

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

FY 1995 SMALL GRANT RECIPIENTS

REGION I

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Vermont

EQ 991431

River Watch Network (RWN)

\$20,000

Montpelier, VT

RWN is a national non-profit organization established in 1987. The mission of RWN is to bring together people concerned about the health of their local river ecosystems and to monitor, restore, and protect these rivers. This grant will enable RWN to train volunteers in designing, administering, and analyzing data from cross-sectional epidemiological health and river water use surveys; provide expertise in interpreting epidemiological data and in understanding and prioritizing the community's health risks; and help coordinate community meetings to disseminate resulting information and provide advice on community risk reduction strategies.

Massachusetts

EQ 991411

Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative (DSNI)

\$ 5,000

Roxbury, MA

DSNI is a grassroots coalition of community residents, non-profit and religious organizations, and businesses working to rebuild the Dudley Street neighborhood in Roxbury and North Dorchester, Massachusetts. The grantee will develop long-term solutions to eliminate the ongoing solid waste issues in the neighborhood, including the development of a comprehensive neighborhood cleanup effort.

EQ 991414

Environmental Diversity Forum (EDF)

\$ 3,961

Boston, MA

EDF is a non-profit, community-based organization whose membership includes individuals from neighborhood groups, city and state agencies, and environmental organizations. EDF was founded in 1991 and is primarily concerned with the environmental challenges that confront urban areas and people of color. EDF will collaborate with the Tufts University Peace and Justice Studies Summer Program and place 14 interns in internship positions with community and environmental organizations. The interns will help these groups address ongoing and new environmental justice issues, while raising their own individual awareness of environmental justice.

EQ 991407

Massachusetts Health Research Institute (HRI)

\$19,236

Boston, MA

Massachusetts HRI is a non-profit organization whose primary mission is to assist public and private agencies, institutions, and other organizations in conducting innovative research, demonstration, and training projects for the benefit of the public. IM will use this grant to study the affects of coastal fishing regulatory enforcement on the Cambodian community in the City of Revere. HRI will also facilitate communication among the leadership in these communities and provide them access to regulatory and risk assessment expertise so that they may better safeguard the health of community residents.

EQ 99134

Merrimack River Watershed Council (MRWSC)

\$ 9,750

West Newbury, MA

The mission of MRWSC is to restore and protect the Merrimack River and its tributaries for the enjoyment of the public and the health of the watershed ecosystem. The grant will be used to fund Natural Environmental Awareness Training (NEAT), which will train community leaders and create materials and a model that will be used to broaden the community's involvement in the environment, the economy, and the Merrimack watershed area.

EQ 991348

Reaching Out to Chelsea Adolescents, Inc. (ROCA)

\$20,000

Chelsea, MA

ROCA is a non-profit organization that operates two multi-cultural youth development programs for youth in the cities of Chelsea and Revere, Massachusetts: ROCA of Chelsea and the ROCA Revere Project. Youth STAR (Service Taking Action in Revere), which is part of the ROCA Revere Project, will use this grant to increase environmental awareness in the City of Revere through development and implementation of environmental justice practices and education programs. The grantee will develop on-site environmental programs in North Revere Conservation Land. The project will also strengthen partnerships with existing local conservation groups and host a regional environmental summit.

EQ 991350

Lena Park Community Development Corporation

\$20,000

Dorchester, MA

Lena Park is a large multi-faceted human service agency located in Dorchester, Massachusetts. The agency's mission is to improve the quality of life in Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan, Massachusetts. With this grant Lena Park will collaborate with the Northeast Lead Initiative to provide lead poisoning education, outreach, and training to daycare providers, schools, health centers, Lena Park, and communities with similar concerns.

EQ 991408

The Fitchburg Spanish Council

\$20,000

Fitchburg, MA

The Fitchburg Spanish Council, founded more than 20 years, ago, serves the Hispanic population in Fitchburg, Massachusetts. The project's goal is to educate the public about storm drains and their impact on the Nashua River. The Council will educate, facilitate and increase communication between grass-roots/community-based environmental organizations, local governments, regional environmental groups, and the general public about the impact storm drains have on the local river and risk reduction and pollution prevention.

EQ 991356

The Coalition for a Better Acre

\$20,000

Lowell, MA

The Coalition for a Better Acre, founded in 1982, serves a large multi-cultural and disadvantaged community in Lowell, MA. The project's goals are to recruit and train 75 low income Cambodian residents to launch a site-control campaign to increase the number of green spaces and provide lead-free land where residents can grow their own food.

EQ 991404

The Holden School (Seaport Solutions)

\$20,000

Charlestown, MA

Seaport Solutions is an innovative, collaborative community-based environmental justice demonstration project proposed by the Holden School (a private high school with a 20 year history of serving multi-cultural, high-risk Boston youth), and the New England Historic Seaport (a maritime historical education and preservation program serving Boston). The objective of the project is to provide high-risk youths, boat owners, and other community residents with simple strategies for disposing of

and decreasing boat waste. The grantee will sponsor 20 high-risk, multi-cultural Boston youths between the ages of 14-21 to research, design, implement, and evaluate the project and promote cleaner marinas in Boston harbors.

EQ 991424

**Housatonic Valley Association
Pittsfield, MA**

\$20,000

The Housatonic Valley Association is concerned with enabling residents of the West Side of Pittsfield to solve environmental justice issues affecting their community, The Association will collaborate with other organizations, such as the Christian Center of Pittsfield, the Center for Ecological Technology, and the City Department of Community Development to pool their resources for the following activities: Housatonic River Greenway planning and development, river monitoring and providing information to the community about the health and safety of the river, and initiating a radon testing program. With this grant the Association will work to improve the community's environmental health, both around their neighborhood and within their own homes.

EQ 991415

**Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center
Dorchester, MA**

\$18,172

Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center's mission is to serve as a primary resource in caring for the sick and afflicted without regards to race, sex, color, political or religious beliefs, and to promote the general health of the North Dorchester, Mattapan, and Roxbury communities of Boston. This grant will enable the Center to develop community-based educational lead poisoning prevention workshops. The workshops will educate parents, including parenting teens, about childhood lead poisoning and provide information and resources to affected families.

EQ 991354

**Lawrence Planning & Neighborhood Development Corp.
Lawrence, NIA**

\$20,000

Lawrence Planning & Neighborhood Development provides affordable housing for low- and moderate-income Anglo and Hispanic communities of Lawrence. The grantee will develop a neighborhood organization that will work in partnership with a: community development corporation to improve the environmental quality of two targeted neighborhoods in Northern Lawrence: Arlington and Back Bay. The two neighborhoods are predominantly Hispanic and are located between the polluted banks and waterway of the Spickett River and the town of Methuen. Efforts in these areas will include an extensive environmental education and outreach campaign that relies on person-to-person recruiting and a sensitivity to cultural and language differences in the communities.

Rhode Island

EQ 991412

**The Providence Plan
Providence, RI**

\$ 10,000

The Providence Plan is a non-profit organization that is committed to the revitalization of the City of Providence. The grantee will hire a full-time outreach coordinator to raise environmental awareness and increase community participation in the Woonasquatucket River project.

EQ 991344

**Roger Williams Park Zoo
Youth and the Environment Program
Providence, RI**

\$ 14,934

The Roger Williams Park Zoo Docent Council is a private, non-profit corporation that sponsors special programs for at-risk and disadvantaged urban youths. This grant will enable the Council to: 1) recruit ten local, urban youths to serve as "Youth

in the Environment" interns; 2) provide the interns with a wide-range of environmental experiences through time spent with zoo staff and visits to other institutions, 3) support the interns in creating an interactive, exciting educational program on environmental health by collaborating with "Keep Providence Beautiful"; 4) deliver the teen-led program to children that gather for free lunches at 18 Urban parks; 5) inspire the children to take ownership of the parks by organizing a trash clean-up in the park following the program, and 6) conduct follow-up surveys of the parks to document any long-term reductions in litter.

EQ 991444

**Roger Williams Park Zoo
Providence, RI**

\$11,844

Roger Williams Zoo will use this grant to fund the "Zoo Power" program, which focuses on at-risk and disadvantaged urban youth. The grantee will expand the role of "Zoo Power" by empowering student activity leaders to create an environmental monitoring program that will be used to teach children from urban school-aged child care programs; "in essence, a grassroots environmental network will be built by kids."

Maine

EQ 991342

**Houlton Band of Maliseets Indians
Houlton, ME**

\$ 3,961

The Houlton Band of Maliseets Indians of Northeastern Maine are a federally recognized tribal entity. The grantee will develop and carry-out monitoring and evaluation of the Brown Ash Tree (*Fraxinus Nigra*) on and off tribal lands. The tree is used by the Maliseets Indians, and many other Maine tribes, to weave baskets. Basket weaving is a valuable cultural heritage and resource.

EQ 991428

**Maine Indian Township - Passamaquoddy
Princeton, ME**

\$20,000

Indian Township, Passamaquoddy is one of two reservations of the federally recognized Passamaquoddy Tribes of Eastern Maine. It is located in one of the poorest counties in New England. The Township established its Environmental Department in September 1993 with programs in pollution prevention, water quality monitoring, and environmental planning. The grantee will establish communication between the tribal government, federal and state agencies, and other local stakeholder communities relating to hydro-power/storage dams, water, wildlife, archeological resources, and other environmental issues such as shoreline erosion related to water management.

Connecticut

EQ 991413

**Organized North Easterners and Clay Hill
and North End, Inc. (ONE CHANE)
Hartford, CT**

\$ 3,961

ONE CHANE, a non-profit agency will identify and facilitate improvements in communication and coordination among community organizations, government officials, and other stakeholders to address environmental justice issues, develop methodologies to address high-priority areas, and motivate the general public to be more conscious of local environmental issues.

EQ 991358

Urban Resources Initiative (URI)-New Haven

\$ 18,417

New Haven, CT

URI is a non-profit organization working with community groups in New Haven since 1991. URI's mission is to assist the process of social revitalization in inner-city neighborhoods through ecological restoration projects. This grant will enable URI to: 1) create open spaces where garden products can be planted and harvested; 2) provide training necessary to motivate community organizations and stewardship of neighborhood sites; and 3) create a self-sufficient program.

EQ 991345

**South End Community Center
Bridgeport, CT**

\$ 20,000

South End Community Center is a non-profit community center providing recreational services to disadvantaged children between the ages of 5-17. The grant will fund the expansion of an existing program entitled "Project Pride." Project Pride's goal is to increase environmental awareness in young people of the South End neighborhood while developing civic responsibility and promoting community pride. The grantee will work with youth to: 1) become more ecologically aware of their surroundings, 2) learn the importance of serving the community by participating in projects that will benefit the entire neighborhood; and 3) promote community awareness around environmental issues.

TOTAL FOR REGION 1 \$319,236

REGION II

For additional information, please contact Lillian Johnson at (212) 637-3675.

Virgin Islands

EQ 992165-01-0

**Virgin Islands Conservation Society
St. Thomas, VI**

\$ 20,000

The purpose of the project is to educate the public regarding land use issues and to generate public participation in the process of planning for solid waste management systems in the Virgin Islands.

New Jersey

EQ 992180-01-0

**Isles, Inc.
Trenton, NJ**

\$ 20,000

This non-profit organization will identify and facilitate communication among all stakeholders affected by the remediation and redevelopment of the contaminated 11-acre Magic Marker property in Trenton, N.J. The grantee will motivate the public to become more aware of environmental issues in their community.

EQ 992154-01-0

**Citizen Policy and Education Fund
Hackensack, NJ**

\$ 20,000

This project will continue an outreach and education project with parents of children that are exposed to high levels of lead. The grantee will expand the project to help these parents organize 10- 12 educational and support groups in neighborhoods in the Newark and Patterson metropolitan areas.

EQ 992230-01-0

**Greater Newark Conservancy
Newark, NJ**

\$ 20,000

The Greater Newark Conservancy will expand and improve its Environmental Justice Program. By improving communication among residents, community-based organizations, and businesses, the Conservancy will strengthen the newly-formed Newark Coalition for Environmental Justice, which focuses on lead poisoning prevention in two neighborhoods in Newark.

EQ 992195-01-0

**Comite de Apoyo a los Trabajadores Agricolas
Glassboro, NJ****\$ 20,000**

This organization will work with the farmworker community and the general public through outreach and education to address the contamination of water in Southern New Jersey. The project will focus on the coliform contamination in farms and labor camps, and the general nitrate contamination of Southern New Jersey wells as a result of agricultural practices.

New York

EQ 992229-01-0

**Seneca Nations of Indians
Irving, NY****\$ 20,000**

This project is a joint effort by the Seneca Nation of Indians and the Concerned Citizens of Cattaragus County Inc. to inform and increase awareness among community residents of environmental issues in their area, including pollution prevention.

EQ 992167-01-0

**Harlem Environmental Impact Project, Inc.
New York, NY****\$ 10,000**

This project will develop information and community educational programs on the environmental justice issue of lead poisoning and methods for prevention and reduction within the Harlem community. The grantee will conduct outreach, develop training workshops, and produce several publications, including brochures on lead poisoning in both English and Spanish. The grantee will also develop lead poisoning programs on video tape, for use in the neighborhood library and on public access television.

EQ 992200-01-0

**Mt. Sinai Medical Center
New York, NY****\$19,934**

The Mt. Sinai Environmental Health Sciences Center, as part of their established training program, will use this grant to train three Harlem community residents on issues related to environmental health research, risk reduction, and pollution prevention. The goal of this project is to create a nucleus of new environmental justice activities in Harlem by providing educational opportunities in environmental health sciences for members of the community.

EQ 992149-01-0

**Chinese Progressive Association
New York, NY****\$ 19,950**

This project will raise community awareness about lead poisoning prevention in the Chinese-American community. The Association will train a group of 10-15 volunteers on lead poisoning prevention outreach. Members and volunteers will give bilingual presentations to 500 families, and staff outreach tables at community events. Counseling will also be provided to families requesting such services.

EQ 992155-01-0

**Citizens Committee of NYC
New York, NY****\$ 20,000**

The Citizens Committee will establish a chapter of the Neighborhood Environmental Leadership Institute in the Bronx. The Institute is an environmental training and education program that works through community partnerships to build and support environmental leadership. The proposed project builds upon a successful first two years of training and technical assistance and a solid track record

of environmental awards and technical assistance to over 350 groups during the past seven years.

EQ 992187-01-0

Bronx Community College (BCC)

\$ 20,000

Bronx, NY

BCC will conduct a course entitled: "Educating the Community about EPA'S Right-to-Know Act." The project will focus on educating college students and community leaders about the fundamentals of environmental health science necessary to deal with the health and safety issues associated with various commercial and industrial sites in their communities. The participants will have an opportunity to experience first-hand how professionals in the field of air quality control conduct air testing, identify air pollution sources, and improve community air quality.

EQ 992176-01-0

**Rochester Council on Occupational
Safety & Health**

\$ 20,000

Rochester, NY

The purpose of this project is to teach maintenance personnel and chemical applicators of inner-city institutions, as well as building occupants and tenants, to prevent pollution caused by chemicals used within those institutions. The project will develop new methods of communication to achieve this goal.

EQ 992224-01-0

United Community Centers, Inc.

\$ 20,000

Brooklyn, NY

This group will involve community residents of the East New York section of Brooklyn in learning about environmental justice issues, with particular emphasis on waste disposal, outdoor hazardous waste, and other environmental issues. The education of the community will be accomplished through community forums and educational workshops.

EQ 992153-01-0

Richard Allen Center On Life, Inc.

\$ 20,000

New York, NY

This group will teach risk reduction and pollution prevention, and motivate community residents in West Harlem & Washington Heights to become aware of the long-term physical effects of childhood lead poisoning. The grantee will develop and demonstrate environmental practices, methods, and techniques to protect children.

Puerto Rico

Committee to Save the Environment in Guayania

\$ 10,000

This grant will expand an outreach and health education project in the Guayanilla-Penuelas area, which began as a result of an FY 94 Environmental Justice Small Grant. The project combines community education about environmental justice issues and scientific and technical consulting to improve community understanding of their current environmental and human health conditions.

University of Puerto Rico

\$ 20,000

Mayaguez, PR

The University of Puerto Rico Marine Advisory Services (MAS) will fund a one-year project to train citizen-based coastal water quality monitoring groups in the West Coast of Puerto Rico. The purpose of the project is to improve coastal water quality and shellfish habitat in the West Coast of Puerto Rico by strengthening and expanding citizen's water quality knowledge and involvement.

EQ 992175-01-0

**Sociedad Ambientalista de la Ciudadania, Inc.
 Barceloneta, PR**

\$ 20,000

The project will educate the poor in the communities of Barceloneta, Arecibo, Manati, and Vega Baja on issues related to the clean up of illegal dump sites in their communities. The group will also enlist the support of local government, local experts in the environmental and medical professions, and local industries.

TOTAL FOR REGION II

\$319,884

REGION III

For additional information, please contact Reginald Harris at (215) 597-6529.

New Jersey

**Delaware Bay Schooner Project
 Dorchester, NJ**

\$ 20,000

This program is designed to motivate urban residents lobe more conscious of local environmental issues and their ability to effect change in their neighborhoods and region. Urban Estuarine Connection is a three part initiative using inner city Philadelphia neighborhoods as a pilot target audience, including 1) a community-based networking component, 2) the development and distribution of urban estuarine educational materials, and 3) a free shipboard empowerment program using the estuary as a classroom for environmental ethics and critical thinking skills. Approximately 5,000 community residents are expected to be reached; 640 members of that group will have the opportunity to participate in the shipboard program.

Pennsylvania

**Blacklick Creek Watershed Association, Inc.
 Indiana, PA**

\$ 20,000

The grantee will sponsor a conference to educate community members, business and government leaders, mine operators, and schools concerning the scope of Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) damage in Indiana and Cambria Counties. The conference will enhance partnerships that will develop opportunities to remedy the situation.

**Clinton County Conservation District
 Clinton County, PA**

\$ 20,000

This project will address a broad range of environmental issues of immediate community wide concern, all related to natural resources of Clinton County. The project will include a strong emphasis on local water resources and the risks associated with a local Superfund site and proposed composting facility. The project

is specifically designed to focus on communication and information exchange between the community and the various sources of environmental data.

Council of Spanish Speaking Organizations, Inc.
Philadelphia, PA

\$ 20,000

This project will encourage local, state, and federal environmental agencies to become involved in the Latino community by providing forums on environmental issues. In addition to the educational forums, the grantee will develop educational materials in Spanish that will be distributed within the community.

Moraine Preservation Fund
Zelienople County, PA

\$ 7,685

The project will utilize an acid rain monitoring station outside the county Visitors Center to provide hands-on experience for children to broaden and understand the county's environmental condition. The project will include wide-ranging perspectives, such as the views of the local coal mining industry and its effect on the parks and wildlife; as well as the activities that threaten the existence of the parks, such as acid rain.

Pennsylvania Environmental Defense Foundation
Carlisle, PA

\$ 18,000

This project seeks to motivate the general public to form partnerships that address stream and watershed pollution in the northwest region of Pennsylvania. These partnerships, consisting of local citizens, grassroots organizations, industry, and regulatory agencies, will assist in the development and demonstration of rehabilitation methods and techniques that have applicability

School District of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, PA

\$ 19,674

The school district will use this grant to add an environmental component to their summer Central East Regional Summer Science Camp Program. The goals for this environmental project are to increase students' knowledge of careers in environmental science and enhance students' awareness of environmental conditions and issues that affect their health and the health of their families and communities.

Shippensburg University
Shippensburg, PA

\$ 8,544

This project will be developed within the Keystone Health Center service area. The study will be conducted to ascertain whether migrant and seasonal farm workers and others associated with farm activities, such as the growers and their families, are exposing themselves to environmental health hazards by the nature of their work.

YWCA of Coatesville
Coatesville, PA

\$20,000

The purpose of this project is to mitigate radon levels found in homes in Coatesville, Pa. The objective is to successfully eliminate the highest radon readings in identified homes. This project will utilize Coatesville area high school students, trained to carry out actual radon reduction techniques.

Maryland

Anacostia Watershed Society

\$20,000

College Park, MD

This project will increase the awareness and participation of citizens in urban communities along the Anacostia River in the improvement of their neighborhood environments. The grantee will work with local community leaders, the city, and neighborhood committees to arrange events that will engage citizens in activities in the community and on the river.

Parks and People Foundation**\$15,390****Baltimore, MD**

This project will improve communication and coordination between residents of West Baltimore and local, state, and federal environmental programs through the Parks and People Foundation's "KidsGrow" program. The Foundation will train fifty "KidsGrow" middle school students in local environmental issues. These students will learn from environmental professionals, then train adults and other youth.

Patuxent River 4-H Center Foundation, Inc.**\$10,800****Upper Marlboro, MD**

The goals of this "Outdoor Education" program are to: 1) provide students with information to make educated decisions related to the environment through hands-on cooperative investigations, 2) provide teachers with information and support to integrate environmental activities into the classroom, around their schools, and in their communities, and 3) provide students with an appreciation of the world and its resources,

Raising Hispanic Achievement, Inc.**\$19,908****Burtonsville, MD**

The purpose of this project is to expose high school students to environmental issues in their community and to empower these individuals with the tools to assess local environmental quality and determine priorities based on concepts such as exposure and toxicity.

District of Columbia**Chi Delta Mu Fraternity****\$20,000****Washington, DC**

The purpose of this project is to increase radon awareness, testing, and mitigation, and develop and implement culturally sensitive intervention strategies in disproportionately affected communities as a step towards improving the environmental quality of these areas.

Environmental Law Institute**\$20,000****Washington, DC**

This project will develop a multi-media rapid assessment tool to address environmental problems in urban neighborhoods. The proposed "Rapid Assessment" is a mechanism for lay people to identify, evaluate, and prioritize conditions that are hazardous to the environment and human health.

Institute of World Affairs**\$ 4,933****Washington, DC**

This project will develop community environmental awareness tools for the Sandy Spring community. Such tools will include workbooks, data, textbook, and workshops for community leaders and citizens.

Virginia**American Lung Association of Virginia
Richmond, VA****\$ 5,050**

The purpose of this project is to address asthma-related health problems through a formatted kit entitled "Open Airways for Schools." This kit is designed to educate children ages 8-11 in targeted urban and rural communities.

**Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment
Arlington, VA****\$ 9,195**

The grantee will develop a garden project as a springboard for educational activities that foster concern and stewardship of the stream and the environment in general. The project will provide an opportunity for primarily disadvantaged individuals to practice their skills and develop new ones, while supplementing their diets with healthy food.

**Virginia Polytechnical Institute & State University
Pulaski County, VA****\$19,728**

The purpose of the proposed project is to reduce radon exposure among Pulaski County residents through an educational program that builds on previous radon awareness programs. Targeted audiences include limited-resource households, rental households, elementary school children and their families, county residents as targeted through major employers, and housing related businesses.

**Virginia Water Project, Inc.
Roanoke, VA****\$13,580**

The grantee will sponsor a two-day forum to gain feedback from community members regarding their environmental concerns. This forum will provide the opportunity for community residents to participate in the process of ensuring safe, affordable drinking water and wastewater treatment in their communities. This project will facilitate the development of partnerships between these communities and state and federal agencies to address environmental justice issues in their communities.

TOTAL FOR REGION III \$312,487**REGION IV**

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Alabama

EQ 994772-95-0

**Project Awake
Coatopa, AL****\$20,000**

The Sumpter County Environmental Justice Awareness Project will provide environmental education and training, and improve communication and coordination among existing community based grassroots organizations, local, state, and federal governmental programs, and other stakeholders. The project will facilitate communication, information exchange, and partnerships among the stakeholders to address environmental justice issues by conducting workshops and providing educational materials.

Florida

EQ 994774-95-0

**Florida International University
Miami, FL****\$19,377**

This project will facilitate information exchange with the community by administering surveys that assess the effect of demographics, housing stock, and socioeconomic factors on lead poisoning rates and exposure to other indoor pollutants such as asbestos and radon. The project will also provide information on childhood lead poisoning and its prevention and management, the risks associated with lead abatement and asbestos in public housing, and community action programs directed at eliminating childhood lead poisoning.

EQ 994773-95-0

**Citizens Against Toxic Exposure (CATE)
Pensacola, FL****\$20,000**

CATE will work to promote a healthy environment, safe living conditions, and environmental justice in their community. CATE will motivate the general public and promote an awareness of environmental justice issues by: educating and empowering community members; informing the Pensacola community and surrounding communities about environmental justice concerns; providing outreach to affected citizens, local groups, organizations, and government officials; building and maintaining relationships and networks with other groups that have environmental justice concerns.

Georgia

EQ 994782-95-0

**People Working for People
Tifton, GA****\$20,000**

This grantee will launch a public education program and participate in geographic initiatives to define, prevent, and remediate disproportionate environmental exposure. The target audiences of these projects will be residents affected by pollution in Tift County (located in South Central Georgia). The expected results are a marked improvement in public education and citizen participation, increased communication among critical stakeholders, a visual/technical inventory of environmentally impacted areas of concern, and increased government and industry accountability.

EQ 994778-95-0

**Newtown Florist Club
Athens, GA****\$20,000**

The purpose of this project is to bring community representatives together on a routine basis to discuss environmental justice issues, to educate the community on the kinds of industries that are detrimental to the sustainability of the community, and to plan for future community based improvements. The grant will also support the initiation of a lead (and other chemicals) testing, treatment, and prevention program that targets all children in Newtown Community.

EQ 994781-95-0

**Youth Initiative Project
Brunswick, GA****\$10,362**

This grantee will increase awareness in a community affected by hazardous waste and educate residents about its impact on residents' health, as well as the health and quality of life in the community. Through a series of workshops, members of the community will obtain information about environmental contamination and learn how to use this information to remedy the situation. The workshops will primarily target the residents of Brunswick.

EQ 994775-95-0

Fulton Atlanta Community Action Authority
Atlanta, GA

\$20,000

This project has three major objectives: improve communications and coordination of the Atlanta Environmental Justice and Sustainable Development Coalition and Community through meetings and Community Round Table Discussions motivate residents of the Atlanta Empowerment Zone and the general public to be more conscious and active in environmental justice and sustainable development by producing an Environmental Justice Primer for educational use; and by conducting an Environmental Justice Survey in the empowerment zone and the city. This project will teach coalition members how to access, analyze, and interpret public environmental data.

EQ 994791-95-0

Clark Atlanta University
Atlanta, GA

\$19,911

Clark Atlanta University's Southern Center for Studies in Public Policy will work in partnership with the communities of Alton Park and Piney Grove (Chattanooga, TN) to compile a comprehensive environmental status/community history to serve as resource material in identifying the two neighborhoods' environmental problems. The Center will employ a project model that utilizes the community as the developer of research priorities and methodology. The grantee will: 1) prepare an environmental resource guide for the neighborhoods that documents the community concerns; 2) disseminate and explain the document's findings and recommendations to residents; and 3) train community leaders to interpret the findings of the research and develop the means to tap public information sources to update the document,

EQ 994779-95-0

Woolfolk Citizens Response Group
Fort Valley, GA

\$20,000

This grantee will develop a plan for the creation of a "standard of operation" for affected communities, prepared by members of that community. The project manager will confer with agencies such as EPA, the Army Corps of Engineers, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, @, and the U.S. Geological Survey to determine their role as public agencies once an area is determined to be a Superfund site. A list of site concerns will be developed. Additionally, an Environmental Justice Summit will be convened to address all environmental problems expressed by the residents in the affected areas.

EQ 997809-95-0

Hyde Park and Aragon Park Improvement Committee
Augusta, GA

\$10,000

This project will provide a series of workshops/counseling sessions entitled "Counseling for Coping while Living in an Unsafe Environment." Approximately 1600-2000 people are expected to attend these functions. The workshops/sessions will be conducted by trained personnel and will address such topics as @ coping skills, learning how to get relief from your environment, communication with other contaminated communities, and teaching children and adults about the dangers and effects of exposure to chemicals.

Kentucky

EQ 994783-95-0

**Appalshop, Inc.
Whitesburg, KY****\$20,000**

The purpose of this project is three-fold: 1) to facilitate the development of a network of individuals and organizations around environmental justice issues through workshops, a regional conference, and development of an ongoing communications network; 2) to educate and build consciousness of environmental issues through the use of cultural activities and existing. Appalshop video documentaries on environmental issues, and 3) to develop workshops and an education program to train local people in pollution prevention and risk reduction programs.

Mississippi

EQ 994786-95-0

**African Americans for Environmental Justice
Brooksville, MS****\$11,000**

This organization will improve community awareness through the development of educational environmental justice materials. These materials will inform the public of the environmental issues related to two hazardous waste disposal facilities in the Noxubee County area.

EQ 994785-95-0

**Jesus People Against Pollution Inc.
Columbia, MS****\$19,750**

Jesus People Against Pollution (JPAP), Inc. seeks to support documentation of the impact of toxic wastes in their community and on themselves. Specifically, JPAP will produce two quality videos and an accompanying workbook. The videos and workbook will be used among grassroots, environmental justice groups who wish to learn more about documenting and communicating their concerns.

EQ 004784095-0

**Mississippi Human Services Agency
Jackson, MS****\$ 4,500**

Mississippi Human Services Agency will develop a state-wide environmental inventory. Research methods to be used include statistical analyses, input from communities, and continuing work with the Department of Environmental Quality's Comparative Risk Project. The target audience will include students, media, and grassroots organizations.

North Carolina**Warren County Citizens Concerned About PCB'S
Norlina, NC****\$19,000**

This project will focus on methods and plans for detoxification of the Warren County, North Carolina PCB/Dioxin Landfill. The Joint Warren County/State PCB Landfill Working Group, made up of local citizens, local and state officials, and local and statewide ecumenical and environmental leaders, serves to resolve environment-related issues facing Warren County.

EQ 994788-95-0

**Concerned Citizens of Tillery
Tillery, NC****\$20,000**

This public participation and education project will specifically target Piedmont and Eastern regions of North Carolina to motivate citizens to be more conscious of environmental justice. Two major state-wide environmental justice workshops will be held. An environmental impact inventory in a minimum of three targeted communities will identify and acquire all existing geographical mapping data of Piedmont and Eastern, North Carolina.

South Carolina

EQ 994789-95-0

**The Columbia Urban League, Inc.
Columbia, SC**

\$19,936

The overall goal of the project is to identify necessary improvements in the coordination among existing community-based/ grassroots organizations, environmental groups, industry and all other stakeholders. These improvements, once identified, will be translated into measurable action steps to address environmental justice issues.

Tennessee

EQ 994790-95-0

**Vanderbilt University Medical Center
Nashville, TN**

\$ 7,000

This project will integrate high school students into an intensive internship program to increase the number of students that receive training on environmental issues at the grassroots/community level. The grantee will also provide technical assistance and information to low-income and minority communities to increase the credibility of community groups through the use of technical information obtained from existing Intern programs.

TOTAL FOR REGION IV

\$300,836

REGION V

For additional information, please contact **Margaret Millard at (312) 353-1440.**

Illinois

EQ 985085-01

**Lead Elimination Action Drive
Chicago, IL**

\$20,000

This grant will be used to recruit and train neighborhood parents to direct a community-based lead poisoning prevention effort. The grantee will recruit and develop a core group of parent educators, function as a support group for parents with lead-poisoned children, raise awareness of lead causes/effects/prevention, and serve as a resource for lead hazard reduction in the neighborhood.

EQ 985087-01

**Chicago Legal Clinic
Chicago, IL**

\$ 5,800

The Clinic will assist in the effort to remove barriers between people who live in Southeast Chicago and people working for environmental agencies in federal, state, and local governments. The project will also produce a user-friendly guide to help residents understand environmental laws.

EQ 985099-01

**Community Health Partnership
Chicago, IL****\$19,963**

This grant will focus on reducing the risk of chemical exposure and illness among agricultural workers by assuring full implementation of the Worker Protection Standard. The grantee will establish a Worker Protection Stakeholder Committee, comprised of migrant and seasonal farmworkers, agricultural employers, state and federal regulators, and chemical applicators, to establish communication to resolve issues pertinent to the Worker Protection Standard.

EQ 985090-01

**East St. Louis Metropolitan Ministry
St. Louis, IL****\$20,000**

The grantee will establish a Lead Education and Lead Abatement Program, which will train community residents about methods to minimize risks from lead exposure. Community education and lead intervention workshops will be key components of this project.

EQ 985079-01

**Chicago Board of Education
Chicago, IL****\$20,000**

The grantee will create an environmental justice organization at Joseph E. Gary School with students, teachers, parents, and community members; develop and implement @ environmental ' justice curriculum, establish an Environmental Justice Educational and Communication Resource Center; and produce an educational/cultural presentation on environmental justice.

EQ 985078-01

**Parents Against Lead
Chicago, IL****\$15,000**

The grantee will develop a Risk Reduction for Living with In-Place Lead Based Paint Intervention and Prevention Training Project. The project's goals are to reduce exposure to leadbased paint and subsequently reduce blood lead levels of children. The project will provide hands-on intervention and prevention methods for in-place lead-based paint risk reduction that are also cost effective.

EQ 985080-01

**People for Community Recovery
Chicago, IL****\$10,000**

The grantee will develop the People for Community Recovery's Fighting Against a Toxic Environmental project (FATE). The project will promote communication between all stakeholders to build a community awareness of environmental issues, potential hazards, and available options to residents who seek environmental justice.

Indiana

EQ 985089-01

**Grand Calumet Task Force
Whiting, IN****\$20,000**

The grantee will develop an Environmental Justice Information and Outreach project. The task force will improve communication and coordination among all stakeholders, and conduct outreach to the general public to create a greater awareness and understanding of environmental justice issues, toxic risks to communities, and the need for pollution prevention and sustainable community planning. The

grantee will also facilitate access to computer-based information systems for the community.

Ohio

EQ 985098-01

**Citizen's Policy Center
Cleveland, OH**

\$12,591

This grant will focus on pollution prevention and risk reduction by addressing lead contamination in the Lincoln Park neighborhood on the south side of Columbus. The grantee will hold workshops to educate stakeholders on lead contamination, work with the community to facilitate lead testing to identify the level of risk, and facilitate the development of a lead abatement strategy.

**Community of Holy Rosary and St. John
Columbus, OH**

\$14,498

The grantee will develop an Environmental Justice Awareness and Community Revitalization Project for the inner city community of Livingston Park. The project's goals are to facilitate communication among the stakeholders to address environmental justice issues, sponsor a series of environmental justice awareness workshops, educate the community on risk reduction and pollution prevention via the St. John Learning Center and the Livingston Park Improvement Association, and facilitate community revitalization.

EQ 985088-01

**McElrath Improvement Corporation
Ravenna, OH**

\$12,646

The grantee will establish a process for critical thinking/active participation in enhancing the gathering of information that will lead to environmental improvements in the McElrath community. This will be achieved by a "McElrath 4-Step Clean Up Plan" of group planning, community coordination, public meetings with public officials, and community problem solving.

EQ 985086-01

**Working In Neighborhoods, Inc.
Cincinnati, OH**

\$20,000

The grantee will assist the community in its efforts to address environmental justice concerns and work to improve environmental health and safety in the community. The project will train community leaders to identify environmental risks and develop strategies to address their concerns.

Michigan

EQ 985091-01

**Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services
Dearborn, MI**

\$20,000

The grantee will work with a predominantly Arab-American community to develop culturally appropriate environmental programs. The project will establish a Community Concerns Advisory Committee, produce educational materials in English and Arabic, sponsor a series of Environmental Justice Awareness Workshops to educate and prioritize environmental concerns, and develop a community-based environmental quality survey.

EQ 9850863-01

**Michigan Migrant Legal Assistance Project
Grand Rapids, MI****\$20,000**

The grantee will educate migrant and seasonal farmworkers on safety and protection of their families from environmental hazards. The project's goals are to assist the farmworkers in understanding environmental laws, chemicals, and reading labels, groundwater contamination, safety conditions, and their rights and remedies under environmental laws and regulations.

EQ 985081-01

**The Greening of Detroit
Detroit, MI****\$ 4,000**

The grantee will develop and implement two distinct demonstration projects that will highlight potential in vacant lot reclamation, improve quality of life by relieving neighborhood blight, and provide residents with the tools necessary to change their own environment. University of Michigan-Dearborn students will work with Michigan United Conservation Clubs to provide educational support needed to implement and manage the project.

Minnesota

EQ 985092-01

**Grand Portage Reservation
Grand Portage, MN****\$20,000**

The grantee will develop a program to examine and address mercury contamination in fish consumed by subsistence fishers. The project will document sources of mercury contamination and health risks due to fish and game consumption, conduct public education and outreach, and encourage community involvement.

Wisconsin

EQ 985084-01

**Sokaogon Chippewa Community
Crandon, WI****\$19,997**

The grantee will identify, recruit, and train a tribal member to serve as Public Information Officer. The Public Information Officer will develop and implement an outreach program that will include interpretation of scientific information, highlight the decision-making process, and provide input opportunity and information access for tribal elders and families.

EQ 985082-01

**Wisconsin Community Action Program
Madison, WI****\$20,000**

The grantee will develop the Migrant Community Assistance Project, which will: facilitate communication among the stakeholders to address environmental justice, motivate the general public to be more conscious of their local environmental justice issues, develop policies and procedures to be employed in other counties, teach about risk reduction and pollution prevention, and seek experts to demonstrate how to access, analyze, and interpret public environmental data.

EQ 985093-01

**Sixteenth Street Community Health Center
Milwaukee, WI****\$20,000**

The grantee will assist the Community Advisory Committee in accomplishing the Health Center's outreach efforts to families and children who are at high-risk to environmental hazards. The project will develop educational materials and effective communication and distribution techniques for such materials, assist in developing a health survey, work with doctors, nurses, and medical staff to provide materials and develop protocols, and organize meetings and communication networks to address environmental hazards.

TOTAL FOR REGION V **\$314,495**

REGION VI

For additional information, please contact Donna Tisdall at (214) 665-6528.

Arkansas

EQ-99-6468

Arkansas Delta Housing Development Corporation

\$20,000

Forrest City, AR

The grantee will conduct a Fair Housing Environmental Justice Project that will address lead and toxics in neighborhoods and small towns. The grantee will also coordinate a rural environmental equity resource and technical support committee, establish a regional environmental equity telephone hot-line, and develop educational materials. Additionally, the grantee will promote Arkansas Delta environmental awareness by sponsoring community forums.

EQ-99-6469

**Central Arkansas Regional
Solid Waste Management District**

\$20,000

Lonoke, AR

This project will develop and implement waste reduction programs for cities and communities within the District. In particular, the grantee will establish an economically feasible waste reduction program for collection, processing, storing, and marketing of recyclables, and disseminate information through the region to expand and pool resources that are not available or economically feasible in small communities.

EQ-99-6463

White River Environmental Protection Association

\$ 2,324

Elkins, AR

The grantee will publish educational materials to disseminate environmental information to organization members, public officials, and other grass-roots organizations. The grantee will also publicize educational opportunities to private citizens on such issues as recycling, waste reduction, and involvement in permits and applications for environmentally sensitive operations.

Louisiana

EQ-99-6462

**Deep South Center for Environmental Justice,
Xavier University of Louisiana**

\$20,000

New Orleans, LA

This grant will support the Mississippi River Avatar Communiversy in the development of community-based education and communication programs that strengthen the ability of grassroots organizations along the Mississippi River corridor to participate in decisions affecting their environment. The grantee will focus on several communities represented by the project's Community Advisory

Board and will specifically target the communities of the Agriculture St. Landfill and Terme in New Orleans, Alsen, Lions, Carville and,Wallace, Louisiana. All targeted communities endure severe environmental pollution problems.

EQ-99-6467

**Iberville Parish Emergency Preparedness
Plaquemine, LA**

\$20,000

This project will initiate and operate an advisory radio program to provide a means for more effectively broadcasting emergency notifications on environmental risks to residents of Iberville Parish. The system will also be used for educational programs and for local industry to develop a series of educational broadcasts to teach children about the health implications of industrial systems and processes. The grantee will disseminate information on preventive safety measures in the home, during recreation, and in the case of an unexpected industrial accident.

EQ-99-6458

**Southern Mutual Help Association
New Iberia, LA**

\$20,000

This project will identify and develop strategies to address environmental justice issues in ten communities in West St. Mary Parish, Louisiana. The grantee will work with each community to educate the members about environmental pollution issues and identify environmental injustices in each community and the area as a whole. This will be achieved through public awareness conferences, targeted workshops, media releases, interviews, and one-on-one discussions. The grantee will develop projects that will serve as models for other communities to evaluate environmental justice issues. The grantee will also use educational components to teach the environmental justice communities, stakeholders, and general public about environmental issues, available data sources and data bases, risk reduction techniques, and pollution prevention methods and strategies.

EQ-99-6461

**Algiers Community Improvement Association
New Orleans, LA**

\$20,000

This project will sponsor the Mobil/Cutoff Environmental Justice Initiative, which will increase awareness of environmental justice issues by establishing better communication between neighborhood residents, the industry that affects their community, and the government agencies that serve them. The grantee will develop an effective information system to empower and motivate residents to take an active role in neighborhood issues. This will be achieved through interviews with neighborhood residents, Mobil personnel, and government agencies. These interviews will be recorded on audio tapes and in writing and be distributed to the community.

New Mexico

EQ-99-6464

**Pueblo of Acoma
Acoma, NM**

\$20,000

This project will sponsor four environmental educational workshops and distribute environmental information to the Pueblo of Acoma. The grantee will expand and simplify community partnerships, particularly in obtaining organizational and technical support from tribal committees.

EQ-99-6473

**Pueblo of San Juan
San Juan Pueblo, NM**

\$19,702

The grantee will develop and implement environmental laws, regulations, and policies dealing with environmental justice to insure that

the Pueblo and its neighbors are treated fairly and equally. The grantee will identify and assess pollution sources and develop and implement environmental awareness training with the surrounding social community to devise strategies for environmental improvements. The grantee will also establish an information system for the local communities that addresses environmental justice issues.

EQ-99-6459

San Jose Community Awareness Council, Inc.
Albuquerque, NM

\$20,000

This project will sponsor a Superfund Environmental Justice Summit, which will provide a forum for information exchange, networking, and coalition building for people in the region whose communities are adversely affected by hazardous waste. The grantee will also invite authorities to offer lectures, workshops, and demonstrations regarding issues such as community epidemiology, community right-to-know, risk reduction, pollution prevention, and accessing databases.

EQ-99-6466

Asociacion del Medio Ambiente de Sunland Park, Inc.
Sunland Park, NM

\$ 20,000

The grantee will develop the Sunland Park Environmental Monitoring and Education Project. The project will consist of a house-to-house study of health problems in the community that will be used when addressing environmental concerns. The grantee will educate the community so that the members of the community can be familiar with the signs of environmental hazards and the relevant laws and regulations.

Oklahoma

EQ-99-6465

Cherokee Nation
Tahlequah, OK

\$19,992

This grant will fund the Cherokee Nation's woods and wetlands project. The grantee will sponsor two workplace conferences, which will include landowners and schools that support Native American children. Materials will also be produced for educators to inform students about wetlands, risk reduction, and pollution. The grantee will also publish a wetlands advertisement in regional and state publications to reinforce the importance of the Cherokee Nation's wetlands message.

EQ-99-6472

East Central University
Ada, OK

\$19,980

This project will establish the South Central Oklahoma Environmental Justice Resource Center to serve as an information and resource clearinghouse for local grassroots environmental organizations, Native American tribal members, and community members to learn about and pursue environmental justice. The grantee will develop a "Handbook of Environmental Justice," coordinate four workshops, and design a credit seminar to introduce strategies for risk assessment, risk reduction, and pollution prevention. The grantee will train members of potentially disaffected groups in the use of Geographic Information System (GIS), Toxic Release Inventories (TRI), West law, and other resources relevant to seeking environmental justice.

Texas

EQ-99-6460

City of Laredo
Laredo, TX

\$18,002

This project will improve environmental education in schools, providing students and teachers with the necessary materials, supplies, and technical support to initiate a dialogue concerning environmental issues between the students, instructors, professionals, and civic leaders. The grantee will educate the students about pollution prevention and the elements that contribute to non-point source pollution and encourage classroom discussions on environmental topics. The project also aims to motivate students to take a stand against pollution in their own neighborhoods and demonstrate methods to illustrate the environmental problems that exist in the Laredo area but also show how many of the problems can be avoided or easily remedied.

EQ-99-6470

**Prairie View A&M University
Prairie View, TX**

\$20,000

This project will provide community-based environmental health training at Prairie View A&M University. The project will combine the cooperative efforts of community leaders and an Historically Black College to develop a series of activities designed to bring a greater awareness of environmental health issues to the community. The grantee will develop training workshops, seminars, and conferences to prepare volunteers from selected churches to implement environmental health education programs. The grantee will also develop a mentor program utilizing Prairie View A&M University students, faculty, and staff to develop career awareness and information programs for K-12 students.

EQ-99-6471

**YMCA of Metro Ft. Worth
Fort Worth, TX**

\$20,000

This grant will fund the YMCA Kids for a Healthy Planet Environmental Justice Project, which will educate children and families on how they can help make their planet healthier, safer, and better for all by emphasizing concern and taking action to improve the environmental health of their community. The project will motivate the general public to be more conscious of their local environmental justice issues and teach about risk reduction and pollution prevention. The project will involve technical experts to demonstrate how to access, analyze, and interpret public environmental data.

TOTAL FOR REGION VI**\$300,000****REGION VII**

For additional information, please contact Hattie Thomas at
(913) 551-7003.

Iowa

**Black Hawk County Health Department
Waterloo, IA**

\$20,000

This project will raise the level of environmental awareness in disproportionately-affected areas through one-on-one educational contact and active group education and information sharing. The target area will be surveyed and focus areas identified to facilitate the educational exchange. A data collection computer program will be developed to monitor the success of the educational efforts.

Kansas

**Friends University
Wichita, KS**

\$19,719

Friends University will use this grant to form a Citizens Environmental Academy. This program will provide individuals in targeted communities with the opportunity to access environmental information and develop environmental research of interest and concern to

them. The Academy participants will act as a resource by providing assistance to other community members that have a concern for the environmental quality of their particular neighborhoods and for the community overall. The objective of this project is to empower individual citizens to investigate environmental concerns they may have when they enroll in the program or of which they may become aware as the program unfolds.

**Haskell Indian Nations University
Lawrence, KS**

\$20,000

This project will coordinate technical support for the Indian nations in northeast Kansas with supervised Native American students at Haskell. Support will be directed to the protection of forest and hydrologic resources from environmental contaminants, utilizing the most current software available from a geographic information system (GIS). The objective is to provide the tribal entities with a scientific tool for identification, interpretation, and evaluation of their resources.

**Haskell Indian Nations University
Lawrence, KS**

\$20,000

The local and national Native American community abounds with instances of violations of the basic principles of environmental justice. These range from transportation and utility corridor siting, to hazardous and solid waste disposal, to pollution from adjacent mining activities. This project will establish an awareness by Native American stakeholders concerning empowerment when dealing with environmental justice issues.

**Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas
Horton, KS**

\$20,000

The Kickapoo Tribe will establish a "Whispers from the Earth" community organization to enhance, promote, and provide environmental education and information on concerns affecting the environment. This organization will promote conservation planning, pollution prevention, and environmental sustainability and will rejuvenate environmental teachings so that the next generation will be educated about the negative practices that have created problems in our land, air, water, and to the existence of all people.

**Prairie Band of Potawatomi Indians
Mayetta, KS**

\$17,047

This tribal project will help increase awareness among tribal members and initiate activities to address the concern of open, abandoned wells and their impact on groundwater quality. Through this effort the tribe intends to promote water quality protection and develop the tribal Environmental Protection Department's capability to manage environmental protection efforts.

**National Hispanic Council on Aging of Wichita
Wichita, KS**

\$19,982

This grant will fund Proyecto Seguridad: An Environmental Project, which is an intergenerational environmental awareness program in the City of Wichita. The primary target population is Latino youth and the elderly, who will be able to disseminate information to the community concerning the environment. Overall, the project will strive to increase the availability and accessibility of existing environmental services.

Missouri

**American Lung Association
St. Louis, MO**

\$8,500

This project will organize at-risk teens to create an indoor air quality informational campaign for an inner city community in St. Louis, through a program called Health Options for Teens (H.O.T.). These teens will work side-by-side with health professionals at

camps for children with severe asthma. This will give the teens an opportunity to learn how indoor air pollutants can trigger asthma. Two of the teens will design and implement an indoor air outreach program. During the school year these teens will be responsible for implementing an educational program in their community.

St. Louis Lead Poisoning **\$20,000**

St. Louis, MO

The St. Louis Lead Poisoning Prevention Council will solicit participation of local stakeholder groups in an open forum that will update all parties on the existence and status of any local lead poisoning prevention, education, or abatement activities. A comprehensive campaign utilizing forum participants will coordinate and involve the affected communities in ongoing activities, further develop dissemination plans for the Council's lead publication, and develop neighborhood-based groups that will enhance outreach to the most vulnerable populations.

Leadbusters Inc. - Westside Housing Organization **\$ 20,000**

Kansas City, MO

This project targets lead contamination and lead poisoning in the Kansas City metropolitan area. The proposal builds on early efforts to develop a train-the-trainer model as part of its approach to prepare community residents, and the organizations that serve them, to understand the dangers of lead contamination, methods of risk assessment and abatement, and medical screening and treatment resources.

The Curators of the University of Missouri **\$ 17,445**

Columbia, MO

This project will assist low-income and people of color neighborhoods in Columbia in understanding the ecological and social values associated with the Bear Creek portion of the Columbia Greenway. The project will also help prepare residents of these neighborhoods to be active participants in the Glenway planning and management process.

Higbee Community Betterment Association, Inc. **\$12,050**

Higbee, MO

This grant will sponsor the Clean Air and Clean Water Project, which will improve communication and awareness among Highboy area residents about the air and water in their community. This project will include radon testing and various environmental activities. Highboy is a rural, economically and educationally depressed area and this project will be the first organized environmental program developed for the citizens of Higbee.

Wesley House Association **\$18,360**
St. Louis, MO

This project will establish a lead education center in a network of agencies that will provide educational activities to target populations. The project will also integrate lead exposure risk concerns as a component of family support and family preservation efforts, establish "community work group" centers, install a 24-hour number that will allow community members to report lead problems, create and distribute educational materials, and sponsor four community forums on relevant lead exposure issues.

Nebraska

Omaha Tribe of Nebraska **\$20,000**
Macy, NE

The Omaha Tribe of Nebraska will focus attention on the protection of groundwater quality and maintenance of the health and welfare of both tribal and non-tribal residents on its reservation. This proposal will initiate an environmental protection effort to identify abandoned well sites and demonstrate the proper method of filling both hand-dug and drilled water wells. This will reduce a threat to the environment and raise public awareness. The effort is expected to affect residents throughout the reservation and increase their consciousness of the environmental concern posed by abandoned wells.

Douglass County Health Department **\$20,000**
Omaha, NE

This grant will fund the continuation of a "Paint Swap Day," during which residents are encouraged to bring unwanted paint and select any paint from containers already collected. Latex paint not "swapped" will be transported to a manufacturing facility for filtering, blending, reconditioning, and containerizing. Recovered paint will be transported to a warehouse for storage until it can be distributed to low-income and disadvantaged citizens (with priority to those identified by the Health Department as having a lead paint problem).

TOTAL FOR REGION VI **\$273,103**

REGION VIII

For additional information, please contact Grace Wright at (303) 293-1645.

Colorado

EQ-998379-01

Council of Energy Resource Tribes **\$19,793**
Denver, CO

This project will improve communication and coordination of environmental justice issues between tribes and EPA. The grantee will coordinate forums to facilitate community and information exchange in a participatory and proactive manner.

EQ-998376-01

Cross Community Coalition **\$19,974**
Denver, CO

The Colorado People's Environmental and Economic Network (COPEEN) will bring together community-based grassroots people of color groups to work in partnership in addressing environmental justice issues. This will be done through improved coordination, communication, and information exchange among these groups, skill training that will enable them to appropriately address environmental justice issues, and development of statewide projects that all of the groups can work on together.

The Network will also develop and establish an education and training center, which will also serve as a repository for written and

audiovisual material

EQ-998377-01

**Denver Department of Health and Hospitals
Community and Health Services
Denver, CO**

\$20,000

This grant will fund research in the Montbello area, which has been targeted due to grave concerns about Rocky Mountain Arsenal pollution. Oral and written interviews of 4000 households will be conducted to gather information regarding community life-expectancy rates, pre-existing conditions, and birth and death information. Standard physical, mental health, and socio-demographic data will also be gathered. Research results will be communicated to the community through a multi-media approach.

EQ-998375-01

**El Paso County Department of Health and Environment
Colorado Springs, CO**

\$18,910

The grantee will conduct radon mitigation and demonstrate its effectiveness through a series of demonstration projects. Expert, hands-on training will be provided to personnel of the Energy Resource Center (ERC). The ERC is a non-profit agency that performs weatherization repairs in low-income family housing. The benefit of working with this particular agency is that it has both the administrative structure and the skills needed for radon mitigation, since they closely parallel those used for weatherization.

EQ-998378-01

**Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Education Foundation
Denver, CO**

\$20,000

This project will teach the Hispanic business community and the community at large about the role that small minority businesses can play in risk reduction and pollution prevention. The grantee will educate these small business owners on simple methods to reduce their risks in dealing with existing pollution, provide practical information to small business owners on pollution prevention, and outline options for small business employees who handle toxic materials.

EQ-998380-01

**Sunnyside United Neighbors, Inc.
Denver, CO**

\$20,000

The goals of this project are to educate the residents of the Sunnyside area about the environmental and human health risks associated with a current Superfund site cleanup in their community. This project will provide outreach and promote pollution prevention measures to be considered for any future site.

Montana

EQ-998384-01

**Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
Pablo, MT**

\$20,000

This project includes the development of educational and tribal environmental programs, including environmental justice information resource materials for use at various schools on the reservation. An informational brochure will be developed for area agencies, land owners, and other resource managers that may also be used in other parts of the country With substantial Native American populations.

EQ-998383-01

**District XI Human Resource Council
Missoula, MT**

\$15,326

This project will benefit an area encompassing approximately 27% of the state's low income population. This project will provide education to low-income, Native American, and Hmong communities on indoor air quality, encourage community involvement through greater awareness, and provide methods for residents to mitigate the detrimental effects of radon, carbon monoxide, and toxics.

EQ-998385-01

**Fort Belknap Community Council
Harlem, MT**

\$20,000

The impoverished Fort Belknap Reservation is plagued with the degradation and depletion of groundwater due to a large, open pit gold mine operating adjacent to the reservation. To address the groundwater problems, the grantee will sponsor four environmental workshops for reservation members. One of these workshops will be entitled, "Water or Gold? Environmental Justice Issues."

EQ-998386-01

**Northern Cheyenne Tribe
Lame Deer, MT**

\$20,000

A classified section of the Northern Cheyenne Reservation was designated a Group I nonattainment area in 1988. This project will address this issue by providing quarterly public hearings in all five districts of the reservation. The public meetings will educate reservation members on the subject of environmental justice and how reservation members and their environment are being affected by environmental justice issues.

North Dakota

EQ-998381-01

**Clean Water Fund
Fargo, ND**

\$20,000

The Clean Water Fund will produce training materials in Spanish that will include charts illustrating common household toxics and safe alternatives for reducing health risks. The Fund will also develop health and safety fliers for protecting health in the home and workplace, a slide show presentation on pollution prevention, and video tape versions of the slide show for use at public institutions, migrant employment agencies, and in individual households.

South Dakota

EQ-998389-01

**Oglala Sioux Tribe
Pine Ridge, SD**

\$18,701

This project will focus on the Pine Ridge Reservation of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. The tribe has a serious problem with underground storage tanks (UST) and leaks to the ground water. This grant will be used to educate community residents about the need to ensure that the UST's are tested and tightened so that no further leakage occurs. This grant will also contribute to the tribal capacity to monitor and respond to such leaks and protect tribal small businesses that rely on UST'S.

EQ-998388-01

**Western SD Community Action, Inc.
Rapid City, SD**

\$16,000

The Western South Dakota Community, Inc. is a private, non-profit organization that was established to effect a positive change in the poverty level and health status of low-income residents in ten counties. The grant will be used to test radon levels in homes

occupied by low income individuals and analyze the data as it relates to the incidences of cancer and infant mortality. The results will be compiled and distributed to the affected communities along with information on low-cost methods to alleviate radon concentrations.

EQ-998390-01

**Jobs and Environment Campaign
Cambridge, MA**

\$20,000

This project is a partnership between the Lakota Nation (Oglala Sioux) and the Jobs and Environment Campaign (JEC). The project is designed to give a great measure of regulatory autonomy to the Oglala Sioux Tribe, while addressing their most pressing environmental problems. The project will include several activities: 1) community outreach and education, 2) development of environmental regulatory codes; 3) baseline environmental study; and 4) technical assistance for two "green" economic development projects at Pine Ridge.

Utah

EQ-998387-01

**Utah Society for Environmental Education
Salt Lake City, UT**

\$19,590

The purpose of this project is to improve the environmental quality of the Jordan River corridor in a low-income portion of the Salt Lake Valley. The education-based project will enhance the community's motivation and ability to identify and take action to address the problems affecting their quality of life. This is targeted to low-income people and people of color with long-term concerns about contamination and adverse health effects. Specific objectives include education, site visits, instruction training, and community organizing.

TOTAL FOR REGION VIII

\$287,822

REGION IX

For additional **information, please** contact Martha **Vega at** (415) 744-1697.

Arizona

EQ-9993100-10

**Arizona Department of Health Services
Center for Minority Health
Phoenix, AZ**

\$ 18,585

The objective of this project is to educate migrant and seasonal farmworkers in Southeastern Arizona of chemical-induced illnesses by presenting the "Espectaculo Publico. " The "Espectacuto Publico" is a public event that uses a "novella" (Spanish translated, low-literacy story book with pictures) to tell the story of a family that learns to protect itself from chemical related illnesses. The

"novella" will be presented in a play, performed by a local community theater group, and available in book form.

EQ-9993060-10

**Dine Citizens Against Ruining Our Environment
Winslow, AZ**

\$20,000

Dine CARE, an all-Navajo community-based environmental organization, will initiate a recycling and clean-up program for the Dilkon, Teesto, and Seba Dalkai communities. The project will present informational workshops, establish a recycling drop-off center, and teach about risk reduction and pollution prevention.

EQ-9993070-10

**Don't Waste Arizona (Dine Alliance)
Phoenix, AZ**

\$20,000

The Dine Alliance, a Navajo grassroots organization, will work with residents located near the Black Mesa Coal Mine to identify environmental concerns. The Alliance will conduct a community environmental health needs assessment survey and develop an outreach and training program.

EQ-9993090-10

**El Pueblo Clinic, TCE Program
Tucson, AZ**

\$20,000

The "Promotora" program will train volunteers to conduct outreach in the community adjacent to the Tucson International Airport Superfund site. These volunteers will conduct a door-to-door campaign, seeking to increase the predominantly low-income Latino community's knowledge of tetra chloro-ethylene (TCE) exposure and health issues and the health services available at the El Pueblo Clinic.

EQ-9993080-10

**Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Scottsdale, AZ**

\$ 8,860

This project will develop a community environmental awareness demonstration project on environmental responsibility. The demonstration project will include an environmental priorities survey of the community and several workshops designed to raise awareness and provide a forum to exchange information. The environmental issues will include hazardous waste transportation, lead, radon, indoor air quality, water quality, and pollution prevention.

EQ-9993050-10

**Living is For Everyone (LIFE)
Nogales, AZ**

\$20,000

LIFE will work with other community groups to address the environmental health issues in the Nogales area (predominantly low-income Latino communities). The project will provide environmental health workshops, educational materials, monthly lupus screening clinics, and outreach and case management services. LIFE will work with individual community members to develop their leadership skills and encourage the sharing of information with friends and neighbors.

EQ-9993040-10

**NACO Border Commerce
Naco, AZ**

\$20,000

This grant will be used for the border sanitation project. The project will develop the following: 1) a strategy for collecting and treating wastewater to minimize the environmental risk, 2) a model agreement between Naco, AZ and the Sonoran government for collection and treatment of wastewater, and 3) a public awareness program.

EQ-9993030-10

**Tufts University School of Medicine
Boston, MA**

\$19,702

The purpose of this project is to collect and disseminate oral histories and visual images of Navajo uranium miners. The project will capture, through audio recordings and visual images, the experiences of Navajo uranium miners who were exposed to hazardous levels of radiation from the 1940's through the 1970's.

California

EQ-9993020-10

African American Development Association, Inc. (AADA)
Oakland, CA

\$ 17,875

This project will educate residents of Elmhurst about environmental justice, lead exposure, and lead hazard reduction in the home. AADA will achieve this by coordinating workshops, providing hazard maintenance equipment and supplies on a check-out basis, and developing home monitoring and reevaluation logs to the residents.

EQ-9993160-10

Asian Pacific Environmental Network (APEN)
Oakland, CA

\$20,000

APEN will work with other community groups to coordinate a partnership between African-American and Laotian communities in Richmond, CA. The groups will evaluate existing outreach and education efforts relevant to contaminated fish consumption, share appropriate information within the communities, and determine improvements in providing effective **outreach** and education in these communities.

EQ-9993110-10

California Institute for Rural Studies (CIRS)
Davis, CA

\$ 20,000

CIRS will work with other agencies and organizations to develop and implement a training program to certify "promotores" as trainers of farmworkers in chemical safety. The promotores will work with their neighbors and compadres/comadres to recognize health hazards from agricultural chemicals and poor sanitation in their own communities.

EQ-9993000-10

Metropolitan Area Advisory Committee
National City, CA

\$ 20,000

This grant will fund the Toxic Free Barrio Logan Campaign, a combined effort of the Metropolitan Area Advisory Committee, the Environmental Health Coalition, and the Mercado Apartments Tenants Association. The project will focus its efforts on the Mercado Apartments, which house predominantly Latino and low-income residents. Specific activities include presenting a watershed protection workshop, establishing a Toxics Watch hotline, and organizing an environmental resource library.

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Ontario Montclair School District
Ontario, CA

\$ 20,000

The purpose of this project is to teach students, families, and the surrounding school communities about environmental pollutants and the need for water conservation through culturally sensitive communication and outreach. The school district has a high percentage of minority students who speak over 39 languages. The program activities include classroom instruction, visits to the Chino Basin Water Conservation District's Environmental Center, and formation of a parent advisory group.

EQ-9993170-10

**Pesticide Watch
San Francisco, CA****\$20,000**

The Community Coalition to End Pesticide Drift is a coalition of community groups that are working to protect their health and environment from dangerous chemicals that drift from adjacent agricultural fields. This project will improve efforts in existing coalition member communities and target other rural, low income, and communities of color that are most likely to experience disproportionate exposure to chemicals. The project will hold regional meetings, participate on a statewide agricultural urban interface taskforce, and create public service announcements.

EQ-9993130-10

**Ramona Gardens Resident Advisory Council
Los Angeles, CA****\$11,851**

Project Restore Ramona will familiarize residents of an East Los Angeles low-income public housing project on environmental problems in their immediate environment. The project will initiate an oil recycling program, cleanup of affected areas, and restoration of those areas with sod and trees. Tenants will lead and participate in the activities, and materials will be written in English and Spanish.

EQ-9993010-10

**Sierra Club
Los Angeles, CA****\$20,000**

The Sierra Club will work with other local environmental justice organizations to produce and distribute an educational video and pamphlets that will teach disproportionately affected communities about the dangers of lead exposure in the home and how to reduce their exposure. The video will be specific to the Los Angeles area.

EQ-9993140-10

**West County Athletic Association
Richmond, CA****\$19,056**

The project will implement an environmental education program for African-American youth. The program will develop and present information on environmental issues, coach participants to make classroom and community presentations, and connect the youth with industry mentors to conduct community projects.

Hawaii

EQ-9993150-10

**Puna Malama Pono
Pahoa, HI****\$20,000**

This grant will be used for the Air Toxics Project, which will help train local volunteers in the Puna District, a rural and predominantly low-income community with a high proportion of Native Hawaiian residents. Residents will be trained to monitor the air emissions from a local geothermal plant, using a portable recording monitor to collect data on the emissions of hydrogen sulfide. The community will work with air toxics experts who will provide the training and maintain the monitor.

TOTAL FOR REGION IX \$295,929**REGION X**

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Alaska

EQ-9904590-10

Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc.**\$19,941****East Central AK**

This project will provide a mechanism for the collection and preservation of subsistence caught whitefish that are suspected of having abnormalities. The affected community is primarily Athabascan Indian. The project will include training of a technician, the collection and analysis of data, and the exchange of information on a local level among the agencies involved and the public.

EQ-9904430-10

Native Village of Kwinhagak**\$20,000****Quinhagak, AK**

The project will address the problem of solid and human waste on the Kanektok River by educating all river users that depend on river guides, rangers, pamphlets, signs/exhibits, and others. The grantee will also document the number of users and their waste management practices, and hold strategy sessions with interested parties to develop long and short term solutions.

EQ-9904560-10

Pacific GIS**\$15,974****Rural Alaska Communities**

Alaskan Natives have expressed growing concern about contaminants present in subsistence foods and the potential health threats of pollutants in the food chain due to the legacy of contamination from industrial and military development. This project seeks to build a comprehensive geographic information system database of contaminant locations by combining databases of known contaminant sites and tapping into the knowledge of Native Alaskans to identify and map unknown sites. The grantee will convey the resulting information to both rural residents and policy-makers.

EQ-9904530-10

Native Village of Kwinhagak**\$20,000****Ouzinkie, AK**

The purpose of this project is to develop a village-based feasibility study for the removal of approximately 75 tons of scrap metal, and investigate methods of solid waste management for on-going control of this pollution. This will involve public meetings to solicit solutions and input from technical advisors and community members.

EQ-9904430-10

Chugachmiut Environmental Health/Protection Program**\$20,000****Native communities of Tatilek, Chenega Bay,****Port Graham, Nanwalek, Valdez, Eyak/Cordova, & Seward, AK**

This grant will be used to fund the Chugach Region Pollution Prevention and Environmental Justice Training Project, which aims to increase involvement in pollution prevention projects at the community and regional levels. To accomplish this, the grantee will develop training curriculum on risk reduction and pollution prevention in the Chugach region, train one person in each community, sponsor at least one community-based pollution prevention activity, and conduct follow-up monitoring of the trainee action.

Idaho

EQ-9904550-10

Nez Perce Tribe**\$20,000****Nez Perce, Lewis, Clearwater, Idaho and**

Lewis Counties of Idaho

The goal of the project is to prepare Nez Perce landowners to participate in decision making for lands held in trust for them by the federal government. This will require developing printed educational materials concerning farming and grazing practices, conservation systems, agency functions, and the leasing and conservation planning processes.

Oregon

EQ-9904570-10

Oregon Legal Services Corporation**\$20,000****Nine Oregon Counties**

The purpose of the project is to educate low-income, rural, and minority families in nine Oregon counties about lead-based poison (LBP) prevention; identify children who are at risk from LBP and direct them to a hospital or doctor for lead level blood testing; and obtain information about the risk factor for LBP in rural housing.

EQ-9904360-10

SoCo Development, Inc.**\$20,000****Klamath Falls; Counties of Klamath, Lake,****Jackson, Josephine, OR**

The project will develop the education and environmental issues model "Operation: Tickle Me - I'm Pollution Prone," using fictional characters to address the issues of pollution, carbon monoxide and particulates, and the impact on the low- to moderate-income community. The plan includes a five-minute film accompanied by a workbook for schools, a film to be aired on the public access channel and shown to organizations, and development of five 30-second spots for use by local radio and tv stations.

Washington

EQ-9904390-10

Farm Worker Democracy Education Center.**\$20,000 Yakima Valley and Columbia****River Basin, WA**

This project seeks to improve the health of farmworkers who live and work in the Yakima Valley and Columbia River basin of eastern Washington through chemical exposure prevention. This will be done through community education, English language literacy classes with core curriculum on workplace safety, development and dissemination of educational materials, and the creation of a Pesticide Action Network for community involvement and advocacy.

EQ-9904370-10

Evergreen Legal Service**\$11,410****Yakima Valley, WA**

This project will enhance the educational efforts of the Farm Worker Pesticide Protection Project to prevent chemical exposure among farm workers of central Washington by designing and producing a Spanish language "novella." The project will involve the community in the development of the novella and distribute the novella to approximately 1,000 members of the Hispanic farm worker community, both as an independent educational tool and reinforcement of verbal presentations.

EQ-9904400-10

Whatcom County Opportunity Council**\$20,000****Whatcom County and City of Bellingham, WA**

The purpose of the project is to alleviate the risk of exposure to toxic indoor pollutants encountered by low-income and persons of color (migrant Hispanic, Lummi and Nooksack National households). The Opportunity Council will establish an "Indoor Air Quality" education, communication, and referral network including a television and radio public service announcements, open forums, and home visits.

EQ-9904540-10

**Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis
Chehalis Reservation, WA**

\$20,000

The purpose of the project is to determine the drinking water quality from water samples taken from private wells located within reservation boundaries. The data will be used to educate the community, tribal as well as business, about the condition and potential public health effects of contaminated drinking water, and teach disinfection, purification, or plumbing upgrade options to residents where needed.

EQ-9904410-10

**Muckleshoot Indian Tribe
Muckleshoot Tribal U & A Area, WA**

\$20,000

The purpose of this project is to upgrade the tribe's technological ability to respond effectively to environmental problems in their communities. In particular, the tribe will review available data about the affect of timber harvesting on the local salmon resource, which is a cornerstone of the tribes' economy and culture.

EQ-9902770-10

**People For Puget Sound
Greater Seattle, WA**

\$20,000

The Community-Coalition for Environmental Justice's (CCEJ) Outreach and Education project will develop educational materials and organize an environmental justice library and resource database. This will allow the CCEJ to provide resources **to** the affected communities of the greater Seattle region and extend environmental protection to the health of urban communities.

EQ-9909010-10

**Puget Soundkeeper Alliance
Seattle, WA**

\$10,000

This project aims to reach members of the Asian, Pacific Islander, and Hispanic communities, in a culturally sensitive and user-friendly way, and teach them about the dangers of toxic shellfish and contaminated marine life consumption, personal stewardship for our natural resources, and other environmental justice issues. This will consist of developing and distributing multi-lingual versions of a video using native speaking students from the University of Washington and the Refugee Federation Service Center for voice overs.

EQ-9909030-10

**Student Conservation Association
Seattle, King County, WA**

\$ 20,000

This project will utilize young people active in the Conservation Career Development Program with bilingual skills and cultural knowledge to prepare a six-part, multi-lingual environmental justice news series. This will be submitted to Viacom as well as TCI Cablevision for broadcast. The focus will be the Duwamish Youth Initiative that seeks to involve youth of color in the implementation of conservation projects along the Duwarnish corridor and to activate local communities to take part in the ongoing stewardship of this waterway.

TOTAL FOR REGION X

\$297,325

