



Environmental Justice: Is It All Talk?

*If I am not for myself, who will be for me?
If I am only for myself, what am I?
If not now, when?
~Hillel*

Saturday, March 17, 2007, 9 am at the Moore Street Salvation Army Community Center

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 9:30 Opening: 10 YEARS OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IN PORTLAND: Two of Portland's pioneers reflect on how far Portland has come and where we should be heading to bring about more EJ in Portland.

- **Jeri Sundvall-Williams**, Environmental Justice Action Group (EJAG)
- **Sylvia Evans**- The Plaza Neighbors Association

9:30 – 10:45 Session 1: TRIBAL EJ TOPICS: Speakers will discuss EJ issues facing tribes in the Northwest, facilitated by **Naomi Stacy**, attorney for the Quinault nation and member of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.

- Duwamish Tribe & Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition- **James Rasmussen**
- Umatilla Tribe – **JD Williams**, Attorney
- The S.H.A.W.L. Society- **Deb Abrahamson**
- Karuk Tribe- **Ron Reed**

11:00 – 12:15 Session 2: EJ & THE LAW: Speakers will discuss local, state, and federal laws and policies that form the framework for EJ issues, and how EJ communities can use these as tools to secure equitable distribution of environmental benefits and burdens.

- Laws & Policies – **Caroline Farrell**, Center for Race, Poverty, and the Environment
- Entity Formation –
- Local Land Use Processes- **Ed Sullivan**, Garvey, Schubert, Barer

12:15 – 1:45 Lunch, Keynote, and Presentations: (Lunch will be provided at no cost.)

KEYNOTE: **Van Jones**, Executive Director and founder of the Ella Baker Center, will give the keynote presentation,

AND

THE LOCAL EJ UPDATE will address: The Equity Atlas, the Pangaea Project, and the I-5 Expansion.

1:45 – 3:00 Session 3: GREEN JOBS: EJ & EMERGING INDUSTRIES: Speakers will discuss opportunities and obstacles for EJ communities in the green economy in Portland, facilitated by **Clark Henry**, Portland Brownfield Program.

- Nurseries– **Alan Hipólito**, Verde
- Youth – **Ian Kim**, The Ella Baker Center
- Biofuels- **Tomas Endicott**, SeQuential Biofuels
- Wind – **Jesse Jenkins**, Renewable Northwest Project

3:00 – 4:00 Session 4: PORTLAND'S LIVING NEWSLETTER: Portland EJ organizations act as speakers and audience as they each briefly present about their mission, projects, haves & needs, and lessons learned. Some of last year's participating organizations included:

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| ▪ The Pangaea Project | ▪ OPAL | ▪ OALUAH |
| ▪ EJAG | ▪ TriMet | ▪ Oregon Action |
| ▪ Audubon Society | ▪ EPA | ▪ United Farmworkers of America |
| ▪ The Plaza Neighbors Association | ▪ Portland Peak Oil | ▪ Center for Environmental Equity |
| ▪ City of Portland | ▪ CAT | |