Building a Culture of Health, County by County

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Pursuing environmental justice and equity

County Health Rankings & Roadmaps Tools & Resources

- Check out <u>recordings and PDF of slides</u> for all CHR&R webinars.
- Explore Health Rankings: The annual Rankings provide a revealing snapshot of how health is influenced by where we live, learn, work and play. Find and use your county data, read our reports, and learn more about what and why we rank.
- <u>Take Action to Improve Health</u>: Find strategies that we know work, guidance for setting a plan in motion, and resources to help you partner with others.
 - Action Learning Guides: Dig into specific topics with a blend of guidance, tools, and hands-on activities.
 - Partner Center: Find guidance and resources to help you identify and engage the right partners.
 - Action Center: Explore step-by-step guidance and tools to help you move with data to action.
- Online & On Air: Sharing the stories of others ignites
 possibilities and inspires action. Find out about upcoming
 webinars, listen to our podcast <u>In Solidarity</u>, and check out
 community highlights.
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Highlighted Guidance

- Checkout CHR&R's What Works for Health's <u>Climate Change</u> curated list of evidence rated solutions to address transportation, energy efficiency, sustainable food options, stewardship, and waste reduction
- Rooted was known as the Center for Resilient Cities in the years that they worked on the Johnsons Park Initiative. For more about Rooted visit:
 - o Webpage
 - o Facebook
 - o **Instagram**
- The Badger Rock community:
 - o Rooted at Badger Rock
 - Badger Rock Neighborhood Center's <u>Facebook</u> page
 - Badger Rock Middle School webpage
- Explore information on how MobalizeGreen distinguishes environmental justice from environmental equity here
- For more information about how environmental justices influence health, check out the University of Michigan's environmental justice fact sheet

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Webinar Guest Resources

Marcia Caton Campbell, Executive Director, Rooted
Sarah Karlson, Rooted Education Director and Badger Rock Farm and Education
Manager

- The Lindsay Heights Neighborhood Initiative:
 - o Read "Growing to New Heights"
 - o Learn about the Walnut Way Conservation Corp, the organization that led the initiative
- Milwaukee's Green & Healthy Schools program
- Article about Karen Washington: <u>"It's Not a Food Desert, It's Food Apartheid"</u> by Anna Brones, *Guernica*, May 7, 2018.
- Additional examples of communities achieving environmental equity wins:
 - Sustainable South Bronx (NYC), founded by 2005 MacArthur Foundation Fellow Majora Carter to advocate for parks and green development, merged in 2015 with The Hope Program, which focuses on workforce development and green jobs. The HOPE Program addresses economic and environmental issues in the South Bronx—and throughout New York City—through a combination of green jobs training, community greening programs, and social enterprise.
 - Green Era Chicago (IL) is pursuing environmental equity through the creation of a green energy campus and community-centered climate resilience on a vacant brownfield site in Chicago's Auburn Gresham neighborhood that had been contaminated for nearly 100 years. The project was co-founded and is led by Erika Allen, a 2022 James Beard Foundation Leadership Award winner and co-founder of Urban Growers Collective, an urban agriculture organization. NYC
 - Rebuild by Design (NYC), launched by HUD and the Rockefeller Foundation following Hurricane Sandy in 2012, uses collaborative, design-driven problem-solving to help communities and cities build resilience. They have collaborated with over a dozen localities around New York State on issues of climate adaptation, rethinking public space, enhancing communities with green infrastructure, effective engagement, affordable housing solutions, and pandemic recovery.
 - <u>"Food System Transformation Should Embrace Food Justice"</u> is a posted article by Stray Dog Institute.
 - o Learn more about <u>Food Sovereignty</u> from the U.S. Food Sovereignty Alliance.
 - "Liberated Roots" is an article posted in 2018 by Learning for Justice which describes how school and community gardens can be emancipatory spaces.

Discussion Group Session Resources

- The Cambridge Health Alliance included environmental justice in their Community Health Needs Assessment process and <u>2022 CHA Regional Wellbeing Report</u>.
- ChangeLab Solutions has a track record of serving rural communities and works at local, state, and
 national levels partnering on rural projects ranging from Black maternal health to policy scans and
 model policies that advance community health, racial equity, and equitable economic development.
 Learn more about how ChangeLab Solutions is Promoting Health Equity in Rural Communities.

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- <u>Soul Fire Farm</u> is an Afro-Indigenous centered community farm in New York that is committed to uprooting racism and seeding sovereignty in the food system.
- The <u>United States Environmental Protection Agency</u> has resources about environmental justice and does work by region.
- What are 'sacrifice zones' and why do some Americans live in them? describes places where rates of cancer caused by air pollution exceed the U.S. government's limit of "acceptable risk".
- The Most Detailed Map of Cancer-Causing Industrial Air Pollution in the U.S. is an analysis that shows how much toxic air pollution industrial facilities emit and how much the chemicals they unleash could be elevating cancer risk in their communities.

Healthy Places by Design Resources

- Healthy Places by Design facilitated the post-webinar discussion group session. Their <u>Community</u>
 <u>Action Model</u> was developed with insights from more than a dozen years of supporting successful
 community health initiatives and a deep understanding of the community change process.
- Follow Healthy Places by Design on Twitter @HPlacesbyDesign