

EPA Roundtable Discussion for Environmental Justice Communities on the
Benefits of Addressing Climate Change

August 2, 2016

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 5
Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building, Lake Michigan Room
77 West Jackson Blvd, Chicago, IL 60604**

Objectives:

- Explore benefits and opportunities for communities to address climate change
- Discuss economic and employment opportunities from energy efficiency (EE) and renewable energy (RE) programs
- Share community success stories and resources on the pathways to reduce carbon pollution
- Engage in dialogue with stakeholders to seek common ground in addressing climate change and the Clean Power Plan (CPP) and Clean Energy Incentive Program (CEIP)

(Morning Session) - DISCUSSION ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY	
8:00 am	Arrival and Registration
8:30 am - 9:00 am	<p>Welcome and Introductions: Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions and Laura McKelvey, U.S. EPA, OAR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Matthew Tejada, Director, U.S. EPA, Office of Environmental Justice (OEJ) - Alan Walts, Director, U.S. EPA Region 5, Office of Environmental Compliance and Enforcement
9:00 am - 9:20 am	<p>Key Steps in Addressing Climate Change: (Adaptation, EE/RE resources, CPP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - William Niebling, Senior Advisor for Congressional and International Affairs, U.S. EPA, Office of Air and Radiation (OAR)
9:20 am - 10:20 am	<p>Taking Action on Climate Change at the Community Level Provide case studies of community programs that address both the causes and impacts of climate change.</p> <p>Session Chair: Andrea Denny, U.S. EPA, Office of Atmospheric Programs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Community Perspectives on Addressing Climate Change (panel) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reverend Otis Moss III, Trinity United Church of Christ - Reverend Rodrick Burton, New Northside Missionary Baptist Church - Marcus Mills, Organizing Coordinator for Community Power in Minnesota - Cheryl Johnson, People for Community Recovery - Meg Kelly, Healthy School Campaign - Juliana Pino, Little Village Environmental Justice Organization
10:20 am - 11:20am	<p>Economic, Employment and Resources Opportunities Provide resources and examples of EE/RE job training programs for low-income, minority communities.</p> <p>Session Chair: Lena Epps-Price, U.S. EPA, OAR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Stakeholder Perspectives (panel) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phil Hull, Community Housing Partners - Jamez Staples, Renewable Energy Partners - Dawone Robinson, National Resource Council Defense - Sydney Snow, Green for All
11:20 am - 12:20pm	<p>Community Roundtable Session Chair: Victoria Robinson, U.S. EPA, OEJ</p>
12:20 pm - 1:35 pm	Lunch on your own

(Afternoon Session) - TRAINING FOR COMMUNITIES ON THE CEIP PROPOSAL

1:35 pm - 2:35 pm	Eco-Café – <i>An opportunity to learn from experts about the availability of different tools and resources and to share experiences from other communities</i>
2:35 pm - 3:45 pm	Overview of the Clean Energy Incentive Program (CEIP) and a Facilitated Dialogue with Stakeholders on the CEIP <i>EPA staff will provide an overview of the CEIP and community leaders/stakeholders will share personal perspectives on opportunities for the CPP and CEIP.</i> <i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Kevin Culligan, U.S. EPA, OAR- Dr. Tina Ndoh, U.S. EPA, OAR- Dr. Cecilia Martinez, Center for Earth, Energy and Democracy- Khalil Shahyd, National Resource Council Defense- Cecil Corbin-Mark, WE ACT for Environmental Justice- Dr. Deidre Sanders, Pacific Gas & Electric- Dr. Nicky Sheats, New Jersey Environmental Justice Alliance
3:45 pm - 4:15 pm	Community Roundtable Discussion <i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions</i>
4:15 pm - 5:15 pm	Overview of the Public Comment Process: <i>(Introduction, Rules of Engagement, Importance)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Laura McKelvey, U.S. EPA, OAR Preparation of Public Comments <i>Participants will break-out into smaller groups to prepare public comments</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions</i>
5:15 pm - 5:30 pm	Closing Plenary & Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Facilitator: Vernice Miller-Travis, Skeo Solutions</i>- <i>Matthew Tejada, U.S. EPA, OEJ</i>