

Organizing to Address Minority Health Disparities:
A Directory of State and Local Initiatives

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Introduction

The goal of this directory is to provide a snapshot of a rapidly evolving community of advocates, organizers, and public health professionals working in different ways on the issue of unequal health outcomes for people of color in the U.S., and to establish new connections and networks within and across states. Some of these connections are between researchers and advocates, and others will be among organizations working on different aspects of the health disparities challenge – which involves not just unequal access to quality healthcare, but also a range of social and environmental influences that are beyond the traditional reach of the health care “system”.

The directory was sponsored and supported by The Health Policy Institute at the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, and prepared by staff at the Poverty and Race Research Action Council, with substantial input from the other cosponsoring organizations. The four organizations who have worked to put together this directory represent just a few of the national groups working on this issue:

The Health Policy Institute at the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies is a non-profit research and policy institute committed to igniting a “Fair Health” movement that gives people of color the inalienable right to equal opportunity for healthy lives – including equal access to quality health care as well as freedom from social and environmental disparities that influence poor health outcomes. The Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies is a Washington, DC based think tank founded in 1970 by black intellectuals and professionals to provide training and technical assistance to black elected officials throughout the United States. www.jointcenter.org.

The Alliance for Healthy Homes is a 15-year-old national non-profit policy and advocacy organization working to increase public and private investments in healthy homes, lead paint safety, and affordable housing, and to ensure that resources are targeted to communities at highest risk. We also provide technical and strategic assistance, training, and policy support to community based organizations and other local healthy homes advocates to increase the success of efforts to achieve systems change. www.afhh.org.

The Opportunity Agenda is a research and policy organization that works to build the national will to expand opportunity for all who live in the United States. www.opportunityagenda.org.

The Poverty and Race Research Action Council was established in 1990 to help connect social science researchers with civil rights advocates on race and poverty issues, and, on the health disparities issue, stresses the role played by housing segregation and concentrated poverty, and the importance of housing mobility type remedies to create less segregated living environments for poor families. www.prrac.org.

We hope that this directory will contribute in a small way to our collective goal of eliminating disparities in health outcomes in this country.

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This directory was developed from public and private sources, including existing networks of the Alliance for Healthy Homes, the Opportunity Agenda, and the Poverty & Race Research Action Council (PRRAC), along with standard internet and Lexis-Nexis searches. We also followed up with phone calls or e-mails to most of the organizations listed. The descriptions of organizations contained in the directory are drawn primarily from websites of the listed organizations. These descriptions are not sanctioned by the organizations listed, and we cannot vouch for their accuracy. If you would like more information on what a specific organization is doing, we suggest that you contact that organization directly.

Send us your comments!

This directory is still a work in progress, and we will continue to make improvements, in updated versions, on the websites of our organizations. Please let us know of any changes in your organization's listing, and new work you are doing in this area, or of other organizations working to address health disparities in your state.

Contact Christine Kim (ckim@prrac.org) with your comments or proposed additions.

PART 1: State-by-State Listing*

Alabama

University-sponsored programs in the community

EXPORT Center on Minority Health Disparities Project EXPORT: Reducing Health Disparities in Alabama's Black Belt: Tuskegee University- University of Alabama Partnership

Box 870326
850 5th Avenue East
Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0326
(205) 348-0025
Contact: Leslie Zganjar
Email: LZganjar@cchs.ua.edu
<http://irhr.ua.edu/projectExport.html>

An affiliate of the National Institutes of Project EXPORT program (Excellence in Partnerships for Community Outreach, Research on Health Disparities and Training); Center seeks to demonstrate the effectiveness of a strategy combining the methods of public health and bioethics in programs of research, education and outreach to reduce disparities in disease and disabilities in the Black Belt region of Alabama.

University of South Alabama

College of Medicine
Mobile Alabama 36688-0002
1 (251) 460-6101
Dr. Robert Kreisberg

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Community Against Pollution, Inc.

1521 Cobb Avenue
Anniston, AL 36201
(256) 236-6773
Contact: Shirley Williams-Baker
Email: Info@communityagainstpollution.org
<http://www.communityagainstpollution.org/>
(AFHH)

Community Against Pollution works to improve, protect, and preserve lives, the community and the environment, with special emphasis on our children's health. Acting as a liaison and voice for the community, CAP monitors industry, local, state and federal agencies actions regarding environmental

* Organizational descriptions are generally based on the organization's website. Certain organizations also include the source of the listing: for example, AFHH indicates an organization in the network of the Alliance for Healthy Homes; ARC/NWFCO indicates an organization highlighted in the recent report by the Applied Research Center and the Northwest Federation of Community Organizations, Closing the Gap: Solutions to Race-Based Health Disparities, and participants in the W.K. Kellogg Scholar in Health Disparities program are also identified.

pollution and contamination. CAP works with members of Congress and the federal Administration to make the health hazards emanating from Anniston a priority issue.

Citizen's Lead Education Poisoning Prevention

2009 Avenue Q Ensley
Birmingham, AL 35218
(205) 780-8077
Contact: Whittlynn Battle, Director
Email: WBattle@bellsouth.net
<http://www.clepp.org/>
(AFHH)

Alaska

Southcentral Foundation

4501 Diplomacy Drive
Anchorage, AK 99508
(907) 729-4955
Contact: Katherine Gottlieb
<http://southcentralfoundation.org/>
(ARC/NWFCO)

The Southcentral Foundation integrates primary care with urgent and hospital care to serve 45,000 Alaskan Native and Native American residents in Anchorage, AK and its surroundings. Its focus on integrated services and accessibility, as well as its emphasis on cultural competency and alternative medicine, have led to measurable health improvements for the entire Alaska Native and Native American population.

Arizona

Government-sponsored programs

Arizona Turning Point Project

1845 E Roosevelt, Room 226
Phoenix, AZ 85006
(602) 506-1248
Contact: Catharine Riley, MPH, Director
E-mail: catharineriley@mail.maricopa.gov

A comprehensive plan for improving Arizona's public health system containing 96 recommendations. The primary goal is a strengthened public health infrastructure to meet the needs of Arizona's population and a reduction in health disparities in 2010 and beyond. The first objective in this goal is to take a lead role in influencing and encouraging all public health organizations to take the necessary steps to close the health disparity gaps which exist in the state. Special focus on the Native American community and health outcomes on reservations.

University-sponsored programs in the community

Native American Research and Training Center

1641 East Helen
Tucson, AZ 85719
(520) 621-5075
Contact: Dr. Jennie R. Joe, Director

Email: jrjoe@email.arizona.edu
<http://www.fcm.arizona.edu/research/nartc>
(Oppy Agenda)

The Native American Research and Training Center (NARTC) was established in 1983 by The University of Arizona Board of Regents and serves as a national resource for Native American communities and for persons working with Native American populations, especially those with chronic diseases or disabilities. The overall mission of NARTC is to conduct health related research and training projects that will help improve the quality of life for Native Americans.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Tonatierra

PO Box 809
Phoenix, AZ 85074
(602) 274-8441
Contact: Tupac Enrique
Email: chantlaca@aol.com
<http://www.tonatierra.org/>
(AFHH)

Tohono O'odham Community Action

PO Box 1790
Sells, AZ 85634
(520) 383-4966
<http://www.tocaonline.org/>
(ARC/NWFCO)

Tohono O'odham Community Action (TOCA) is based in Sells, Arizona, on the 4.600-square-mile Tohono O'odham Reservation, in the heart of the Sonora Desert. TOCA demonstrates how cultural and agricultural traditions are linked to nutrition and physical fitness and can play an integral role in reducing the causes of disease and improving the health of a community.

Arkansas

Government-sponsored programs

Arkansas Minority Health Commission

1123 S. University Avenue, Suite 312
Little Rock, AR 72204
(501) 686-2720
Contact: Judy S. Smith, Executive Director
Email: arkmin@arkansas.gov

The commission sponsors a variety of health forums, and created a project called "Eating for Life" designed to teach all minorities in Arkansas to eat better and exercise. Additionally, they also have established a Hypertension Program funded by the state legislature to improve hypertension and cardiovascular disease related outcomes and to decrease health disparities among racial and ethnic minority persons living in Arkansas.

University-sponsored programs in the community

Arkansas Cancer Community Network (AR-CCN)

Arkansas Cancer Research Center
4301 W. Markham St.
Little Rock, AR 72205
(501) 526-7101
Contact: Kimberly Enoch, C.N.P.R., BS
Email: enochkimberlys@uams.edu
http://www.acrc.uams.edu/patients/pub_education.asp

The Arkansas Cancer Community Network is a program within the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences. It provides community-based education, prevention, and screening activities. Additionally, AR-CCN is working to create culturally competent methods to reduce health disparities, measure and evaluate disparity reduction, disseminate this information, and increase local capacity for sustainable cancer control activities.

Statewide advocacy organizations

Community Health Centers of Arkansas

Community Health Centers of Arkansas
420 W. 4th Street
North Little Rock, AR 72114
Contact: Sip B. Mouden, Executive Director
Email: sbmouden@chc-ar.org
<http://www.chc-ar.org/>

Community Health Centers of Arkansas, Inc. (CHCA), Arkansas Primary Care Association, represents 12 federally qualified health centers with fifty-three clinic sites. Each is located in medically underserved area and is community governed. The federally qualified health centers provide, or make provisions for, primary medical, dental, mental health, preventive services, and support services to the uninsured, underinsured, Medicare, Medicaid, private pay, and privately insured.

California

University-sponsored programs in the community

Justice Now

1322 Webster Street, Suite 210
Oakland, CA 94612
(510)839-7654
Contact: Cynthia Chandler, Co-Director
Email: Cynthia@jnow.org
<http://www.jnow.org/>
(Oppy Agenda)

Interns and staff provide legal services in areas of need identified by women prisoners, including documentation of human rights violations against incarcerated women, coalition building with economic rights groups, health rights groups, and women's groups, and education on women's health for imprisoned women.

Statewide advocacy organizations

Applied Research Center (ARC)

3781 Broadway
Oakland, CA 94611
(510) 653-3415
Email: arc@arc.org
<http://www.arc.org/>

Launched in 1981, ARC was born out of the community organizing experience. Both activists and academics recognized a need for rigorous study of the practice of organizing and the need for solid research into the issues around which organizers were mounting campaigns. Today ARC is a leading research lab and foundry where academics and activists forge tools to spark social progress and measure the results.

ARC recently published, with the Northwest Federation of Community Organizations, Closing the Gap: Solutions to Race-Based Health Disparities (Summer 2005)

California Communities Against Toxics

P.O. Box 845
Rosamond, CA 93560
(661) 273-3098
Contact: Jane Williams
Email: info@stoptoxics.net
<http://www.stoptoxics.net/>

California Communities Against Toxics (CCAT) advocates for environmental justice and pollution prevention. CCAT identifies new polluting facilities in communities of color and gains recognition to the environmental injustice of pollution in California. CCAT unites Native Nations, inner city people of color, and the rural poor in a coalition that has worked to stop every attempt to roll back environmental regulation in California.

The California Endowment

21650 Oxnard St., Suite 1200
Woodland Hills, CA 91367
(800) 449-4149
E-mail: questions@calendow.org
<http://www.calendow.org/>

The California Endowment's mission is to expand access to affordable, quality health care for underserved individuals and communities, and to promote fundamental improvements in the health status of all Californians.

Projects: California Works for Better Health. CommunitiesFirst (334 grantees): The CommunitiesFirst grant-making program focuses on three broad areas of interest: Access, Health & Well-Being and Multicultural Health. The Endowment invests resources in communities in contributing to significant improvements in the health and well-being of California's underserved individuals and areas. Collaboration and inclusion are central to the success of this concept that puts the community at the center of developing solutions for its health-related issues.

California Pan-Ethnic Health Network (CPEHN)

654 13th Street
Oakland, CA 94612
(510) 832-1160
Contact: Ellen Wu, Executive Director
Email: ewu@cpehn.org
<http://www.cpehn.org/>

The California Pan-Ethnic Health Network (CPEHN) works to ensure that all Californians have access to quality health care and can live healthy lives. We gather the strength of communities of color to build a united and powerful voice in health advocacy committed to improving access to health care and eliminate health disparities. Our "Multicultural Principles for a Healthy California: A Systemic Approach for Eliminating Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities" seeks to shape health care policy to eliminate the causes of health disparities.

Center on Race, Poverty, and the Environment

450 Geary Street, Suite 500
San Francisco, CA 94102
(415) 346-4179
Contact: Luke Cole, Director
Email: luke@igc.org

1224 Jefferson Street, Suite 25
Delano, CA 93215
(661) 720- 9140
Contact: Caroline Farrell, Directing Attorney
Email: Caroline@igc.org

CRPE is an environmental justice advocacy organization which works with low-income communities and communities of color to address the disparate environmental health burdens they bear. Their team of lawyers and organizers works to build individual capacity, foster community power, and address environmental hazards.

CLCV Education Fund

10780 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 210
Los Angeles, CA 90025
(310) 234-1002 x306
Contact: Luis Cabrales, Assistant Director of Outreach
Email: lcabrales@ecovote.org
<http://www.clcveducationfund.org/>
(AFHH)

The CLCV Education Fund is a non-profit, non-partisan, community-based advocacy organization that expands the universe of Californians who understand and act on the direct connection between the environment, public health, and civic participation. CLCV Education Fund empowers people with the political information and leadership skills they need to improve the health of their communities and the environment.

Environmental Health Coalition

401 Mile of Cars Way, Suite 310
National City, CA 91950
(619) 474-0220
Contact: Leticia Ayala, Lead Policy Associate
Email: LeticiaA@environmentalhealth.org
<Http://www.environmentalhealth.org/>
(AFHH)

Environmental Health Coalition is one of the oldest environmental justice organizations in the United States, using social change strategies to achieve environmental justice. EHC is dedicated to achieving environmental and social justice by empowering communities in the San Diego region acting together to make social change. EHC organizes and advocates to protect public health and the environment threatened by toxic pollution. EHC supports broad efforts that create a just society which foster a healthy and sustainable quality of life.

Environmental Law Foundation

3250 Ocean Park Blvd., Suite 300
Santa Monica, CA 90405
(310) 450-7226
Contact: Philip Shakhnis, Staff Attorney
Email: pshakhnis@envirolaw.org
<http://www.envirolaw.org/>
(AFHH)

The Environmental Law Foundation (ELF) is a California nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of human health and the environment. Among ELF's principal concerns is an enforcement program for polluters designed to protect the environment and public health, particularly to protect those with the least choice and greatest vulnerability to toxic risks.

Greenlining Institute

1918 University Avenue 2nd Floor
Berkeley, CA 94704
(510) 926-4000
Contact: John C. Gamboa, Executive Director
Email: johng@greenlining.org
<http://www.greenlining.org/>

The Greenlining Institute works to improve the quality of life for low-income and minority communities. The institute emerged from the Greenlining Coalition, perhaps the oldest coalition of African American, Asian American/Pacific Islander, and Latino community leaders organized around a common purpose. With the formal founding of the Institute in 1993, Greenlining set out to create an antidote to redlining, the illegal yet common practice of denying, limiting, or overcharging for financial services and products to low-income and minority communities.

The Prevention Institute

Prevention Institute
265 29th Street
Oakland, CA 94611
(510) 444-7738
Contact: Elizabeth Berger, Program Assistant
Email: Elizabeth@preventioninstitute.org
<http://www.preventioninstitute.org/>

Prevention Institute's approach to eliminating health disparities focuses on advancing a deeper understanding of how fundamental causes of disparity, (e.g., economics and oppression) shape underlying determinants of health and illness. Focusing attention and resources on primary prevention could significantly reduce inequities in health outcomes.

Projects:

California Campaign to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health -- The Campaign's strategy (under development) identifies nine priority health disparity issues for the State, and delineates institutional, governmental, and community opportunities to improve healthcare and the environments in which people live, work, and go to school.

THRIVE: Community Tool for Health & Resilience In Vulnerable Environments -- THRIVE assesses community resilience factors linked to Healthy People 2010 Leading Health Indicators, to help communities identify ways in which they can eliminate health disparities and improve community health.

Western Center on Law and Poverty, Inc.

3701 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 208
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(213) 487-7211
Contact: Pegine Grayson, Executive Director
Email: pgrayson@wclp.org
<http://www.wclp.org/>

The Western Center conducts litigation, legislative and administrative advocacy to increase low-income Californians access to medical care. In addition, the Center works to address healthy homes issues -- environmental hazards, such as lead paint, in the home that make housing a health program and predominantly affect low-income and people of color.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

BAY AREA

Asian Communities for Reproductive Justice

310 8th Street, Suite 309
Oakland, CA 94607
(510)434-7900
<http://www.apirh.org/>
(Oppy Agenda)

Formerly named Asians & Pacific Islanders for Reproductive Health, this Oakland-based group has worked for over 15 years to develop a vision and analysis that addresses the reproductive justice issues and needs in Asian communities.

The Edible Schoolyard

Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School
1781 Rose Street
Berkeley, CA 94703
(510) 558-1335
Email: info@edibleschoolyard.org
<http://www.edibleschoolyard.org/>

The School Lunch Initiative

Chez Panisse Foundation
1517 Shattuck Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94709
510-843-3811
Email: info@chezpanissefoundation.org
<http://school lunchinitiative.org>
(ARC/NWFCO)

The Edible Schoolyard (TES) and the School Lunch Initiative are projects of the Chez Panisse Foundation on the campus of Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School. TES and Berkeley Public Schools demonstrate a way to integrate health, nutrition, and exercise within a public education setting and curriculum.

Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations

1440 Broadway, Suite 510
Oakland, CA 94612
(510) 272-9536
Contact: Katie Vu-Ng
Email: info@aapcho.org
<http://www.aapcho.org/>
(AFHH)

The Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO) is a national association representing community health organizations dedicated to promoting advocacy, collaboration and leadership that improves the health status and access of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders within the United States, its territories and freely associated states, primarily through member community health centers.

Asian Pacific Environmental Network

310 8th Street, Suite 309
Oakland, CA 94601
(510) 463-5690
Contact: Vivian Chang, Executive Director
Email: Vivian@apen4ej.org
<http://www.apen4ej.org/>
(AFHH)

APEN seeks to empower low-income Asian Pacific Islander (API) communities to achieve environmental and social justice, striving to build grassroots organizations that will improve the health, well-being and political strength of our communities. APEN currently works on three levels: Direct organizing in local communities, building a network of API organizations and working in multiracial alliances to affect regional and national social change.

Environmental Health & Justice Initiative

The San Francisco Foundation

225 Bush Street, Suite 500

San Francisco, CA 94104
(415) 733-8500
Email: rec@sff.org
<http://sff.org/initiatives/ehji.html>

The San Francisco Foundation established the Environmental Health and Justice Initiative in 2000 to address the impact of environmental factors on local communities. The Initiative supports impacted communities, grassroots groups, and nonprofits as they promote protective public policies, minimize environmental health risks, engage in policy advocacy, and educate and involve residents in creating safe, healthy neighborhoods. The Initiative strengthens networks of individuals, groups, and agencies to link scientific knowledge, policy expertise, and community leadership to assure the right of all people to a healthy environment

Healthy Children Organizing Project

717 Market Street, Suite 310
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 777-9648
Contact: Katie Sternfels, Associate Director
<http://www.consumer-action.org/English/hcop/index.php>

HCOP's mission is to protect young children from preventable diseases caused by environmental hazards in San Francisco's low income and minority communities. HCOP focuses on diseases caused by environmental hazards, in particular lead poisoning and asthma. These diseases are most severe in low income and minority communities where environmental hazards are more prevalent and where access to health care and resources is limited.

Law Offices of J. Wallace Oman

240 Stockton Street, Suite 400
East Side of Union Square
San Francisco, CA 94108
(415) 658-5400
Contact: J. Wallace Oman, Attorney at Law
Email: walloman@aol.com
http://members.aol.com/_121b_/ugYRxf156OT6PcXaVtjv2eWqjC0adDy8oTIGAvUFd8=
(AFHH)

Firm represents tenants in San Francisco on all tenant-landlord matters, particularly: correcting housing code violations and habitability defects; defending against evictions; and preventing childhood lead poisoning by correcting lead hazards.

Legal Aid of Marin

405 14th Street, 11th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612
(510) 663-4744 X 2
Contact: Jeanne Finberg, Managing Attorney
Email: jfinberg@nslc.org
<http://www.legalaidmarin.org/>
(AFHH)

Legal Aid of the North Bay provides free legal services to low income and senior residents of Marin County.

Literacy for Environmental Justice (LEJ)

800 Innes Avenue, Unit 11
San Francisco CA 94124
(415) 282-6840
Contact: Dana Lanza, Director
Email: Dana@lejyouth.org
<http://www.lejyouth.org/>
(AFHH)

Literacy for Environmental Justice (LEJ) is an urban environmental education and youth empowerment organization created specifically to address the unique ecological and social concerns of Bayview Hunters Point, San Francisco, and the surrounding communities of Potrero Hill and Visitacion Valley. LEJ engages urban youth in traditional environmental problems by drawing concrete linkages between the state of human health, the environment, and urban quality of life. Serving over 2500 youth per year, the agency is currently focused on food access; the siting of schools near toxic sites; environmental and reproductive health; and green community development.

People Organized to Demand Environmental and Economic Rights

474 Valencia Street, #155
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 431-4210
Contact: Lisa Pagan
Email: poder@igc.org
(AFHH)

A multicultural membership-based group organizing residents of the Mission district of San Francisco to work on solutions to issues facing low income communities and communities of color, PODER confronts the San Francisco Mission district's environmental and economic injustices.

People United for a Better Oakland

519 17th Street, 130 D
Oakland, CA 94612
(510) 452-2010
Contact: Karleen Lloyd
<http://www.peopleunited.org/>
(AFHH)

People United for a Better Oakland (PUEBLO) is a multi-ethnic, multi-issue community-based organization that fights for social, economic and racial justice in Oakland. By developing the political analysis, leadership, and organizing skills of members and allies, PUEBLO helps build power in Oakland communities and win institutional changes on the issues that affect residents' lives.

St. Peter's Housing Committee

474 Valencia Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 487-9203
Contact: Guadalupe Arreola, Lead Hazard Reduction
Email: lupitamorena@yahoo.com
(AFHH)

St. Peter's Housing Committee is a non-profit grassroots organization serving Mission profit grassroots organization serving Mission District tenants and all Spanish-speaking tenants of San Francisco. St. Peter's Housing Committee has assisted thousands of low income families and individuals on housing issues and Landlord/Tenant problems.

LOS ANGELES

Bet Tzedek Legal Services

145 S. Fairfax Avenue, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90036
(323) 549-5867
Contact: Mitchell A. Kamin, Executive Director
Email: rsommerstein@bettzedek.org
<http://www.bettzedek.org/>
(AFHH)

Bet Tzedek – Hebrew for the “house of justice” – is one of the nation’s premier legal services organizations, providing free assistance to more than 10,000 people of every racial and religious background at its headquarters in the Fairfax area and its office in North Hollywood and at more than 30 senior centers throughout Los Angeles County.

Coalition for Economic Survival

1296 N. Fairfax Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90046
(323) 656-4410
Contact: Larry Gross, Director
<http://www.cesinaction.org/>
(AFHH)

Coalition for Economic Survival (CES) is a grassroots multi-racial, multi-ethnic non-profit community-based organization. CES is dedicated to organizing low and moderate income people to win economic and social justice.

Communities for a Better Environment

5610 Pacific Boulevard, Suite 203
Huntington Park, CA 90244
(323) 826-9771
Contact: Roberto Cabrales, Community Organizer
Email: rcabrales@cbecal.org
<http://www.cbecal.org/>

Communities for a Better Environment (CBE) is an environmental health and justice organization, promoting clean air, clean water, and the development of toxin-free communities. CBE's unique three-part strategy provides grassroots activism, environmental research, and legal assistance within underserved urban communities. CBE directly equips residents impacted by industrial pollution with the tools to inform, monitor, and transform their immediate environment. CBE also sponsors youth oriented programs for students ages 12-18 in Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay area and in surrounding communities called Youth for Environmental Justice (Youth-EJ).

Concerned Citizens of South Central L.A.

4707 South Central Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90011
(213) 846-2500
Contact: Melodie Dove, Organizer/Educator
<http://www.ccscla.org/>
(AFHH)

CCSCLA fosters interest among its members and community in social, economic and environmental conditions and growth of their community. Additionally, to assist in the development of low income housing in Southern California communities by providing technical and other assistance to nonprofit housing development corporations.

Vivienda y Salud

3355 E. Gage Avenue
Huntington Park, CA 90255
(323) 582-6090 x241
Contact: Enrique Aranda, Program Director
viviendaysalud@aol.com
(AFHH)

Esperanza Community Housing Corporation

2337 South Figueroa Street
Los Angeles, CA 90007

(213) 748-7285
Contact: Nancy Ibrahim, Community Health Program
Email: nancy@esperanzachc.org
<http://www.esperanzachc.org/>
(AFHH)

Esperanza Community Housing Corporation works to achieve comprehensive and long-term community development in the Maple/Adams-Hoover/Adams neighborhood of South-Central Los Angeles.

Crystal Stairs, Inc.

1045 Redondo Beach Blvd., 4th Floor
Gardena, CA 90247
(323) 299-8998 x126
Contact: Eduardo Gonzalez, Wellness Coordinator
<http://www.crystalstairs.org/>
(AFHH)

Crystal Stairs, Inc. is one of the largest private, nonprofit child development corporations in the State of California. It was incorporated to provide service, research and advocacy in the fields of child care and development, maternal employment, and family functioning.

Healthy Homes Collaborative

617 South Olive Street, Suite 810
Los Angeles, CA 90014
(213) 689-9170
Contact: Linda Kite, Coordinator
Email: kite@psr.org
<http://www.saje.net/programs/healthyhomes.php>
(AFHH)

Healthy Homes Collaborative (HHC) is an association of community-based organizations and community leaders from within Los Angeles County, dedicated to improving housing conditions that affect health. Members of the collaborative represent a variety of interests, including affordable housing, tenants' rights, children's health/rights, environmental justice, public interest law, and general community issues.

Housing Rights Center

520 S. Virgil Avenue, Suite 400
Los Angeles, CA 90020
(213) 387-8400 x34
Contact: Frances A. Espinoza, Executive Director
Email: fespinoza@hrc-la.org
<http://www.hrc-la.org/>
(AFHH)

Los Angeles Housing Law Project

1125 West 6th Street, Suite 300
Los Angeles, CA 90017
(213) 481-0134
Contact: Rod Field, Executive Director
<http://www.lahlp.org/>
(AFHH)

The LAHLP works to ensure that all low-income families, regardless of immigration status, are afforded the opportunity for safe and decent housing that comply with habitability standards and remains affordable. In addition, the LAHLP strives to insure that these families have access to the legal system.

Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles

1102 Crenshaw Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90019
(323) 801-7951
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<http://www.lafila.org/>
(AFHH)

As LA's frontline law firm for low-income people, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles promotes access to justice, strengthens communities, combats discrimination, and effects systemic change through representation, advocacy, and community education.

SAJE – Strategic Action for a Just Economy

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Los Angeles, CA 90007
(323) 732-9961 x224
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<http://www.saje.net/>
(AFHH)

SAJE is an economic justice and popular education center that has been building economic power for working class people in Los Angeles since 1996. Over the past nine years SAJE's combination of community organizing, coalition-building, and grassroots policy has gained significant benefits for the community.

OTHER CALIFORNIA

California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation

2210 K Steet, Suite 201
Sacramento, CA 95816
(916) 446-7901
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Email: aaperez@ucdavis.edu
<http://www.crlaf.org/>

The California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation (CRLAF) is a non-profit organization providing community education, public policy advocacy, training, technical and legal assistance to California's rural poor. CRLAF's mission is to assist rural poor people to improve their economic, social, and political conditions in the United States. CRLAF targets its work in the areas of civil rights, community and economic development, education, employment, environmental justice, health, housing, immigration, labor, pesticides, worker safety, and workers' rights.

Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma

2651 Elm Street, Suite 100
Long Beach, CA 90806
(562) 427-4292
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Email: mdwyer@memorialcare.org
http://www.calasthma.org/asthma_in_your_area/PSR/voew_coalition/LBACA/
(AFHH)

Long Beach Alliance for Children with Asthma works to change the profile of childhood asthma in the most affected areas of the City of Long Beach through improved healthcare delivery and quality, outreach, education, support systems, and living environments, and changes in policy at all levels.

Mexican American Community Services Agency, Inc. (MACSA)

130 N. Jackson Avenue
San Jose, CA 95116
(408) 929-1080
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(AFHH)

Pacoima Beautiful

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Pacoima, CA 91331
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<http://www.pacoimabeautiful.org/>
(AFHH)

Pacoima Beautiful empowers the Pacoima community through programs that provide environmental education, advocacy and local leadership in order to foster a healthy and safe environment.

West County Toxics Coalition

1019 MacDonald Avenue
Richmond, CA 94801
(510) 232-3427
Contact: Henry Clark, Executive Director
(AFHH)

The Coalition's mission is to form an organization of residents that empowers the community to fight toxic exposure, protect the environment, and protect the health and safety of residents. The Coalition's work focuses on ensuring that the city, state and county implement environmental justice laws that have been adopted. Currently, the Community Health project in Richmond identifies environmental and health threats, such as chemical pollution, and advocates for resources to address the effects of toxins.

Santa Clara Children's Health Initiative

Valley Children's Health Initiative
2325 Enborg Lane
San Jose, CA 95128
(888) 244-5222
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Email: kris.vantornhout@hhs.co.scl.ca.us
<http://www.chikids.org/>

The Children's Health Initiative (CHI) was established in January 2001 to provide access to health insurance to the then estimated 71,000 uninsured children in Santa Clara County. Through an extensive outreach and enrollment project, Certified Application Assistants discuss the benefits of health insurance with families, evaluate the children's eligibility, and assist the family in enrolling their child/children in the appropriate health insurance program. CHI serves as the umbrella, helping children access Medicaid, S-CHIP or Healthy Kids (locally developed and funded to cover all children whose families earn 300% FPL or below, regardless of immigration status).

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Colorado

Government-sponsored programs

Colorado Turning Point Initiative Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment

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Denver, CO 80246-1530
(303) 692-2000
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<http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/tpi>

The Colorado Turning Point Initiative is working to create systems-change in the policies and practices of agencies, organizations and communities toward the pursuit of health equity and the elimination of health disparities. Program goals include developing a minority health surveillance system, diversifying the public health workforce, improving cultural competency, building a statewide communication network and providing education about health disparities and their root causes as they relate to the determinants of health.

University-sponsored programs in the community

Latino/a Research and Policy Center

University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center
1380 Lawrence Street, Suite 1100
Denver, CO 80204-2059
(303) 353-3700
Contact: contact@lrpc.cudenver.edu
<http://www.lrpc.cudenver.edu/>

The Latino/a Research & Policy Center (LRPC) is an organized research unit for the University of Colorado at Denver. The LRPC's mission is to improve the quality of life for Colorado Latinos/as through research, policy work, public forums and publications in the areas of health, education, and immigration.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Brother Jeff's Community Health Initiative

608 26th Street, Executive Suite
Denver, CO 80205
(303) 293-8879
brotherjeff1@earthlink.net
www.brotherjeff.com

Brother Jeff's Community Health Initiative's mission is to reduce the disproportionate HIV and AIDS rate among African-Americans and to enhance the quality of life for African-Americans living with HIV and AIDS regardless of age, faith, background or sexual orientation.

Colorado Organization for Latina Opportunity and Reproductive Rights

P.O. Box 201061
Denver, CO 80220
(303) 393-0382
Email: info@colorlatina.org
<http://www.colorlatina.org/>
(Oppy Agenda)

The mission of Colorado Organization for Latina Opportunity and Reproductive Rights (COLOR) is to educate on, to advocate for, and to promote the quality of healthcare and reproductive rights for the sisterhood of Latinas. To this end, COLOR offers education, advocacy and technical assistance to the Latino community, key decision-makers, non-profit organizations, healthcare providers, governmental agencies, and the mainstream community to promote social justice for Latinas. COLOR's area of action include breast and cervical cancer, sexually transmitted infections, HIV/AIDS, family planning and contraception, abortion, and sexuality education.

Northeast Denver Housing Center

1735 Gaylord Street
Denver, CO 80206
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<http://www.nedenverhousing.org/>
(AFHH)

Northeast Denver Housing Center works to create sustainable, healthy housing opportunities for underserved households through outreach, education and housing development.

Connecticut

Statewide advocacy organizations

Connecticut Citizens Research Group

115 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06105
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(AFHH)

Connecticut Citizen Action Group (CCAG) is a statewide membership organization dedicated to working with people to bring about social, economic and environmental justice. By utilizing grassroots power, CCAG has created change on the issues our members care about including quality, affordable health care and the protection of our environment.

Connecticut Coalition for Environmental Justice

P.O. Box 2022
Hartford, CT 06145
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<http://www.environmental-justice.org/>

The mission of Connecticut Coalition for Environmental Justice is to protect urban environments primarily in Connecticut through educating communities, through promoting changes in local, state, and national policy, and through promoting individual, corporate and governmental responsibility towards our environment.

Connecticut Health Foundation

74B Vine Street
New Britain, CT 06052

(560) 224-2200

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<http://www.cthealth.org/>

The Connecticut Health Foundation has made a long-term commitment to eliminate factors that contribute to health disparities experienced by racial and ethnic populations in Connecticut. The Foundation selected the strategy of improving the diversity of the health care workforce as one important and concrete contribution to addressing the quality of care for minorities.

Environment & Human Health, Inc.

1191 Ridge Road

North Haven, CT 06473

(203) 248-6582

<http://www.ehhi.org/>

EHHI is dedicated to protecting human health from environmental harms through research, education and promotion of sound public policy. Environment and Human Health, Inc. is made up of doctors, public health professionals and policy experts committed to the reduction of environmental health risks to individuals.

Universal Health Care Foundation of Connecticut, Inc.

290 Pratt Street

Meriden, CT 06450

(203) 639-0550

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<http://www.anthemfdnct.org/>

Believing that Connecticut needs to have a system of health care that provides excellent care at an affordable cost and leaves no one out, UHCFC seeks to be a catalyst that engages people and communities in shaping a democratic health system that provides universal access to quality health care and promotes health in Connecticut. To develop this mission, the board of directors and staff consults with health policy experts, organized labor, small business representatives, foundations, advocacy organizations and faith-based organizations.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Bridgeport Child Advocacy Coalition

2470 Fairfield Avenue

Bridgeport, CT 06605

(203) 549-0075

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Contact: Barbara Edinberg, Assistant Director

Email: mo@bcacct.org

<http://www.bcacct.org/>

The Bridgeport Child Advocacy Coalition, BCAC, is a coalition of 81 member organizations committed to improving the well-being of Bridgeport's children through a program combining research, community planning, advocacy, community education and mobilization. BCAC promotes policies and programs to ensure that all children have the opportunity to grow up healthy and safe and receive the education and skills to reach their full potential. BCAC's Health Task Force addresses critical health issues for children in Bridgeport, with an emphasis on addressing racial disparities in health care and health care access.

Building Parent Power

190 New Britain Avenue

Hartford, CT 06106

(860) 297-4144

Building Parent Power (BPP) began in 1996 as a parent-led health and environmental advocacy and action organization dedicated to empowering parents to effect change in health and environmental access. Health care and environmental advocacy and organizing are at the core of BPP's work with community members with a focus on community and systematic change. The group's work places a special emphasis on access to care for those who are uninsured and underinsured and for community members who have limited English proficiency.

DemocracyWorks

44 Capitol Avenue, Suite 102
Hartford, CT 06106
(860) 727-1157

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<http://www.democracyworksct.org/>

DemocracyWorks is an advocacy center dedicated to making democracy work fairly, inclusively and vibrantly. DemocracyWorks is launching an Immigrant Mapping Project in partnership with the Urban Institute and the Universal Health Care Foundation. The project will provide a demographic profile of Connecticut's immigrant population and assess how immigrants interact with the health care system.

Hispanic Health Council

175 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06106
(860) 527-0856

Email: info@hispanichealth.com
<http://www.hispanichealth.com/>

Hispanic Health Council (HHC) is a community-based, non-profit organization located in Hartford, Connecticut, committed to improving the health and social well being of Puerto Rican/Latinos and other underserved communities through community-based research, direct service, training and advocacy.

Naugatuck Valley Project

26 Ludlow Street
Waterbury, CT 06710
(203) 574-2410

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<http://www.naugatuckvalleyproject.org/>

The Naugatuck Valley Project is a regional organization to save and create jobs, affordable housing, critical public and private services in the Valley, one of the oldest and poorest industrial areas in the nation. The NVP Health Care Translation Project helps gain better access to care for non-English speakers by doing the research and mobilization needed to establish language interpretation services at Valley hospitals and health care facilities.

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Delaware

Government-sponsored programs

Delaware Health Disparities Task Force

Delaware Health & Social Services
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New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 255-9040
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<http://www.state.de.us/governor/orders/webexecorder68.shtml>

Governor Ruth Ann Minner signed Executive Order Number 68, establishing the Health Disparities Task Force, which is charged with making recommendations to eliminate inequalities in disease and access to health care in Delaware. The 23-member Task Force, which will include representation from community groups, state agencies, healthcare providers, and the community, will provide its final report to the Governor within one year.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Metropolitan Wilmington Urban League

100 West 10th Street, Suite 710
Wilmington, DE 19801
(302) 622-4300
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<http://www.mwul.org/>

In partnership with the Office of Lieutenant Governor John Carney, the MWUL has embarked on an initiative to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities in the state of Delaware. The goals of the MWUL are consistent with the goals outlined in the Healthy Delaware 2010 report – to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities by ensuring that people of color in Delaware have access to quality services, information and support they need to become healthy citizens.

District of Columbia

[SEE NATIONAL LISTINGS AT END OF DIRECTORY FOR NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN D.C.]

University-sponsored programs in the community

Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health & the Environment

2141 K Street, NW, Suite 401
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 833-4687
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(AFHH)

The Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health & the Environment (MACCHE) was founded in 1999 and is the Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit for Region 3. It is a joint project of the George Washington University Medical Center and Children's National Medical Center. Clinical activities of MACCHE include referrals and support of a clinic for pediatric lead evaluation.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Community Resources // D.C. Greenworks

D.C. Greenworks
1701 6th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 518-6195
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<http://www.communityresources.org/>

Community Resources is a regional, technical assistance nonprofit organization that brings innovative ideas, tools and experience, empowering urban communities to improve their social, physical and natural environments. Community Resources works in partnership with community groups, public agencies and nonprofit organizations to develop community-based environmental programs

DC Action for Children

1616 P Street NW, Suite 420
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(ARC/NWFCO)

Grocery stores are one of the many places – like bus lines, health fairs, and community meetings – where D.C. Action for Children distributes information as part of its effort to reach out to city residents and sign them up for health coverage.

DC Asthma Coalition

475 H Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 682-5864 x226
Contact: Lisa Gilmore, Executive Director
Email: lgilmore@aladc.org
<http://www.dcasthma.org/>
(AFHH)

The DC Asthma Coalition (DCAC) is a partnership of health care providers and educators, community-based, government, and civic organizations, environmental specialists, research institutions and universities, business leaders, asthma patients and caretakers who are working together to assist patients and families to manage and prevent asthma symptoms more effectively. It is dedicated to the promotion and implementation of comprehensive, coordinated, collaborative, interactive, creative, culturally sensitive, and holistic approaches that will improve the quality of life of individuals with asthma.

Lead Safe DC

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(AFHH)

Mary's Center for Maternal Child Care, Inc.

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Washington, DC 20009
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<http://www.maryscenter.org/>
(AFHH)

Mary's Center was established in 1988 with joint funding from the DC Mayor's Office on Latino Affairs and the DC Commission of Public Health to address the demand for Spanish-speaking maternal and pediatric services in the predominately Latino areas of Ward One. Today, the Center serves a multicultural population residing in every Ward of the city, with a focus on families who work in jobs where health insurance is not available.

NAACP – Washington Bureau

1156 15th Street NW, Suite 915
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Florida

Statewide advocacy organizations

Florida Alliance to Eradicate CLP

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Hollywood, FL 33019
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(AFHH)

Concerned Citizens to Combat Cancer, Inc.

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Contact: Jocelyn Jones
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Mission of CCCC includes: to address the disproportionate rate of cancer incidence and mortality among the medically underserved population of Florida; to increase awareness about cancer incidence, risks, prevention strategies, treatment options and other available resources; to identify barriers that might impede cancer preventions, detections and treatments plus identify the means to overcoming those barriers. Projects include the Partnership for Minority Health Education Initiative.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

National Conference for Community and Justice

Broward / South Palm Beach Region
7880 West Oakland Park Boulevard. Suite 203
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33351
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(Oppy Agenda)

NCCJ and its Broward County affiliate have identified health care disparities as a key area of focus, and have sponsored a local forum to educate and promote dialogue among community leaders, health care professionals, health systems administrators, and others.

Federation of Congregations United to Serve

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<http://www.focusorlando.org/>
(Oppy Agenda)

Federation of Congregations United to Serve (FOCUS) is a multi-ethnic, inter-denominational, non-profit community organization affiliated with the Pacific Institute for Community Organization (PICO), which serves as a national network of congregation-based community organizations in over 100 cities. FOCUS is working to make sure that seniors and low-income families have access to health care services. As part of its campaign FOCUS has worked with health officials in Orlando to establish a mobile health-care unit to visit poor neighborhoods and public housing complexes.

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Little Havana Activities & Nutrition

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Union de Hispanos Unidos Florida

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Georgia

University-sponsored programs in the community

Environmental Justice Research Center

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(AFFH)

"Based at Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia, EJRC provides research, technical, scientific, legal, and other support to community-based organizations (CBOs) and environmentally impacted communities in social justice areas related to environmental and economic justice, environmental racism, community health, and many more" (afhh). (see national groups)

Statewide advocacy organizations

Georgia Ethnic Health Network

c/o American Lung Association of Georgia
2452 Spring Road

Smyrna, GA 30080
(800) LUNG-USA
(770) 437-9950
Contact: Starla Hairston, Director
Email: shairston@alaga.org
<http://www.gaethnichealthnetwork.org/>

The Georgia Ethnic Health Network (GEHN) is part of the Georgia Alliance for Tobacco Prevention, a statewide coalition dedicated to tobacco use prevention.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Día de la Mujer Latina

Día de la Mujer Latina, Inc.
5755A Lawrenceville Highway
Tucker, GA 30084-1919
(770) 717-0021
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(Oppy Agenda)

La lucha continúa pero no seremos vencidos..the struggle continues but we will not give up. The mission of Día de la Mujer Latina, Inc. is to promote health awareness to the underserved Latino community by providing culturally and linguistically proficient health education; a culturally-specific setting for early detection screening and prevention care; a resource information center, as well as patient navigation for follow-up services.

Intercultural Center for Health & Wellness, Inc.

5755A Lawrenceville Highway
Tucker, GA 30084
(770) 717-0255
Contact: Richard Gines, Executive Director
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<http://www.diadelamujerlatina.org/ICHW>

Intercultural Center for Health & Wellness navigates the medically underserved community to health and wellness programs and a health resource hotline for a better understanding of Latino culture and traditions, and culturally proficient methods for health promotion and disease prevention.

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Idaho

Statewide advocacy organizations

Idaho Community Action Network (ICAN)

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Website: <http://icanweb.net/>

Illinois

University-sponsored programs in the community

Chicago Environmental Law Clinic

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Chicago, IL 60606
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The mission of the Chicago Environmental Law Clinic is to enable people who are confronting urban environmental problems to have equal access to environmental justice. The Clinic provides legal education, advocacy and volunteer services in response to community-directed concerns, and is a means for recurrent policy issues in urban environmental cases to be articulated and advanced.

Loyola University Child Law Center

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Anita Weinberg - Director
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(AFFH)

Statewide advocacy organizations

Illinois Caucus for Adolescent Health

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<http://www.icah.org/>
(Oppy Agenda)

ICAH was founded in 1977 as the Illinois Caucus on Teenage Pregnancy. Today, ICAH is focused on promoting a positive approach to adolescent sexual health and comprehensive support for young parents. ICAH's strategies to support this mission include development of young leaders, policy analysis and development, advocacy, and training of both youth and adults.

Voices for Illinois Children

208 South LaSalle Street, Suite 1490
Chicago, IL 60604-1120
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Email: info@voices4kids.org
<http://www.voices4kids.org/>

Voices for Illinois Children champions the full development of every child in Illinois to assure the future well-being of the people of the state. We work with families, communities and policymakers to ensure that all children grow up healthy, nurtured, safe and well-educated

Children's Home and Aid Society of Illinois

10 West 35th Street
Chicago, IL, 60616
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<http://www.chasi.org/>
(AFFH)

Chasi's volunteers and staff, and comprehensive quality programs in nearly 40 Illinois counties help children and families overcome the obstacles of poverty, abuse, and neglect to achieve healthy family structures and self-sufficiency.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Community Lead Education and Reduction

Erie Family Health Center
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Chicago, IL 60647
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(AFHH)

Great Lakes Center for Occupational and Environmental

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Chicago, IL, 60612
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Ruth Kerzee
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(AFFH)

The Great Lakes Centers for Occupational and Environmental Safety & Health is a multi-institutional and multidisciplinary center that provides professional education, research, and service in occupational safety and health to Illinois and its surrounding states. The Centers devotes special attention to the problems and needs of minority and disadvantaged workers and communities, the specific occupational and environmental safety and health needs of our region, and to the development of innovative and interdisciplinary approaches to addressing these needs.

Lawndale Christian Health Center

3860 West Ogden Avenue
Chicago, IL 60623
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Email: info@lawndale.org
<http://www.lawndale.org/>

Lawndale Christian Health Center (LCHC) is a community-based nonprofit organization, founded in 1984 and dedicated to improving the health of Chicago's Lawndale and Garfield communities. LCHC provides quality primary care services without regard for a patient's ability to pay and serves as a community resource for eliminating health disparities.

Westside Health Authority

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<http://www.healthauthority.org>

Westside Health Authority (WHA) has pioneered innovative approaches to re-establishing the well-being of West Side communities. WHA has made a substantial contribution to developing people and community through activities such as spearheading the community's effort in 1990 to raise money to purchase the closed St. Anne's Hospital.

Howard Area Community Center

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Infant Welfare Society of Chicago

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Chicago, IL, 60614
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Miriam Mayorga
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(AFFH)

Metropolitan Tenants Organization

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Chicago, IL, 60622
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(AFFH)

People for Community Recovery

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<http://www.geology.wisc.edu/~wang/EJBaldwin/PCR/>
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PCR's mission is to enhance the quality of life for low-income residents living in communities affected by pollution. PCR educates, advocates policy and programs in an effort to coordinate local residents on issues of the environment, health, housing, neighborhood safety and economic equity. PCR has found a significant

correlation among various industrial processes-- the byproducts of which pollute the air, land and water-- and the health status of urban minority communities.

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Poverty Law Project

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Environmental Resource Center

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Chicago, IL, 60615
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Westside Health Authority

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Indiana

Government-sponsored programs

Indiana Joint Asthma Council

100 North Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 232-8603
www.in.gov/idem/envirohealth/asthma.html

University-sponsored programs in the community

William S. and Christine S. Hall Center for Law and Health

IU Center of Law – Indianapolis
Lawrence W. Inlow Hall
530 West New York Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202-3225
(317) 274-1912
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<http://www.indylaw.indiana.edu/centers/clh/>

The Center for Law and Health conducts legal and empirical research on health law issues in Indiana and the nation; analyses health law issues for the bar, government, and the health care community; and expands the curriculum and teaching of health law at the law school, while providing opportunities for student participation in Center-sponsored research initiatives, educational programs, and health law internships.

Get the Lead Out Task Force - Memorial Hospital

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Get The Lead Out! (GTLO!) was conceived in the fall of 2000 by the Community Leadership Institute (CLI) at Aquinas College as a way to "bring the community together in strategic action that ends childhood lead poisoning in Kent County." GTLO! is comprised of over 30 organizations, with representation from local government, human services, environmental advocacy, health care, education, child advocacy, housing providers, neighborhood-based organizations, CLEARCorps, and others.

Statewide advocacy organizations

Indiana Minority Health Coalition, Inc.

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Indianapolis, IN 46208
(317) 926-4011
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<http://www.imhc.org/>
Hispanic/Latino Division
Contact: Carolin Requiz, Executive Director
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Improving Kids' Environment

6530 Cricklewood Road
Indianapolis, IN 46220
(317) 902-3610
Contact: Janet G. McCabe, Executive Director
Email: mccabe@ikecoalition.org
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(AFFH)

Projects: Lead and Healthy Homes: Most sources of mercury to children have been dramatically reduced. But we have a legacy that must be addressed - the legacy of deteriorating lead-based paint. And with 35% of children in some Indiana neighborhoods and one of nine tested statewide having elevated blood lead levels, the problem must be addressed. Most of IKE's work has been through the Lead-Safe Indiana Task Force which it formed in September of 1999. The Task Force has flourished since then.

Sewage in Our Streams: 105 municipalities in Indiana have sewer systems that combine storm water and domestic and industrial sewage. Many of these systems overflow into neighborhood streams that children play in even in moderate rains. The solutions are tough to find. Preliminary estimates are that it will take \$4 billion in Indiana alone to reduce the 20 billion gallons of annual overflows.

Indiana Public Health Association

P.O. Box 1705
Indianapolis, IN 46206
(317) 221-3005
Email: info@inpha.org
<http://www.inpha.org/>

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Hispanic/Latino Minority Health Coalition of Greater Indianapolis

3225 North Meridian Street, Suite 204
Indianapolis, IN 46208
(317) 925-2933
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<http://www.hlmhc.org/>

Hispanic/Latino Minority Health Coalition of Greater Indianapolis works to enhance the quality of life for Indiana's Hispanic and Latino communities through education, advocacy and quality health care services.

Organization for a New Eastside

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Indianapolis, IN, 46201
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(AFFH)

Iowa

Statewide advocacy organizations

Iowa Citizen Action Network (ICAN)

3520 Beaver Ave, Suite D
Des Moines, Iowa 50310
Phone: (515) 277-5077
Fax: (515) 277-8003
485 Hwy 1 W
Iowa City, Iowa 52246-9922
Phone: (319) 354-8116

Fax: (319) 354-0833
Website: <http://www.yawp.com/ican/>

Kansas

Statewide advocacy organizations

Kansas Minority Health Advocacy Network

Phone: (316) 978-3695

Kentucky

Statewide advocacy organizations

Citizens for a Lead-Free Kentucky

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Louisville, KY, 40216
(502) 363-1720
Melanie McMahan
leadfreeky@hotmail.com
(AFFH)

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Metropolitan Housing Coalition

PO Box 4533
Louisville, KY 40204-4533
(502) 584-6858
<http://www.metropolitanhousing.org/>

Projects: "Out of Breath: Childhood Asthma, Poverty and Housing"

Louisiana

Government-sponsored programs

Louisiana Office of Mental Health

PO Box 4049, Bin #12
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4049
(504) 430-8161
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alford@dhh.la.gov
<http://www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=62>

REACH (Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health) 2010: At the Heart of New Orleans

1515 Poydras St., Ste. 1020
New Orleans, LA
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<http://nbwhp.convio.net/site/PageServer?pagename=REACH2010>

Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, REACH 2010: At the Heart of New Orleans is a church-based program designed to reduce the disparities in cardiovascular diseases experienced by African American women. The REACH Coalition consists of community organizations, local and state health departments, universities, health clinics, and local churches.

University-sponsored programs in the community

Deep South Center for Environmental Justice

Dillard University

440 N. Foster Dr.

Baton Rouge, LA 70806

(225) 201-1604

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Carolyn Woullard

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Housed at the Dillard University of Louisiana, DSCEJ was developed in conjunction with various community groups and universities to address the environmental justice needs of the region.

Loyola University of N.O. School of Law

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New Orleans, LA, 70118

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(AFFH)

Statewide advocacy organizations

ACORN National Louisiana/New Orleans ACORN

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Beth Butler, Head Organizer

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(AFFH)

ACORN National Louisiana and New Orleans ACORN are the state and local affiliates of Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now. They organize for a living wage, lead poisoning prevention, and voting rights in the area.

Louisiana Environmental Action Network (LEAN)

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Baton Rouge, LA 70896

(225) 928-1315

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Marylee Orr

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www.leanweb.org

LEAN is an umbrella group for organizations that work on environmental issues. It connects citizens with corporate and government organization to assess and solve environmental problems in order to improve the environment for all Louisiana citizens.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Advocates for Environmental Human Rights (AEHR)

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New Orleans, LA 70130
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Nathalie Walker, JD – Co-Director & Attorney
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AEHR is an environmental justice law firm dedicated to providing legal advocacy for communities working towards attaining their fundamental human right to a clean and healthy environment.

Common Ground Health Clinic

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New Orleans, LA 70114
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New Orleans, LA 70174-1801
(504) 361-9800
healthalgiers@yahoo.com
www.cghc.org

Common Ground Health Clinic was created after Hurricane Katrina to respond to the medical needs of those who could not evacuate. It offers free health care for those without insurance and it is working to provide culturally competent health care to reduce health disparities. Additionally, it provides bilingual services and the Latino Health Outreach Project to increase the Latino population's access to health care.

Center for Empowered Decision Making (CEDM)

1515 Poydras Street, Ste. 1060
New Orleans, LA 70112
(504) 620-0024
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<http://ctrfedm.org/>

The Center for Empowered Decision Making uses the strategies of community engagement, capacity building and community mobilization in building healthy neighborhoods and communities in New Orleans. Post Katrina activities for the Center include developing health care delivery services in Baton Rouge and New Orleans for storm affected populations.

Children's Defense Fund – Louisiana

938 Lafayette Street, Ste. 407
New Orleans, LA 70113-1027
(504) 681-0082
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The Children's Defense Fund strives to ensure every child has a Healthy Start, a Head Start, a Fair Start, a Safe Start, and a Moral Start in life. CDF advocates and lobbies for policies in the areas of child health, child welfare and mental health, early childhood development, education and youth development, and family

income and jobs. CDF is working with Southern and Dillard Universities to train college students to work with Katrina children in summer and after school programs.

EXCELth, Inc.

1515 Poydras Street, Ste. 1070
New Orleans, LA 70112
(504) 524-1210
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EXCELth Inc., is a community-based health center created to increase quality and access to primary care, particularly to the underserved. Serving the city of New Orleans and Baton Rouge, EXCELth had five primary care centers, a dental clinic, a mobile clinic, a women's health clinic, two school-based health centers, and a substance abuse treatment program. After Hurricane Katrina, EXCELth moved its operations to Baton Rouge and continues to provide care to evacuees.

Institute of Mental Hygiene

1055 Charles Ave., Ste. 350
New Orleans, LA 70130-3995
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<http://www.imhno.org>
Contact: Nancy Freeman – Executive Director

IMH promotes increased access and quality of mental health services for children. Among its goals are connecting mental health providers in low-income communities with universities and child-serving institutions; partnering with other organizations that would like to add mental health services to their existing programs; building mental health leadership capacity in the community; and supporting advocacy efforts, infrastructure development, and improving the effectiveness of local mental health groups.

Louisiana Bucket Brigade

1661 Canal Street, Suite 2500
New Orleans, LA 70806
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<http://www.labucketbrigade.org/>
Contact: Anne Rolfes – Director
Contact: Joy Lewis – Board Member

The Louisiana Bucket Brigade conducts independent environmental sampling in New Orleans to assist communities to reduce pollution and protect public health.

Louisiana Public Health Institute

1515 Poydras Street, Ste. 1200
New Orleans, LA 70112
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LPHI works to improve the health and quality of life in New Orleans through public-private partnerships at the parish and state level. It creates partnerships in order to promote policy change, disseminate information to improve community capacity, and expand knowledge through applied research.

Moving Forward Gulf Coast, Inc. (MFGC)

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Slidell, LA 70460
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MFGC is a private empowerment effort, led by natives of the Gulf Coast region, developed in response to the Hurricanes of 2005. Focusing primarily on communities of color in Slidell, New Orleans, Gulfport/Biloxi, Pearllington and Mobile, MFGC recruits and works with volunteers from around the nation and provides free assistance to families that cannot afford to rebuild their homes. MFGC volunteers work to assist hurricane survivors take charge of healing their lives and reconstruct their communities by shifting the paradigm of social change toward producing self-sufficiency and self-determination.

New Orleans Black Nurses Association (NOBNA)

3035 Hyman Pl.
New Orleans, LA 70131
(504) 392-7793
Contact: Rebecca Harris-Smith, RN – President
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<http://www.nobna.org>

NOBNA advocates for the health care needs of communities of color by influencing legislation that affects African Americans and minorities. Additionally, it participates in health fairs that target minority populations, mentors African American nursing students, and collaborates with other health care workers and organizations.

New Orleans Legal Assistance

1010 Common St., Ste. 1400A
New Orleans, LA 70112
(504) 529-1000
1-877-521-6242
Contact: Laura Tuggle
Contact: Ranie Thompson
<http://www.nolac.org/>

New Orleans Legal Assistance provides free legal aid for low-income individuals. Part of its work focuses on increasing the poor's access to health care. Additionally, it works with community groups and other legal advocacy organizations to protect the rights of the poor.

People's Environmental Center

PO Box 53011
New Orleans, LA 70153
(504) 451-3693
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xbricex@hotmail.com

The People's Environmental Center informs New Orleans residents about the environmental conditions in their neighborhoods with the goal of organizing residents to advocate for their environmental rights.

People's Hurricane Relief Fund/People's Organizing Committee

2226 Ursulines
New Orleans, LA 70119
(504) 872-9591
Contact: Ishmael Muhammad
Cell: (404) 664-3009

The People's Organizing Committee (POC) is a collaboration organizers from various groups under the People's Hurricane Relief Fund (PHRF). POC aims to build and sustain a network of community leaders, organizers, and community organizations in order to assist those most impacted by Katrina. This network will serve as a means to help develop local leadership for the relief effort.

St. Thomas Health Services

1020 St. Andrew Street
New Orleans, LA 70130
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<http://www.stthomasclinic.org/>
(ARC/NWFCO)

The clinic launched by the St. Thomas Resident Council, St. Thomas Health services, is the community's primary vehicle for addressing the range of issues that affect the mostly low-income African American community that it serves. St. Thomas Health Services has been a model for integrating a broader vision of community health (one that includes explicitly addressing the consequences of racism and discrimination), and accessible, high quality primary care.

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Maine

Government-sponsored programs

The New England Minority Health Committee Regional Initiative to Eliminate Health Disparities

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(Oppy Agenda)

In partnership with the USDHHS the New England states began collaborating in 1997 to develop strategies to address racial and ethnic health disparities regionally. As a result of joint planning the first "Eliminating Health Disparities by 2010" conference was held in Rhode Island April 1999. Two important outcomes resulted from this first conference. First, time was provided for participants to meet as states to identify state specific health disparity needs. The goal was to develop state specific plans. Second, a commitment to continue the regional collaboration resulted in the initiation of conference planning activities for the 2001 conference hosted by Vermont and New Hampshire.

Statewide advocacy organizations

Environmental Health Strategy Center

P.O. Box 2217
Bangor, ME 04402
(207) 827-6331
Contact: Michael Belliveau, Executive Director

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<http://www.preventharm.org/>

The Environmental Health Strategy Center works to protect human health by reducing exposure to toxic chemicals, expanding the use of safer alternatives, and building partnerships that focus on the environment as a public health priority. The Environmental Health Strategy Center frames toxic pollution as a public health issue, focuses on proven solutions and draws strength from both the environmental and public health movements.

Maryland

Government-sponsored programs

Office of Minority Health & Health Disparities

Maryland Dept. of Health & Mental Hygiene
201 West Preston St., Room 500
Baltimore, MD 21201
(410) 767-7117
Contact: Carlessia A. Hussein, Director
Email: healthdisparities@dhmh.state.md.us
<http://www.mdhealthdisparities.org/>

The Health Disparities Initiative shall focus the Department's resources on eliminating health disparities, partners with statewide organizations in developing policies and implementing programs and monitors and reports the progress to elected officials and the public. The target ethnic/racial groups include African Americans, Hispanic/Latino Americans, Asian Americans and Native Americans.

University-sponsored programs in the community

NIEHS Center in Urban Environmental Health

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
615 North Wolfe Street
Baltimore, MD 21205
(443) 287-7727
Email: jgroopma@jhsph.edu
<http://www.jhsph.edu/dept/EHS/Centers/UrbanEnviroHlth/>

The growth of urban centers around the country and the associated environmental risk factors has had a profound impact upon the health of urban area residents. Research at the Johns Hopkins Center in Urban Environmental Health examines how interaction of socioeconomic status and environmental exposure contribute to health disparities.

University of Maryland Env. Health Education Center

655 W. Lombard Street Room 402
Baltimore, MD, 21201
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Barbara Sattler – Director
(AFFH)

Statewide advocacy organizations

Minority Access, Inc.

5214 Baltimore Avenue
Hyattsville, MD 20781-2044
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<http://www.minorityaccess.org/>

Minority Access, Inc. has a Cooperative Agreement with the Office of Minority Health, supported by the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to help close the health disparities gap, in part by increasing the participation of minorities in biomedical research by identifying and honoring minority students and their supporters of any race.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning

2714 Hudson Street
Baltimore, MD 21224
(410) 534-6447
Contact: Ruth Ann Norton, Executive Director
Email: RANorton@leadsafe.org
<http://www.leadsafe.org/>

The Coalition to End Childhood Lead Poisoning is dedicated to preventing childhood lead poisoning through advocacy, outreach and education. Working in partnership with the community, the Coalition is committed to ensuring that all children grow up in healthy, affordable lead-safe housing and that community based solutions for lead safe housing are implemented which will result in healthier children and healthier communities. The Coalition also provides Environmental Justice training through their Community Health Leaders Advocacy program.

Public Justice Center

Latino Advocacy Project
500 East Lexington Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202
(410) 625-9409, x224
Contact: Ricardo Flores, Public Policy Director
Email: flores@publicjustice.org
<http://www.publicjustice.org/>

The Public Justice Center's Health Rights Project acts as a "watchdog" for poor people who need health insurance. In addition, the project advocates with government agencies to simplify and improve access to care and brings consumer voices to the decision-making table.

ACORN Baltimore

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(AFFH)

African American Environmental Association

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Community Resources

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Kennedy Krieger Institute

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(AFFH)

Massachusetts

Government-sponsored programs

Boston Public Health Commission

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(Oppy Agenda)

Boston Mayor Thomas Menino announced a plan designed to address the city's racial and ethnic disparities in health care, providing \$1 million in grants to pay for hospitals to begin tracking ethnic and racial differences in care delivery and underwrite cultural sensitivity training for physicians. The city's initiative also calls on hospitals to diversify their staffs and collaborate with religious groups and community coalitions that work in black, Latino and Asian communities. The \$1 million initiative will be funded partially by grants from foundations, health care providers and the city.

Task Force on Child Lead Poisoning

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(AFFH)

University-sponsored programs in the community

Family Advocacy Program

Maternity 6

91 East Concord Street
Boston Medical Center
Boston, MA 02118
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Email: ellen.lawton@bmc.org
<http://www.familyadvocacyprogram.org/>

The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) is a medical-legal collaborative designed to improve the health and well-being of low-income families with children. FAP provides free legal services for families whose children are served by BMC and affiliated neighborhood health centers; consultation, training and resources for health care providers; technical assistance to new and established medical-legal collaboratives; and support for legislative advocacy and policy reform initiatives. Working closely with pediatricians, FAP attorneys have successfully advocated for broad change through policy reform initiatives on several fronts, including the provision of state mental health services for children.

Statewide & regional advocacy organizations

Asthma Regional Council

The Medical Council (ARC)
622 Washington Street, 2nd Floor
Dorchester, MA 02124
(617) 451-0049, x504
Contact: Laurie Stillman, Executive Director
Email: lstillman@tmfnet.org
<http://www.asthmaregionalcouncil.org/>

To reduce the impact of asthma across New England, through collaborations of health, housing, education, and environmental organizations with particular focus on the contribution of schools, homes, and communities to the disease and with attention to its disproportionate impact on populations at greatest risk. The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System 2001 data shows that the New England region has the highest rates of asthma in the country - nearly 1.7 of the nation's 17 million asthma sufferers in 2001 reside in the New England region. Low income families have the highest burden.

Disparities Solution Center Institute for Health Policy

Massachusetts General Hospital
50 Stanford Street, 9th Floor
Boston, MA 02114
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The Disparities Solution Center is dedicated to the development and implementation of strategies that advance policy and practice to eliminate racial and ethnic disparities in health care. The Disparities Center is the first disparity center to be based in a hospital, which supports its practical focus on moving the issue of disparities in health care beyond research and into the arenas of policy and practice.

Health Care For All

30 Winter Street, 10th floor
Boston, MA 02108
(617)350-7279
Contact: John McDonough, Executive Director
Email: mcdonough@hcfama.org
<http://www.hcfama.org/>

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Alternatives for Community & Environment

2181 Washington Street, Suite 301
Roxbury, MA 02119
(617) 442-3343
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<http://www.ace-ej.org/>

Based in Roxbury, Massachusetts, Alternatives for Community & Environment (ACE) builds the power of communities of color and lower income communities to eradicate environmental racism and classism and achieve environmental justice. In neighborhoods like Roxbury, cumulative hazards contribute to and further aggravate poor health conditions, such as high rates of asthma. ACE believes that these injustices are the result of *political* disempowerment and economic abandonment.

Bowdoin Street Community Health Center

230 Bowdoin Street
Dorchester, MA, 02122
(617) 822-5316
Davita Andelman
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<http://www.bowdoinstreethealth.org/services.asp>
(AFFH)

The Community Health Team is committed to improving the health of the Dorchester Community by helping residents access health care on a regular basis. The Team is staffed by community outreach workers who go door-to-door, talking to residents and neighbors about health-related issues. Health workers partner with community residents and community-based agencies to identify health issues and develop programs to address those needs.

Codman Square Health Center

637 Washington Street
Dorchester, MA 02124
(617) 825-9660
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Email: Doreen.treacy@codman.org
<http://www.codman.org/>

The Codman Square Health Center serves as a resource for improving the physical, mental and social well being of the community. The Health Center was conceived by a group of neighborhood activists in the 1970's, who joined together to improve the neighborhood. Codman Square Health Center initiatives address the social, emotional and educational needs of adults and youth while celebrating the cultural and ethnic diversity of the community and the potential of every individual.

DotWell – A Partnership Between Dorchester House Multi-Service Center & Codman Square Health Center

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DotWell is our new name for the Health Services Partnership, established by Dorchester House Multi-Service Center and Codman Square Health Center. DotWell works to provide integrated clinical and community

services to address health disparities, build social capital, and meet the complex needs of the dynamic
Dorchester community

Boston Urban Asthma Coalition

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(AFFH)

The Coalition serves as a clearinghouse and network for those in the city who are committed to improving the problem of asthma in Boston. Participating organizations include community activists who work alongside leading scientists and physicians to develop new approaches to prevention and intervention. Over time the organization has grown from a group of concerned individuals looking for a systemic means to address the asthma epidemic in Boston into a large coalition which achieves its work through member led committees.

Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative

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The Lead Action Collaborative is a partnership of non-profit organizations, foundations, and government agencies that has been working to substantially reduce the incidence of childhood lead poisoning in Boston's highest risk neighborhoods. The Collaborative also facilitates networking on lead issues among grassroots organizations, non-profit groups, and public agencies.

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Michigan

Statewide advocacy organizations

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Local organizing and advocacy groups

Migrant Health Promotion

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(Oppy Agenda)

Migrant Health Promotion builds on community strengths to improve health in farmworker and border communities. Our programs provide peer health education, increase access to health resources and bring community members together with health providers, employers and policymakers to create positive changes. Farmworkers and community members participate in health training and share what they have learned with their families and peers.

Get the Lead Out Coalition - Aquinas College Community Leadership Institute

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Grand Rapids, MI, 49506

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The Get the Lead Out Coalition is a group of parents, UTEP faculty and students, El Paso Community College, community leaders, neighborhood groups, schools and school children and concerned citizens, whose mission is to protect the health of border residents in El Paso, Texas, Ciudad Juarez, and Southeastern New Mexico. The GTLO Coalition also encourages community dialogue to prevent the reopening of American Smelting and Refining Company (ASARCO) and to promote sustainable growth for El Paso that is ecologically and economically sound.

Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services

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Established in 1994, Detroiters Working for Environmental Justice (DWEJ) was formed for the express purpose of addressing the disproportional burdens faced by people of color and low income residents in environmentally distressed communities. DWEJ is a coalition of community leaders, academia, environmentalists, and others committed to restoring the city to a good place to live. The goal is to create an empowered community that has the capacity to address environmental concerns and to participate in decision-making activities where they are able to offer solutions to the problems that they face.

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Minnesota

Government-sponsored programs

Eliminating Health Disparities Initiative Office of Minority & Multicultural Health

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The purpose of the Eliminating Health Disparities Initiative is to close the gap in the health status of African Americans/Africans, American Indians, Asian Americans, and Hispanic/Latinos in Minnesota compared with whites in the following priority health areas: breast and cervical cancer, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections, healthy youth development, and violence and unintentional injuries, and by 2010, decrease by 50 percent the disparities in infant mortality rates and adult and child immunization. Identifying and/or creating new and innovative strategies to address racial/ethnic disparities is a key part of the EHDI program, as is a focus on prevention and early detection.

Statewide advocacy organizations

Sustainable Resources Center

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Sustainable Resources Center works to build vital communities that meet people's needs today while enhancing the environment for future generations. SRC focuses its efforts on lead issues, energy use, and healthy homes. SRC believes that barriers to service should be removed so that health, housing, education and other human and funding resources are made easily available to families. SRC's policies have been established so that services are family friendly and involve everyone in the work of creating and sustaining healthy homes.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Phillips Lead Collaborative c/o Sustainable Res

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Phillips Lead Collaborative works with families, property owners and neighborhood associations to reduce the risks of lead poisoning for children through education, lead removal and gardening activities.

Project 504

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Project 504 is a housing-related neighborhood organization in Minneapolis working with tenants and communities to improve the housing conditions of people who find themselves living in substandard and often unaffordable housing.

Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association

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(AFFH)

GMDCA is a child care resource and referral agency located in Minneapolis, Minnesota, that helps families find child care and eligible parents pay for child care. The Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association is committed to the healthy development of all children.

Mississippi

Government-sponsored programs

Office of Minority Affairs

Mississippi Department of Health
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Statewide advocacy organizations

Mississippi Health Advocacy Program

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Missouri

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Healthy Homes Network

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The Healthy Homes Network of Greater Kansas City (HHN) is a community-based, not-for-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of safe and healthy homes. The HHN brings both experience and commitment to finding solutions that are affordable and practical for high-risk housing in low-income communities. The HHN strives to help people and communities make every home healthy by ensuring that it is dry, well ventilated, and free of pests, poisons, and dangerous gases. This is an investment that pays huge dividends by reducing medical costs, improving the home's durability and resale value, and, most importantly, safeguarding our children's health.

St. Louis Lead Prevention Coalition

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The St. Louis Lead Prevention Coalition is a diverse group of individuals and public and private organizations working together to reduce and eliminate lead exposure in the St. Louis metro area, especially among children. It includes an extremely broad range of interests including neighborhood associations, hospitals and healthcare organizations, doctors, property owners associations, tenant associations, churches, businesses, local schools, and city and county government

United Parents Against Lead

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UPAL recognizes the unique experience and commitment of parents of lead poisoned children and the critical need for their participation and leadership in the fight to end lead poisoning. UPAL strives to ensure every child's basic right to health and a clean environment. UPAL proposes to work toward the elimination of this world wide epidemic through screening, intervention and preventive education efforts.

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Montana

Statewide advocacy organizations

Montana People's Action

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Montana Migrant & Seasonal Farmworker's Council, Inc.

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Government-sponsored programs

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The Office of Minority Health and Human Services (OMHHS) represents and advances the interests of people of color for the purpose of reducing the disparity that exists between the health status of racial/ethnic minorities and non-minorities in Nebraska. Central issues are to improve access to health services for racial/ethnic minorities; improve data collection strategies; increase racial/ethnic minority representation in science and health professions; develop relevant and comprehensive research agenda; and expand community-based health promotion and disease prevention outreach efforts.

Nevada

Health Disparities Research Center

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New Hampshire

Statewide advocacy organizations

New Hampshire Minority Health Coalition

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The coalition works to identify populations in the state with barriers to accessing appropriate healthcare, to advocate for appropriate services and to empower these populations to be active participants in their own health care. The primary target population of the NHMHC is racial, ethnic, and linguistic minorities.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

The Way Home

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Healthy Homes Services is a program of The Way Home (TWH), a non-profit tenant rights and social services agency in Manchester, New Hampshire. The program trains and employs low-income community residents, including parents of lead-poisoned children and children at high risk, to provide environmental health services to their communities. These services, which include low-cost hazard control, peer education, and the provision of products that reduce environmental health hazards, have proven to be one way to advance primary prevention efforts.

New Jersey

Government-sponsored programs

Office of Minority & Multicultural Health

New Jersey Department of Health & Senior Services
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The Office of Minority and Multicultural Health works to prevent disease and to promote and protect the well-being of racial/ethnic minorities at all stages of life, accomplishing this mission through increasing public and health professional awareness of persistent race/ethnic disparities and by developing effective health policies and culturally competent programs that lead to better access and utilization of quality health care services.

University-sponsored programs in the community

Institute for the Elimination of Health Disparities

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Institute for the Elimination of Health Disparities is dedicated to promoting long and healthy lives for members of New Jersey's culturally and racially underserved communities. New project on "Addressing Cancer Disparities in New Jersey"

New Jersey Public Policy Research Institute

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The New Jersey Public Policy Research Institute, (NJPPRI) identifies, analyzes and disseminates information critical to informed public policy development in and for the African-American community in New Jersey and the region. NJPPRI assists organizations such as the state-wide NAACP to implement local initiatives to address health disparities.

Statewide advocacy organizations

Healthy Eating & Activity Together Initiative (HEAT)

An Initiative of the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP)
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The focus of the Healthy Eating and Activity Together (HEATSM) Initiative is prevention of obesity in children and identification of children at risk for obesity and its physical and psychological morbidities. The HEAT Initiative includes the development of an evidence-based, culturally appropriate clinical practice guideline for health professionals focused on optimal nutrition, feeding/eating, and physical activity to guide care. Additional objectives of HEAT are to educate about good nutrition, feeding/eating, and physical activity behaviors; and to encourage change in public policies to ensure access to high-quality resources for nutrition and physical activity for all children and families.

New Jersey Citizen Action

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Programs: Cultural Competency, Awareness, Respect, & Equity Program. Through participation in the CARE program, health professionals are expected to gain an awareness of their personal biases, stereotypes and prejudices about people different from themselves; to have an understanding of how personal biases, stereotypes and prejudices can impact patient outcomes; to demonstrate skills to communicate effectively with culturally, racially, ethnically and linguistically diverse patients; and to demonstrate skills to perform a Patient Cultural Assessment. The CARE program complements the NCCJ New Jersey Region's summit for healthcare professionals, "The Role of New Jersey Hospitals in Eliminating Healthcare Disparities."

Local organizing and advocacy groups

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Isles operates a vast array of activities that recognize the interdependence of physical, economic, health, and social development strategies to address the problems of distressed communities. Each year, Isles directly reaches central New Jersey residents with programs in: at-risk youth job training, affordable housing development, financial literacy training, homeownership counseling, community gardening, environmental health and education, community organizing, and regional planning.

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New Mexico

Statewide advocacy organizations

SouthWest Organizing Project

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SWOP is a statewide multi-racial, multi-issue, community based membership organization. Since 1980 we have worked to make it possible for thousands of New Mexicans to begin to have a place and voice in social, economic and environmental decisions that affect our lives.

New York

Government-sponsored programs

New York City Coalition to End Lead Poisoning

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New York City is committed to the national goal of eliminating childhood lead poisoning by the year 2010. Once finalized, the New York City Lead Poisoning Prevention Plan will guide the efforts of city agencies and non-government partners to reach that national goal.

Bellevue Hospital

South Manhattan Healthcare Network

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Bellevue Hospital serves people from every corner of the world, in hundreds of distinct languages. Bellevue is exceptional in its ability to meet the language needs of this diverse patient population. The hospital has employed a three-tiered system of language services, offering traditional interpretation as well as an innovative system that provides high-quality interpretation while building the patient-doctor relationships and trust that are often compromised in the presence of an interpreter. (ARC/NWFCO)

University-sponsored programs in the community

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A project of SUNY Downstate Medical Center and the Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health, the center will provide research and educational resources to better bridge the borough's health care gaps.

Statewide advocacy organizations

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The Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health (AAIUH) works to reduce morbidity and mortality from disease among the most vulnerable populations in urban areas through improved access to care and increased health knowledge.

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New York Lawyers for the Public Interest is a nonprofit, civil rights law firm that strives for social justice. In partnership with member law firms, corporate law departments and other organizations, NYLPI helps underrepresented people develop legal strategies to serve their vision for themselves and their communities. NYLPI's Environmental Justice and Community Development Project offers legal assistance and community organizing resources to environmentally-distressed neighborhoods, addressing the problem that communities of color and low-income communities in New York City bear an unfair burden of environmental harm, depressing local economies while damaging residents' health and quality of life. NYLPI's Access to Health Care Program works with community groups to remedy systemic barriers to health care access through administrative enforcement of civil rights laws, litigation, and other forms of advocacy. Access to health care includes issues of access for linguistic minorities as well as the problem of hospital closures in medically underserved low-income neighborhoods.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

BRONX

Bronx Health REACH

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BROOKLYN

Make the Road By Walking

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A not-for-profit, membership-led organization based in Bushwick, Brooklyn. Make the Road organizes not just for economic justice, but for workplace justice, a safer and healthier environment. The Project organizes building, block, and corner associations that can demand action from both landlords and local politicians on lead poisoning and other health and environmental issues.

UPROSE

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United Puerto Rican Organization of Sunset Park (UPROSE) is dedicated to youth, family and community empowerment. Sunset Park is a working class waterfront community and the site of many industrial uses, numerous truck routes, waste disposal and electric power plants. Through educational workshops, organizing, leadership development, UPROSE builds community power. In addition to environmental justice work, UPROSE provides educational programs.

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Washington Heights and Inwood have more privately owned apartment units, and more housing code violations, than any other neighborhood in the city. Violations include such items as failure to provide heat in the winter, lead paint violations, rats and other vermin, water infiltration through ceilings and walls, non-functioning bathroom fixtures, failure to provide adequate building security, broken windows, and non-functioning elevators.

Harlem Children's Zone

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Harlem Children's Zone, Inc. is a non-profit, community-based organization that works to enhance the quality of life for children and families in some of New York City's most devastated neighborhoods. Formerly known as Rheedlen Centers for Children and Families, HCZ Inc.'s 15 centers serve more than 12,600 children and adults, including over 7,500 at-risk children. The emphasis is not just on education, social service and recreation, but on rebuilding the very fabric of community life. HCZ Inc. intentionally develops programs where other agencies are not located.

West Harlem Environmental Action, Inc. (WE ACT)

WE ACT for Environmental Justice (WE ACT)
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Based in Northern Manhattan, WE ACT advances its mission through research, public education, advocacy, mobilization, litigation, legislative affairs & sustainable economic development. WE ACT, a vigorous advocate for and a significant monitor of the Northern Manhattan environment, is a non-profit, incorporated, community-based organization that was staffed in October 1994. WE ACT's mission is to inform, educate,

train and mobilize the predominately African-American and Latino residents of Northern Manhattan on issues that impact their quality of life -- air, water and indoor pollution, toxins, land use and open space, waterfront development and usage, sanitation, transportation, historic preservation, regulatory enforcement, and citizen participation in public policy making. Projects include "If You Live Uptown, Breathe at Your Own Risk Campaign", urging the Transit Authority (TA) to commit to modifying bus depots to accommodate natural gas buses, and to invest in clean-fuel buses only; the "Healthy Home, Healthy Child Campaign;" and community-based health research programs.

LONG ISLAND

Erase Racism

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ERASE Racism operates as an education and networking hub for leaders from nonprofits, local government, businesses, community groups, and health, education, welfare, and philanthropic organizations who are motivated to rid the region of institutional racism. ERASE Racism develops and promotes policies and initiatives to end the perpetuation of institutional and structural racism in arenas such as public school education, housing, health care, and economic development.

UPSTATE

Coalition to Prevent Lead Poisoning

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The Coalition to Prevent Lead Poisoning provides leadership and advocacy in a local effort to empower the community and its residents to prevent the lead poisoning of children by creating an environment that is free of lead hazards, with the goal to end childhood lead poisoning in Monroe County by 2010.

Group 14621 Community Association, Inc.

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Group 14621 Community Association (centered in the 14621 zip code neighborhood) is an advocacy agency working to involve community members in collective efforts to improve the quality of life in neighborhoods; enhance education, employment, housing and recreation opportunities for residents; and foster personal responsibility, understanding and appreciation of diversity and similarities.

United Parents Against Lead – New York

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Orchard Street Community Health Center

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Orchard Street Community Health Center is a collaborative efforts that links the scientific expertise of healthcare professionals with community resources and priorities. The Health Center is located in a neighborhood with a high incidence of childhood injuries. As specific injuries and locations are addressed, the Health Center will add more groups to the coalition.

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North Carolina

University-sponsored programs in the community

Minority Health Project

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The overall purpose of the Minority Health Project (MHP) is to improve the quality of available data on racial and ethnic populations, to expand the capacity of minority-health researchers to conduct statistical research and develop research proposals, and to foster a network of researchers in minority health.

Morgan-Hopkins Center for Health Disparities Solutions

(A joint project of Johns Hopkins and Morgan State University)
Minority Health Project
Department of Maternal and Child Health School of Public Health
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
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<http://www.minority.unc.edu/institute/morgan/>
<http://www.jhsph.edu/healthdisparities/index.html>

The Morgan-Hopkins Center for Health Disparities Solutions (CHDS) is dedicated to the elimination of disparities in health and health care among racial and ethnic populations, socioeconomic groups and geopolitical categories such as urban, rural, and suburban populations. CHDS conducts multi-disciplinary basic and translational research with the goals of advancing knowledge on the causes of health disparities and developing interventions to eliminate disparities.

Statewide advocacy organizations

Environmental Poverty Law Project, LANC – Greensboro

A Statewide Initiative of Legal Aid of North Carolina
122 North Elm Street, Suite 700
Greensboro, NC 27401
(336) 272-0148
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The Environmental Poverty Law Project is a statewide initiative of Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc. and provides free legal assistance and representation to low-income residents of North Carolina on environmental issues. The mission of EPLP is to provide low-income communities and residents of North Carolina with the necessary tools to ensure a safe and healthy environment in their communities, on the job and in their homes.

Legal Services of North Carolina

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Local organizing and advocacy groups

Greensboro Housing Coalition

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The Greensboro Housing Coalition is committed to bringing together housing and service providers to collaborate in identifying and addressing unmet housing needs in our community, advocating for decent, affordable housing for low and moderate income people and those with special needs. Housing problems, including housing-related health risks and unaffordable housing costs, disproportionately affect minorities in Greensboro.

Partnership Project

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The Partnership Project is providing a series of technical assistance resources and materials to support the development and strengthening of public-private partnerships to improve the quality and supply of child care. Projects: Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health Care Initiative (with School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina)

Durham Affordable Housing Coalition

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Durham Parents Against Lead

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Durham Parents Against Lead (DPAL) is a group of parents of lead-poisoned children who are active in outreach and education. The mission of DPAL is to provide outreach to all parents and caregivers in Durham and to collaborate with local community groups, agencies, and organizations to eliminate lead poisoning through education, parent support, advocacy, resource referral, and legislative action.

Partnership Effort for the Advancement of Children

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The goal of the Partnership Effort for the Advancement of Children's Health (PEACH) is to address environmental insults in children of color who live in deteriorated housing, older housing, and low income communities. PEACH was founded in 1996 as a community partnership between North Carolina Central University (NCCU) and the North East Central Durham (NECD) community based agency.

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Ohio

University-sponsored programs in the community

Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital - Case Western Reserve University MS

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Statewide advocacy organizations

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Local organizing and advocacy groups

Cleveland Citizens Organized Against Lead

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Environmental Health Watch is a not-for-profit public interest organization in Cleveland, Ohio. EHW provides information, assistance and advocacy to protect and sustain human health and the health of the

environment. EHW has worked successfully with other organizations to develop, test and implement practical and effective model programs to protect human health and the environment.

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Oklahoma

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Local Environmental Action Demanded (L.E.A.D.) Agency is a non-profit corporation with goals to educate the community on environmental concerns in Northeast Oklahoma, take action to counter environmental hazards putting Northeast Oklahoma residents at risk both physically and financially, conduct environmental workshops and seminars concerning environmental issues, and partner with other environmental organizations throughout Oklahoma and the nation.

Oregon

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Josiah Hill, III Clinic

Physicians for Social Responsibility, Oregon Chapter
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Sponsored by PSR in cooperation with Common Bond and the Coalition of Black Men, the Josiah Hill Clinic offers free blood lead screening.

Pennsylvania

University-sponsored programs in the community

Center for Minority Health

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Healthy Black Family Project (HBFP) seeks to prevent diabetes and hypertension in African American neighborhoods in Pittsburgh's East End.

Temple University

TUCOE for Health Disparities Research and Training

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Local organizing and advocacy groups

Philadelphia Citizens for Children and Youth (PCCY)

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Rhode Island

Statewide advocacy organizations

Rhode Island Legal Services

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Local organizing and advocacy groups

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Childhood Lead Action Project

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The Childhood Lead Action Project works to eliminate childhood lead poisoning in Rhode Island through education, parent support and advocacy.

Greater Elmwood Neighborhood Services

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The Lead Center was started by Health & Education Leadership for Providence (HELP), a community partnership of colleges and hospitals. The Lead Center's unique care model was designed by a team of parents, health care professionals, and community leaders who recognized the need for a comprehensive, family-centered approach to the problem of lead poisoning.

South Carolina

Statewide advocacy organizations

Palmetto Health

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Palmetto Health is a South Carolina nonprofit public benefit corporation consisting of Palmetto Health Richland and Palmetto Health Baptist in Columbia and Easley. Palmetto Health provides the local community with more low or no cost services than any other hospital in town.

South Dakota

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center

Native American Community Board
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The NACB has addressed health issues pertinent to the Native American community through cultural preservation, education, coalition building, environmental and natural resource protection since 1988. Projects include the Indigenous Women's Reproductive Health and Rights Program.

Tennessee

Appalachian Center of Translational Disparities Research

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Texas

University-sponsored programs in the community

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The Environmental Law and Justice Center is a public interest, environmental project lending 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.

Center of Excellence in Health Disparities Research

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Statewide advocacy organizations

United Parents Against Lead – Texas

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UPAL recognizes the unique experience and commitment of parents of lead poisoned children and the critical need for their participation and leadership in the fight to end lead poisoning. UPAL works toward the elimination of this world wide epidemic through screening, intervention and preventive education efforts.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

West Dallas Coalition for Environmental Justice

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The West Dallas Coalition of Environmental Justice is more than 2,000 members, almost all black or Hispanic, becoming one of the largest and most visible minority organizations in the area. The coalition's cause is the fight for the cleanup of polluted soil from a lead smelter that closed in 1984 after operating for 55 years. In lawsuits against local, state and Federal agencies and in dozens of protests, the coalition has argued that hundreds of residents suffer from lead poisoning because of discrimination in land use, housing, health and environmental cleanup policies.

Migrant Health Promotion

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Migrant Health Promotion builds on community strengths to improve health in farm worker and border communities. Our programs provide peer health education, increase access to health resources and bring community members together with health providers, employers and policymakers to create positive changes.

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Statewide advocacy organizations

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Local organizing and advocacy groups

Tenant & Workers Support Committee

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Washington

Government-sponsored programs

Public Health – Seattle & King County

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In Washington State, the public health department for Seattle & King County coordinates an infant mortality prevention program that seeks to reduce racial disparities in infant mortality, particularly in African American and Native American communities. We contract with community-based organizations which hire outreach staff from the community to engage and develop trust among low-income childbearing age women and young families, to help them enter and maintain preventive health services, including well-woman care, prenatal care, and children's health care.

Statewide advocacy organizations

Northwest Federation of Community Organizations (NWFCO)

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NWFCO's mission is to achieve systemic change by building strong state affiliate organizations and by executing national and regional campaigns that advance economic, racial, and social justice.

Farm Worker Pesticide Project

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The Farm Worker Pesticide Project is a non-profit organization in Washington State directed by farm workers and their allies working for better protections against pesticides for farm workers and their families.

Local organizing and advocacy groups

Community Coalition for Environmental Justice

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A multi-issue organization, with a primary activities focus on environmental justice issues. Projects include the South End Odor Campaign to release information about PSCAA's air monitoring data, and to do continuous air toxics monitoring and promote pollution prevention in lower income neighborhoods where hazardous releases are concentrated; and the Garden Connection Project, in partnership with Cultivating Communities designed to increase low-income community access to organic food through community gardening and to promote intergenerational (youth and seniors) activities.

The Cross Cultural Health Care Program

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Recognizing the diversity and the different ways to health, the mission of the Cross Cultural Health Care Program is to serve as a bridge between communities and health care institutions to ensure full access to quality health care that is culturally and linguistically appropriate.

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<http://www.afhh.org/index.htm>

The Alliance for Healthy Homes was founded in 1990 as the Alliance To End Childhood Lead Poisoning. Our name change in July of 2003 reflects the expansion of our work on lead poisoning prevention to address other housing-related health hazards. We continue to build upon our work to protect children from lead hazards in their homes. We have concluded that new strategies are needed to address the changing landscape: the persistent high prevalence of lead hazards in low-income communities of color despite the dramatic decline in national prevalence. Properties that contain the worst lead hazards typically pose other health risks as well, such as mold, pesticides, and carbon monoxide. Protecting children's health requires solutions that address all hazards in their home environment. Addressing lead hazards in substandard housing offers natural opportunities for tackling the other health hazards that contribute to higher asthma rates and other health disparities burdening low-income families.

Projects: Community Environmental Health Resource Center

American Civil Liberties Union Racial Justice Working Group

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New York, NY, 10004
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(AFFH)

Applied Research Center (ARC)

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Oakland, CA 94611
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<http://www.arc.org/>

(see California organizations)

The ASPIRA Association

1444 I Street, NW, Suite 800
Washington, DC 20005
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Fax (202) 835-3116
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(AFHH)

Association of Communities Organizing for Reform Now (ACORN)

National Operations
88 3rd Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11217
718-246-7900

fax: 718-246-7939
email: natexdirect@acorn.org

ACORN members are working to achieve affordable health care for all. Work is currently underway to get more hospitals to institute "charity care", or free care, programs and discounts. These policies can eliminate or reduce, hospital bills for families with low-and-moderate incomes. They often suffer from being uninsured or underinsured.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

1600 Clifton Road
Atlanta, GA 30333
(404) 639-3311
Inquiries: <http://www.cdc.gov/netinfo.htm>
<http://www.cdc.gov/>

CDC's Active Community Environments Initiative (ACES) promotes walking, bicycling, and the development of accessible recreation facilities. It was developed in response to data from a variety of disciplines, including public health, urban design, and transportation planning. These data suggest characteristics of our communities such as proximity of facilities, street design, density of housing; availability of public transit and of pedestrian and bicycle facilities play a significant role in promoting or discouraging physical activity.

Center for Health, Environment, and Justice

P.O. Box 6806
Falls Church, VA 22040
(703) 237-2249
<http://www.chej.org/>

"CHEJ is a national grassroots environmental organization founded to address threats faced by individuals nationwide to their right to a clean and healthy environment regardless of their race or economic standing. Its website contains details on both national and local environmental justice campaigns, opportunities for local community involvement, educational and informational resources, and technical assistance." (afhh)

Center for the Advancement of Health

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Washington, DC 20009
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Barbara Krimgold, senior project director
bkrimgold@cfah.org
<http://www.cfah.org/>

The Center for the Advancement of Health translates to the public the latest evidence-based research on health, health care, prevention and chronic disease management, with an emphasis on how social, behavioral and economic factors affect illness and well-being. The Center also administers the W.K. Kellogg Scholars Program, which supports pre-doctoral and post-doctoral students working in community based health and health disparities issues.

Center for Social Inclusion

50 Broad Street, Suite 1820
New York, NY 10004
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The Center for Social Inclusion CSI is an intermediary organization working to advance advocacy strategies that promote social inclusion of low-income non-whites. CSI acts as an information-gatherer, translator and incubator for policy reform ideas, and supporter of strategic alliances and networks to achieve full social inclusion of poor people of color. The Center is working with several community-based organizations in the South on issues of racial discrimination and land use.

Children's Defense Fund

25 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 628-8787
<http://www.childrensdefense.org/>

The mission of the Children's Defense Fund is to Leave No Child Behind and to ensure every child a *Healthy Start*, a *Head Start*, a *Fair Start*, a *Safe Start*, and a *Moral Start* in life and successful passage to adulthood with the help of caring families and communities. Paying particular attention to the needs of poor and minority children and those with disabilities, CDF educates the nation about the needs of children and encourages preventive investment before they get sick or into trouble, drop out of school, or suffer family breakdown.

Children's Environmental Health Network

110 Maryland Ave., NE, Suite 511
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 543-4033
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Email: nobot@cehn.org
<http://www.cehn.org/>
(AFFH)

The Children's Environmental Health Network is a national multi-disciplinary organization whose mission is to protect the fetus and the child from environmental health hazards and promote a healthy environment.

Clean Production Action

P.O. Box 153
Spring Brook, NY 14140
Email: alexandra@cleanproduction.org
<http://cleanproduction.org/>

Clean Production is a way of designing products and manufacturing processes in harmony with natural ecological cycles. It aims to eliminate toxic wastes and inputs and promotes the sustainable use of renewable energy and materials. Current projects include working with companies to substitute hazardous chemicals in products and production processes with Green Chemistry and safer substitutes; waste reduction through producer responsibility for product take-back; the promotion of sustainable agriculture for bio-based renewable materials, and awareness raising of the environmental and health implications of emerging new materials such as nanotechnology.

The Commonwealth Fund

One East 75th Street
New York, NY 10021
(212) 606-3800
Email: info@cmwf.org
<http://www.cmwf.org/>

"A State Policy Agenda to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities" (June 2004) outlines a range of initiatives that states and localities are using to end racial and ethnic health disparities, and offers practical strategies for state policymakers and health leaders seeking to improve health care coverage, access, and outcomes for minorities.

Community Catalyst

30 Winter Street, 10th Floor
Boston, MA 02108
(617) 338-6035

<http://www.communitycatalyst.org/>

Community Catalyst believes that health care is a basic human right and that all people--including children, the poor, the elderly, minority communities, and others who are vulnerable--should have access to quality health care. Their work is aimed at strengthening the voice of consumers and communities wherever decisions shaping the future of the health system are being made.

Council of State Governments

National Headquarters
2760 Research Park Drive
P.O. Box 11910
Lexington, KY 40578-1910
(859) 244-8000

<http://www.healthystates.csg.org/About+Us/>

The Healthy States Initiative is a partnership between The Council of State Governments (CSG) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It's designed to help state leaders access information they need to make sound decisions about public health issues.

Environmental Justice Fund

Oakland, CA
(510) 267-1881
<http://www.ejfund.org/>

Environmental Justice & Health Union

528 61st Street, Suite A
Oakland, CA 94609
<http://www.ejhu.org/>

"EJHU is an environmental non-profit organization focused on bringing together environmental health professionals and environmental justice activists to eliminate environmental disease in poor minority communities." (afhh)

Environmental Justice Research Center

223 James P. Brawley Drive
Atlanta, GA 30314
(404) 880-6911
Contact: Dr. Robert Bullard, PhD, Director
<http://www.ejrc.cau.edu/>

"Based at Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia, EJRC provides research, technical, scientific, legal, and other support to community-based organizations (CBOs) and environmentally impacted communities in social justice areas related to environmental and economic justice, environmental racism, community health, and many more" (afhh).

Grantmakers in Health

1100 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20038
(202) 452-8331
<http://www.gih.org/index.htm/>

Grantmakers In Health (GIH) is a nonprofit, educational organization dedicated to helping foundations and corporate giving programs improve the nation's health. Its mission is to foster communication and collaboration among grantmakers and others, and to help strengthen the grantmaking community's knowledge, skills, and effectiveness. GIH generates and disseminates information about health issues and grantmaking strategies that work in health by offering issue-focused forums, workshops, and large annual

meetings; publications; continuing education and training; technical assistance; consultation on programmatic and operational issues; and by conducting studies of health philanthropy.

Health Policy Institute Joint Center for Political & Economic Studies

1090 Vermont Avenue NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005-4928
(202) 789-3500
<http://www.jointcenter.org/healthpolicy/index.php/>

The Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies is a national, nonprofit research and public policy institution, informing and illuminating the nation's major public policy debates through research, analysis, and information dissemination in order to: improve the socioeconomic status of black Americans and other minorities; expand their effective participation in the political and public policy arenas; and promote communications and relationships across racial and ethnic lines to strengthen the nation's pluralistic society. The mission of the Joint Center Health Policy Institute (HPI) is to ignite a "Fair Health" movement that gives people of color the inalienable right to equal opportunity for healthy lives.

Healthy People....Healthy Communities Initiative

National Network for Health
(202) 720-2920
Contact: Anna Mae Kobbe
Email: akobbe@reeusda.gov
<http://www.nnh.org>

The mission of the Healthy People....Healthy Communities national health initiative is to promote the capacity of individuals, families, and communities to increase healthy behaviors and lifestyle choices and make informed consumer decisions. The initiative will strengthen community leadership and promote the formation and enhancement of quality partnerships and infrastructures to meet local health and health care needs. The initiative will bring together the extension, teaching, and research resources of the land-grant university system and its stakeholders to address health care issues.

Jacobs Institute of Women's Health

409 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20024-2188
(202) 863-4990
Email: infor@jiwh.org
<http://www.jiwh.org/>

The Jacobs Institute of Women's Health (JIWH) is a nonprofit organization working to improve health care for women through research, dialogue, and information dissemination

Kaiser Family Foundation

2400 Sand Hill Road
Menlo Park, CA 94025
(650) 854-9400
<http://www.kff.org/>

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

One Michigan Avenue East
Battle Creek, MI 49017
<http://www.wkkf.org/>

MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Socioeconomic Status and Health

3333 California Street, Suite 465,
Box 0844

San Francisco, CA 94143-0848
(415) 476-7759
Contact: Nancy Adler
Email: nancy.adler@ucsf.edu
<http://www.macses.ucsf.edu/>

NAACP – Health Program Office

NAACP National Headquarters
4805 Mt. Hope Drive
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 580-5777
Contact: Dr. Lucille Perez, Director

National Alliance for Hispanic Health

1501 Sixteenth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 387-5000
Email: alliance@hispanichealth.org
<http://www.hispanichealth.org/>

National Association of County and City Health Officials

1100 17th Street, NW, Second Floor
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 783-5550
Contact: Richard Hoffrigger
<http://www.naccho.org/>

NACCHO is the national organization representing local public health agencies. NACCHO works to support efforts that protect and improve the health of all people and all communities by promoting national policy, developing resources and programs, seeking health equity and supporting effective local public health practice and systems.

National Black Environmental Justice Network

1400 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 265-5422
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<http://www.ejrc.cau.edu/inbeejccpage.htm>

The National Black Environmental Justice Network, formerly known as the Interim National Black Environmental & Economic Justice Coordinating Committee, is a network of environmental justice advocates representing over 100 communities in 30 states across the country. NBEJN was formed in December 1999 during an emergency gathering of black community activists, labor groups, farmers, educators, youth, lawyers, and health professionals. NBEJN has undertaken a four-point strategy to combat environmental racism: 1. Safe and Healthy Communities; 2. Sustainable Development and Clean Production; 3. Civil Rights and Equal Protection Laws/Policies; and 4. International Human Rights Protections.

National Black Leadership Initiative on Cancer

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Chicago, IL 60612
312-996-8046
Robin Mitchell
bird@uic.edu

The National Black Leadership Initiative on Cancer (NBLIC) is an outreach initiative of the National Cancer Institute (NCI). This program was established to serve as an effective means by which knowledge about

cancer incidence, treatment and prevention is transferred from the research bench to the African American community in terms that are tangible and applicable to daily living.

The National Center for Children in Poverty

Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University
New York, NY
(646)284-9600
<http://www.nccp.org/>

National Center for Healthy Housing

10227 Wincopin Circle Suite 205
Columbia, MD, 20006
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<http://www.centerforhealthyhousing.org/>
(AFFH)

The National Center for Healthy Housing, formerly the center for Lead-Safe Housing, was founded in 1992 to bring the housing, environmental, and public health communities together to combat childhood lead poisoning. As the National Center for Healthy Housing, we continue our important role as a non-profit organization in reducing children's risk of lead poisoning and will also expand our expertise to decrease their exposure to other hazards in the home, including allergens and irritants associated with asthma. Its mission is to develop and promote practical methods to protect children from environmental health hazards in their homes while preserving affordable housing.

National Council of La Raza

Raul Yzaguirre Building
1126 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 785-1670
<http://www.nclr.org/>

The National Council of La Raza - the largest national constituency-based Hispanic organization and the leading voice in Washington, DC for the Hispanic community - is a private, nonprofit organization established to reduce poverty and discrimination and improve life opportunities for Hispanic Americans. Four major functions provide essential focus to the organization's work: capacity-building assistance; applied research, policy analysis, and advocacy; public information efforts; and special and international projects.

National Health Law Project

2639 South La Cienega Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90034-2675
(310) 204-6010

1101 14th Street, NW Suite 405
Washington, DC 20005
ph: (202) 289-7661
fx: (202) 289-7724
nhelpdc@healthlaw.org

211 North Columbia Street
Chapel Hill, NC, 27514
(919) 968-6308
Jane Perkins
perkins@healthlaw.org

<http://www.healthlaw.org/>

The National Health Law Project 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. NHeLP seeks to provide a seat at the table for representatives of low-income people, to protect consumers in the emerging managed care systems, and to find creative financing solutions that also preserve government's responsibility as provider of last resort.

National Housing Law Project

2201 Broadway, Suite 815
Oakland, CA 94612
Phone (510) 251-9400
Fax (510) 451-2300
Contact: Catherine Bishop, Attorney
Email: cbishop@nhlp.org
<http://www.nhlp.org/>

The National Housing Law Project (NHLP) is a national housing law and advocacy center. The goal of NHLP is to advance housing justice for the poor by increasing and preserving the supply of decent affordable housing, by improving existing housing conditions, including physical conditions and management practices, by expanding and enforcing low-income tenants' and homeowners' rights, and by increasing opportunities for racial and ethnic minorities.

National Institutes of Health National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
6707 Democracy Boulevard, Suite 800
Bethesda, MD 20892-5465
John Ruffin, Director
301-402-1366
301-480-4049
<http://www.ncmhd.nih.gov>

The mission of the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NCMHD) is to promote minority health and to lead, coordinate, support, and assess the NIH effort to reduce and ultimately eliminate health disparities. In this effort NCMHD will conduct and support basic, clinical, social, and behavioral research, promote research infrastructure and training, foster emerging programs, disseminate information, and reach out to minority and other health disparity communities. NCMHD has funded state centers in California, Florida, Arizona, Texas, Connecticut, and Puerto Rico.

For a complete listing of NCMHD grant awards go to www.exporthhealth.pitt.edu/links.htm

National Institutes of Health Centers for Population Health & Health Disparities

1200 South Hayes Street
Arlington, VA 22202-5050
(703) 413-1100, x5092
<http://obssr.od.nih.gov/CPHHD/Index.htm>
<http://www.rand.org/health/pophealth/>

National Institutes of Health (NIH) established eight Centers for Population Health and Health Disparities, designed to support cutting-edge research to understand and reduce differences in health outcomes, access and care. All eight centers share an overall goal: to support cutting-edge research to understand and reduce differences in health outcomes, access and care.

National Lawyers Guild

Maurice & Jane Sugar Law Center for Economic & Social Justice (a.k.a. Guild Law Center)

733 St. Antoine, 3rd Floor

Detroit, MI 48226

(313) 962-6540

<http://www.sugarlaw.org/>

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Contact: Mark Fancher, Senior Staff Attorney

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A non-profit national litigation/policy project of the National Lawyers Guild. The mission of the GLC is to provide legal advocacy and support to the powerless, the oppressed, the disenfranchised, and those seeking social change. The underlying principle which directs this mission is the belief that economic rights and civil rights are inseparable. GLC supports grassroots and workers' justice movements through projects including Challenging Environmental Racism: Environmental Justice Project.

National Medical Association

1012 10th Street, NW

Washington, DC 20001

(202) 347-1895 x23

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<http://www.nmanet.org/>

(AFHH)

The NMA promotes the collective interests of physicians and patients of African descent. We carry out this mission by serving as the collective voice of physicians of African descent and a leading force for parity in medicine, elimination of health disparities and promotion of optimal health.

National Minority Health Month Foundation

1200 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, Suite 575

Washington, DC 20036

(202) 223-7560

<http://www.nmhm.org/>

The National Minority Health Month Foundation, Inc. (NMHMF) was established to strengthen national and local efforts to eliminate the disproportionate burden of premature death and preventable illness in racial and ethnic minorities and other special populations through the use of evidence-based, data-driven initiatives. The primary goal of NMHMF is to assist healthcare providers, administrators, policymakers and community and faith-based organizations deliver precise health care services to high-risk communities by analysis of current information, organization of health care networks and management of minority health care resources.

Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)

40 W. 20th St.

New York, NY 10011

(212) 727-4534

Contact: Albert Huang, JD

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<http://www.nrdc.org>

The Natural Resources Defense Council is committed to ensuring that all people have a voice in decisions affecting their environment. Its mission includes reducing the disproportionate environmental burden carried by low-income communities and people of color.

National Women's Law Center, Health

11 Dupont Circle NW, #800
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 588-5180
<http://www.nwlc.org/display.cfm?section=health/>

The Center has worked to advance and protect women's health and reproductive rights—especially on behalf of low-income women, women of color, and other women who face additional barriers to health care access. The Center's Health and Reproductive Rights program addresses a broad range of health care concerns through national, state-wide and local efforts.

The Opportunity Agenda

2000 Florida Avenue, NW, Suite 210
Washington, DC 20009
(202) 387-2829
www.opportunityagenda.org

The Opportunity Agenda works to protect and promote opportunity and human rights in the United States. Specific initiatives include a health equity program that seeks to establish a universal, comprehensive, equitable health care system in the United States, as well as to promote policies that support healthful communities.

Physicians for Social Responsibility

1875 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 1012
Washington, DC 20009
(202) 667-4260
<http://www.prs.org/>

Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR) is a leading public policy organization with 24,000 members representing the medical and public health professions and concerned citizens, working together for nuclear disarmament, a healthful environment, and an end to the epidemic of gun violence.

PICO Network

The PICO National Network
171 Santa Rosa Avenue
Oakland, California 94610
tel. (510) 655 2801
fax (510) 655 4816
<http://piconetwork.org/qualityhealthcare.asp>
(Oppy Agenda)

PICO brings people together to strengthen families and improve communities. With more than one thousand religious congregations, schools and neighborhood institutions and one million families working in 150 cities and towns, PICO is one of the largest grassroots community efforts in the United States. Since 1972 PICO has created innovative strategies to increase access to health care, improve public schools, make neighborhoods safer, create housing opportunities, redevelop communities and revitalize American democracy.

Policy Link

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info@policylink.org

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communications@policylink.org

PolicyLink is a national nonprofit research, communications, capacity building, and advocacy organization working to advance policies to achieve economic and social equity. PolicyLink collaborates with a broad range of partners to implement strategies to ensure that everyone—including those from low-income communities of color—can contribute to and benefit from economic growth and prosperity. Among our regional equity approaches is [equitable development](#), a comprehensive local, regional, and state framework emphasizing [equitable public investment](#), the [fair distribution of affordable housing](#), and [community strategies to improve health](#).

PolicyLink published two reports demonstrating the powerful influence of community conditions on the health of individuals and families. "[Reducing Health Disparities Through a Focus on Communities](#)" pulls from extensive interviews, site visits, and an exhaustive research review to make these connections. "[Regional Development and Physical Activity: Issues and Strategies for Promoting Health Equity](#)" explores the connection between development patterns, physical activity, and poor health. The report makes recommendations for facilitating increased physical activity by improving community design and suggesting new goals for community organizing.

Poverty & Race Research Action Council (PRRAC)

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Washington, DC 20005
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202-842-2885 (fax)
ptegeler@prrac.org
www.prrac.org

PRRAC's primary mission is to help connect advocates with social scientists working on race and poverty issues, and to promote a research-based advocacy strategy on race and poverty issues. PRRAC's current focus areas include regional housing desegregation, educational equity, and minority health disparities.

The Praxis Project

Makani Themba-Nixon, Executive Director
1750 Columbia Road NW, 2nd Floor
Washington, DC 20009
(202) 234-5921
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<http://www.thepraxisproject.org/>

The Praxis Project is a national, nonprofit organization that builds partnerships with local groups to influence policymaking to address the underlying, systemic causes of community problems. Committed to closing the health gap facing communities of color, we forge alliances for building healthy communities. We help local groups hold institutions and governmental agencies accountable by designing community-based plans, conducting research, developing media strategies and developing policy initiatives – to achieve sustainable results. Our goal is to build power at the local level to increase the capacity of communities to become effective advocates so that they are leaders and catalysts on the legislative and policy decisions that affect their lives. Projects include a model public health policies database and Labor Guide for public health activists.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

PO Box 2316
College Road East and Route 1
Princeton, NJ 08543
(888) 631-9989
<http://rwjf.org/>

Sustainable Community Development Group, Inc.

PO Box 15395

Washington, DC 20003
(202) 637-2467
Contact: Deeehn Ferris, JD
Email: gerinc@mindspring.com

The Sustainable Community Development Group, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to metropolitan sustainability, environmental health, smart growth, and equitable development.

Urban Institute
Health Policy Center
2100 M St. NW
Washington, DC 20037
(202) 833-7200
Contact: Embry Howell

Voices of Children Affected by Lead
15312 Murray Loop Road
Whitakers, NC 27891
(202) 937-4112
Contact: Kristin Joyner
<http://www.vocalnow.org/>

Voices for America's Children
1522 K Street, NW, Suite 600
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 289-0777
Contact: Debbie Stein, Director of Policy & Advocacy
Email: stein@voices.org
<http://www.voices.org/>
(AFHH)

Voices for America's Children is a national organization committed to working at the state and local levels to improve the well-being of children. With member organizations in almost every state, Voices provides a voice for the voiceless – children – in city halls and statehouses across the country.

Appendix A

Links – Potential Resources and Contacts

A

Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations
www.aapcho.org

Association of American Medical Colleges Community and Minority Programs
www.aamc.org/meded/minority

Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum
www.apiahf.org

Asian Health Services Online
www.ahschc.org

Asian Pacific Islanders Women's Health
www.apanet.org/~fdala

Association of American Indian Physicians
www.aaip.com

American Psychological Association, Minority Fellowship Program
www.apa.org/mfp/mfphp.html

American Medical Association, Minority Health
www.ama-asn.org/ama/pub/category/20.html

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials
www.astho.org

American Lung Association – Health House Program
www.healthhouse.org

Alliance for Healthy Homes
www.afhh.org

American Public Health Association – Public Health and the Environment 2004 Conference
http://www.apha.org/public_health/minority.htm

Asian Health Services
<http://www.ahschc.org/>

Association of Asian American Community Health Organizations
<http://www.aapcho.org/>

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
Research Activities on Minority Health
www.ahrq.gov/research/minorix.htm

B

Black Health Net
www.blackhealthnet.com

Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC)
www.bphc.hrsa.gov

Black Women's Health Imperative
<http://www.blackwomenshealth.org/site/PageServer>

Building for Health Materials Center
www.buildingforhealth.com

Bureau of Health Professions (BPHr)
www.bhpr.hrsa.gov

C

The Cross Cultural Health Care Program (CCHCP)
www.xculture.org

Center for American Indian Research and Education
www.caire.org/

Center of Excellence in Minority Medical Education and Health
www.msu.edu/user/coemmeh

Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in Medicine
www.wiscinfo.doit.wisc.edu/crem/

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
www.cdc.gov

Center for the Advancement of Health – Racial Ethnic and SE Disparities in Health: Implications
for Action Conference 2004
www.cfah.org

Center for Healthy Housing
www.centerforhealthyhousing.org

City Life/Vida Urbana – Healthy Homes Initiative
<http://www.clvu.org/healthy.html>

Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Health

<http://www.cbcfhealth.org/>

Community Voices

<http://www.communityvoices.org/>

D

Diversity Rx

www.diversityrx.org

Directory of Minority Health and Human Services Data Resources

www.dhhs.gov/progorg/aspe/minority/mintoc.htm

Department of Health and Human Services – Office of Minority Health

<http://www.omhrc.gov/omh/sidebar/datastats13.htm>

<http://www.iom.edu/project.asp?id=22356>

<http://www.omhrc.gov/omhrc/>

E

Environmental Health Watch – Healthy House Initiative

www.ehw.org

F

Families USA

<http://www.familiesusa.org/site/PageServer>

G

Green Communities Initiative – Enterprise Foundation
Public Housing Authorities (State and Local)

www.enterprisefoundation.org/resources/green/index.asp

H

Harvard Journal of Minority Public Health

www.harvardminorityhealth.com

Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, Minority Health Resources

www.kff.org/sections.cgi?section=minority

HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB)

www.hab.hrsa.gov

Home Energy Magazine – November/December 2001 (“Creating Airtight and Healthy Homes”)

<http://hem.dis.anl.gov/eehem/01/011110.html>

Habitat for Humanity

www.habitat.org

Health Consumer Alliance
<http://www.healthconsumer.org/>

I

Institute for Minority Health Research
www.sph.emory.edu/bshe/imhr

Institute for Racial and Ethnic Health Studies
www.research.umbc.edu/chpdm/institute.htm

Indian Health Service
www.ihs.gov

Initiative to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health
Institute of Medicine – Minority Health
<http://www.iom.edu/topic.asp?id=18007>

Institute on Race, HealthCare, and the Law
<http://academic.udayton.edu/health/>

J

Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies – Health Policy Institute
<http://www.jointcenter.org/healthpolicy/index.php>

K

Kaiser Family Foundation – Race, Ethnicity, & Health care issue brief
www.kff.org

L

Latino Issues Forum
www.lif.org

M

Midwest Latino Health, Research, Training, and Policy Center
www.uic.edu/jaddams/mlhrc/mlhrc.html

Minority Health Network (MHNNet)
www.pitt.edu/~ejb4/min

Minority Health Professions Foundation
www.minorityhealth.org

Minority Health Project
www.minority.unc.edu

Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)
www.mchb.hrsa.gov

MacArthur Network on SES and Health
<http://www.macses.ucsf.edu/>

Marin Institute
http://www.marininstitute.org/alcohol_policy/problem.htm

N

National Asian Women's Health Organization
www.nawho.org

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
www.naacp.org

National Black Child Development Institute
www.nbcdi.org

National Black Women's Health Project
www.nationalblackwomenshealthproject.org

National Center for Farmworkers Health
www.ncfh.org

National Alliance for Hispanic Health
www.hispanichealth.org

National Council of La Raza
www.nclr.org

National Hispanic Medical Association
www.home.earthlink.net/~nhma

National Indian Health Board
www.nihb.org

National Latina Institute for Reproductive Health
www.latinainstitute.org

National Native American AIDS Prevention Center For Law and Social Policy
www.nnaapc.org

Native American Research and Training Center For Law and Social Policy
www.ahsc.arizona.edu/nartc

Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center
www.nativeshop.org/nawherc.html

National Minority AIDS Council
www.nmac.org

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Office of Research on Minority Health
www.nih.gov/ormh/main.html

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Diabetes Initiatives
www.cdc.gov/diabetes/projects/index.htm

National Association of County and City Health Officials
www.naccho.org

National Center for Healthy Homes – June 2004 Symposium

New England Asthma Regional Council – Technical Assistance Training (National)
www.asthmaregionalcouncil.org

National Health Law Program
<http://www.healthlaw.org/>

National Library of Medicine Asian American Health
<http://asianamericanhealth.nlm.nih.gov/>

National Alliance for Hispanic Health
<http://www.hispanichealth.org/>

National Association of City and County Health Officials
<http://www.naccho.org/>

National Healthy Babies Healthy Mothers Coalition
<http://www.hmhb.org/issues.html>

O

Office of Minority Health (OMH)
www.hrsa.gov/omh/omh.htm

Office of Minority Health Resource Center
www.omhrc.gov/owh/prog/minority.htm

Office on Women's Health, Minority Health Information
www.4woman.gov/owh/prog/minority.htm

P

PolicyLink – Influence of Community Factors on Health Annotated Bibliography
www.policylink.org

Paso del Norte Health Foundation – Initiative: Healthy Homes
<http://www.pdnhf.org/initiatedetail.asp?id=58&sec=goals>

Providers Guide to Quality and Culture

<http://erc.msh.org/mainpage.cfm?file=1.0.htm&module=provider&language=English&ggroup=&mgroup=>

<http://erc.msh.org/mainpage.cfm?file=7.0.htm&module=provider&language=English&ggroup=&mgroup=>

Progressive Health Net

<http://www.progressivehn.org/>

Physicians for Human Rights

<http://www.phrusa.org/>

R

Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH 2010)

Office of the Associate Director of Minority Health

www.cdc.gov/od/admh

Rhode Island Childhood Lead Prevention Program (look for similar programs by state and city)

<http://www.health.ri.gov/lead/index.php>

S

Strategic Actions for a Just Economy – Healthy Homes Initiative

www.saje.net

“Senior Sites” – ex. Health and Housing Association Mid-Atlantic, associations of homes and services for the aging

www.seniorsites.com

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services

Administration, National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI)

www.samhsa.gov/public/public.html

T

The Center for Managed Care

www.hrsa.gov/CMC/default.htm

The Office of Rural Health Policy

www.ruralhealth.hrsa.gov

W

Wisconsin Occupational Health Laboratory – Healthy Homes

<http://www.slh.wisc.edu/wohl/healthyhome/index.php>

Appendix B

Resources/relevant publications

This is a selective listing of resources on health disparities. For a more comprehensive bibliography, see PolicyLink's Annotated Bibliography on "The Influence of Community Factors on Health" (Fall 2004), available at www.policylink.org.

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Applied Research Center & Northwest Federation of Community Organizations, Closing the Gap: Solutions to Race-Based Health Disparities (Summer 2005)

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, National Association of County and City Health Officials & U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Departments Take Action: A Compendium of State and Local Models Addressing Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health

James Auerbach, Barbara Krimgold, and Bonnie Lefkowitz, Improving Health: It Doesn't Take a Revolution, National Policy Association (2003)

Robert D. Bullard ed., The Quest for Environmental Justice, University of California Press (2005)

Vanessa Northington Gamble & Deborah Stone, "U.S. Policy on Health Inequities: The Interplay of Politics and Research," Journal of Health, Politics, Policy and Law (February 2006)

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John McDonough et al, A State Policy Agenda to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities, The Commonwealth Fund (June 2004)

Institute of Medicine, Unequal Treatment: Confronting Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health Care 177 (Brian D. Smedley et al. eds., 2003)

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Panel on Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Medical Care, The Right to Equal Treatment: An Action Plan to End Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Clinical Diagnosis and Treatment in the United States, Physicians for Human Rights (2003)

PolicyLink & Joint Center for Political & Economic Studies, Community Factors that Impact Health (2004) (a series of four issue briefs, available at www.policylink.org)

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United States Department of Health and Human Services, Mental Health: Culture, Race, and Ethnicity – A Supplement to Mental Health: A Report of the Surgeon General (2001)

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