Senior service

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Internet training, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Legal  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 140  
**Number of Volunteers:** 50  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Latino American/ Hispanic  
**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood  
**Membership Base:** Low income  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1964

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## Urban Ecology

405 14th Street, Suite 900  
Oakland, CA 94612  
(510) 251-6335  
Fax: (510) 251-2117  
E-mail: r\_peterson@urbanecology.org

**Contact/Title:** Rachel Peterson, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Urban Ecology works on four levels: we educate individuals through publications and forums; we undertake neighborhood change through community planning projects; we seek policy reform at the local government levels; and we are a leader in planning sustainable regions, with a special focus on the San Francisco Bay Area

**Issues:** Community organizing, Transportation, Urban sprawl, Urban planning, Community development  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 8  
**Number of Volunteers:** 75  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, Citywide, Countywide, Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1975

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## Urban Habitat Program

P.O. Box 29908 Presidio Station  
San Francisco, CA 94129-9908  
(415) 561-3333  
Fax: (415) 561-3334  
E-mail: uhp@igc.apc.org

**Contact/Title:** Carl Anthony, Executive director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Acts as a catalyst for the environment and social justice. Seeking to promote multi-cultural, urban environmental leadership. Believes that environmental and socioeconomic problems are connected in their causes, effects, and solutions.  
**Issues:** Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Lead, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Jobs, Urban land use planning  
**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 6  
**Number of Volunteers:** 2  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Church-based, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Video Project

200 Estates Drive  
Ben Lomond, CA 95005  
(831) 336-0160  
Fax: (831) 336-2168  
E-mail: videoproject@videoproject.org

**Contact/Title:** Ian Thiermann, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Video Project is your non-profit source for over 500 top-rated, affordable videos and multimedia programs for all age levels on the environment, nuclear issues, global human rights, and related concerns.

including Oscar and Emmy award-winners. Programs focusing on causes and solutions to violence in America have recently been added to our collection.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Lead, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Videotapes

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National, International

**Membership Base:** Middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1983

## Colorado

### Action for a Better Community

901 West 14th Street, Ste. 1  
Denver, CO 80204  
(303) 893-9710  
Fax: (303) 893-9713

**Contact/Title:** Beverly Leon

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** We organized for lead screening and environmental testing in Denver and the state of Colorado.

**Issues:** Lead, Transportation, Police accountability,

**Activities:** Workshops, Youth leadership development

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:**

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, People of color

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1992

### American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)

5661 Airport Blvd.  
Boulder, CO 80301  
(303) 939-0023  
Fax: (303) 939-8150

**Contact/Title:** Norbert S. Hills, Jr.

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** A private, non-profit organization which seeks to significantly increase the number of American Indian scientists and engineers in the nation, and to develop technologically informed leaders who will "give back" to their Indian communities.

**Issues:** Recycling, Parks & recreation

**Activities:** Education, Environmental camp

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 18

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1977

### Black Environmental Science Trust (BEST)

c/o UCAR  
P.O. Box 3000  
Boulder, CO 80307-3000  
(303) 497-8680

**Contact/Title:** Michele D. Simpson,  
Executive Director/Board Vice-President

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To increase African American participation in shaping the environmental future of the U.S. and the world. Address institutional barriers that prevent the full participation of African Americans in environmental issues at all levels. Support through grant-making those efforts aimed at increasing the number of African Americans in the environmental sciences. Serve as an information clearinghouse on environmental issues, both national and international, that affect persons of African ancestry.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Recycling, Environmental justice

**Activities:** Research, Education, Technical and financial support

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

### Citizens Coal Council

1705 S. Pearl St.  
Denver, CO 80210  
(303) 722-9119  
Fax: (303) 722-8338  
E-mail: ccc@netone.com

**Contact/Title:** Carolyn Johnson, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CCC is a federation of 54 grassroots member groups in 22 states and the Navajo Nation. We work with people to protect their homes, communities and the environment from the devastating impacts caused by coal mining.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Fundraising, Public education, Organizing, Legal

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Low income, Rural, Grassroots

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Multi-ethnic

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

### Environmental Defense Fund (EDF)

1405 Arapahoe Ave  
Boulder, CO 80302  
(330) 440-4901  
Fax: (330) 440-8052

**Contact/Title:** Pan Kuecke, Regional Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** EDF has lawyers and scientists on staff that work on primarily air and water issues facing the West.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Transportation, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Computer training, Internet training, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 8

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1967

### Land and Water Fund of the Rockies

2260 Baseline Rd, Suite 200  
Boulder, CO 80302  
(303) 444-1188  
Fax: (303) 786-8054

**Contact/Title:** Jean Belille, Director Western Communities

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We are a nonprofit organization who provide legal aid, advocacy and policy solutions to environmental groups in the Rocky Mountains and desert Southwest regions.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Wildlife, Western water use

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Fundraising, Proposal/ grant writing, Organizing, Legal, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 17

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Church-based, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1989

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## National Environmental Health Association

720 S. Colorado Blvd. South Tower,  
Suite 970  
Denver, CO 80246-1925  
(303) 756-9090  
Fax: (303) 691-9490

**Contact/Title:** Larry Marcum, Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** A demonstration project designed to develop, educate, and train environmental health professionals on issues related to environmental justice. Also subcontract work with the Agency for International Development on sustainable growth issues, and building local capacity to deal with environmental health problems.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Toxics, Nuclear, Sustainable growth, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Worker safety, Safe drinking water, Indoor air quality, Radon testing and migration

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grantwriting, Legal, Health surveys, Research, Workshops/training

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, People of color, Urban, Suburban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1937

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## Connecticut

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### Connecticut Coalition for Environmental Justice

P.O. Box 2022  
Hartford, CT 06145-2022  
(860) 548-1133  
Fax: (860) 548-9197  
E-mail: M\_MHC@msn.com

**Contact/Title:** Mark Mitchell

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of Connecticut Coalition for Environmental Justice is to protect urban environments in Connecticut through educating our community, through promoting changes in state policy, and through promoting individual, corporate and governmental responsibility towards our environment. We define environment as including the places that we live, work, play and go to school.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Toxics, Waste disposal;

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhoods, Citywide, Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Church-based, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1998

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### Connecticut Fund for the Environment (CFE)

1032 Chapel Street  
New Haven, CT 06510  
(203) 787-0646  
Fax: (203) 787-0246  
E-mail: khall@cfenv.org

**Contact/Title:** Karyl Lee Hall, Staff Attorney

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Connecticut Fund for the Environment defends and improves the state's environment. CFE strives to improve air and water quality, control toxic contamination, minimize the impact of highway and traffic congestion and preserving space and wetlands.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Environmental racism, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Water pollution

**Activities:** Legal, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 10

**Number of Volunteers:** many

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional, Statewide

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1978

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### Laborers-AGC Education and Training Fund

37 Deerfield Rd. (P.O. Box 37)  
Pomfret center, CT 06259  
(860) 974-0800  
Fax: (860) 974-3157  
E-mail: dmcdaniel@laborers-agc.org

**Contact/Title:** Donna McDaniel, Program Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Fund's mission is to promote and improve quality training for laborers. In pursuing that mission, Laborers AGC acts as the umbrella organization that oversees and provides resources to 70 local training centers across the United States and Canada.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Lead, Toxics, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing,

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 38

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1969

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## District of Columbia

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### AASHTO

444 N. Capitol Street, Suite 249  
Washington, DC 21146  
(202) 624-5800  
Fax: (202) 624-5806  
E-mail: davide@aashto.org

**Contact/Title:** David Clawson, Program Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Founded in 1914, AASHTO represents the departments concerned with highways and transportation system for the nation that balances mobility, economic prosperity, safety and the environment.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Transportation, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 70

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1914

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### African American Environmentalist Association Center for Environment, Commerce, and Energy

122 C St. NW., Suite 701  
Washington, DC 20001  
(202) 393-3303  
Fax: (202) 393-3304

**Contact/Title:** Norris McDonald, President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To clean the environment and increase African American participation in the environmental movement. To resolve environmental justice issues through the application of practical environmental solutions.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Lead, Recycling, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 3  
**Number of Volunteers:** 5  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** African American/Black  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1985

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## **Alliance To End Childhood Lead Poisoning**

227 Massachusetts Ave, NE Ste. 200  
Washington, DC 20002  
(202) 543-1147  
Fax: (202) 543-4466  
E-mail: aeclp@aeclp.org

**Contact/Title:** Don Ryan, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Alliance To End Childhood Lead Poisoning is a national non-profit public interest organization created to launch a comprehensive attack on the epidemic of childhood lead poisoning. The Alliance was formed in 1990 by national leaders in pediatrics, public health, environmental protection, affordable housing, education, civil rights, and children's welfare.

**Issues:** Lead **Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Organizing, Advocacy, Mapping/GIS

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 11

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** national

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## **American Lung Association**

1726 M Street NW Ste. 902  
Washington, DC 20036  
(202) 785-3355  
Fax: (202) 452-1805  
E-mail: kpriitt@lunguse.org

**Contact/Title:** Katherine Pruitt, Manger Environmental Health Programs

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** ALA's mission is the prevention of lung disease and promotion of lung health. An important part of ALA's work seeks to address the health inequities in low income and minority communities resulting from disproportionate exposure to air pollution, indoors and out.

**Issues:** Air pollution (including indoor air quality), Children health

**Activities:** Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1250

**Number of Volunteers:** 350000

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** General Population

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1904

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## **Axum Institute, Inc.**

409 11th St. NE  
Washington, DC 20002  
(202) 544-6358

**Contact/Title:** Mistera Mulugeta, President and Founder

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To empower people of color with the knowledge, understanding, and skills required to be an effective part of the decision-making and problem-solving process concerning environmental and sustainable development issues.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 4

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## **Beyond Pesticides/ National Coalition Against the Misuse of Pesticides**

701 E Street SE #200  
Washington, DC 20003  
(202) 543-5450  
Fax: (202) 543-4791  
E-mail: ncamp@ncamp.org

**Contact/Title:** Jay Feldman, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** NCAMP serves as a clearinghouse of information on the hazards of toxic pesticides, and also offers information on least toxic alternative methods of pest control. We educate members through our newsletter "Pesticides and You," our monthly update "Tech Report," as well as the National Pesticide Forum, NCAMP also advocates for strong legislation regarding issues to protect public health and the environment.

**Issues:** Children health, Community organizing, Pesticides, Toxics, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle

income, Urban, Rural Reservation,

Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1981

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## **Center for Policy Alternatives (CPA)**

1875 Connecticut Ave  
Washington, DC 20009  
(202) 387-6030  
Fax: (202) 986-2539  
E-mail: jfreihsage@efpa.org

**Contact/Title:** Jason Freihage, Communications Associate

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CPA believes: People's needs; community values people share; a bottom up approach to problems and solutions; an integrated, coordinated view of services and programs; partnerships between government, private and non-profit institutions; capital investment that generates returns; responsive and responsible leadership; full participation in the democratic process

**Issues:** Brownfields redevelopment, Community organizing, Environmental racism

**Activities:** Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 30

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1976

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## **Citizens Coal Council**

110 Maryland Ave, NE #408  
Washington, DC 20002  
(202) 544-6210  
Fax: (202) 544-7164  
E-mail: citzcoal@essential.org

**Contact/Title:** Jane Kochersperger

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Federation of 48 grassroots member organizations fighting for public safety and environmental justice in coal mining communities

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation-based, Grassroots  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1987

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## District Interracial Coalition for Environmental Equity

PO Box 12045  
Washington, DC 20005  
(202) 452-5902  
Fax: (202) 452-5902  
E-mail: dicee@juno.com

**Contact/Title:** Lisa Morczynski

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We work on the following objectives: to bring local environmental problems to the attention of the District's government, and work to promote cooperation between wards on city-wide issues; to educate residents about environmental inequities in the District; to provide a forum where the public can exchange current information and ideas about solutions to our environmental problem.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Report preparation, Fundraising, Proposal/grant writing, Workshops, Computer training, Organizing, Internet training, Legal, Health surveys, Research, Pollution monitoring

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 15

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## District of Columbia Urban Environmentalists

P.O. Box 31302  
Washington, DC 20030  
(202) 452-5970

**Contact/Title:** Rodney Livingston

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Provides intellectual property for free to all DC residents.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Lead, Recycling, Parks & Recreation, Worker safety, Housing,

Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Employment

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 13

**Number of Volunteers:** 37

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1970

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## Focus Project, OMB Watch

1742 Connecticut Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20009  
(202) 234-8494  
Fax: (202) 234-8584

**Contact/Title:** Barbara Western, Assistant to the Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** OMB Watch runs the Right-to-Know Network, which is an online database on toxic substances and census data.

**Issues:** Toxics, Worker safety, Access to government information, nonprofit advocacy issues

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, People of color, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Green Seal, Inc.

1001 Connecticut Ave, NW Suite 827  
Washington, DC 20036-5525  
(202) 872-6400  
Fax: (202) 872-4324  
E-mail: aweissman@grnseal.org

**Contact/Title:** Arthur B. Weissman, President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Green Seal works to improve environmental quality and health by identifying and promoting products, purchasing, and production methods that have less impact on the environment.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Energy, Recycling, Toxics, Water pollution

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 1-3

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Institute for Local Self-Reliance

2425 18th Street N.W.  
Washington, DC 20009  
(202) 232-4108  
Fax: (202) 332-0463  
E-mail: ilsrl@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Neil Seldman, President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We provide governments, businesses, and grass-roots community organizations with the technical expertise and policy initiatives that form the economic frame work of local self-reliance.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Housing, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Community economic development

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Workshops/conferences, Brownfields

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 20

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, Citywide, Countywide, Regional, Statewide, National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1974

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## Institute for Public Representation

600 New Jersey Ave, NW, Room 312  
Washington, DC 20001  
(202) 662-9535  
Fax: (202) 662-9634

**Contact/Title:** Hope Babcock, Associate Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Institute for Public Representation is a public interest law firm and clinical education program at Georgetown University Law Center. The Institute's attorneys and law students have acted as counsel for groups and individuals who are unable to obtain effective legal representation in three areas: civil rights, communications law, and environmental law. Since 1991, the Institute has represented individuals and groups concerned about environmental threats to public health, safety, and natural resources in the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. The Institute has worked extensively on issues of environmental justice, and has represented clients concerned with environmental problems in low income and minority communities.

**Issues:** Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Lead, Transportation, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, wetlands

**Activities:** Organizing, Research, Advocacy, Impact assessment, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 8

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation-based, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1971

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## International Possibilities Unlimited

P.O. Box 4430  
Washington, DC 20017  
(202) 723-5622

Fax: (202) 723-5637

E-mail: drd robinson@ipunlimited.org

**Contact/Title:** Deborah Robinson,  
Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** IPU is dedicated to working people of African descent, particular young adults, in developing an informed, critical and activist-oriented international perspective that embodies and understanding of the link between local, national and global processes. IPU is working grassroots organizations in the United States, Europe, Africa, Latin America, the Pacific and elsewhere that are addressing issues of environmental and economic justice. IPU develops educational materials, conducts conferences and community forums, provides avenues for experiential learning, conducts out-reach organizing, conducts young adult development training and maintains various databases and networks.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Environmental racism, Toxics, Water pollution, Trans or Multi-National Corporations

**Activities:** Internet training, Global networking

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1997

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## McKinney and McDowell Associates

1325 G St. NW.  
Washington, DC 20005  
(202) 737-6225  
Fax: (202) 737-6824

**Contact/Title:** Leila McDowell, Partner or  
Gwen McKinney, Partner

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To assist organizations with media relations in order to publicly identify problems and help elicit support to combat the problems.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice

**Activities:** Media relations

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 10

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## National Medical Association

1012 10th St. NW.  
Washington, DC 20001  
(202) 347-1895

**Contact/Title:** Ms. Rosemary Davis,  
Executive Vice President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Founded to provide education on health and medicine. Later was limited to physicians, and focuses on their concerns

**Issues:** Air pollution, Water pollution, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Health & medicine

**Activities:** Lobbying, Education, Service

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 25

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1895

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## National Rainbow Coalition

1110 Vermont Ave. NW. #410  
Washington, DC 20005  
(202) 728-1180

**Contact/Title:** Dr. John T. Wolfe, Jr.

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Works to assure that various constituencies have a platform in Federal state and local debates.

**Issues:** Toxics, Waste disposal, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 20

**Number of Volunteers:** 100

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1984

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## Nuclear Information Resource Service

1424 16th Street NW Suite 404  
Washington, DC 20036  
(202) 328-0002  
Fax: (202) 462-2183  
E-mail: nirsnet@nirs.org

**Contact/Title:** Michael Mariotte

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** NIRS is the national information and networking center for those concerned about nuclear power radioactive waste radiation and sustainable energy issues.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Radioactive waste and recycling

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Workshops, Organizing, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 8

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1978

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## OMB Watch

1742 Connecticut Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20009  
(202) 234-8494  
Fax: (202) 234-8584  
E-mail: ombwatch@ombwatch.org

**Contact/Title:** Gary Bass, Executive  
Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** OMB Watch houses a project called the right-to-know computer network, which is an online service that provides data on toxics.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution monitoring, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 14

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## People of Color Caucus on Ecology

2028 Fulton Place NE.  
Washington, DC 20018  
(202) 832-2419

**Contact/Title:** Yewande D. Dada

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To educate, organize, and motivate people of color across the board to address ecological issues that adversely affect them and their communities.

**Issues:** Toxics, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Recycling, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Middle income,  
Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Physicians for Social Responsibility

1101 14th Street, NW Suite 700  
Washington, DC 20005  
(202) 898-0150  
Fax: (202) 898-0172  
E-mail: psrnatl@psr.org

**Contact/Title:** Robert Musil, PhD,  
Executive Director and CEO

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** As individuals and as citizens, we respect and support these tenets of our society: a tolerance for diversity, a capacity to live and let live, an insistence on fairness, and an abiding respect for individual rights. As members of the medical community committed to the promotion of global health, it is our obligation to share with all of humanity our understanding that eliminating weapons of mass destruction, preserving a sustainable environment and reducing interpersonal violence and its causes are the most realistic strategies for assuring global survival.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Pesticides, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Climate Change

**Activities:** Health surveys, Research, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 15

**Number of Volunteers:** many

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** National, International

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1961

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## Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility (PEER)

2001 South Street NW  
Washington, DC 20002  
(202) 265-7337  
Fax: (202) 265-4192  
E-mail: info@peer.org

**Contact/Title:** Jeff Rudi, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** PEER advocates sustainable management of public resources, promotes enforcement of environmental protection laws, and seeks to be a catalyst for supporting professional integrity and promoting environmental ethics in government agencies. PEER provides public employees committed to ecologically responsible management with a credible voice for expressing their concerns. PEER's objectives are to: 1. Organize a strong base of support among employees with local, state and federal resource management agencies; 2. Inform policy makers and the public about substantive issues of concern to PEER members; 3. Defend and strengthen the legal rights of public employees who speak out about issues of environmental management; and 4. Monitor land management and environmental protection agencies. PEER recognizes the invaluable role that government employees play as defenders of the environment and stewards of our natural resources. PEER supports resource professionals who advocate environmental protection in a responsible, professional manner.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Toxics, Worker safety, Jobs/economics

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Internet training, Pollution monitoring, Workshops/conferences, Advocacy, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 50

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1986

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## Right to Know Network/ OMB Watch (RTK NET)

1742 Connecticut Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20009  
(202) 234-8494  
Fax: (202) 234-8584  
E-mail: Admin@rtk.net

**Contact/Title:** Rick Blum, Policy Analyst

**Position:** Full time

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**Mission:** The Right-to-Know Network (RTK NET) was established in order to empower citizen involvement in community and government decision-making. You can access RTN NET via the web, bbs, or telnet. RTK NET offers databases, technical support, and training.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Pesticides, Toxics, Water pollution, Community, Right to know, Public access to government information

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Internet training, Access to Environmental information

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:**

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Sierra Club

408 C. Street NE  
Washington, DC 20002  
(202) 547-1141  
Fax: (202) 547-6009  
E-mail: dirk.manskopf@sierra.club.org

**Contact/Title:** Dirk Manskopf

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To explore, enjoy and protect wild places of the earth; to promote the responsible use of the earth's ecosystems and resources; to educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment; and to use all lawful means to carry out these objectives.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Children's health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Pollution monitoring, Workshops, Organizing, Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Brownfields, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 300

**Number of Volunteers:** 1000

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, Citywide, Countywide, Regional, Statewide, National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1892

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## Surface Transportation Policy Project

1100 17th Street, NW 10th Floor  
Washington, DC 20036  
(202) 466-2636  
Fax: (202) 466-2247  
E-mail: dchen@transact.org

**Contact/Title:** Don Chen, Research Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Our goal is to warn people about the dangers associated with motor vehicles.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Transportation, Urban Sprawl

**Activities:** Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 15

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## United Methodist Board of Church & Society

100 Maryland Ave. NE.  
Washington, DC 20002  
(202) 488-5600

**Contact/Title:** Paz Artaza-Regan, Program Associate

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To call the power brokers to accountability when the decision-making processes threaten the viability of the earth (or the animal nations), menace the health and welfare of women, children and men, or endanger our continuing existence as human beings.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Peace, Human rights, Economic Justice

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 45

**Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** African American, Latino, Native American, Multi-ethnic, Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1923

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## Working Group on Community Right-to-Know

218 D Street SE  
Washington, DC 20003  
(202) 544-9586  
Fax: (202) 546-2461  
E-mail: orum@rtk.net

**Contact/Title:** Paul Orum, Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Working Group serves an extensive network of public interest organizations conversed with the public's right-to-know about toxic pollution and chemical hazards.

**Issues:** Toxics, Right-to-Know

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** few

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Academia

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1989

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# Florida

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## Black Rhino Vegetarian Society

Route 3, P.O. Box 292  
American Beach, FL 32034  
(904) 261-3468

**Contact/Title:** MaVynee Betsch

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** We encourage African Americans to have a plant-based diet as a healthy alternative to a meat-based diet.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Vegetarian lifestyle (especially for African American women)

**Activities:** Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1985

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## Center for Urban Transportation Research University of South Florida

4202 E. Fowler Ave, CUT 100  
Tampa, FL 33620-5375  
(813) 274-3120  
Fax: (813) 274-5168  
E-mail: ward@cutr.eng.usf.edu

**Contact/Title:** Beverly G. Ward, Director, ETS

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CUTR provides transportation expertise through technical assistance, policy analysis and research. Areas of research include impact and risk assessment and environmental justice.

**Issues:** Environmental racism, Transportation

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Workshops, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 75

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1988

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## Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence Inc. (HOPE)

Lincoln Square Bldg. 18441 N.W. 2nd Ave,  
Suite 218  
Miami, FL 33169  
(305) 651-4673  
Fax: (305) 493-0108  
E-mail: Hope.inc@ix.netcom.com

**Contact/Title:** Bill Thompson, President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Housing Opportunities project for Excellence, Inc. is dedicated to insuring compliance with local, state, and federal fair housing laws, HOPE, Inc. addresses the broad spectrum of housing discrimination, focusing on violations in arenas of sales and rental, mortgage lending, insurance and advertising. In pursuit of its mission, HOPE Inc. undertakes programs of educational outreach, private enforcement and litigation.

**Issues:** Housing

**Activities:** Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 20

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, People of color

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1988

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# Georgia

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## Citizens for Environmental Justice

P.O. Box 1841  
Savannah, GA 31401  
(912) 233-0907

**Contact/Title:** Dr. Mildred McClain

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To educate, organize, and mobilize the Black community to build a coalition against the Savannah River nuclear weapons production site.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Pesticides, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Citizens League Opposed to Unwanted Toxins

1107 Lower Brookfield Rd.  
Tifton, GA 31794  
(912) 382-9767

**Contact/Title:** Rev. Brenda Iglehart

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Primary goal has been the clean-up of an illegal toxic waste site in our community and total clean-up of contaminated soil and water surrounding it.

**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Lead, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## Community Watershed Project (CWP)

264 North Jackson Street  
Athens, GA 30601  
(706) 546-9008  
Fax: (706) 546-6481  
E-mail: gclpi@negia.net

**Contact/Title:** Beth Fraser, Community Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Our goals are summarized in the following: I improve the quality of water in our communities; Develop a community spirit around watershed issues; Educate the community about water impairment; Address community water quality problems in new ways; Serve as a

model for the rest of Georgia and beyond.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution monitoring, Legal, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation-based, Church-based, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1998

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## Environmental Community Action, Inc.

1776 Peachtree Street, Suite 340, South Tower  
Atlanta, GA 30309  
(404) 873-2474  
Fax: (404) 873-2466  
E-mail: ecoact@mindspring.com

**Contact/Title:** Carol Williams, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Environmental Community Action, Inc. is a nonprofit organization working with Georgia communities confronting environmental health threats. ECO-Action provides organizing assistance and training to people who remain locked out of the traditional circles of power and influence.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Facility siting/permit review, Pesticides, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Grassroots Environmental Network

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Exposure assessment, Mapping/GIS, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Environmental Justice Resource Center

Clark Atlanta University  
223 James P. Brawley Dr. at Fair St.  
Atlanta, GA 30314  
(404) 880-6911  
Fax: (404) 880-6909  
E-mail: ejrc@cau.edu

**Contact/Title:** Robert D. Bullard, Director  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Environmental Justice Resource Center (EJRC) seeks to assist, support, train, and educate people of color professionals and grassroots community leaders with the goal of facilitating their inclusion into the mainstream of environmental decision making.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Park & recreation, Pesticides, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Health surveys, Workshops, Media/Press campaign, Research, Advocacy, Brownfields, Public education, Impact assessment, Mapping/ GIS,

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 9

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black,

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, middle income, rural, urban, people of color, church based, academia,

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1994

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## Environmental Research Foundation

504 College Dr.  
Social Sciences, Albany State College  
Albany, GA 31705  
(888) 272-2435  
E-mail: erf@rachel.clark.net

**Contact/Title:** James L. Sackor or Barbara Sullivan

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Provides technical assistance to communities on environmental issues/hazards. Recruits and trains minority students to enter environmental science and health careers. Will also test water and soil samples for low income communities. Now the only community laboratory in the deep south for testing of water.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Worker safety, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Technical support to grassroots organizations

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Technical support

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1967

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## Federation of Southern Cooperatives/Land Assistance Fund

2769 Church St.  
East Point, GA 30344  
(404) 765-0991  
Fax: (404)765-9178  
E-mail: fsc@mindspring.com

**Contact/Title:** Ralph Paige, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We strive toward the development of self-supporting communities with programs that increase income and enhance other opportunities, such as better housing and health care delivery. We do this with an active and democratic involvement in poor areas across the South through education and outreach strategies to support low-income people in molding their communities to become more humane and livable. We do this by assisting in the development of cooperatives and credit unions as a collective strategy to create economic self-sufficiency. Our mandate is also to assist in land retention and development, especially for African Americans, but essentially for all family farmers. This includes trying to stop and reverse the trend of land loss.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Energy, Housing, Wildlife

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Media/press campaign, Fundraising, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 35

**Number of Volunteers:** 100+

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National, Southeast  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, People of color, Grass-roots

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1967

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## Fund for Southern Communities

4285-G Memorial Drive  
Decatur, GA 30032  
E-mail: fund4south@mindspring.com

**Contact/Title:** Jack Bedford, Program Officer

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Fund provides financial resources to move people from thought to action. Without the vision of these people, the world would be a dark and empty shell. With the help of the Fund, these people brighten and fill our communities with the arts, equality for all races and sexes, and the opportunity for women and youth to empower themselves.

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, People of color, Grassroots, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1981

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## Georgians for Transportation Alternatives

1083 Austin Ave NE, Suite 107  
Atlanta, GA 30307  
(404) 653-0966  
Fax: (404) 659-5676  
E-mail: jchapman@gatransalt.org

**Contact/Title:** James Chapman, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** GTA promotes transportation options and land use strategies which encourage cohesive local communities and enhance accessibility and livability, while reducing vehicle miles traveled, improving air quality and reclaiming personal time.

**Issues:** Transportation, Urban sprawl

**Activities:** Report preparation, Media/press campaign, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** yes

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## GOD'S Earth Stewardship Ministries Inc.

2948 Keats Drive SW  
Atlanta, GA 30311  
(404) 699-0470  
E-mail: revjar@hotmail.com

**Contact/Title:** Rev. James A. Richie

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** GOD's Earth provides vital technical information, in everyday languages to communities of faith, local community agencies, colleges and universities and industry in their pursuit of wholesome sustainable living.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Lead, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing,

Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 7

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## Morehouse School of Medicine

720 Westview Dr. SW  
Atlanta, GA 30310  
(404) 752-1973

**Contact/Title:** John C. Smith, Program Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To train faculty, staff, and students in the conduct of environmental health assessment and the health effects resulting from exposure to toxic substances.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides, Worker safety, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 500

**Number of Volunteers:** 120

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Southern Center for Studies in Public Policy

223 James P. Brawley Drive SW  
Atlanta, GA 30314  
(404) 880-8085  
Fax: (404) 880-8090  
E-mail: scspp@cau.edu

**Contact/Title:** Bob Holmes, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Southern Center for Studies in Public Policy for over 30 years has served as a mechanism to help improve the relative condition of disadvantaged people by developing creative and innovative strategies policies and programs.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Internet training, Health surveys, Workshops, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 14

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1968

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## Southern Organizing Committee for Economic and Social Justice (SOC)

49S Culberson Street, SW

Atlanta, GA 30310

(404) 755-2855

Fax: (404) 755-0575

E-mail: socej@igc.apc.org

**Contact/Title:** Connie Tucker, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** As this movement continued to grow, it will save the lives and health of all our people and perhaps the earth itself. Furthermore, this is a multi-issue movement because the people most affected by toxics also face all the crisis that beset poor and working people today. Therefore, this movement is producing a new army of organizers and activists who will strengthen larger movements for economic and social justice.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Lead, Pesticides, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Organizing, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 65

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, People of color, Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Youth Task Force

PO Box 11078

Atlanta, GA 30310

(404) 752-8275

Fax: (404) 752-8276

E-mail: ytf@mindspring.com

**Contact/Title:** Angela Brown, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Youth Task Force is an ongoing organizing program designed to provide a sustainable support mechanism educating, training,

networking, mobilizing and organizing young people working on issues of environmental and social justice throughout the USA and abroad.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Youth

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Leadership development

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 10

**Number of Volunteers:** 500

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low-income, Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1992

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## Idaho

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### Idaho Migrant Council, Inc.

P.O. Box 490

Caldwell, ID 83606-0490

(208) 454-1652

E-mail: imcet@micron.net

**Contact/Title:** Andres R. Rodriguez, Employment and Training Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To improve the quality of life within and without the state of Idaho for migrant and seasonal farmworkers, Hispanics, and the rural poor.

**Issues:** Toxics, Pesticides, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Direct services and advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 300

**Number of Volunteers:** 20+

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Illinois

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### Center for Labor and Community Research

3411 W. Diversity, #10

Chicago, IL 60647

(773) 278-5418

Fax: (773) 278-5918

E-mail: rginsburg@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Robert Ginsburg, Research Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Center for Labor and Community Research is a non-profit research, training, and consulting organization specializing in sustainable economic development. The Center's understanding of the complex factors shaping work and community grows out years of addressing problems at individual companies. The experience underlies the integrated approach to sustainable "High Road" development that MCLR advances through its work with communities, unions, governments, and companies.

**Issues:** Brownfields, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Economic development

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health surveys, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1982

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## Center for Neighborhood Technology

2125 W. North Ave

Chicago, IL 60647

(773) 278-4800

Fax: (773) 278-3840

E-mail: jacky@cnt.org

**Contact/Title:** Jacqueline D. Grimshaw, Coordinator of Air Quality and transportation Dept.

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Center's mission is to invest new tools and implement them in ways that allow communities to capture their value. These tools result in improvements that can be measured by economic, ecological and social indicators. They are relevant for Chicago and replicable in Urban regions throughout the country.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Energy, Environmental racism, Housing, Lead, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Economic development

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Computer training, Internet training, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 32

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, urban, Rural, Church-based,

Coalition, Grassroots, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1978

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## Chicago Recycling Coalition (CRC)

2125 W. North Ave  
Chicago, IL 60647  
(773) 862-2370  
Fax: (773) 278-3840  
E-mail: crccent.org

**Contact/Title:** Mehrdad Azemun, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CRC is a recycling education and advocacy organization.

**Issues:** Environmental racism, Recycling, Waste disposal

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Workshops

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1.5

**Number of Volunteers:** 40

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Citizens for a Better Environment

407 S. Dearborn Suite 1775  
Chicago, IL 60602  
(312) 939-1530  
Fax: (312) 939-2536

**Contact/Title:** Stefan Noe, State Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Citizens for a Better Environment is a non-profit organization working to prevent and fight environmental health threats through research, advocacy, public education and citizen empowerment. Founded in 1971, CBE has offices in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. Over the last 25 years, CBE attorneys, scientists, policy analysts, engineers and community organizers have developed innovative and effective strategies for improving and protecting environmental quality. Three characteristics make CBE programs distinctive: We make it top priority to safeguard human health by decreasing pollution; We focus on enhancing the environment where people, live, work, and play; and We strive to involve citizens in decision making that affects the health of their environment.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban Sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 22

**Number of Volunteers:** 10-20

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Open Lands Project

25 E. Washington #1650

Chicago, IL 60602

(312) 427-4256

Fax: (312) 427-6251

E-mail: openlands@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Julie Samuels, Community Outreach Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We were established 35 years ago to improve and expand open space in the Chicago metro area. Our urban greening division helps communities plan for unproved open space including community gardens.

**Issues:** Parks & recreations, Urban sprawl, Wildlife

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Policy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 22

**Number of Volunteers:** 500

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1964

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## Public Health & Safety

37 S. Ashland

Chicago, IL 60607

(314) 421-7397

Fax: (314) 421-2901

**Contact/Title:** Nicholas Peneff, Senior Consultant

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Provides affordable training for university environmental abatement jobs and provide technical assistance to community and advocacy groups.

**Issues:** Brownfields, Children health, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Pollution monitoring

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 7

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## Westside Health Authority

5437 West Division

Chicago, IL 60651

(773) 378-0933

Fax: (773) 378-5035

E-mail: adisaa@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Morris Reed

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To use the capacity of local people to improve the health and well-being of westside residents and to preserve existing institutions associated with health services.

**Issues:** Brownfields, Children health, Community organizing, Lead

**Activities:** Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 14

**Number of Volunteers:** 300

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1988

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## Indiana

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### Citizens for Appropriate Rural Roads, Inc.

P.O. Box 54

Stanford, IN 47463

(812) 855-9555

E-mail: carr@carri69.org

**Contact/Title:** Sandra Tokavski

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Citizens for Appropriate Rural Roads, Inc. is a grassroots organization working to protect the integrity of our farmlands, forest lands and rural communities by supporting fiscally conservative and environmentally sound transportation policies. CARR is opposed to the current plan for the proposed Evansville to Indianapolis highway (I-69). We are opposed to all alternatives that use significant new terrain and place an unacceptable financial burden on the citizens of Indiana and the Nation. Upgrading and repairing existing roads and bridges is the responsible way to meet Indiana's highway needs.

**Issues:** Transportation, Urban sprawl

**Activities:** Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Hoosier Environmental Council

1002 E. Washington Street, Suite 300  
Indianapolis, IN 46220  
(317) 685-8800  
Fax: (317) 686-4794  
E-mail: hecincl@indy.net

**Contact/Title:** Denise Baker, Development Assistant

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Through education, advocacy and citizen empowerment in Indiana, the Hoosier Environmental Council works to restore and protect the natural system upon which life depends.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 17

**Number of Volunteers:** 300

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Kansas

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### Haskell Environmental Research Studies Center

155 Indian Ave  
Lawrence, KS 66046  
(785) 749-8428  
Fax: (785) 832-6613  
E-mail: ggodfre>@cross1.cc.haskell.ed

**Contact/Title:** George Godfrey, Co-Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Provides technical outreach services/information to Tribal Nations and Communities on environmental issues and problems.

**Issues:** Brownfields, Environmental racism, Pesticides, Toxics, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Computer training, Workshops, GIS training

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** N/A

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1994

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## Quindaro Ruins/ Underground Railroad Exercise 2YK

P.O. Box 2603  
Kansas City, KS 66110  
(913) 342-8683

**Contact/Title:** Marvin S. Robinson, Creative Consultant

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Our mission include preservation, restoration, job creation, race and cultural sensitivity training tours, environmental education outreach strategies.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownsfield, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety, Economic oppression

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research, Canvassing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 7

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, Citywide, Regional, National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1987

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## Kentucky

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### Appalachian Focus

Route 2 Box 68AA  
Middlesboro, KY 40965  
(606) 248-8624  
Fax: (606) 248-8213  
E-mail: appfocus@eastky.net

**Contact/Title:** Larry Wilson, Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The work of Appalachian Focus is structured in such a way that issues of equality, oppression and the diversity are inherent to all activities. The decision-making body is deliberately comprised in a way that insures that those whose voices are most often unheard in the Region are in a position to make decisions that shape all activities and directions of the organization/

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** technical assistance, health surveys, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 7

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, People of color, Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1997

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## Chemical Weapons Working Group

P.O. Box 467  
Berea, KY 40403  
(606) 986-7565  
Fax: (606) 986-2695  
E-mail: KEFWILLI@acs.eku.edu

**Contact/Title:** Craig Williams

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** To ensure citizen involvement and decision making in activities which impact their environment and public health with particular focus on issues of environmental justice and the democratic process.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Legal, Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Public education, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 1-10

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, Urban, Reservation-based, People of color, Grassroots, Youth, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Environmental Justice Resource Center - Kentucky

3810 Garland Avenue  
Louisville, KY 40210  
(502) 776-7688  
Fax: (502) 775-7052

**Contact/Title:** Rev. Louis Coleman, Director

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** TO clean and reduce toxic emissions in the Rubbertown geographic area.

**Issues:** toxics, energy, air pollution, water pollution, waste disposal, facility siting, pesticides, lead, environmental justice, community organizing.

**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 7  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black  
**Geographic Focus:** Citywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban,  
Church based  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1993

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## Kentucky Coalition

P.O. Box 1450  
London, KY 40743  
(606) 878-2161  
Fax: (606) 878-5714  
E-mail: stonehouse@kih.net

**Contact/Title:** Burt Lauderdale, Coordinator  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Our concerns about social justice have involved us in many issues, such as surface owners rights, inequitable taxation, land and natural resources extraction, welfare reform, toxic and solid wastes, utilities, water quality, legislative democracy, education and the lack of community services.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Toxics, Waste disposal, Welfare reform, Mountaintop removal and other land reform issues.

**Activities:** Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Organizing, Legal  
**Organization Incorporated:**

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

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## Yellow Creek Concerned Citizens

Route 2 Box 68AA  
Middlesboro, KY 40965  
(606) 248-8213  
Fax: (606) 248-8213

**Contact/Title:** Larry Wilson, President  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Stopping of toxics dumped in a poor Appalachian community and helping build other groups in the area dealing with a wide variety of environmental issues ranging from preventing strip mining of a community water supply to stopping an incinerator to getting a tax repealed on constitutional grounds.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Facility siting/permit review, Lead, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Health surveys, Organizing,  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 400+  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, People of color, Grass-roots  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Louisiana

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### Deep South Center for Environmental Justice

7325 Palmetto Street, P.O. Box 45-B  
Xavier University of LA  
New Orleans, LA 70125  
(504) 483-0734  
Fax: (504) 488-3081  
E-mail: DSCEJ@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Dr. Beverly Wright, Director  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To provide technical assistance in research, education, and training to disproportionately impacted communities in the southeastern region of Louisiana.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Lead, Pesticides, Toxics, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Health surveys, Workshops, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 6  
**Number of Volunteers:** n/a  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban,  
Rural, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1992

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### Louisiana Environmental Action Network (LEAN)

P.O. Box 66323  
Baton Rouge, LA 70896  
(225) 928-1315  
Fax: (225) 922-9247  
E-mail: lean007@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Marylee Orr, Director  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The purpose of LEAN is to foster cooperation and communication among individuals and organizations to address the environmental problems of Louisiana. Our goal is the creation, maintenance and preservation of a cleaner and healthier environment for all the inhabitants of the state.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, facility siting, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Computer training, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 6  
**Number of Volunteers:** 100's  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1986

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### Louisiana Labor-Neighbor Project

8841 Bluebonnet Ave, Suite C  
Baton Rouge, LA 70810  
(225) 769-7939  
Fax: (225) 767-8321  
E-mail: llnp@bellsouth.net

**Contact/Title:** Don Nicolai, Staff Director  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Louisiana Labor-Neighbor project is a partnership of the Paper, Allied Industrial, Chemical & Energy Workers Union (PACE) and the Louisiana Communities United network of community groups. Our mission is to assist workers and community leaders with organizing in the Mississippi River parishes from Baton Rouge to New Orleans.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Parks & recreation, Toxics, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Organizing  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4  
**Number of Volunteers:** 200+  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, People of color, Grass-roots, Workers  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1990

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### Office of Research and Strategic Initiatives

Southern University  
Elton Harris Dr., Harris Hall Rm. 115  
P.O. Box 9272  
Baton Rouge, LA 70813  
(504) 771-3890  
Fax: (504) 771-3361  
E-mail: robert.ford@em.doe.gov

**Contact/Title:** Robert L. Ford, Vice chancellor

**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** To consolidate and coordinate policies, operations, and units related to research, technology transfer and associated external affairs activities  
**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Facility siting, Housing

**Activities:** Research, Education  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 4  
**Number of Volunteers:** 2  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Low and middle  
income, Urban, Rural  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1996

## Maine

### Military Toxics Project

P.O. Box 558  
Lewiston, ME 04243-0558  
(877) 783-5091  
Fax: (207) 783-5096  
E-mail: miltoxpr@ime.net

**Contact/Title:** Cathy Lemar, Executive  
Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of the Military Toxics Project is to unite activists, organizations, and communities in the struggle to clean up military pollution, safe guard the transportation of hazardous materials, and to advance the development and implementation of preventive based solutions to the toxic and radioactive pollution caused by United States military activities. MTP's mission is based on mutual respect and justice for all peoples, free from any form of discrimination or bias.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Environmental racism, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety, Women's health weapons manufacture

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Computer training, Internet training, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Organizing, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation-based, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1991

## Maryland

### Blacks Against Nukes (BAN)

8603 Geren Rd.  
Silver Spring, MD 20901  
(301) 384-9621

**Contact/Title:** Gregory Johnson, Co-Director

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Educational vehicle for people of color.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Recycling, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1981

### Center for Environmental Commerce and Energy

609 Montpelier St.  
Baltimore, MD 21218  
(410) 235-5270

**Contact/Title:** Morning Sunday-Hellteman,  
Regional Director

**Position:** Full time

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Lead, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Housing, Environmental justice

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 100

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1982

### Environmental Health Education Center

655 W. Lombard Street Suite 402  
Baltimore, MD 21209  
(410) 706-1849  
Fax: (410) 706-0295  
E-mail: bsattler@ehc.umaryland.edu

**Contact/Title:** Barbara Sattler

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The broad mission of the Environmental Health Education Center is to engage in research and provide training and education programs on topics related to occupational and environmental health. Our focus is inclusive such that the workplace, the community, and the home all constitute our definition of "environmental." The audiences for our training and education programs include professionals, labor, industry, and community members. Through our efforts we hope to prevent occupation-

ally and or environmental related injuries and illnesses.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Pesticides, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety, School environments

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Internet training, Health surveys, Workshops/conferences, Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Public education, Mapping/GIS

**Organization Incorporated:**

**Number of Paid Staff:** 7

**Number of Volunteers:** 25

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban,

People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

### Environmental Research Foundation

P.O. Box 5036  
Annapolis, MD 21403  
(410) 263-1584  
Fax: (410) 263-8944  
E-mail: erf@rachel.org

**Contact/Title:** Maria Pellerano, Associate  
Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Our main goal is to strengthen democracy by helping people find the information they need to fight for environmental justice in their own communities. We believe that grassroots action is the effective lever for change in our neighborhoods and that informed citizens are the essential backbone of a strong democracy and a healthy environment.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Energy, Environmental racism, Lead, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Bilingual resources

**Activities:** Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6 full time and 2 part time

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National, International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, People of color, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Lupus Foundation of America

1300 Piscard Drive, Suite 200  
Rockville, MD 20850  
(301) 670-9292  
Fax: (301) 670-9486

**Contact/Title:** Michele Pickard, Executive Assistant

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To educate and support those with lupus and find a cure.

**Issues:** Health & education

**Activities:** Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Research, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 10

**Number of Volunteers:** 100+

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** National **Membership Base:** Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1977

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## NAACP

4805 Mt. Hope Drive  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 358-8900  
Fax: (410) 358-1607

**Contact/Title:** Hiewet Senghor, Youth Council Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The principle objectives of the NAACP shall be to insure the political, educational, social and economic equality of minority group citizens; to achieve equality of rights and eliminate race prejudice among citizens of the U.S.

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 63

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Church based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1909

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## National Center for Lead-Safe Housing

10227 Wincopin Circle, Suite 205  
Columbia, MD 21044  
(410) 992-0712  
Fax: (410) 715-2310  
E-mail: ebloomer@enterprisefoundation.org

**Contact/Title:** Nick Farr, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** NCLSH seeks to develop, validate and promote the adoption of cost-effective, practical strategies that sharply reduce childhood lead poisoning while [preserving the nation's stock of affordable housing.

**Issues:** Children health, Housing, Lead, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health surveys

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 16

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1992

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## Massachusetts

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### Alternatives for Community & Environment (ACE)

2343 Washington Street, 2nd Floor  
Roxbury, MA 02119  
(617) 442-3343  
Fax: (617) 442-2425  
E-mail: ace@essential.org

**Contact/Title:** Khalida Smalls, Office Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Based in Roxbury, Massachusetts, Alternatives for Community & Environment (ACE) has been working in partnership with underserved communities to achieve environmental justice since 1993. ACE provides legal and technical support, educational programs, and organizing assistance to community groups throughout New England to solve environmental problems and develop local environmental leadership.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution monitoring, Organizing, Legal, Advocacy, Public education, Mapping/GIS

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 8

**Number of Volunteers:** 5-10

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Youth, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

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### Environmental Diversity Forum

UMass Boston, Science Building  
Boston, MA 02125  
(617) 27-9800ext. 215

**Contact/Title:** Marilyn Hilliard

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Protects the environment by advocating racial, cultural, and economic diversity at all organizational levels and in all policies and programs of the environmental movement.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Pesticides, Lead, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Education, Direct action, Support and linkages

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 60

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1991

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### Harvard Center for Risk Analysis

718 Huntington Ave, 2nd Floor  
Boston, MA 02115  
(617) 432-4497  
Fax: (617) 432-0190  
E-mail: epatters@hsph.harvard.edu

**Contact/Title:** Ellen Patterson

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** HCRA was launched in 1989 with the mission to promote reasoned public responses to health, safety and environmental hazards. Most public health activities are dedicated to understanding or reducing a particular disease or hazard. A distinctive feature of HCRA is that it provides a "big picture" view of public health by developing methods to compare and rank various public health hazards, uncover mismatches between what lay people are concerned about and what science suggests is important, and target opportunities to reduce public health risks in a cost-effective manner. HCRA'S analytic approach is rooted in the decision and management science, disciplinary strength of the Harvard School of Public Health since the early 1970's.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Energy, Housing, Lead, Pesticides, Transportation, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 40

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Academia, Researchers, Schools

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Hispanic Office of Planning and Evaluation

165 Brookside Ave.  
Boston, MA 02130  
(617) 524-8888

**Contact/Title:** Tubal H. Padilla-Galiano,  
Director of HOPE Resource Center

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Working on a variety of issues and aims to develop and foster community involvement in the environmental arena.

**Issues:** Toxics, Lead, Recycling, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Program planning and evaluation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 27

**Number of Volunteers:** 20+

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition, Latino professionals

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1972

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## Jobs with Peace Campaign

38 Chauncy St., Suite 812  
Boston, MA 02111

**Contact/Title:** Carol Smith

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To reorder federal spending priorities to fulfill domestic needs such as housing, education, health care, etc.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 8

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1982

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## NAACP, Boston Branch

451 Massachusetts Ave.  
Boston, MA 02118  
(617) 267-1058

**Contact/Title:** Louis A. Elisa, President

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Primary focus is equal human and civil rights. Issues of environmental

justice and equity are an essential part of our responsibility.

**Issues:** Water pollution, Waste disposal, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Basic quality of life issues

**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 21

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** African American/Black, Multi-ethnic

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1909

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## Peace Development Fund

44 North Prospect Street, Box 1280  
Amherst, MA 01004  
(413) 256-8306  
Fax: (413) 526-8871  
E-mail: pdf@peacefund.org

**Contact/Title:** Juan Carlos Aquilar, Grants Coordinator; Nancy Emond, Exchange Project Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Peace Development Fund works to strengthen a broad-based social justice movement that embodies, embraces, and honors many cultures to create the new systems and institutions essential to building a peaceful, just, and equitable world.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Environmental racism, Housing, U.S./Mexico border, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Media/press campaign, Fund raising

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 8

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** National, International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, People of color, Grassroots, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1981

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# Michigan

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## American Indian Health & Family Services of S.E. Michigan

P.O. Box 810  
Dearborn, MI 48121  
(313) 846-3718  
Fax: (313) 846-0150  
E-mail: aihfs@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Maria L. Harrison

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** We help ensure the survival of Native American families and individuals through quality health care and by supporting the healing process by encouraging, educating, and empowering our clients to seek and maintain wellness and enhancing their quality of life by facilitating the equity and accessibility of comprehensive, holistic health care for the urban community.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Recycling, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance,

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 18

**Number of Volunteers:** few

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide, Statewide, National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban (Native)

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1978

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## American Lung Association of Michigan

403 Seymour Ave  
Lansing, MI 48933  
(517) 484-4544  
Fax: (517) 484-2118  
E-mail: elevinsohn@voyager.net

**Contact/Title:** Elliot Levinsohn, Air Quality Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The promotion of lung health and the prevention of lung disease.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Legal

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 44

**Number of Volunteers:** 500-700

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1904

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## Arab Community Center For Economic & Social Services (ACCESS)

2651 Saulino Court  
Dearborn, MI 48120  
(313) 842-7010  
Fax: (313) 842-5150  
E-mail: access-com@worldnet.att.net

**Contact/Title:** Kathryn Savoie,  
Environmental program Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** ACCESS mission is to promote the development of the Arab American community in all aspects of its economic, social and cultural life, with an emphasis on serving newly arrived immigrants and low income families. the goal of the involvement in addressing local environmental justice issues, and to improve and protect environmental quality for the Arab American community, through a combination of community education, research and advocacy.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Toxics, monitoring renewals for existing facilities  
**Activities:** Health surveys  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 120  
**Number of Volunteers:** 200  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Arab American  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Detroit American Indian Center

22720 Plymouth Rd.  
Detroit, MI 48239-1327  
(313) 535-2966  
Fax: (313) 535-8060

**Contact/Title:** Janis Fairbanks, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** To assist the metropolitan Detroit Native American community in achieving social and economic stability, thus reducing dependency on human services; and to foster and preserve Native American culture and heritage.  
**Issues:** Community organizing, cultural preservation  
**Activities:** Research, Education, Direct action, Cultural Preservation  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 16  
**Number of Volunteers:** 20  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian  
**Geographic Focus:** Countywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1974

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## Detroit Branch NAACP

2990 East Grand Blvd.  
Detroit, MI 48202  
(313) 871-2087  
Fax: (313) 871-7745

**Contact/Title:** Mary Ann Lee, Deputy Director

**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Detroit Branch NAACP works with a number of Community groups and governmental agencies to address environmental justice issues in metro Detroit.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 8  
**Number of Volunteers:** 300-500  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** African American/Black  
**Geographic Focus:** Citywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Church-based, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1909

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## Ecology Center

117 N. Division  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
(734) 761-3186  
Fax: (734) 663-2414  
E-mail: info@ecocenter.org

**Contact/Title:** Tracey Easthope, Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Ecology Center is a pro-labor environmental organization which fights for clean air, safe water, and healthy communities in southeast Michigan.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety, Medical Waste  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Research  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 9  
**Number of Volunteers:** 300  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1970

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## Flint-Genesee United for Action, Justice, and Environmental Safety

6901 W. Boulevard Dr.  
Flint, MI 48505  
(810) 785-9901

**Contact/Title:** Janice O'Neal, Spokesperson  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** To identify and educate the community regarding pollution sources, risks prevention, and facility siting. To empower the community with information and recognition of their rights, responsibilities, and the need to actively participate in the decision processes which to date have resulted in a disproportionate number of polluting facilities being located in our community.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Facility siting, Lead, Parks & recreation, Environmental justice, Community organizing  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 8  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** African American/Black  
**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1992

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## Greening of Detroit

1418 Michigan Ave  
Detroit, MI 48216  
(313) 237-8733  
Fax: (313) 237-8737  
E-mail: greeningdetroit@hotmail.com

**Contact/Title:** Rebecca Salminen Witt, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Greening of Detroit exists to improve the quality of life in Detroit by guiding and inspiring the reforestation of Detroit's neighborhoods, Boulevards, and parks through tree planting projects and educational programs.  
**Issues:** Parks & recreation, Reforestation  
**Activities:** Public education  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 15  
**Number of Volunteers:** 750  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Geographic Focus:** Citywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Schools, Youth  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Lone Tree Council

P.O. Box 1251  
Bay City, MI 48706  
(517) 686-6386  
Fax: (517) 686-1474  
E-mail: terbar@cris.com

**Contact/Title:** Terry Miller, Chair

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Work for clean air, water, and soil in the Sajinaw River Watershed. Some of our best work has been preventing the siting of a medical waste incineration and nuclear plant. Also several successful wetland defenses.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Pesticides, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 10-20

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1978

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## Michigan Association of Minority Environmentalists

P.O. Box 21954  
Detroit, MI 48221  
(313) 927-2789

**Contact/Title:** William Thompson

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** To expose persons to careers in the environmental field.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Asbestos, Recycling, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1988

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## Michigan Commission on Indian Affairs

611 W. Ottawa, Ottawa Bldg., 3rd Floor  
Lansing, MI 48933  
(517) 373-0654  
Fax: (517) 335-1642

**Contact/Title:** Betty L. Kienitz, Interim Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To assist the federal and state tribes, as well as urban Indian organizations, to develop programs and initiate legislation.

**Issues:** Water pollution, Facility siting, Wildlife, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Block grants

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Tribal

**Membership Base:** Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1972

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# Minnesota

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## Cottonwood Foundation

Box 10803  
White Bear Lake, MN 55110  
(651) 426-8797  
Fax: (651) 426-0320  
E-mail: cottonwood@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Paul Moss, Executive Director

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Provides small grants (\$500-\$1,000 US) to grassroots, nonprofit organizations whose activities combine: protecting the environment, promoting cultural diversity, empowering people to meet their basic needs, and relying on volunteer efforts.

**Issues:** Sustainability, General environmental protection

**Activities:** Grants

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1992

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## Home Owners on Mississippi for the Eco-System

1822 Marshall Street NE  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

**Contact/Title:** Randy Kouri, Co-Chairman

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** We believe the Mississippi has been asked to do too much. And is now in grave danger. It can no longer

replenish itself from the daily onslaught from heavy industrial pollution, agricultural run off chemical lawn products and carelessness of individuals who dump trash daily.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Organizing, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 75

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## Honor The Earth

2801 21<sup>st</sup> Ave., S.  
Minneapolis, MN 55407  
(612) 278-7165  
Fax: (612) 278-7162  
E-mail: honorearth@earthlink.net

**Contact/Title:** Winona LaDuke, Program Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Honor the Earth's mission is to create awareness and support for indigenous environmental issues and leverage financial and political resources for the survival of sustainable indigenous communities. Honor the Earth is a national Native foundation and advocacy organization that works to increase funding and public support for grassroots Native environmental initiatives.

**Issues:** Energy, Environmental racism, Wildlife, Agricultural policy

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Advocacy, Funding

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National, Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, People of color, Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## Indigenous Environmental Network

P.O. Box 485  
Bemidji, MN 56619-0485  
(218) 751-4967  
Fax: (218) 751-0561  
E-mail: ien@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Tom Goldtooth, National Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To educate, provide services and assist North American Indigenous communities in organizing around environmental and economic justice issues. These services include maintaining a clearinghouse of information and resources.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Lead, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety, Radiation exposure

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Internet training, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy, Brownfields, Public education, Impact assessment, Mapping/GIS

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, National, International, Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation-based, People of color, Grassroots, Youth, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## West Side Citizens Organization (WSCO)

127 W. Winifred Street  
St. Paul, MN 55107  
(651) 293-1708  
Fax: (651) 293-0115

**Contact/Title:** Sheryl Young, Environment Committee Chair

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** The WSCO Environmental Committee's mission is to promote awareness and action about environmental issues. "To address environmental issues affecting the west side, encouraging citizen involvement and response."

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Facility siting, Parks & recreations, Pesticides, Recycling, Water pollution, Riverfront development

**Activities:** Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 100+

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1973

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# Missouri

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## East Meyer Community Association

2015 E. 72nd Street  
Kansas City, MO 64132  
(816) 361-8070  
Fax: (816) 822-9699

**Contact/Title:** Angela M. Hawkins

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** EMCA seeks to establish and reinforce neighborhood stability and a strong sense of community; provide information; encourage social program develop, improve, and maintain housing stock; and promote economic improvements.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Housing, Lead, Parks & recreation, Waste disposal

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** varies

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:**

**Year Founded:** 1976

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## National Association of Black Social Workers

7727 St. Albans  
St. Louis, MO 63117  
(314) 645-5105

**Contact/Title:** Frederick E. Smith, Chair

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Primary obligation is the welfare of the Black community and other unempowered communities, nationally and globally.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Recycling, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Disarmament, Economic redistribution

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 1400

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Professional organizations

**Started as Environmental Group:**

**Year Founded:** 1968

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## Washington Wheatley Neighborhood Association

2312 Montgall  
Kansas City, MO 64127  
(816) 231-2328

**Contact/Title:** Lois Bonds Ellison, President

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Serve residents by improving the quality of life. Participate in home improvement programs for the purpose of attracting new families into the area. Help meet the needs of low income residents (food, utilities, etc.).

**Issues:** Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Community organizing, Building "Wheatley House" (10 unit home for able body seniors)

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** yes

**Constituency Served:** African American

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood-based  
Started as Environmental Group:

**Year Founded:** 1982

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# Montana

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## Confederated Salish & Kootanai Tribes

P.O. Box 278  
Pablo, MT 59855  
(406) 675-2700

**Contact/Title:** Rhonda Swaney, Natural Resources Department Head

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Define and manage the natural resources of the reservation to the benefit of the members and all residents. Maintain a careful balance between development and protection of natural resources. Direct and coordinate all feasible technical and administrative expertise toward sound resource management.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides, Parks & recreation, Environmental justice, community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Educational, Direct action, Management

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 70

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Native American, Low income, Rural, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** N/A

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## Native Action

P.O. Box 316  
Lame Deer, MT 59043  
(406) 477-6390

**Contact/Title:** Gail Small, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Social justice for American Indians.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides, Recycling, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 15

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/  
Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Latino, Native American, Multi-ethnic, Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1984

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## Northern Plains Resource Council

2401 Montana Ave #200  
Billings, MT 59101  
(406) 248-1154  
Fax: (406) 248-2110  
E-mail: info@nprcmt.org

**Contact/Title:** Teresa Ericson, Staff Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Originally formed by ranchers, farmers, and townspeople, NPRC is committed to land stewardship and social justice principles which ensure that Montana's air, land, water and unique quality of life are maintained and improved to ensure future generations a healthy, quality homeland. NPRC believe that the urban, rural, and tribal communities of this region can prosper and thrive without destroying what makes Montana and this region truly "the last, best place."

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Facility siting/permit review, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Mining pollution

**Activities:** Fund raising, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 11

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Rural, Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1972

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## Western Organization of Resource Councils

240 Montana Ave #301  
Billings, MT 59101  
(406) 252-9672  
Fax: (406) 252-1092  
E-mail: billings@worc.org

**Contact/Title:** Patrick Sweeney, Regional Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of WORD is to advance a vision of democratic, sustainable and just society through community action.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Facility siting/permit review, Housing, Recycling, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Sustainable safe food

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign, Organizing,

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 10

**Number of Volunteers:** 600

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Rural, Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1979

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## Women's Voices for the Earth

P.O. Box 8743  
Missoula, MT 59807  
(406) 543-3747  
Fax: (406) 728-4134  
E-mail: wve@wildrockies.org

**Contact/Title:** Bryony Schwan, Program Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** WVE is a grassroots environmental justice organization. Our mission is to empower all women who historically have had little power in affecting environmental policy to create an ecologically sustainable and socially just society.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Pesticides, Transportation, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety, Mining

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Advocacy, Public education, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 40

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Youth, Coalitions/networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1995

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# Nevada

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## Shundahai Network

5007 Elmhurst Lane  
Las Vegas, NV 89108  
(702) 647-3095  
Fax: (702) 647-9385  
E-mail: shundahai@shundahai.org

**Contact/Title:** Michelle Xenos

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** International network of activists and organizations bridging the gap between the environmental, peace, justice, indigenous rights communities. We strive to insure that Native American voices and concerns are heard in the movement to influence U.S. nuclear and environmental policies.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Transportation, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Nuclear cycle

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Public education, Logistical Support, Gatherings, Ceremonies

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 12

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Mojave Desert, Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Grassroots, Youth, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1994

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# New Jersey

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## ANJEC Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions

P.O. Box 157  
Mendham, NJ 07945  
(973) 539-7547  
Fax: (973) 539-7713  
E-mail: ANJEC@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Sally Dudley, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To promote the public interest in natural resource protection, reclamation and sustainable development; and to support environmental commissions working together with community officials and concerned citizens.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution,

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution monitoring, Workshops/conferences, Research, Advocacy, Brownfields, Public education, Mapping/GIS  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 14  
**Number of Volunteers:** 1  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Urban, Rural, Grass-roots, Coalitions/Networks  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1969

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### Farm Workers Support Committee

4 S. Delsea Dr.  
Glassboro, NJ 08028  
(609) 881-2507  
Fax: (609) 881-2027  
E-mail: catanj@bellatlantic.net

**Contact/Title:** Nelson Carrasquillo, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Help farm workers in their struggle for better living and working conditions.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Pesticides, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing  
**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 9  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Church-based  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1970

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### Greater Newark Conservancy

303-9 Washington Street, 5th floor  
Newark, NJ 07102  
(973) 642-4646  
Fax: (973) 642-2218  
E-mail: gncev@ix.netcom.com

**Contact/Title:** Robin L. Dougherty, Senior Program Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** To educate, train, and support communities in creating environmentally safe neighborhoods through grassroots education and training, community organizing, preservation and improvement of open space, revitalization and beautification, and job training. The guiding principal is to encourage and highlight community empowerment, pride and self-sufficiency.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy, Brownfields, Public education  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 10  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Geographic Focus:** Citywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grass-roots, Schools, Youth  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1985

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### New Jersey Public Interest Research Group

11 N. Willow Street  
Trenton, NJ 08608  
(609) 394-8155  
Fax: (609) 989-9013  
E-mail: njpirg@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Karen Berg, Administrative Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Energy, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Legal, Research, Advocacy, Model legislation  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 35  
**Number of Volunteers:** 100+  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, People of color,  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1972

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### New Jersey Work Environment Council

198 West State Street, Third Floor  
Trenton, NJ 08608  
(609) 695-7100  
Fax: (609) 695-4200

**Contact/Title:** Valorie Caffee, Organizing Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The New Jersey Work Environment Council advocates for safe, secure jobs and a healthy, sustainable environment. To achieve these goals, WEC has created a unique alliance of working people, unions, environmental and community organizations. WEC provides technical assistance and training. WEC also supports and conducts grassroots organizing and political action campaigns.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Toxics, Worker safety, Jobs/economics  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Internet training, Pollution monitoring,

Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy, Model legislation  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 4  
**Number of Volunteers:** 50  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grass-roots, Coalitions/Networks, Workers  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1986

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### Partners for Environmental Quality Inc.

200 Main Street  
Chatham, NJ 07928  
(973) 635-8085  
Fax: (973) 635-8752  
E-mail: peq@worldnet.att.net

**Contact/Title:** Rev. Franklin Vilas, President  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** An interfaith coalition of religions organizations in New Jersey concerned with advocacy, education and action in the areas of Environmental Stewardship and ecjustice.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Children health, Energy, Environmental racism, Lead, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Electric Deregulation  
**Activities:** Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Workshops/conferences, Advocacy, Public education  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 2  
**Number of Volunteers:** 25+  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional, Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Church-based  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1992

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## New Mexico

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### Americans for Indian Opportunity

681 Juniper Hill Rd.  
Bernalillo, NM 87004  
(505) 867-0278  
Fax: (505) 867-0441  
E-mail: aiomail@unm.edu

**Contact/Title:** Ladonna Harris, President  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Americans for Indian Opportunity serves as a catalyst for new concepts and opportunities for Native people. Today, through its many projects, AIO draws upon traditional tribal values to promote new ways of problem-solving, to develop leadership, and to create contemporary institutions that can deal with the complex issues of the 21st century.

**Issues:** Brownfields, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Waste disposal, Inter-government affairs, Leadership

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Internet training, Organizing, Research, Leadership Development

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National, Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1970

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## Border Information and Outreach Service (BIOS)

P.O. Box 2178  
Silver City, NM 88062  
(505) 388-0208  
Fax: (505) 388-0619  
E-mail: info@ire-online.org

**Contact/Title:** Nancy Stockdale

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of the Interhemispheric Resource center is to provide information and analysis that encourage the general public, community and business leaders, and policy makers to promote policies and reforms that increase social, economic and environmental justice throughout the world.

**Issues:** U.S./Mexico border

**Activities:** Internet training, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 11

**Number of Volunteers:** varies

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural Reservation, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1979

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## Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety

107 Cienega Street  
Santa Fe, NM 87501  
(505) 986-1973  
Fax: (505) 986-0997  
E-mail: cns@nets.com

**Contact/Title:** Jay Coghlan, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CCNS's nuclear safety programs address ongoing activities at Los Alamos National Laboratory. CCNS disseminates timely information on nuclear

safety and policy issues through a weekly news program.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Transportation nuclear, Toxics, Worker safety, LANL

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Organizing, Research, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 50

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional, National, Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, Reservation-based, People of color, Grassroots, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1988

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## Dine' Mining Action Center (D'MAC)

P.O. Box 407  
Fruitland, NM 87416  
(505) 860-0806  
Fax: (505) 598-5907  
E-mail: ediswood@yahoo.com

**Contact/Title:** Ernest Diswood, Executive Director

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** Please give us a brief statement that best describes the goals and mission of your organization. To address the corporate and industrial impacts of energy development and its associated cultural, environmental and social impacts on the Navajo Indian Reservation by serving to empower the local communities through education and organizing, D'MAC also serves as a resource center for those affected by development.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct Action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 03

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## Native Lands Institute: Research and Policy Analysis

211 12th Street, NW  
Albuquerque, NM 87102  
(505) 842-6123  
Fax: (505) 842-6124

**Contact/Title:** Ms. Lehua Lopez, President  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Primary objective is to protect, preserve, and advocate for the rights, histories, practices, lifeways, environments, and traditions of Native peoples and their lands.

**Issues:** Land rights advocacy, Aboriginal land recovery issues and strategies, Religious and cultural rights, Environmental justice, Sacred sites protection, Energy, Water and air pollution, Toxics, Wildlife and ecosystem protection.

**Activities:** Research, Education, Issues and policy analysis, Training, Public interest litigation, Media and press strategies, Consultation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Tribal, Reservation, Indigenous lands

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## New Mexico Alliance

P.O. Box 759  
Chimayo, NM 87522  
(505) 651-2404  
Fax: (505) 351-1031  
E-mail: TJuarez@la-tierra.com

**Contact/Title:** Teresa Juarez, Co-Coordinator

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** The Alliance is a broad-based grassroots organization of veteran organizers, activists, and new developing leadership among indigenous and traditional communities. The New Mexico Alliance has supported on-going local struggles around the common hazards posed by DOE/DOD nuclear weapons activities. The chosen strategy of the Alliance has been to educate and organize at the grassroots level to develop the necessary massive opposition with the state to end the threat of becoming the national nuclear sacrifice zone.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Pesticides, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 15

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian, Navarive Alaskan, Chicano/Mexican

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1989

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## **New Mexico Department of Health, Border Health Office**

1170 N. Solano Drive, Suite L  
Las Cruces, NM 88001  
(505) 528-5152  
Fax: (505) 528-6045  
E-mail: kittrich@nmsu.edu

**Contact/Title:** Kitty Richards,  
Environmental Specialist  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Plan and implement border wide  
environmental health program with focus  
on hazardous waste, water quality and  
quantity and air quality  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health,  
Pesticides, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./  
Mexico border, Water pollution  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health  
surveys, Organizing, Education  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 13  
**Number of Volunteers:** 6  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** International  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural,  
Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1993

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## **Pueblo Jemez**

P.O. Box 100  
Jemez Pueblo, NM 87024  
(505) 834-7359

**Contact/Title:** Roger Fragua, Tribal  
Administrator  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Humankind has not woven the  
web of life; we are but one thread within  
it. Whatever we do the web, we do to  
ourselves. All things are bound together;  
all things connect. Whatever befalls the  
earth befalls also the children of the  
earth.  
**Issues:** Energy, Water pollution, Waste  
disposal, Wildlife, Parks & recreation,  
Worker safety, Housing, Community  
organizing  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing,  
Educational, Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 50  
**Number of Volunteers:** 1500  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Native American/  
Indian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle  
income, Urban, Rural, Church-based,  
Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** N/A

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## **Puerco Valley Navajo Clean Water Association**

P.O. Box 155  
Fort Wingate, NM 87316  
(505) 488-5763

**Contact/Title:** Raymond Morgan,  
Community Liaison  
**Position:** Part time  
**Mission:** To help communities develop a  
clean, dependable water supply.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Waste  
disposal  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Educational  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 1  
**Number of Volunteers:** 20  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Native American/  
Indian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural,  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1989

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## **Santa Fe Health Education Project**

P.O. Box 577  
Santa Fe, NM 87504-0577  
(505) 982-9520

**Contact/Title:** Maura Taub, Health  
Educator  
**Position:** Part time  
**Mission:** To offer education, advocacy, and  
organizing to develop effective self-help  
groups capable of solving local health  
problems, and believe that everyone  
should have access to good medical care.  
Good health is a right, not a privilege;  
our services reflect this belief.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water  
pollution, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos,  
Recycling, Worker safety, Environmental  
justice, Community organizing, Repro-  
ductive rights  
**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education,  
Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 1  
**Number of Volunteers:** 6  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle  
income, Urban, Rural, Reservation  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1975

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## **Southwest Indigenous Uranium Forum**

P.O. Box 5058  
Gallup, NM 87305  
(505) 778-5737

**Contact/Title:** Anna Rondon, Coordinator  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** Goal is to protect Indian lands  
from further uranium mining activities.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Water pollution,  
Waste disposal, Community organizing  
**Activities:** Research, Organizing  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 3  
**Number of Volunteers:** 6  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Native American/  
Indian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban,  
Rural, Reservation, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1987

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## **Southwest Network for Environmental and Economic Justice**

P.O. Box 7399  
Albuquerque, NM 87105  
(505) 242-0416  
Fax: (505) 242-5609  
E-mail: sneej@flash.net

**Contact/Title:** Richard Moore, Executive  
Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Southwest Network for  
Environmental and Economic Justice  
exists to bring together activists and  
grassroots organizations of people of  
color from across the Southwest, West,  
and Mexico to broaden regional strate-  
gies and perspectives on environmental  
degradation and other social, racial,  
generational, economic and gender  
injustices. The Southwest Network  
recognizes the direct link between  
economic and environmental issues. As  
Indigenous people and people of color,  
the Southwest Network recognizes the  
demand for a safe, clean environment  
and workplace can only be achieved by  
building a multi-racial, multi-cultural,  
multi-generational and international  
movement with gender equality that  
promotes environmental and economic  
justice.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organiz-  
ing, Environmental racism, Facility  
siting, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Water  
pollution, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report  
preparation, Proposal/grant writing,  
Computer training, Internet training,  
Health surveys, Pollution monitoring,  
Media/press campaign, Fund raising,  
Workshops, Organizing, legal, Research  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 7  
**Number of Volunteers:** undetermined  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional, Statewide,  
National, International, Tribal  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban,  
Rural, Reservation  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Southwest Organizing Project

211 10th St. SW.  
Albuquerque, NM 87102  
(505) 247-8832

**Contact/Title:** Jeanne Gauna, Director  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To empower the disenfranchised in the southwest to realize racial and gender equality, and social and economic justice.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Asbestos, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 150

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Latino/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1981

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## Southwest Research and Information Center

P.O. Box 4524 (105 Stanford SE)  
Albuquerque, NM 87106  
(505) 346-1455  
Fax: (505) 346-1459  
E-mail: sricdon@earthlink.net

**Contact/Title:** Chris Shuey, Director  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Southwest Research and Information Center exists to provide timely, accurate information to the public on matters that affect the environment, human health, and communities in order to protect natural resources, promote citizen participation, and ensure environmental and social justice now and for future generations.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Internet training, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Research,

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 9

**Number of Volunteers:** 0-2

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Talavaya Center

Route 2, Desque Dr. P.O. Box 2  
Española, NM 87532  
(505) 753-5793

**Contact/Title:** Carol Underhill, Director  
**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To collect, conserve and replicate pure strains of open pollinated food crops from our disappearing indigenous agricultural region and those throughout the world. To demonstrate and perpetuate traditional self-sufficient regenerative farming. To nurture the evolution of the useable past through research and development toward a stable agricultural economy for the future. To increase financial viability of small plot farming.

**Issues:** Pesticides, Organic farming

**Activities:** Seed preservation, Agricultural economic development

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino, Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Tonantzin Land Institute

P.O. Box 40182  
Albuquerque, NM 87196-0182  
(505) 256-0097

**Contact/Title:** David Lopez Lujan, Director  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Serves as an advocacy organization defending the land, water, and human rights of traditional communities in the Southwest.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Land & water rights

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino/Chicano

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1982

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## Water Information Network

P.O. Box 106  
Albuquerque, NM 87106  
(505) 346-1456  
Fax: (505) 346-1459  
E-mail: lbwin@netscape.net

**Contact/Title:** Jaime Chavez, Organizer  
**Position:** full time

**Mission:** The mission of the network is to educate and empower grassroots citizens and organizations to fight for a clean environment on their own behalf and in the most effective manner possible. WIN is a New Mexico-based environmental organizations made up of low income individuals and groups working to prevent and clean up pollution of land, air and water. WIN provides technical, organizing, and financial assistance to citizens involved in environmental issues concerning coal mining, uranium mining, and nuclear waste and toxic sludge siting in the southwest.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution, Nuclear waste siting, Coal mining, Non-coal mining

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Pollution monitoring, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Legal, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 16

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation-based, People of color, Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1988

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# New York

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## Chinese Staff & Workers Association

5411 7th Ave  
Brooklyn, NY 11219  
(718) 633-9752  
Fax: (718) 437-6991  
E-mail: cswa@worldconx.com

**Contact/Title:** Trinh Duong, Program Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Chinese Staff & Workers Association is a community base membership organization dedicated to advancing the rights of Chinese workers of all trades-garment, restaurant, and construction-to protect our rights in the workplace and in the community. Most recently we have spear headed a campaign to organize injured garment workers to fight to improve the health and safety conditions inside their factory environment. this program blends with both environmental and economic justice.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Housing, Toxics in workplace Worker safety, Displacement

**Activities:** Workshops/conferences, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 200-300

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Low income, People of color, Grassroots, Youth, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1979

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## **Citizen's Environmental Coalition**

33 Central Ave  
Albany, NY 12210  
(518) 462-5527

Fax: (518) 465-8349

E-mail: cectoxic@igc.apc.org

**Contact/Title:** Anne Rabe, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Citizen's Environmental Coalition is a statewide grassroots environmental organization working to eliminate pollution in New York State through our Community Assistance Program, Publication Clearinghouse and statewide Advocacy Campaigns. Our mission is to: eliminate pollution in New York State and create safe, healthy communities, schools and workplaces through pollution prevention; empower, educate and assist people concerned about environmental problems; promote democratic, grassroots advocacy to restore New York's environment; strengthen the connection from the grassroots to the statehouse and build effective coalitions; and promote corporate accountability and non-violent social justice values.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevelopment, Community organizing, Facility siting/permit review, Lead, Pesticides, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Corporate welfare, Radioactive waste, Labor and environmental organizing

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Research, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** 16

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## **Citizens Committee for New York City**

305 Seventh Avenue  
New York, NY 10001  
(212) 989-0909  
Fax: (212) 989-0983

**Contact/Title:** Michael E. Clark, President  
**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Citizens Committee's mission is to stimulate and support self-help and civic action that improves the quality of life in New York City and its neighborhoods. The Committee taps the volunteer resources of New York City residents, helping them to become active partners in solving some of the city's toughest problems.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Child health, Community organizing, Lead, Parks & recreation, Recycling, Toxics, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Internet training, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Organizing, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 50 **Number of Volunteers:** 10

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Church-based, People of color, Grassroots, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1975

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## **Coalition on the Environmental & Jewish Life**

443 Park Ave South, 11th Floor  
New York, NY 10016  
(212) 684-6905

Fax: (212) 686-1353

E-mail: coejl@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Shirakandel,  
Communications Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life engages Jewish institutions and individuals in bringing the moral passion of Jewish tradition that social action to environmental stewardship in order to advance social justice, protect future generations, preserve the integrity of creation, and strengthen the Jewish community.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Pesticides, Toxics, Water pollution, Biodiversity

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## **Community Environmental Health Center at Hunter College**

425 E. 25th St. P.O. Box 596  
New York, NY  
(212) 481-4355

**Contact/Title:** Marjorie Moore, Program Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The prevention of environmental health problems through involvement of local residents and community action groups.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Training, Technical assistance

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1986

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## **Consumer Policy Institute**

101 Tryman Ave  
Yonkers, NY 10703  
(914) 378-2455  
Fax: (914) 378-2928  
E-mail: hallje@consumer.org

**Contact/Title:** Jean Halloran, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CPI advocates for low input, "sustainable" agriculture and for the widespread adoption of Integrated Pest Management to replace reliance on chemical pesticides. IPM seeks to control pests through natural enemies and other ecologically benign means. Chemical pesticides injure farm workers, kill wildlife and leave health-damaging residues in food.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Facility siting/permit review, Pesticides, Toxics, Water disposal, Biotechnology, Food safety

**Activities:** Workshops/conferences

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide, Regional, National, International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, People of color

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1980

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## **Environmental Defense Fund**

257 Park Ave South  
New York City, NY 10010  
(212) 505-2100

**Contact/Title:** Dr. William Pease

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Environmental Defense Fund is a not for profit environmental advocacy group with four main goals: (1) Stabilizing the Earth's climate, (2) Safeguarding the world's oceans, (3) Protecting human health, and (4) Defending and restoring biodiversity.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Lead, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Mapping/GIS

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 150

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Schools, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1967

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## Healthy Schools Network, Inc.

96 South Swan Street  
Albany, NY 12210  
(518) 462-0632  
Fax: (518) 462-0433  
E-mail: healthyschools@compuserve.com

**Contact/Title:** Claire L. Barnett, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Healthy Schools Network, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to securing policies and actions that will create schools that are environmentally responsible to children, personnel, and to their communities. Centered on children's environmental health, Healthy Schools network's activities include information, education, and coalition building.

**Issues:** Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Facility siting/permit review, Pesticides, Toxics, Children's occupational health

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Public education, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2.5

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Grassroots, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1995

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## JUST FOOD

625 Broadway, Suite 9C  
New York, NY 10012  
(212) 677-1602  
Fax: (212) 677-1603  
E-mail: info@justfood.org

**Contact/Title:** Kathy Lawrence, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of Just Food- a new York City-based non-profit organization - is to develop a just and sustainable food system in the New York City region by fostering understanding communication and partnership among diverse groups concerned with hunger, farming, sustainability, and social justice issues. We nurture collaborative projects that develop community leadership, support the region's farms, boost local food production, promote equitable food distribution, preserve clean environments and create jobs.

**Issues:** Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Urban agriculture, Anti-Hunger, Economic justice

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 25-100

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide, Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1994

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## Labor Institute

853 Broadway, Room 2014  
New York, NY 10003  
(212) 674-3322  
Fax: (212) 353-1203  
E-mail: laborinst@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Alejandra Mitchell, Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We seek to mitigate the clashes around jobs and environmental issues by building lasting labor and environmental alliances. We do so by educational programs that sensitize working people to the array of environmental perils we all face by sensitizing environmental activists to the realities of job insecurity and job loss faced by working people. This project calls for a Just Transition policy that would finance a fair and equitable transition for workers and communities in environmental sensitive industries.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Worker safety

**Activities:** Pollution monitoring, Workshops/conferences, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 8

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Long Island Progressive Coalition

90 Pennsylvania Ave  
Massapequa, NY 11758  
(516) 541-1006  
Fax: (516) 541-2113  
E-mail: lipc@lipc.org

**Contact/Title:** Judy Pannullo, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** LIPC is an island-wide, citizen-run, multi-issue grassroots organization dedicated to promoting sustainable development, revitalizing local communities, enhancing human dignity, creating effective democracy and achieving economic and social justice.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Environmental racism, Transportation, Toxics, Worker safety

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 100+

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Long Island wide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1979

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## Montefiore Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

111 E. 210th Street/Moses 401  
Bronx, NY 10467  
(718) 920-5016  
Fax: (718) 920-4377

**Contact/Title:** Nancy Redkey, Project Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Montefiore Lead Poisoning Prevention Program was established to combat the nation's number one environmental childhood disease—lead poisoning. The program takes a comprehensive approach, which combines early identification of those at risk (mostly minority children living in poor neighborhoods), improved access to state-of-the-art care, aggressive community outreach and public advocacy, environmental intervention medical and social services and scientific research. It is unique in its breadth, going beyond

medical care to assure safe housing, educate the public and mobilize families and communities in the fight against lead poisoning.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Housing, Lead, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety, Asthma

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 17

**Number of Volunteers:** 120

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Mothers & Others for a Livable Planet

40 W. 20th Street  
New York, NY 10011  
(212) 242-0010  
Fax: (212) 242-0545  
E-mail: mothers@mothers.org

**Contact/Title:** Allison Sloan, Publications Assistant

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Operating on the belief that "environmental change begins at home," Mothers & Others is working to bring about a shift in consumption patterns focusing the collective marketplace power of mothers, among others, on choices that are healthy, safe and environmentally sound for their families and communities.

**Issues:** Children health, Pesticides, Toxics

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Research, Education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 14

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## National Religious Partnership for the Environment (NRPE)

1047 Amsterdam Ave  
New York, NY 10025  
(212) 316-7441  
Fax: (212) 316-7547  
E-mail: nrpe@nrpe.org

**Contact/Title:** Paul Gorman

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** NRPE works with Catholic, Protestant, Evangelical, and Jewish

communities to address issues of environmental sustainability and justice from a faith perspective

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Environmental racism, Lead, parks & recreation, Pesticides, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety, Climate change

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Contacts within religious community

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** varies

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## New York Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides

353 Hamilton Street  
Albany, NY 12260  
(518) 426-8246  
Fax: (518) 426-3052  
E-mail: nycap@crisny.org

**Contact/Title:** Pam Hadad-Hurst

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of the New York Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides is to eliminate the use of hazardous chemicals through education and outreach. NYCAP seeks to improve public and environmental health by promoting the use of safer alternatives to pesticides, cleaning supplies and other chemicals, by advocating to reduce the risks in the manufacture, transportation, use of disposal of toxic chemicals, and by campaigning for environmentally sound public policy.

**Issues:** Children health, Community organizing, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Toxics,

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Workshops/conferences, Research, Advocacy, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 11

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Schools, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Public Health Institute

853 Broadway Suite 2014  
New York, NY 10003  
(212) 674-3322  
Fax: (212) 353-1203  
E-mail: laborinst@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Les Leopold, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We seek to mitigate clashes around jobs and environment issues by building lasting labor and environmental alliances. We do primarily through educational programs that sensitize working people to the array of environmental perils we all face, and by sensitizing environmental activists to the realities of job insecurity and job loss. We are developing and promoting a just transition policy that calls for a fair and equitable transition for workers and communities as toxic substances are banned and phased out of production.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Environmental racism, Toxics, Worker safety

**Activities:** Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Workshops

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 9

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1986

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## WASTE NOT

82 Judson Street  
Canton, NY 13617  
(315) 379-9200  
Fax: (315) 379-0448  
E-mail: wastenot@northnet.org

**Contact/Title:** Ellen Connett, Editor

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Have been involved in helping community activists stop proposals for incinerators. Targeted sites for incinerator are communities with the least clout; economically depressed communities; and communities that have serious pollution problems.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Facility siting, Lead, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Incineration, Dioxin

**Activities:** Information on incineration

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:**

**Constituency Served:** Whites/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, People of color, Urban, Suburban

**Started as Environmental Group:**

**Year Founded:** 1986

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## West Harlem Environmental Action (WHE ACT)

271 West 125th Street, Suite 211  
New York, NY 10027  
(212) 961-1000  
Fax: (212) 961-1015

**Contact/Title:** Cecil Corbin-Mark  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** WHE ACT's purpose is to inform, educate and mobilize community residents on the issues relating to the quality of life in Northern Manhattan communities — issues like air and water pollution, land-use and development, zoning, and siting, health risk assessments, environmental impact, toxics like lead asbestos, enforcement, waterfront development, parks and open spaces, and historic preservation. WHE ACT seeks to build a broad base of advocacy on quality of life issues through outreach to neighborhood groups; religious, educational and medical institutions and their personnel.

**Issues:** Brownfields redevelopment, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Pesticides, R recycling, Transportation, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Advocacy, Brownfields, Public education, Mapping/GIS

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 7

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1988

## North Carolina

### Clean Water Fund of NC, Inc.

291/2 Page Ave.  
Asheville, NC 28801  
(828) 251-1291  
Fax: (828) 255-7953  
E-mail: cwfnc@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** David Herbert

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Clean Water Fund of North Carolina educates and organizes people towards creating just, equitable, democratic, and powerful communities and state by providing practical training, technical assistance, research and public policy analysis.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Lead, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring,

Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Advocacy, Public Education, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 50

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, People of Color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1984

### Clean Water Fund of North Carolina

P.O. Box 1008  
Raleigh, NC 27602  
(919) 832-7491  
Fax: (919) 832-9100  
E-mail: cwfnc@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Nan Freeland, Co-Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Clean Water Fund of North Carolina was founded in 1984 to help citizens work toward healthier environments in their communities and workplaces.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Worker safety, Housing Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, organizing, education, direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, middle income, rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1983

### Environmental Federation of NC

P.O. Box 196  
Durham, NC 27702  
(919) 687-4840  
Fax: (919) 687-0986  
E-mail: keith@efnc.org

**Contact/Title:** Keith Burwell, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Environmental Federation of NC provides an open forum of cooperation among environmental groups, combining our strengths in support of one another, furnishes vital support for participating organizations through leadership and payroll deduction campaigns. To heighten the visibility of North Carolina's environmental organizations while spotlighting the work of each

participating group.

**Issues:** Supporting environmental projects

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Fund raising

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 300

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation-based, Church-based, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1991

### Institute for Southern Studies

P.O. Box 531  
Durham, NC 27702  
(919) 419-8311  
Fax: (919) 419-8315

**Contact/Title:** Isaiah Madison

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Southern Exposure is published quarterly by the Institute for Southern Studies, a non-profit center working for progressive change in the region. Since its founding in the 1970, the Institute has sponsored research, education, organizing, and programs to (1) empower grassroots organizations and communities with strong local leadership and well-informed strategies (2) provide information, ideas, and historical understanding of Southern social struggles necessary for long-term fundamental change, and (3) nourish communication, cooperation, and understanding among diverse cultural groups.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing

**Activities:** Organizing, Research, Education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 7

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1970

### Land Loss Prevention Project

P.O. Box 179  
Durham, NC 27702  
(919) 682-5969

**Contact/Title:** David Harris, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To utilize the legal expertise and skills in community education and advocacy to address legal and economic problems associated with the loss of small farmers and rural landowners.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Legal action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 7

**Number of Volunteers:** 18

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1982

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## North Carolina Fair Share

P.O. Box 12543  
Raleigh, NC 27605  
(919) 832-7130

**Contact/Title:** John Worckek, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We are a statewide citizens organization engaging members in direct action and community organizing for issues of concern to people of low to moderate income.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Worker safety, Hosing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Health care, Taxes

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, People of color, Reservation-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1987

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## North Carolina Rural Communities Assistance Project, Inc.

P.O. Box 941  
Pittsboro, NC 27312  
(919) 542-7227  
Fax: (919) 542-2329  
E-mail: kittany@ncrcap.org

**Contact/Title:** Peter Kittany

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Provide outreach, advocacy, on site training and technical assistance for rural North Carolinians focusing on water, waste water, and solid waste issues affecting low-and moderate income communities.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Recycling, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Workshops, Organizing, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, People of color

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1987

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## Southeast Regional Economic Justice Network

P.O. Box 240  
Durham, NC 27702-0240  
(919) 683-4310  
Fax: (919) 683-3420  
E-mail: rejn@msn.com

**Contact/Title:** Leah Wise, Executive Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To build an economic justice movement grounded in the South's reality; build capacity of community organizing, and enable goals contact to inform local strategies.

**Issues:** Toxics, Worker safety, Environmental racism, Community organizing, Global economy, Spirituality

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Networking, Healing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional, International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Southern Organizing Committee, Youth Task Force

Route 1 P. O. Box 119  
Kittrell, NC 27544  
(919) 496-7830

**Contact/Title:** Angela Brown, Coordinator

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To develop an infrastructure to support a growing youth/student led movement in the south. We work hands-on to help build local youth organizations, sustain existing ones, and lend support to adult organizations in the fight for social, economic, and any other form of justice in the south.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Pesticides, Lead, Asbestos, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing

**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Direct action, Leadership development

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 100

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1992

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## Southerners for Economic Justice, Inc.

331 W. Main Street, Box 38  
Durham, NC 27701  
(919) 682-6800  
Fax: (919) 682-6502

**Contact/Title:** Leah Wise, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Worker safety, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Plant closing, Workers rights, Economic revitalization

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 15-20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1976

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## United Church of Christ, Commission for Racial Justice, Office for Rural Justice

P.O. Box 187  
Enfield, NC 27823  
(919) 437-1723

**Contact/Title:** Vivian Lucas Wynn

**Position:** Full time

**Issues:** Toxics, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Community organizing

**Activities:** Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, People of color, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1966

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## United Farmers Organization

P.O. Box 176  
Oak City, NC 27857  
(919) 798-4721

**Contact/Title:** Debbie Strickland,  
Administrative Director

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** Saving the family farm from foreclosure.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental justice, Housing, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety,

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 600

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Rural, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1984

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# Ohio

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## Buckeye Forest Council

P.O. Box 99  
Athens, OH 45701  
(740) 594-6400  
Fax: (740) 594-6400  
E-mail: bfc@frognet.net

**Contact/Title:** Jason Tockman

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** protecting Ohio's native forests and their inhabitants through education, advocacy, and organizing.

**Issues:** Energy, Wildlife, Coal Issues

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 50

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## Earth Day Coalition

3606 Bridge Ave  
Cleveland, OH 44113  
(216) 281-6468  
Fax: (216) 281-5112  
E-mail: edc@earthdaycoalition.org

**Contact/Title:** Anjali T. Mathur, SCP Project Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Earth Day Coalition is a non-profit environmental education and advocacy organization with a mission to conserve, protect, and restore the earth by promoting a dynamic environmental agenda with the people of Northeast Ohio.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Lead, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Environmental Education

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Internet training, Health surveys, Workshops, Organizing, Research, Community based, easy access information tools

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 500

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** White Caucasian

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Environmental Health Watch

4115 Bridge Ave, #104  
Cleveland, OH 44113  
(216) 961-4646  
Fax: (216) 961-7179  
E-mail: E-H-W@EHW.org

**Contact/Title:** Stuart Greenberg

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We assist families and community organizations in dealing with environmental health concerns related to housing related health hazards, air pollution and chemical accidents.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children's health, Lead, Pesticides, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Chemical accident prevention

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Workshops, Research, Public education, Fiscal grant

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color, Youth

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC)

507 S. Saint Clair St.  
Toledo, OH 43602  
(419) 243-3456

**Contact/Title:** Baldemar Velasquez,  
President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** A union of migrant farmworkers who pick tomatoes and pickles in the Great Lakes Region.

**Issues:** Pesticides, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Right-to-know

**Activities:** Education, Direct action, Union organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 14

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1967

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## Keep Toledo/Lucas County Beautiful, Inc.

1 Government Center, Suite 1800  
Toledo, OH 43604  
(419) 245-1459

**Contact/Title:** Path Coy, Lucas County Program Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Dedicated to litter prevention and recycling through: education and awareness about litter, litter law enforcement, litter collection, litter containment, and litter recycling.

**Issues:** Waste disposal, Recycling, Community organizing, Litter prevention

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 14,010

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1981

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## Minority Environmental Association

3509 Milan Road  
Sandusny, OH 44820  
(419) 625-3234  
Fax: (419) 625-1345

**Contact/Title:** D. Alex-Saunders, President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** MEA offers technical assistance to communities in enviro education, planning and fund raising. MEA organized urban earth day campaign in Baltimore MD that has been adopted into Maryland Public Schools.

**Issues:** Brownfields, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Housing, Transportation, Worker safety

**Activities:** Fund raising

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** varies

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** national  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Ohio Environmental Council

1207 Grandview Ave Suite 201  
Columbus, OH 43212  
(618) 487-7506  
Fax: (614) 487-7510  
E-mail: sstuder@greenlink.org

**Contact/Title:** Susan Studer  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** OEC mission; To inform, unite and empower all Ohio citizens to protect the environment and conserve natural resources by rectifying past abuses and preventing future harm.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing  
**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 9  
**Number of Volunteers:** 5  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1969

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## Ohio/Cincinnati Health Project

P.O. Box 1591  
Cincinnati, OH 45232  
(513) 641-3081  
Fax: (513) 641-0508  
E-mail: LBRi 938500@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Linda Briscoe  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Ohio/Cincinnati Women's Health Project-developed strategies to bring justice to our communities who are suffering disproportionately. We develop strategies to ensure that low-income communities has access to information about our health and safety and our environment with landfill etc.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownsfield, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Lead, Parks & recreations, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety, Welfare to work  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing,

Computer training, Internet training, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Legal, Research  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 67  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition

P.O. Box 6753  
Huntington, WV 25773  
(304) 522-0246  
Fax: (304) 525-6984

**Contact/Title:** Laura Forman, Organizer  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Our mission is to maintain a diverse, grassroots organization dedicated to improving and protecting the environment and empowering people to simulate positive change.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Water pollution, Mountaintop removal, strip mining.  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Research  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 5  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Rapid Recovery Inc. CLEAN-LAND, OHIO

1557 E. 27th St., 2nd Floor  
Cleveland, OH 44114  
(216) 696-2122

**Contact/Title:** Julius A. Zsako, Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** Create a cleaner, healthier, and more attractive community.  
**Issues:** Waste disposal, Parks & recreation, Community organizing, Beatification, Forestry  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Education, Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 5  
**Number of Volunteers:** 60  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Countywide  
**Membership Base:** Urban  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1981

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## Residents Against Local Landfill Expansions

P.O. Box 122  
North Bend, OH 45052

**Contact/Title:** Leigh Ann Carr, President of Board  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** To Stop or control municipal dump to be placed on top of old Monsanto chemical dump-top if hill above White Water River. Area has no municipal water system thus needs clean river and ground water.  
**Issues:** Air pollution, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Environmental justice  
**Activities:** Pollution monitoring, Fund raising, Workshops, Legal  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 0  
**Number of Volunteers:** 20  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian  
**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1994

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## Rural Action Inc.

One Mound Street  
Athens, OH 45701  
(740) 593-7490  
Fax: (740) 593-3228  
E-mail: RAtrimb1@frognet.net

**Contact/Title:** Carol Kuhre, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full-time  
**Mission:** Rural Action organizes, trains, networks and supports citizens who wish to revitalize their communities through sustainable means. Our vision is a sustainable and just culture in Appalachia Ohio.  
**Issues:** Community organizing, Housing, Pesticides, Recycling, Water pollution, Watershed restoration environmental education community renewal  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Internet training, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 16  
**Number of Volunteers:** 40  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** White/Caucasian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1982

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## Save Our Country, Inc.

P.O. Box 1242  
East Liverpool, OH 43920  
(330) 385-4584  
Fax: (330) 385-4584

**Contact/Title:** Alonzo Spencer, President  
**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Elimination of hazardous waste facilities

**Issues:** Air pollution, Environmental racism,

**Activities:** Networking

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** all

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice

700 Prospect Ave.  
Cleveland, OH  
(216) 736-2160  
Fax: (216) 736-2171

**Contact/Title:** Bernice Powell Jackson,  
Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Commission is the civil rights agency of the United Church of Christ.

It was instrumental in the formation of Environmental Justice.

**Issues:** Toxics, waste disposal, facility citing, lead, worker safety, housing, environmental justice, community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, organizing, education, direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** NO

**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low/ middle income, urban, rural, reservation, church-based, coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1963

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## Oklahoma

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### Environmental Pollution & Health Concerns Coalition, Inc.

Environmental Pollution & Health Concerns Coalition, Inc.  
Oklahoma City, OK 73117  
(405) 427-1330

**Contact/Title:** John H. Bowman III, Chair

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To monitor the toxic waste clean-up at the Superfund site at Tinker Air Force Base, and educate and inform the affected communities impacted by the toxic waste.

**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Waste disposal

**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 4

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood-based

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## Oregon

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### Oregon State University, Dept. of Public Health

258 Waldo Hall  
Corvallis, OR 97331-6406  
(541) 737-3825  
Fax: (541) 737-4001  
E-mail: anna.harding@orst.edu

**Contact/Title:** Anna K. Harding, Associate Professor and Chair

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Technical Outreach Services for Communities Program was initiated in 1994 to provide technical assistance to communities affected by hazardous waste that were not able to receive assistance through the USEPA Technical Assistance Grant program. The goals of the TOSC program are to advance both the technical content and the process of university outreach to communities stated needs. Special consideration is given to low income or minority communities at high risk of toxic exposure.

**Issues:** Brownfields redevelopment, Community organizing, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Community health problems

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health surveys, Research, Exposure assessment, Brownfields, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 300

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, People of color

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1994

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## OSPIRG

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E-mail: ospirg@pirg.org

**Contact/Title:** Laura Etherton,  
Administrative Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** OSPIRG is an advocate for the public interest. When consumers are cheated, of our natural environment is threatened, or the voices of ordinary citizens are drowned out by special interest lobbying, OSPIRG speaks up and takes action. In the watchdog tradition of Ralph Nader, we uncover threats to public health and well-being and fight to end them, using the time tested tools of investigate research, media exposes, grassroots organizing, advocacy, and litigation. OPSIRG's mission is to deliver persistent, result orientated public interest activism that protects our environment, encourages a fair, sustainable economy, and fosters responsive, democratic government.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children's health, Energy, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety, Preservation, Campaign finance reform

**Activities:** Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Organizing, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 20

**Number of Volunteers:** 400

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Grassroots, Academia, Youth, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Workers Organizing Committee

P.O. Box 12796  
734 E. Burnside Portland OR 97214  
(Mailing Address)  
Portland, OR 97212  
(503) 236-0825  
Fax: (503) 236-0835  
E-mail: woc@aracnet.com

**Contact/Title:** Teresa Enrico

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** We believe that every working person deserves respect/ many low wage workers, who are primarily women, people of color, and recent immigrants are treated badly at work - we are underpaid and are often exposed to toxic chemicals or other dangerous working conditions. We face racism, sexism, and other forms of discrimination on the job. Workers' Organizing Committee was formed in 1993 as a membership organization that seeks to improve the

living and working conditions of the low wage worker community, and to successfully struggle for social, economic, and environmental justice through leadership development and dynamic organizing. WOC is among the most ethnically, racially, and culturally diverse labor and community based organizations in the country.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Toxics, Worker safety

**Activities:** Health surveys, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 300+

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Workers, Immigrants

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1993

## Pennsylvania

### Black United Fund of Pennsylvania

2227 North Broad St.  
Philadelphia, PA 19132  
(215) 236-2100

Fax: (215) 236-7539

E-mail: BUFPA@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** David Warren, Development Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Black United Fund of PA provides grants and technical assistance to non-profit organizations in

Pennsylvania committed to health and human services, arts and culture, economic development and education in the African American community.

**Issues:** child health, parks & recreation, community organizing

**Activities:** technical assistance, workshops, education and training, economic development

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 100

**Charge Membership Dues:**

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Urban, rural, coalition, low income, middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1972

### Interfaith Coalition on Energy

7217 Oak Ave  
Melrose Park, PA 19027  
(215) 635-1122  
Fax: (215) 635-1903

**Contact/Title:** Andrew Rudin

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** Our mission is to inspire congregations to use less energy and reduce the cost to operate their facilities, in order to create dollars for community service while practicing environmental stewardship.

**Issues:** Energy

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Workshops, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Urban, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1980

### NAAAPI

P.O. Box 18537  
Philadelphia, PA 19129  
(215) 477-4113  
Fax: (215) 477-5535

**Contact/Title:** Rev. Jesse Brown, Executive Director

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** The primary goal of NAAAPI is to end the excessive marketing of tobacco, alcohol and other harmful products in Black communities and other communities of color. NAAAPI provides technical support to local groups around the country in support of media and advertising images of African Americans that are positive and healthy and to opposition of images that are negative and harmful.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Secondhand smoke

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 15

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Urban, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1991

### Student Environmental Action Coalition

P.O. Box 31909  
Philadelphia, PA 19104-1909  
(215) 222-4711

**Contact/Title:** Peter Chowlar, Interior Project Director

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Build power for students concerned with social and environmental justice.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides, Recycling, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 500

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** African American, Hispanic/Latino, Multi-ethnic, Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1988

## Puerto Rico

### Alianza Ambiental Puertorriquena Inc.

Urb. Las Cumbres PO Box 230 E. Pol Ave #497

San Juan, PR 00926-5636

(787) 755-0410

E-mail: ejmoreno@yahoo.com

**Contact/Title:** Evelyn Moreno, Coordinator  
**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Establish communication links between organized communities. Skill building among community groups to address community specific problems.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Housing, Parks & recreation, Pesticides, Recycling, Transportation, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wetlands protection

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Workshops, Computer training, Internet training, Research, training

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1996

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## **CASEP, Taller de Educación Alternativa**

PO Box 123  
Cidra, PR 00739  
(787) 739-5492  
Fax: (787) 739-5492  
E-mail: eliezercolon@yahoo.com

**Contact/Title:** Eliezer Colon Rivera,  
General Coordinator

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Our group promotes community education programs as a tool for public involvement for social change.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Environmental racism, Housing, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Workshops, Computer training, Organizing, Internet training

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 1

**Number of Volunteers:** 8

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** municipality

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1980

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## **Centro de Acción Ambiental, Inc.**

1357 Ashford Ave., # 187  
San Juan, PR 00907  
(787) 250-8551  
Fax: (787) 250-8551  
E-mail: speisch@caribe.net

**Contact/Title:** Sarah Peisch, Community Advisor

**Position:** Parttime

**Mission:** Our group provides organizational, technical, and scientific assistance to communities involved in a struggle for better health and conservation of their natural resources

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Pesticides, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Workshops, Organizing, Pollution monitoring

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 15

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1997

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## **Coalición Ecologica del Este Inc.**

PO Box 70005, Ste 399  
Fajardo, PR 00738-7005

**Contact/Title:** Diana de Ju, President

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** We are a non-profit organization with the goal of preserving the environment of the northeastern area of Puerto Rico. We carry out educational activities in schools in the area & as well as working with communities dealing with environmental threats.

**Issues:** Brownfields, Children health, Environmental racism, Parks & recreation, Pesticides

**Activities:** Proposal/grant writing, Computer training, Internet training, Legal, Research, Pollution monitoring

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Municipality

**Membership Base:** Coalition S

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1995

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## **Comité Comunal Playa Playita**

PO Box 467  
Salinas, PR 00757  
(787) 853-3386

**Contact/Title:** Nelson Santos, Coordinator

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Development of communities in and around Salinas in the areas of health and education. We have projects for the incubation of fisheries, restaurants, carpentry and printing.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Recycling, Toxics, Water pollution

**Activities:** Workshops, training, Organizing, Research, Pollution monitoring, economic development

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1989

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## **Comité Yabucoeno Pro-Calidad de Vida**

HC 2 Box 6901  
Yabucoa, PR 00767-9503  
(787) 893-5645

**Contact/Title:** Mrs. Luz M. Vega Orozco,  
Coordinator

**Position:** Volunteer

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**Mission:** Establis communication links between organized communities, watchdog for industry compliance with regulations and laws, The main goal is to organize and unify communities for a better environment.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Facility siting, Pesticides, Recycling, Toxics, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Media/press campaign, Research, Pollution monitoring

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 12

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Municipality

**Membership Base:** Middle income

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1988

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## **Frente Unido Ambiental de PR**

PO Box 1104  
Rincon, PR 00677  
(787) 823-4084  
Fax: (787) 823-4084

**Contact/Title:** Brunilda Zangas,  
Coordinator/Treasurer

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Promotion of economic development for the purpose of sustainability, conservation of health and Wildlife, Utilization of alternate forms of energy

**Issues:** Air pollution, Energy, Environmental racism, Toxics

**Activities:** Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Workshops, training, Organizing, Research, Pollution monitoring, pilot program on alternative energy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 100

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1994

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## **Organización de Comunidades Ambientalistas del Este, Inc.**

PO Box 296  
Humacao, PR 00792  
(787) 852-2524  
Fax: (787) 852-2524  
E-mail: ocae\_ambiente@hotmail.com

**Contact/Title:** Edwin A. Hernandez,  
spokesperson

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** The main goal for OCAE is to facilitate the improvement of the quality of life in communities on the eastern coast of PR. We consist of a diverse group of environmental organizations.

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**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Facility siting, Housing, Toxics, Urban sprawl, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign, Report preparation, Fundraising, Proposal/grant writing, Workshops, Computer training, Organizing, Internet training

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1990

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## Sur Contra la Contaminación

PO Box 682  
Guayama, PR 00785  
(787) 864-0911  
Fax: (787) 864-0911

**Contact/Title:** Ismael Muller Vazquez,  
Coordinator

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To fight toxic polluters in the south-eastern area of PR, also to organize communities and develop educational activities.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Fundraising, Proposal/grant writing, Legal, Research, Pollution monitoring

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino/ Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1993

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## South Carolina

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### Benedict College PEJER Coalition

1600 Harden Street  
Columbia, SC 29204  
(803) 253-5250  
Fax: (803) 253-5159  
E-mail: Sam\_m\_l@hotmail.com

**Contact/Title:** Dr. May L. Samuel, Assistant  
Director of Environmental Health  
Services and PEJER project director

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** To increase the awareness of environmental issues and problems among the socioeconomically disadvantaged population in the surrounding communities. To empower and to sustain involvement of these persons in the community welfare

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air and water pollution, Waste disposal, facility siting, Wildlife, Pesticides, Lead, Recycling, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 40

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low and middle  
income, Urban, Rural, Church-based,  
Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1995

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### S.C. Environmental Watch

P.O. Box 372  
Gadsden, SC 29052  
(803) 353-8423  
Fax: (803) 353-8427

**Contact/Title:** Mildred Myers, Executive  
Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** S.C. Environmental Watch's mission is to ensure a clean sustainable community regardless of race or economic status.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Facility siting/permit review, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution monitoring, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 15

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural,  
People of color, Grassroots, Youth,  
Coalitions/networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1992

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### Penn Center, Inc.

P.O. Box 126  
110 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
St. Helena Island, SC 29920  
(803) 838-2432  
Fax: (803) 838-8545

**Contact/Title:** Emory S. Campbell,  
Executive Director, Sandra D. Jones,  
Program Director

**Position:** Full time

**Issues:** Energy, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Pesticides, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental Justice, Community organizing, Sustainable community development.

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Community development

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 24

**Number of Volunteers:** 300

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/  
Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle  
income, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1862

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## South Dakota

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### Indigenous Women's Network

P.O. Box 2967  
Rapid City, SD 57709  
(605) 399-0867  
Fax: (605) 343-6586  
E-mail: lplakota@aol.com

**Contact/Title:** Lori Pourier, Executive  
Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of the Indigenous Women's Network is to support the self-determination of Indigenous women, families, communities, and Nations in the Americas and the Pacific Basin. In the process of promoting self-determination, IWN supports public education and advocacy, the revitalization of our languages and culture, the elimination of all forms of oppression, the attainment of self sufficiency and the protection of Mother Earth for future generations.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Energy, Environmental racism, pesticides, Toxics, Water pollution, Nuclear

**Activities:** Fund raising, Workshops/  
conferences, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Native American/  
Indian

**Geographic Focus:** International, Tribal  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Reserva-  
tion-based, Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1985

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## **Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center**

809 Height St.  
P.O. Box 572  
Lake Andes, SD 57356  
(605) 487-7072

**Contact/Title:** Charon Asetoyer, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** A grassroots, community-based organization committed to providing education and empowerment skills for women and children, self-help skills, and other resources to the Native American community on the Yankton Sioux Reservation, surrounding areas, and nationally.

**Issues:** Water pollution, Waste disposal, Worker safety, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 7

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1982

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## **RST Water Resources/Pesticide Enforcement**

P.O. Box 430  
Rosebud, SD 57570  
(605) 747-2559

**Contact/Title:** Syed Y. Huq, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To evaluate, protect, and develop the surface and ground water resources.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Pesticides

**Activities:** Organizing, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** No

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1990

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# **Tennessee**

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## **Highlander Research & Education Center**

1959 Highlander Way  
New Market, TN 37820  
(423) 933-3443  
Fax: (423) 933-3424  
E-mail: hrec@igc.org

**Contact/Title:** Susan Williams, Education Team Coordinator

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Highlander Center is a popular education workshop center that primarily brings together grassroots and labor groups to share strategies and analyses to promote social change. Key focuses include economic justice and democratic participation including connections to environmental justice issues and groups.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Pesticides, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Waste disposal, Worker safety, Popular education, Economic justice, Democratic participation, Civil rights, Labor rights

**Activities:** Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Public education, Popular education, Networking

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 15

**Number of Volunteers:** 18

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1932

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## **Mid-South Peace and Justice Center**

499 Patterson  
PO Box 11428  
Memphis, TN 38111-0428  
(901) 452-6997  
E-mail: pax@magibox.net

**Contact/Title:** Lorenzo Banks, Chairman, Board of Directors

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Our work focuses on environmental justice issues, mainly related to hazardous waste and toxic pollution from industrial sources. We provide research assistance, community education, and organizing assistance to neighborhoods. We strongly encourage citizen input, monitoring and full participation in the regulatory process.

**Issues:** Toxics, air pollution, water pollution, waste disposal, facility siting, lead, housing, environmental justice, community organizing.

**Activities:** Research, organizing, education, advocacy

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**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 2

**Number of Volunteers:** 100

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1982

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## **Race Relations Institute of Fisk University**

1000 17th Ave N.  
Nashville, TN 37208  
(615) 329-8575  
Fax: (615) 329-8806  
E-mail: rwinbush@usit.net

**Contact/Title:** Raymond A. Winbush, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The RRI focuses on mediation work with organizations (public & private) relative to racism. It also creates forums and instructs participants on race relations on an international basis.

**Issues:** Environmental racism

**Activities:** Internet training, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 10-15

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1942

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## **Southern Empowerment Project**

323 Ellis Ave  
Maryville, TN 37801  
(615) 984-6500

**Contact/Title:** Walter Davis, Recruiter/Trainer or Rosemary Derrick, Recruiter

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Southern Empowerment was formed to recruit and train community organizers.

**Issues:** Community organizing

**Activities:** Training

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 30

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1986

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# Texas

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## Audubon Society, Sabal Palm Grove Sanctuary

P.O. Box 5052  
Brownsville, TX 78528  
(210) 541-8034

**Contact/Title:** Rose Farmer, Manager

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Many rare, threatened, and endangered species are protected by the sanctuary, such as the ocelot, jaguarundi, coyote, and speckled racer snake. The sanctuary also has a very high biodiversity, including over 750 beetle species. In 1993, 2200 school children visited and plans to host more kids this year. Also runs a teachers' workshop between Matamoros and Brownsville. Working with the TNRCC on a citizens water watch, training folks to test their own water.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Wildlife, Sustainable development, Pesticides, Lead, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Transportation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Water quality

**Activities:** Lobbying, Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 300-500

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1971

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## Center for Health, Environment and Justice (CHEJ)

P.O. Box 6806  
Falls Church, VA 22040  
(703) 237-2249  
Fax: (703) 237-8539  
E-mail: cchw@essential.org

**Contact/Title:** Larry Yates, Organizer

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CHEJ trains and assists local people to fight for justice, become empowered to protect their communities from environmental threats and build strong, locally controlled organization. CHEJ connects these strong groups with each other to build a movement from the bottom up so that grassroots groups can collectively change the balance of power.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Pesticide, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety, Dixon Risks

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Brownfields, Public education, Impact assessment

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** varies

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation-based, Church-based, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1981

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## Diocese of El Paso Diocesan Migrant and Refugee Services

1200 N. Mesa, Suite 200  
El Paso, TX 79902  
(915) 532-3975

**Contact/Title:** Jose G. Moreno, Moderator-Social Ministries

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To provide services to the needy of the Diocese of El Paso. Being a spokesperson for the rights of the poor.

**Issues:** Water pollution, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 10

**Number of Volunteers:** 3

**Charge Membership Dues:**

**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1987

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## Disabled People

5105 Goodman St.  
Dallas, TX 75211  
(214) 330-7947

**Contact/Title:** Luis D. Sepulveda

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Works with disabled people to make the work place safe, and fights for rights of the disabled.

**Issues:** Worker safety, Community organizing, Disabled people's rights

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action, Work for disabled people

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 50

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## Gulf Coast Coalition for Public Health

864 Central Blvd.  
Brownsville, TX 78520  
(512) 541-5231

**Contact/Title:** Margaret Diaz, M.D., M.P.H.

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Safe disposal of all toxic wastes. De-designation of the Gulf of Mexico as the toxic waste "dump site."

**Issues:** Toxics, Water pollution, Pesticides, Burning Toxic Wastes in the Gulf of Mexico

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 500

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1979

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## Huston-Tillotson College Biology Dept.

900 Chicon Street  
Austin, TX 78702  
(512) 505-3103  
Fax: (512) 505-3190

**Contact/Title:** Kathy Wiley Schwab, Department Head

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of Huston-Tillotson College is to educate advise, multicultural community of students for leadership and service in the 21st century.

**Issues:** Water pollution, Wildlife, Recycling, Worker safety, Community organizing

**Activities:** Education

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 7

**Number of Volunteers:** 2

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low and middle income, Urban, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1952 (1997)

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## Indigenous Women's Network DBA Alma de Mujer Center

13621 FM 2769  
Austin, TX 78726  
(512) 258-3880

**Contact/Title:** Marsha Gomez, Director

**Position:** Full Time

**Mission:** Networking, NGO, and UN work for indigenous peoples. Native land preservation.

**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Anti-nuclear, Anti-mineral exploitation on Indian Reservations, Treaty rights

**Activities:** Research, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Hispanic/Latino, Native American, Multi-ethnic, Low income, Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1985

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## Lower Rio Grande Valley Nature Center

P.O. Box 8125  
301 S. Border  
Weslaco, TX 78596  
(512) 969-2475

**Contact/Title:** Betty Ashworth, Board Secretary

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Dedicated to educating members and the public regarding environmental and nature issues.

**Issues:** Toxics, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Recycling, Parks & recreation

**Activities:** Education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Hispanic/Latino

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Multi-ethnic, Middle income, Regional

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1984

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## Migrant Clinicians Network

P.O. Box 164285  
Austin, TX 78716  
(512) 327-2017  
Fax: (512) 327-0719

**Contact/Title:** Paige Pozzi

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The mission of the Migrant

Clinicians Network is to promote the health of farmworkers by providing a framework for professional development to clinicians and healthcare providers.

As a network we are a professional home for clinicians who serve migrant workers, providing opportunities for networking and professional development. Advance a clinical effectiveness by conducting research and developing clinical tools. Act as a national and international voice on migrant health issues through leadership, advocacy and partnership with collaborating agencies.

**Issues:** Children health, Pesticides, U.S./Mexico border, Worker safety

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Health surveys, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1984

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## NAACP, Houston Branch

2002 Wheeler Ave  
Houston, TX 77004  
(713) 526-3389

**Contact/Title:** Keryl Burgess, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To promote fairness, equity, opportunity, and protection under the law. To expose and destroy racist practices and discriminatory acts; to improve and insure access to health, education, and welfare.

**Issues:** Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Direct action, Advocacy

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 13

**Number of Volunteers:** 128

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Church-based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1913

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## Project Hope-USA/Mexico Border Regional Office

1002 Chihuahua Street  
Laredo, TX 78040  
(956) 729-1030  
Fax: (956) 729-1115

E-mail: lepetc@netscorp.net

**Contact/Title:** Alberto H. Colorado, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Project HOPE alleviates suffering, saves lives, and helps communities attain lasting improvement in health care. Our web site [www.projhope.org](http://www.projhope.org), describes the activities of project HOPE, including those on the U.S./Mexico border. The border office has recently opened to implement health education programs along both the U.S. & Mexican sides of the border.

**Issues:** Children health, Community organizing, U.S./Mexico border, Health education

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 160

**Number of Volunteers:** 42

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1958

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## Southwest Public Worker's Union

P.O. Box 830706  
San Antonio, TX 78283  
(210) 299-2666  
Fax: (210) 299-4009  
E-mail: [swu@igc.apc.org](mailto:swu@igc.apc.org)

**Contact/Title:** Charel Lopez, Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To empower people of color, workers and grassroots communities through education, local leadership development, training, hands-on organizing and mobilizing. We strive to build membership based organizations, coalitions and networks to gain power to achieve environmentally safe and sustainable communities, jobs, fair wages and working conditions with dignity and justice.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, facility siting/permit review, Pesticides, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution, Worker safety

**Activities:** Health surveys, Organizing,

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 15

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood, citywide, countywide, Regional, International

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban,

Rural, People of color, Grassroots, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1988

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## Texas Center for Policy Studies

P.O. Box 2618  
Austin, TX 78751  
(512) 474-0811  
Fax: (512) 474-7846

**Contact/Title:** Mary Kelly, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The not-for-profit Texas Center for Policy Studies provides research, technical assistance, and policy development services on a variety of state, national, and regional environmental issues. These services are provided to a broad array of organizations and individuals acting in the public interest.

**Issues:** Facility siting, Pesticides, Toxics, U.S./Mexico border, Water pollution, Access to environmental information

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Internet training, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Research, Advocacy, Public education, Mapping/GIS, Model legislation

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Grassroots

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1983

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## Texas Consortium for Water Quality Research

Biology Dept.  
Houston-Tillotson College  
900 Chicon  
Austin, TX 78702  
(512) 505-3103  
Fax: (512) 505-3190  
E-mail: kwschwab@htc.edu

**Contact/Title:** Kathy Wiley Schwab, Professor

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** This is a consortium with UNCF, Wiley, Jarvis Christian, and Paul Quinn Colleges. We all monitor the water quality of creeks in our areas.

**Issues:** Water pollution

**Activities:** Pollution monitoring, Workshops

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 1

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, People of color, Youth

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1997

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## Texas Network for Environmental and Economic Justice, Austin

P.O. Box 771  
Austin, TX 78767-0771  
(512) 474-0811

**Contact/Title:** Antonio Diaz, Co-Chair

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** To build a unified voice and offer direction and leadership for the future from the communities most impacted by environmental degradation.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Lead, Worker safety, Community organizing

**Activities:** Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 5

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black, Latino/Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Statewide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, Rural, Church-based

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## Texas Network for Environmental and Economic Justice, Houston

P.O. Box 330-594  
Houston, TX 77233-0594  
(713) 485-6632

**Contact/Title:** Dolores Sandling

**Position:** Volunteer

**Mission:** Began as an arm of the Texas Network for Environmental and Economic Justice. Fought the siting of a composting plant. Mission is to alert and empower minorities concerning their neighborhoods.

**Issues:** Toxics, Air pollution, Waste disposal, Facility siting, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Education, Direct action

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 12

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Urban, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1991

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## United East Austin Coalition

1511 Haskell Street  
Austin, TX 78702  
478-6770

**Contact/Title:** Sabino 'Pio' Renteria

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** United East Austin Coalition is dedicated to improving the quality of life for East Austin's residents. Individuals and organizations are recognized annually on Dia de la Raza for contributions that improved the quality of life.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Community organizing, Facility siting/permit review, Housing, Parks & recreation, Transportation, Urban sprawl, Water pollution

**Activities:** Advocacy, Public educating

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 25-60

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban, People of color, Grassroots, Schools, Coalitions/Networks

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1986

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## Valley Nature Center

P.O. Box 8125  
Weslaco, TX 78759  
(956) 969-2475  
Fax: (956) 969-2475  
E-mail: valleync@quick.com

**Contact/Title:** Carrie Cate, President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To provide environmental education about the unique South Texas thorn-forest habitats to the valley community

**Issues:** Parks & recreation, Recycling, U.S./Mexico border, Wildlife, Native landscaping

**Activities:** Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 3

**Number of Volunteers:** 20

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** regional

**Membership Base:** Low income, People of color, Schools, Youth

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1984

# Virginia

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## Center for Health, Environment and Justice (CHEJ)

P.O. Box 6806  
Falls Church, VA 22040  
(703) 237-2249  
Fax: (703) 237-8539  
E-mail: cchw@essential.org

**Contact/Title:** Larry Yates, Organizer

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** CHEJ trains and assists local people to fight for justice, become empowered to protect their communities from environmental threats and build strong, locally controlled organization. CHEJ connects these strong groups with each other to build a movement from the bottom up so that grassroots groups can collectively change the balance of power.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Environmental racism, Facility siting, Pesticide, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety, Dixon Risks

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Pollution monitoring, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops/conferences, Organizing, Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Brownfields, Public education, Impact assessment

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 12

**Number of Volunteers:** varies

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation-based, Church-based, People of color, Grassroots, Academia, Researchers, Schools, Youth, Coalitions/Networks, Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1981

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## College Fund/UNCF DEEP

8260 Widow Oaks Corporate Drive  
Fairfax, VA 22040  
(703) 205-3460  
Fax: (703) 205-2053  
E-mail: ddureff@uncf.org

**Contact/Title:** Dan Dureff, Director

Department on Environmental Education Programs

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** DEEP was established by the UNCF to strengthen and enlarge the leadership roles of its 39 member institutions in environmental justice education and research.

**Issues:** all

**Activities:** Research, education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 4

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:**

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Low income, middle income, urban, rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1995

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## First Nations Development Institute

11917 Main Street  
Fredricksburg, VA 22408  
(540) 371-5615  
Fax: (540) 371-3505  
E-mail: fndi@firstnations.org

**Contact/Title:** Sherry Salway Black, Vice President

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The First Nations Development Institute is the only national economic development organization that is led and run by Native Americans, and that uses an approach that combines community leadership and national policy. Central to this approach is the concept of nature as dynamic, finite, and fragile, a concept which is consistent with the Native American world view.

**Issues:** Energy, Wildlife, Pesticides, Parks & recreation, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Research, technical assistance

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 20

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National, Tribal

**Membership Base:** Low income, Rural, Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1980

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## Program for Environmental Justice Education and Research

1500 North Lombardy Street  
Richmond, VA 23220  
(804) 257-5692  
Fax: (804) 257-5626  
E-mail: neuroscienv@msn.com

**Contact/Title:** Dr. Phillip Archer, PEJER Program

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To increase basic technical and socio-demographic research among faculty and students from various disciplines at Virginia Union University to include environmental health effects by race and income.

**Issues:** Toxics, air pollution, water pollution, waste disposal, wildlife, pesticide, lead, asbestos, recycling, parks and recreation, environmental justice

**Activities:** Lobbying, research, education, organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 5+

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Regional

**Membership Base:** Urban, Rural

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1995

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## Program for Environmental Justice Education and Research (PEJER)

115 College Drive  
Lawrenceville, VA 23868  
(804) 848-3797  
Fax: (804) 848-0618  
E-mail: sjohnson@richmond.infi.net

**Contact/Title:** Dr. Stanley W. Johnson, Director

**Position:** Parttime

**Mission:** The goals and mission of our organization are to educate low income and/or culturally diverse audiences about environmental issues, research environmental issues and community outreach.

**Issues:** Toxics, waterpollution, waste disposal, lead, asbestos, parks and recreation, recycling, environmental justice, community organizing

**Activities:** Research, Lobbying, Education

**Organization Incorporated:** No

**Number of Paid Staff:** 5

**Number of Volunteers:** 6

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** African American/Black

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Rural, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes

**Year Founded:** 1995

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## Virginia Organizing Project

703 Concord Ave.  
Charlottesville, VA 22903-5208  
(804) 984-4655  
Fax: (804) 984-2803 E-mail:  
szakos@virginia-organizing.org

**Contact/Title:** Joe Szakos, Executive Director

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** The Virginia Organizing Project (VOP) is a statewide grassroots organization dedicated to challenging injustice by empowering people in local communities to address issues that affect the quality of their lives. As a non-partisan organization, VOP especially encourages the participation of those who have traditionally had little or no voice in our society. By building relationships with diverse individuals and groups throughout the state, VOP strives to get them to work together, democratically and non-violently, for change.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Pesticides, Waste disposal, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Media/press campaign, Fundraising, Workshops, Organizing, Legal, Dismantling Racism  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 8  
**Number of Volunteers:** 2,000  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** African American/Black  
**Geographic Focus:** Statewide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, People of Color, Grassroots, Youth, Workers  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1995

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## Washington

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### Alliance for Nuclear Accountability

1914 N. 34th Suite 407  
Seattle, WA 97103  
(206) 547-3175  
Fax: (206) 547-7158  
E-mail: ananuclear@earthlink.net

**Contact/Title:** Susan Gordon, Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** The Alliance for Nuclear Accountability is composed of local, regional and national organizations working together to promote education and action addressing issues pertaining to the US nuclear weapons complex and related facilities.  
**Issues:** Nuclear weapons policy & cleanup  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Internet training, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Fundraising, Legal Research, Exposure assessment, Advocacy, Public education, Impact Assessment  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 5  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Geographic Focus:** National  
**Membership Base:** Grassroots  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1987

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### Asia Pacific Environmental Exchange

1827 39th Ave. E.  
Seattle, WA 98112  
(206) 720-6426  
Fax: (206) 720-6426  
E-mail: apex@seanet.com

**Contact/Title:** Jim Puckett, Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** To prevent the globalization of ecologically unsustainable trade, industrial, and economic models, through an East-West, North-South cooperation with a special emphasis on the Asia-Pacific region.

**Issues:** Community organizing, Environmental justice, Recycling, Toxics, Waste disposal, International  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Media/press campaign, Workshops, Organizing, Advocacy, Public education, Model legislation  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 3  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional, International  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1997

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### Community Coalition for Environmental Justice

4759 15th Ave, NE  
Seattle, WA 98105  
(206) 527-1695  
Fax: (206) 525-1218  
E-mail: cej@halcyon.com

**Contact/Title:** Yalonda Sinde', Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** To build a community coalition which identifies and eliminates environmental injustice and advocates for and creates environmental justice  
**Issues:** Community organizing, Environmental justice, Facility siting, Lead, Pesticides, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Worker safety  
**Activities:** Research, Lobbying, Education  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 1  
**Number of Volunteers:** 3-7  
**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban, Rural, Reservation, Coalition  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1993

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## Wisconsin

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### Citizens for Safe Water around Badger (CSWAB)

E12629 Weigand's Bay South  
Merrimac, WI 53561  
(608) 643-3124  
Fax: (608) 643-0005  
E-mail: olah@speagle.com

**Contact/Title:** Laura Olah, Executive Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** CSWAB is working to empower, unify, and strengthen communities effected by environmental contamination; to restore the integrity of natural systems including air, water, soil, and biodiversity; and to ensure mutual respect and social justice for all peoples, free from any form of discrimination or bias. We believe that lands now occupied by Wisconsin's Badger Army Ammuni-

tion Plant should be devoted to conservation purposes, primarily prairie and oak savanna restoration, along with sustainable agriculture and other compatible land uses.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children health, Community organizing, Environmental racism, Lead, Toxics, Waste disposal, Water pollution, Wildlife, Worker safety, Military toxics  
**Activities:** Technical assistance, Report preparation, Proposal/grant writing, Health surveys, Media/press campaign, Fund raising, Workshops, Organizing, Research, Environmental justice  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 1  
**Number of Volunteers:** 50+  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Rural  
**Started as Environmental Group:** Yes  
**Year Founded:** 1990

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### Kenosha In Neighborhoods (KIN), Inc.

5439 22nd Ave.  
Kenosha, WI 53140  
(414) 657-4463

**Contact/Title:** Fr. Domenic Jose Roscioli, Chair  
**Position:** Volunteer  
**Mission:** To improve the quality of life in the world through local and global direct action.  
**Issues:** Toxics, Energy, Air pollution, Water pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife, Pesticides, Recycling, Parks & recreation, Worker safety, Housing, Environmental justice, Community organizing, Economic development, Humanity  
**Activities:** Lobbying, Organizing, Educational, Direct action  
**Organization Incorporated:** Yes  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 6  
**Number of Volunteers:** 50  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic  
**Geographic Focus:** Citywide  
**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle income, Urban  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1985

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### Lac du Flambeau Tribal Natural Resource Department

P.O. Box 67  
Lac du Flambeau, WI 54538  
(715) 588-3303

**Contact/Title:** Larry J. Wawronowicz, Fish & Game Director  
**Position:** Full time  
**Mission:** To protect, conserve, and enhance the natural resources of the Lac du Flambeau Indian Reservation for present and future generations of all peoples.

**Organization Incorporated:** No  
**Number of Paid Staff:** 19  
**Number of Volunteers:** 0  
**Charge Membership Dues:** No  
**Constituency Served:** Native American/  
Indian  
**Geographic Focus:** Regional  
**Membership Base:** Rural  
**Started as Environmental Group:** No  
**Year Founded:** 1936

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### **Sixteenth Street Community Health Center**

1032 S. Cedar E. Chavez Drive  
Milwaukee, WI 53204  
(414) 672-6220  
Fax: (414) 672-0191  
E-mail: bart@sschc.org

**Contact/Title:** John J. Bartkowski, Chief  
Executive Officer

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Since 1969, The Sixteenth Street  
Community Health Center has worked  
to improve the will bring of Milwaukee's  
near south side residents by providing  
quality family based health care, health  
education and social services free from  
linguistic, cultural and economic barriers

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields, Children  
health, Environmental racism, Lead,  
Urban sprawl, Primary medical care,  
Dental services, Behavioral health and  
Social services

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Pollution  
monitoring, Media/press campaign

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 145

**Number of Volunteers:** 300

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Latino American/  
Hispanic

**Geographic Focus:** Neighborhood

**Membership Base:** Low income, Urban

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1969

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### **Stockbridge-Munsee Community**

Route 1  
Bowler, WI 54416  
(715) 793-4111

**Contact/Title:** R.C. Miller, Chair

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** To maintain tribal sovereignty,  
membership development, and protec-  
tion of resources.

**Issues:** Energy, Air pollution, Water  
pollution, Waste disposal, Wildlife,  
Pesticides, Recycling, Parks & recre-  
ation, Worker safety, Housing, Environ-  
mental justice, Community organizing

**Activities:** Tribal government

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 65

**Number of Volunteers:** 0

**Charge Membership Dues:** No

**Constituency Served:** Native American/  
Indian

**Geographic Focus:** National

**Membership Base:** Reservation

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1937

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### **Wisconsin Citizen Action Fund**

152 Wisconsin Ave.  
Milwaukee, WI 53212  
(414) 272-2562  
Fax: (414) 274-3494

**Contact/Title:** Juan Carlos Ruiz ,Organizer

**Position:** Full time

**Mission:** Wisconsin Citizen Action is the  
state's largest public interest organiza-  
tion, dedicated to social, economic and  
environmental justice for all. Citizen  
Action unites the political power of  
individual citizens and progressive  
organizations to: 1. Win specific improve-  
ments in people's daily lives; 2. Activate  
people's senses of their own real power  
to shape their future; 3. After the  
relations of power between people and  
the special interests dominating their  
lives.

**Issues:** Children health, Community  
organizing, Housing, Lead, Transporta-  
tion, Toxics, Water pollution, Wildlife,  
Mining

**Activities:** Technical assistance, Proposal/  
grant writing, Media/press campaign,  
Workshops, Organizing

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 0

**Number of Volunteers:** 100+

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Constituency Served:** Multi-ethnic

**Geographic Focus:** Citywide, Statewide,  
National

**Membership Base:** Low income, Middle  
income, Rural, Reservation, Church-  
based, Coalition

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1979

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# **Wyoming**

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## **Powder River Basin Resource Council**

23 N. Scott  
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**Contact/Title:** Cliff Seigneur

**Position:** Part time

**Mission:** The preservation of Wyoming's  
agricultural heritage and rural lifestyle.  
The conservation of Wyoming's land,  
mineral, water and clean air for present  
and future generations.

The education and empowerment of  
Wyoming's citizens to raise a coherent  
voice in decisions that will affect  
Wyoming's environment, residents, and  
lifestyles.

**Issues:** Air pollution, Brownfields redevel-  
opment, Community organizing, Energy,  
Recycling, Toxics, Urban sprawl, Water  
pollution, Wildlife

**Activities:** Fund raising, Organizing,  
Advocacy, Brownfields, Public education

**Organization Incorporated:** Yes

**Number of Paid Staff:** 6

**Number of Volunteers:** 2-6

**Charge Membership Dues:** Yes

**Geographic Focus:** Countywide

**Membership Base:** Middle income, Rural,  
Grassroots, Coalitions/Networks,  
Workers

**Started as Environmental Group:** No

**Year Founded:** 1973