Health programs & Services → Should be conducted on State, Local & Federal levels,

→ Institute Health programs → for local implement ordinances & imposing Sanctions on polluters

→ Group Buying → leaders report to the table

→ Group voice to Community Committee

→ Advisory Group

→ Implementing Grants

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IMPROVE the HEALTH AND DETERIOTION OF THE COMMUNITY

RECOMMANDATION, HEALTH IMPACT BE DONE FOR THE COMMUNITY, IN 6 MONTHS, AND WHAT IS THE RESOLVES OF the SOLUTIONS, Need Action

~~Study~~ Recommendation: Health Impact Study & timeline for CORRECTIVE ~~Change~~ action

— Why a Study = Because of Unsafe Chemicals

— Measuring Method for Study - Must includes - a State implemented Health ~~Study~~ Impact Study.

→ a look at Cumulative Impact, e.g. toxic chemicals

→ ~~Recommend~~ lower emission Standards.

→ If ~~Company~~ is in Violation, no permits will be granted or ~~renewed~~ renewed

→ green Buffering;

→ We pay taxes too, so we need to be served.

OK City Land

2. ***What do you need from your local government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

→ Implement local ordinances regarding ~~Pollutor~~ Polluter Violations.
→ a city (cluster) study;
→ trace the source/or bring awareness of the ~~Pollutor~~ polluters & Make it public.
→ City should have their own guidelines regarding Variety of Various polluters/or ~~toxins~~ Within a Certain
→ Open line/Partnership with the State. A Committee ~~Comprised~~ Composed of Community residents Seeking input.
→ City/local ~~offices~~ agencies expand radius of ~~Notification~~ Notification of Potential polluters coming into the Community.
→ Emergency responders should be clearly identified for ~~a Subdivision~~ Surrounding Communities.
→ ~~Develop~~ Implement ~~Specific~~ specific evacuation plans for each Communities.
→ More evacuations/training for residents - Annually. & Emergency responders
→ Household monitors

3. ***What do you need from state government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

— access to grant writers & funds
→ Put the people first NOT Corporations
→ Homeland Security Should ~~work~~ work to Protect the residents/communities, Not Corporations
→ MDEQ Should openly ~~de~~ educate and Provide Resources to impacted Communities.
→ We need ~~Best~~ Best care providers & Physicians who have expertise ~~in~~ in illnesses related to environmental ~~Con~~ Conditions.
→ We need free clinics for ~~impact~~ impacted and/or ~~Underdeveloped~~ Communities as most polluted
→ Programs to ~~Mitigated~~ Mitigated the effects of Environmental ~~Pollution~~ impacted on Community.
→ The EPA is being reduced - then State needs to fund ~~all~~ ~~the~~ the programs that the EPA is ending. e.g. Air pollution, Water & Soil & corporations
→ Implement renewal ~~energy~~ energy Processes & Initiatives
→ a State Mandated Recycling Program.
→ a State shared initiative as to what Programs & Charges that impact residents

4. *Ideally, what does your vision for environmental justice in Michigan look like?*

- Land remediation
- Clean up existing pollution
- Put citizens first, e.g. ~~Flint~~ No biased imputed towards low income, and ~~African American~~ Minority communities
- Ideally ~~what~~ would like to see regulatory agencies working with & towards communities, NOT against
- Funding State & Federal Environmental Programs, to improve the quality of life ~~for all~~ residents & citizens.
- A positive change ~~for all~~
- ~~MI~~ Education of MDEQ & other Regulatory agencies on how to work & communicate with citizens
- ~~Do~~ Not have be a human side/ or opponent to look at ~~all~~ citizens & their quality of life.
- Corporations should give back to the communities they impact.

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3. ***What do you need from state government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

- Permit hearings allow people to get heard, but there is no feedback
- Accountability to the People for "the plan" ~~of the developments of~~
- Strong sense of People Vs. Gov/Industry - what can be done to change this perception.
- A Requirement for information to residents "Far-ahead" of any action
- Funding transparency of Projects
- Informing people of "the process" / "How things work" so they can understand how ~~they~~ people fit into the process
- When Government needs ~~you~~ your vote they find you. How come they have a hard time communicating other items

4. *Ideally, what does your vision for environmental justice in Michigan look like?*

* Marathon Pollution reduced, controlled and responsive to residents. Air Quality needs to controlled. People use words like "fight" instead of "conversation" or "discussion"
  - Pet Coke on Waterfront
  - Air Pollution
  - They listen but continue to Expand

* Health Concerns got people involved
  - Asthma, Cancer, Emphazema
  - People should have the right to live where they want

* Let us Know what the future IS
  - 50 yrs ago "they" told residents it was going to be light industrial, Now it's heavy Industry

* Good measurements of Air Quality Changes & Monitoring

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- Consider Impacts to Schools. They are disappearing in area where there are still Residents
- Stores, clinics and other resources are disappearing in these affected communities. Everything is moving away.
- Master Planning, Communication is not happening.
  - Communication happens after decisions are made
  - diverse types of Communication (telephone, Flyers, Social media)
    - Print, meetings, on-line, Bi-lingual, Texts
    - How do you get people to the meetings
    - People in neighborhoods have given up
    - Messaging at places where people go Local Stores, laundromats, churches, etc...

2. ***What do you need from your local government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

- An Actual Plan for neighborhoods
- An Actual EJ Plan for communities
- A Place for Evacuation for Businesses and Residents
- Clinic accessibility + Food Accesibility → grocery stores
- Zoning Plans are a mess
- Long-term Planning so people can goode decisions about their future. People feel they are told "last-minute" and have no time for planning
- No Planning between Cities + Non-Profits to develop a better central Plan

- Local government does not communicate-
- Public Safety planning needs to be a part of the EJ plans for the communities

Detroit Energy Talking Points

PROBLEM

Dirty energy is harming our health

-Coal plant pollution is a major contributor to asthma, emphysema, bronchitis and can aggravate existing heart disease

-Coal plant CO2 pollution increases climate change, resulting in more extreme weather and more hot days that impact the health of children and the elderly in particular.

-A large portion of Wayne county has been designated out of attainment by the Environmental Protection Agency due to high levels of SO2 pollution from 2 coal plants and other industries

-The Detroit Incinerator has accumulated over 40 air quality violations for emissions of carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, particulate matter and excess odor.
http://www.ecocenter.org/detroit-incinerator-could-face-lawsuit-over-clean-air-act-violations

Energy costs are burdensome

-The high cost of electricity in SE Michigan creates a heavy financial burden for low income households
"Lifting the High Energy Burden in america's Largest Cities: How Energy Efficiency can Improve Low Income and Underserved Communities" Ariel Drehobl and Lauren Ross, April 2016

-Many people in Detroit area cannot afford the high cost of electricity and face shut-offs

SOLUTIONS

Clean Energy is healthier

- Transitioning from coal and incineration to clean energy will reduce air pollution, making our neighborhoods healthier

Clean Energy can save customers money

-DTE should improve and expand its energy efficiency programs for low income customers to help residents save money on energy use

-Detroit City and the State of MI should support low income and multi-family unit energy efficiency measures to reduce residents' energy bills and prevent energy waste.

-In Michigan, wind energy is cheaper than coal and gas

Clean Energy will produce new jobs

-Energy efficiency measures reduce energy needed in households and can provide good jobs; let's make sure they go to local residents

-Solar energy can provide jobs in our neighborhoods

-The city of Detroit should work with DTE on programs for local residents to be trained to install energy efficiency measures and to build out local solar energy

-The price of solar panels has dropped by 80 percent since 2008, with the price of rooftop solar dropping to 36 cents per watt by 2017. (PV Technology and Cost Outlook, 2013-2017)

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A governing policy recommended by or from the state of California.
Mi. Public Health Commission recommedations about health issues before issuing permits to industries which may affect the publics health.

Health effects: asthma, Cancer, lungs, itchy eyes, itchy throat, coughing.
Transportation: Bus routes ~~from~~ for NON-drivers
Air quality issues.

2. ***What do you need from your local government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

Be aware and more Knowledgeable about community Concerns and issues which should be addressed by those whom we have elected to public office.

Not inflicting more harm that's already done.

For example: An attempt to change ~~an~~ a block area in the community to M4 (Intensive industrial) in a residental | business area.

The Environmental Justice Work Group will develop and provide recommendations to the Governor that improves environmental justice awareness and engagement in state and local agencies. The Work Group will examine policy and recommend for implementation environmental justice guidance, training, policy, and curriculum that further increases quality of life for all Michiganders.

1. ***What would you like the Environmental Justice Work Group to consider in our recommendations to the Governor?*** HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES. CUMULATIVE EFFECTS WHERE OR WHAT ARE THE HEALTH EFFECTS IN A GIVEN AREA. WHO WAS THERE FIRST. WHAT IS A COMPANY'S TRACK RECORD. WHAT FACTORS ARE CONSIDERED IN PERMITTING TRANSPORTATION TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION. AIR QUALITY ISSUES.
2. ***What do you need from your local government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?*** BE MORE KNOWLEDGEABLE OF THE ISSUES. LOCAL GOV'T NEEDS MORE RESOURCES. MANDATE FROM THE STATE FOR LOCAL GOVT. COMMUNITY DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH POWER TO GET THESE ISSUES ADDRESSED.
3. ***What do you need from state government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?*** ADVOCATE AT LARGE FOR THE PEOPLE. MAKE THE DEQ A CONSUMER ORIENTED DEPARTMENT. NOT IF PERMIT MEETS A CERTAIN CRITERIA BUT HOW WILL THE PERMIT AFFECT THE PEOPLE IN THE AREA. CHANGE THE WAY THE MDEQ OPERATES. CLEAR POINT OF CONTACT → OMBUDSMAN. TO ADDRESS PEOPLES ISSUES
4. ***Ideally, what does your vision for environmental justice in Michigan look like to you?*** DON'T REMOVE REGULATIONS. INDUSTRIES ACT AS A PARTNER. MORE INFORMATION HEALTH IN ALL POLICIES COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENTS. COMMUNITY BENEFITS SPECIFIC TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

We want to hear from you tonight. We ask that you help us to hear from many different voices from around the table. So taking turns will allow more voices to be heard. The table facilitator may invite many people to speak during the next 45 minutes.

Defined in Executive Directive 2007-23, "Environmental justice" means the fair, non-discriminatory treatment and meaningful involvement of Michigan residents regarding the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies by this state.

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Environmental Justice Work Group
Detroit Listening Session Agenda

Monday, August 7th, 2017
River Rough High School, 1460 Coolidge Hwy, River Rouge, MI 48218
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Goal: *For Work Group Members to hear directly from community members on environmental justice issues and how we can work together to improve our state around environmental justice*

I. **Welcome, Theresa Landrum, Environmental Justice Work Group Member (6:00 pm)**

II. **Introduction, Chris Kolb, Environmental Justice Work Group co-chair (6:05 pm)**
Jerry Jennings, Environmental Justice Work Group Facilitator

III. **Facilitated table discussions (6:15 pm – 7:00 pm)** – *see reverse side for discussion questions*

IV. **Tables report out to the larger group (7:00 pm – 7:45 pm)**

V. **Work group members report out (7:45 pm – 7:55 pm)**

VI. **Closing, Chris Kolb, Environmental Justice Work Group co-chair (7:55 pm – 8:00 pm)**

VII. **Adjourn (8:00 pm)**

We thank our reception co-sponsors the Community Outreach and Education Core of the Michigan Environmental Exposure and Disease (MLEEAD) Center U of M and the Sierra Club for their support.

3. ***What do you need from state government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

Make the DEQ a consumer oriented department. Change the way the Dept of Enviromental Quality runs. Have it work for the communities its suppose to be serving.

4. ***Ideally, what does your vision for environmental justice in Michigan look like?***

Give Information to alleviate problems with water purification.

We have clean air, clean water to avoid health risk.

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- Pollution - water, soil and air → monetors are not sufficient as a reporting mechanism.
- MDEQ hearings are a mere formality.
- Lack of walkability
- community is isolated
- loss of
- Dead seagulls on jefferson on the bridge by the treatment plants -
- the authorities don't take ownership for explosions and fires.
- need for community advocates who can do home visits to ensure laws are being implemented and environmental justice is ensured
- trucks
- coding enforcement officer - permanent employees that doesn't charge w/ govts
- Utility consumer participation board 1¢ charge on bill
- Independent consumers commission that will have oversight on environmental → paid for by the industry
  Ex: National Assn of state utility consumer advocates

2. ***What do you need from your local government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

- better roads
- more clean up - blight, debris and trash.
- lower speed limit on part close to the schools
- enforcing the laws that exist - penalize when its not enforced.
- take care of the gators and other animals that have surfaced due to blight

3. ***What do you need from state government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

- Community Advocates that can ensure no injustices occur (eg: buy out, air quality assessment)
- buy out programs need to be transparent
  - ↳ a permanent department - Michigan office of Environmental Justice
  - ↳ focus on health inequities
  - ↳

4. *Ideally, what does your vision for environmental justice in Michigan look like?*

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Facilitator.

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- WATER - Quality / CONTROL OF PROCESS /
- FISH -
- AIR + SOIL
- GUN -
- DUMPING -
- → LACK OF ORDINANCE / LEGISLATION TO THWART POLLUTION.
- NO SYSTEMS FOR COLLECTION OF DEBRY
- Train Delay & Condition 2 Railroads
- Closing of Weigh Stations + Weigh Masters

WHY

SOLUTIONS

- PUT IN BUFFERS
- LIMIT - / ZONING

INTRODUCE PROCESS OF COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENTS

Important.

- IMPACT ANALYSIS - SALE OF PROPERTY
- → COMMUNITY SUPPORT + BASE
  INCORPORATE

2. ***What do you need from your local government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

- Oversite of Dept's to see if services are efficient + fair.
- challenge county + state to complete o/+ evaluate the impact of their rulings on local areas + citizens

3. ***What do you need from state government to best serve environmental justice issues in your community?***

Access to grant Funding
Family Planning Program
Closer hospitals

4. ***Ideally, what does your vision for environmental justice in Michigan look like?***