Promoting Environmental Justice
HIGH SCHOOL

Resources for Additional Research

**World Health Organization (WHO)**

- Find information on [global health topics](#) (air pollution, impacts of natural disasters, water, toxic chemicals, etc.)
- [Search for global news](#) on different health topics around the world.

**U.S Organizations**

**Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

- Type in a city or zip code and use the **“EJ Screen” tool** to see environmental justice issues in the U.S. Compare neighborhood demographic data (race, income, etc.) and exposure to pollutants.
- [EPA 2020 Action Agenda](#) – See EPA priority projects
- [History/Timeline of the Environmental Justice Movement](#)

**Energy Information Association** - Find energy production and consumption data for [U.S. states](#) and [nations around the world](#).

**US Department of Agriculture** - Use the [Food Access Research Atlas](#) to locate food deserts in the U.S.

**CalEnviroScreen Tool** – Type in an address in the [CalEnviroScreen Map](#) to see environmental justice issues in California communities.
United Nations: Sustainable Development Goals

In 2015, UN member states agreed to 17 “Sustainable Development Goals” (SDGs) to help create a better planet now and in the future. Explore some of the global goals below. Look at the “Goal Targets” section. How do these goals relate to promoting environmental justice?

- **Goal 3:** Good Health and Well-Being
- **Goal 6:** Clean Water and Sanitation
- **Goal 11:** Sustainable Cities and Communities
- **Goal 16:** Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions

Principles of Environmental Justice from the First National People of Color Leadership Summit.

Blockadia Map Locate and learn about communities resisting proposed and current fossil fuel sites around the world.

Migration Data:

- **Environmental Migration Portal**
  Find reports and information on climate-caused events that contribute to migration.
  Search by topic or country.
- **UNHCR** – Climate change and disaster displacement
News Sites, Articles, & Stories

**Food Deserts**
- PBS News Hour - [Why it Takes More than a Grocery Store to Eliminate Food Deserts](#)
- NPR: Let’s Talk (video, 3:30) - [Food Deserts in DC](#)
- Grist - [The hidden resilience of food desert neighborhoods](#)

**Climate Migrants**
- Time Magazine - [The 10 Countries Most Vulnerable to Climate Change will Experience Population Booms in Coming Decades](#)
- The Atlantic Magazine - [Sundarbans: The Next Wave of Climate Refugees](#)
- Our Climate Future (video 2:41) - [Youth Climate Story: Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico](#)

**Placement of Hazardous Waste Sites**
- Population Education blog - [One man’s trash is another man’s burden: Social justice and waste management](#)
- The New York Times – [When hurricanes lead to industrial fires, minority neighborhoods can take a hit](#)
- The Guardian – [“We are not a dump” - Poor Alabama towns struggle under stench of toxic landfills.](#)

**Effects of the Fossil Fuel Industry**
- UCLA newsroom - [Passion for environmental justice fuels urban oil-drilling study](#)
- Bloomberg City Lab – [A Texas town takes on fracking as a racial justice issue](#)
- Phys.org – [A burning chemical plant may be just the tip of Hurricane Laura’s damage in this area of oil fields and industry](#)
Redlining

• NPR – A forgotten history of how the US government segregated America
• Greening the Ghetto (video 18:16) – TED Talk by Majora Carter
• Why the “wrong side of the tracks” is usually the east side of cities (video 6:42)
  - TED Talk by Stephen DeBerry
• The Guardian – “Heat Islands”: racist housing policies in US linked to deadly heatwave exposure

Indigenous Peoples’ and Land

• Native News Online – Indigenous-run news site. Learn about current issues in the U.S.
• Native Land Map – Search this global map to see what native land you are on.
• Indigenous Foundations website – Resources on terminology, history, land rights, and more, in Canada.

Environmental Racism

• Al Jazeera (video 8:55) – What is environmental racism?
• Los Angeles Times – Why communities fighting for fair policing also demand environmental justice
• The Hill – New report underscores racial prejudices in Superfund sites