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Association for Progressive Communications (APC)

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The Association for Progressive Communications (APC) is the world's most extensive network of Internet providers dedicated to serving non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and citizen activists. APC goes beyond the hardware and software to support the people and organizations working together worldwide for social, environmental and economic justice.

Action Resource Center

www.arcweb.org

The Action Resource Center (ARC) spearheads and supports campaigns that protect the environment, human rights and social justice. ARC also provides resources, training and coordination for organizations and activists working on these issues.

Alaska Community Action on Toxics

www.akaction.net

The mission of Alaska Community Action on Toxics (ACAT) is to protect human health and the environment from the toxic effects of contaminants. Dedicated to achieving environmental justice, ACAT works to ensure responsible cleanup of contaminated sites and empower community involvement in cleanup decisions.

Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning

www.aeclp.org

The Alliance to End Childhood Lead Poisoning is a national, nonprofit public interest organization dedicated exclusively to preventing childhood lead poisoning.

Alternatives for Community & Environment

www.netcom.com/~psloh

Based in Roxbury, Mass., Alternatives for Community & Environment (ACE) works in partnership with low-income communities and communities of color to achieve environmental justice. 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.

Arizona Center for Law in the Public Interest

www.aclpi.org

The Center is a private, nonprofit public interest law firm dedicated to representing the people of Arizona on issues that affect us all, including clean air and water, school finance reform, open government, consumer rights, campaign finance reform, and the protection of public lands and natural resources. Since 1974, the Center has fought for individuals and groups who lack the power or money to take on big business and big government.

Arizona Toxics Information

www.primenet.com/~aztoxic

Arizona Toxics Information (ATI) is a nonprofit policy and research organization dedicated to improving public, occupational and environmental health protection through advocacy for right to know, public participation and pollution prevention in regard to hazardous materials.

Asia Pacific Environmental Exchange

www.ban.org

The Basel Action Network (BAN) works to prevent the globalization of the toxic chemical crisis.

Asian Pacific Environmental Network

www.apen4ej.org/

Asian Pacific Environmental Network (APEN) was founded in 1993 to bring together a collective voice among the diverse and unique Asian and Pacific Islander (API) communities in the United States. Through a strategy that 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.

Bethel New Life, Inc.

www.bethelnewlife.org

Since 1978, Bethel has earned a national reputation for cutting-edge initiatives and pioneering approaches that build on the people, physical assets and faith base of the community. Bethel strives to turn problems into possibilities through community efforts that arise out of commitment to self-help and self-determination with community-based, value-centered, solution-oriented initiatives.

Border Agricultural Workers Project

www.farmworkers.org

The BAWP is an organizing effort initiated by Sin Fronteras Organizing Project as an attempt to help farmworkers improve their wages and their working and living conditions. The majority of the border farmworkers work in the multimillion-dollar chile industry of Southern New Mexico.

Center for Health, Environment & Justice

www.essential.org/cchw

CHEJ has worked with grassroots community groups on a broad range of environmental issues, including toxic waste, solid waste, air pollution, incinerators, medical waste, radioactive waste, pesticides, sewage and industrial pollution.

Center for Neighborhood Technology

www.cnt.org/

CNT promotes public policies, new resources and accountable authority, which support sustainable, just and vital urban communities.

Center for Policy Alternatives

www.stateaction.org

The Center for Policy Alternatives (CPA) engages a new generation of leaders across the states to envision and realize progressive solutions for America's future.

Chemical Scorecard (Environmental Defense Fund)

www.scorecard.org/

Scorecard is the ultimate source for free and easily accessible local environmental information on the Internet. Simply type in a ZIP code to find out about local air pollution and explore state-of-the-art interactive maps.

Chemical Weapons Working Group

www.cwwg.org

The Chemical Weapons Working Group (CWWG) is an international coalition of citizens living near chemical weapons storage sites in the United States, the Pacific and Russia who will be most affected by the disposal of these munitions.

Chester Residents Concerned for Quality Living (CRCQL)

www.penweb.org/chester

Chester Residents Concerned for Quality Living has been fighting for environmental justice for four years.

Chinese Staff & Workers' Association

www.cswa.org

Chinese Staff & Workers' Association (CSWA) is a workers' center in New York City. Founded in 1979, we have grown to comprise 1,000 members and to have two drop-in centers, in Manhattan's Chinatown and in Brooklyn's Sunset Park. We bring together Chinese workers of all trades to fight for rights in the workplace and in the communities where we live, to challenge the sweatshop system, to counter racism and sexism, and to work for social and economic justice in this country.

Citizens Coal Council

www.envirolink.org/orgs/ccc

The Citizens Coal Council (CCC) was established in 1989 to revitalize the movement for justice in coal-mining communities. This movement was once one of the most potent forces for social change in this country.

Citizens' Environmental Coalition

www.crisny.org/not-for-profit/cectoxic

Citizens' Environmental Coalition is a statewide grassroots environmental organization of 90 groups and 9,000 individual members working to eliminate pollution in New York State through our Community Assistance Program, Publication Clearinghouse and statewide Advocacy Campaigns.

Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety

www.nuclearactive.org

Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety (CCNS) is an organization focused on increasing public awareness concerning the issues posed by radioactivity and the nuclear industry.

Deep South Center for Environmental Justice

www.xula.edu/dscej

The Deep South Center for Environmental Justice Community/ University Partnership at Xavier University in New Orleans, La., provides opportunities for communities, scientific researchers and decisionmakers to collaborate on programs and projects that promote the rights of all people to be free from environmental harm as it impacts health, jobs, housing, education and general quality of life.

Democracy South

www.all4democracy.org/demsouth/

Democracy South is a non-partisan, nonprofit research, organizing and advocacy organization based in North Carolina. Democracy South is fostering a regional network of state-based organizations in the Southeast dedicated to helping build, strengthen and link progressive multi-issue coalitions to address issues of social, environmental and economic justice.

Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative

www.dsni.org

The Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative (DSNI) is a nonprofit community-based planning and organizing entity based in the Roxbury/North Dorchester area of Boston. DSNI's mission is "to empower Dudley residents to organize, plan for, create and control a vibrant, diverse and high quality neighborhood in collaboration with community partners."

Earthlaw

www.earthlaw.org

Earthlaw is a public interest, environmental law group founded in 1993 by environmental lawyers committed to the West and to using the unique skills of the legal profession to address the West's environmental problems. Earthlaw was created to use the power of the law and of lawyers to protect the ecosystems and the people of the West.

Earth Justice Legal Defense Fund

www.earthjustice.org

Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund, formerly the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund, is the law firm for the environment. For more than a quarter century, the Legal Defense Fund has represented hundreds of environmental clients, large and small, without charge.

Econet

www.igc.org/envjustice/

The EcoJustice Network addresses environmental issues facing communities of color in the United States. The EcoJustice Network provides on-line services, informational resources and training for activists and organizations involved in the environmental justice movement.

Environmental Community Action, Inc.

www.efg.org/ECOAction

Environmental Community Action, Inc. (popularly known as ECO-Action) 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 traditional circles of power and influence (i.e., low-income and rural residents, people of color, women, and those with limited formal education).

Environmental Defense Fund

www.edf.org

The Environmental Defense Fund is a not-for-profit environmental advocacy group dedicated to stabilizing the earth's climate, safeguarding the world's oceans, protecting human health, and defending and restoring biodiversity.

Environmental Education Exchange

www.eeexchange.org

The Environmental Education Exchange is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization established to enhance and expand the environmental literacy of inhabitants and visitors in the unique desert regions of the southwestern United States and northwestern Mexico.

Environmental Health Coalition

www.environmentalhealth.org

Environmental Health Coalition (EHC) is a grassroots, nonprofit environmental justice organization, based in San Diego, which is dedicated to the prevention and cleanup of toxic pollution threatening our health, communities and environment. The group monitors government and industry actions that cause pollution, educates communities about toxics use reduction and empowers the community to join its cause.

Environmental Justice Clinic

www.tsulaw.edu/environ/environ.htm

The Thurgood Marshall School of Law, Environmental Justice Clinic is a public interest, environmental project founded in 1994 to lend the expertise and commitment of the civil rights and environmental movement to disenfranchised minority and low-income communities in Texas and neighboring states throughout the South that are burdened by environmental abuses.

Environmental Justice Resource Center at Clark Atlanta University

www.ejrc.cau.edu

The Environmental Justice Resource Center (EJRC) at Clark Atlanta University was founded in 1994. The EJRC seeks to assist, support, train and educate people of color professionals and grassroots community leaders to help them move into the mainstream of environmental decisionmaking. The major components of the EJRC include a national policy advisory team, community-driven research (i.e., environmental health, GIS/TRI, transportation, suburban sprawl, brownfields, legal strategies, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, etc.), lecture series, database and information clearinghouse, multimedia archives, and training institute.

Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide (E-LAW)

www.elaw.org

E-LAW is a network of environmental defenders in 50 countries using laws to protect the environment. These public interest attorneys, scientists and other advocates help each other protect and restore the planet by exchanging legal, scientific and strategic information. Through the E-LAW network, grassroots advocates around the world get the legal and scientific resources they need to build winning cases for the environment.

Environmental Research Foundation

www.rachel.org

Environmental Research Foundation (ERF) was founded in 1980 to provide understandable scientific information about the influence of toxic substances on human health and the environment.

Environmental Training Center, Inc.

www.E-T-C.com

Environmental Training Center is Arizona's largest provider of environmental, safety and health training.

Environmental Working Group (EWG)

www.ewg.org

The Environmental Working Group (EWG) is a leading content provider for public interest groups and concerned citizens who are campaigning to protect the environment.

Fund for Southern Communities

www.fex.org

The Fund for Southern Communities (FSC) was established as a tax-exempt public foundation in 1981 by a small group of individuals to fund issues and organizations left out by traditional charities and private foundations. This founding body held a common vision for the South: to build safe, equitable communities that are free of oppression and that embrace and celebrate all people.

Global Environmental Epidemiology Network

www.who.int/peh/geenet/index.htm

The Global Environmental Epidemiology Network (GEENET) was established in 1987 as part of a WHO initiative to create networks of professionals working on the health effects of environmental hazards and human exposure, pollution control technology and environmental management and planning.

Greater Newark Conservancy

www.citybloom.org

This organization educates, trains and supports communities in creating environmentally safe neighborhoods through grassroots education and training, community organizing, preservation and improvement of open space, revitalization and beautification, job training and economic development. Its guiding principle is to encourage and highlight community empowerment, pride and self-sufficiency.

Greenaction USA

www.greenaction.org/index.html

Greenaction is a new organization created by community groups in the southwest U.S. and former Greenpeace staff, who have joined together in the struggle for health and environmental justice for all.

Greenpeace

www.greenpeace.org

Greenpeace is an international organization with a network of national and regional offices located in more than 25 countries.

Highlander Research and Education Center

www.hrec.org

This group coordinates residential workshops, conducts fieldwork with organizations struggling to address community concerns, and provides resources and contacts to help local leaders build their own support networks and resources.

The Impact Fund

www.impactfund.org

The Impact Fund is the only foundation dedicated to providing funding and technical assistance for complex public interest litigation in the areas of civil and human rights, environmental justice and poverty law.

Indian Law Resource Center

www.indianlaw.org

As an organization founded and directed by Native Americans, the center is dedicated to protecting the right of indigenous peoples to live with dignity and respect according to the ways of their ancestors. Our main goal is the survival of indigenous peoples, including protection of their land rights, environment and right to self-determination.

Indigenous Environmental Network

www.alphacdc.com/ien

The Indigenous Environmental Network is an alliance of grassroots indigenous peoples whose mission is to protect the sacredness of Mother Earth from contamination and exploitation by strengthening, maintaining and respecting the traditional teachings and the natural laws.

Just Food

www.justfood.org

The mission of JUST FOOD — a New York City-based nonprofit 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 farming, hunger and sustainability issues.

Knoxville Legal Aid Society

www.korrnet.org/klas

The Knoxville Legal Aid Society (KLAS) is a publicly funded law office providing free legal services to low-income people living in one of four counties in east Tennessee: Knox, Blount, Loudon, and Sevier.

Liberty Hill Foundation

www.libertyhill.org

The Liberty Hill Foundation grants funds to grassroots organizations promoting social, environmental and economic justice.

Long Island Progressive Coalition

www.lipc.org

The Long Island Progressive Coalition is a grassroots, community-based organization dedicated to promoting sustainable development, revitalizing local communities, enhancing human dignity, creating effective democracy and achieving economic and social justice.

Macrocsm USA

www.macronet.org/

Macrocsm USA is a nonprofit educational clearinghouse emphasizing environmental, justice, peace, and health issues and solutions for progressives.

Migrant Clinicians Network

www.migrantclinician.org

The mission of the Migrant Clinicians Network (MCN) is to promote the health of farmworkers.

Mississippi River Basin Alliance

www.mrba.org/mrba

MRBA is a citizens' coalition that unites environmental justice organizations and traditional conservation groups around issues impacting the Mississippi River.

National Health Law Program

www.healthlaw.org

The National Health Law Program is a national public-interest law firm that seeks to improve health care for America's working and unemployed poor, minorities, the elderly and people with disabilities. NHeLP serves legal services programs, community-based organizations, the private bar, providers and individuals who work to preserve a health-care safety net for the millions of uninsured or underinsured low-income people.

National Law Guild/ Sugar Law Center for Economic & Social Justice

www.sugarlaw.org

The NLG/Sugar Law Center is a national, nonprofit public interest law center founded in 1991 upon the principle that economic and civil rights are inseparable; that one group of rights cannot truly exist in the absence of the other.

National Religious Partnership for the Environment

www.nrpe.org/

The National Religious Partnership for the Environment is a federation of major American faith communities: the U.S. Catholic Conference, the Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life, the National Council of Churches of Christ, and the Evangelical Environmental Network.

Native Americans and the Environment Environmental Justice Links

www.indians.org/library/subenv1.html

The American Indian Heritage Foundation was established to provide relief services to Indian people nationwide and to build bridges of understanding and friendship between Indian and non-Indian people.

Natural Resources Defense Council

www.nrdc.org

NRDC uses law, science and the support of more than 400,000 members nationwide to protect the planet's wildlife and wild places and to ensure a safe and healthy environment for all living things.

New York City Environmental Justice Alliance

www.nyceja.org

The New York City Environmental Justice Alliance (NYCEJA) is a citywide network that links grassroots organizations in low-income neighborhoods and communities of color in their struggle against environmental racism. Founded in 1991, NYCEJA supports community-led initiatives through its network of professional environmental advocates, attorneys, scientists and health specialists.

Nuclear Information & Resource Service

www.nirs.org

This group was founded to be the national information and networking center for citizens and environmental activists concerned about nuclear power, radioactive waste, radiation and sustainable energy issues.

Nuestra Comunidad, Nuestra Salud

www.pharmacy.arizona.edu/idtraining/index.html

Interdisciplinary training presents students with an opportunity to provide health-care services in a holistic paradigm that includes the patient as an individual and community member. It offers an opportunity to provide services in underserved areas and to incorporate sociocultural awareness into health services.

Peace Development Fund

www.peacefund.org

The Peace Development Fund makes grants to organizations and projects working to achieve peaceful, just and interdependent relationships among people and nations.

Physicians for Social Responsibility

www.psr.org

Understanding that nuclear war continues to be the most acute threat to human life and the global biosphere, PSR is dedicated to the elimination of nuclear weapons and the reversal of the arms race and the national budgetary priorities that fuel that race, sacrificing our nation's health, social and economic needs.

Positive Futures Network

www.futurenet.org

Positive Futures Network is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting people's active engagement in creating a more just, sustainable and compassionate world.

Project HOPE (Health Opportunities for People Everywhere)

www.projhope.org/

Project HOPE alleviates suffering, saves lives and helps communities attain lasting improvements in health care. By providing health education, health policy research and humanitarian assistance, HOPE is helping people around the world to live longer, healthier lives.

Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility

www.peer.org

Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility (PEER) is a private, nonprofit organization that provides uniquely valuable services to government employees charged with safeguarding the nation's natural resources.

The Public Health Institute

www.justtransition.org

Just Transition is a process to ameliorate the conflict between jobs and the environment. It brings organized labor, the traditional environmental community and the people of color environmental justice movement together to develop policies and relationships to avert clashes.

Right-To-Know Network

www.rtk.net

The Right-to-Know Network provides free access to numerous data bases, text files and conferences on the environment, housing and sustainable development. With the information available on rtknet.org, you can identify specific factories and their environmental effects; analyze reinvestment by banks in their communities; and assess people and communities affected.

San Francisco Bay Area Progressive Directory

www.emf.net/~cheetham/kentce-1.html

A guide to about 1,000 organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area of interest to progressive activists.

Shundahai Network

www.shundahai.org

According to Corbin Harney, Western Shoshone spiritual leader, executive director of Shundahai Network: "It's in our backyard... it's in our front yard. This nuclear contamination is shortening all life. We're going to have to unite as a people and say, 'no more!' We, the people, are going to have to put our thoughts together to save our planet here. We only have one water...one air...one Mother Earth."

Social Equity and Environmental Justice

arcticcircle.uconn.edu/SEEJ/index.html

A long history of colonialism and social inequity in the Arctic has left northern indigenous peoples highly vulnerable to environmental damage. This form of human rights abuse is one of selective victimization in which native groups are deprived of critical resources and a healthy environment while others remain free to live in a healthy setting.

South Central Oklahoma Environmental Justice Resource Center

www.ecok.edu/~polsci/envrjust/envrjust.html

The Resource Center is a fully computerized, modern facility that provides access to a variety of environmental databases relevant to environmental justice, GIS, legal research tools (for example, WestLaw, the Code of Federal Regulations [CFR], and the U. S. Code [USC]), and national (international) communication capability on environmental justice matters.

Southern Environmental Law Center

www.southernenvironment.org

SELC is the only environmental organization dedicated solely to protecting the natural resources of the southeastern United States.

Southwest Environmental Health Sciences Center

www.pharmacy.arizona.edu/centers/tox_center/swehsc/index.html

One Center goal is to provide information in the areas of toxicology and environmental health sciences to students (K-12, undergraduate and graduate), educators, scientists and the public.

Surface Transportation Policy Project

www.transact.org/stpp.htm

The goal of Surface Transportation Policy Project is to ensure that transportation policy and investments help conserve energy, protect environmental and aesthetic quality, strengthen the economy, promote social equity and make communities more livable. The organization emphasizes the needs of people, rather than vehicles, in assuring access to jobs, services and recreational opportunities.

Texas Center for Policy Studies

www.texascenter.org

Founded in 1983, TCPS provides technical, policy and legal assistance to a wide variety of local, state, and regional citizen organizations working to protect natural resources and public health.

U.S.-Mexico Border Health Association

www.usmbha.org

The U.S.-Mexico Border Health Association promotes public and individual health along the United States–Mexico border through reciprocal technical cooperation. It focuses its technical cooperation resources on **information dissemination** on border health issues and the creation of effective networks.

Western Organization of Resource Councils

www.worc.org

The Western Organization of Resource Councils (WORC) is an association of grassroots organizations: the Dakota Resource Council (North Dakota), Dakota Rural Action (South Dakota), the Idaho Rural Council (Idaho), the Northern Plains Resource Council (Montana), the Powder River Basin Resource Council (Wyoming) and the Western Colorado Congress (Colorado).

Women’s Environment & Development Organization (WEDO)

www.wedo.org

The Women’s Environment & Development Organization (WEDO) is a global organization working to increase women’s visibility, roles and leadership in public policy-making through peace, gender, human rights, environmental and economic justice campaigns and through advocacy nationally, regionally, at the United Nations and in international financial institutions.

Women’s Voices for the Earth (WVE)

www.wildrockies.org/wve

Women’s Voices for the Earth is a grassroots environmental justice organization. Its mission is to empower women and others who historically have had little power in affecting environmental policy to create a society that is ecologically sustainable and socially just.

Government Sites

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

atsdr1.atsdr.cdc.gov:8080/atsdrhome.html

The mission of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), as an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is to prevent exposure and adverse human health effects and diminished quality of life associated with exposure to hazardous substances from waste sites, unplanned releases and other sources of pollution present in the environment.

California Department of Toxic Substances Control

www.dtsc.ca.gov

The Department’s mission is to protect public health and the environment from harmful exposure to hazardous substances, without unnecessarily impacting sustainable growth and development.

Environmental Protection Agency

www.epa.gov

The mission of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is to protect human health and to safeguard the natural environment — air, water, and land — upon which life depends.

EPA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance

www.epa.gov/oeca/main/ej/index.html

The Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA), working in partnership with EPA regional offices, state governments, tribal governments and other federal agencies, ensures compliance with the nation’s environmental laws.

National Center for Environmental Health

www.cdc.gov/nceh/

This office provides national leadership, through science and service, that promotes health and quality of life by preventing or controlling those diseases, birth defects, disabilities or deaths that result from interactions between people and their environment.

National Center for Health Statistics

www.cdc.gov/nchswww/

NCHS is the federal government’s principal vital and health statistics agency. Since 1960, when the National Office of Vital Statistics and the National Health Survey merged to form NCHS, the agency has provided a wide variety of data with which to monitor the nation’s health.

National Institute for Environmental Health Sciences

www.niehs.nih.gov

NIEHS’s mission is to reduce the burden of human illness and dysfunction from environmental causes by understanding each of these elements and how they interact. It achieves its mission through multidisciplinary biomedical research programs, prevention and intervention efforts, and communication strategies that encompass training, education, technology transfer and community outreach.