
Environmental Justice Professional Practice Network

Environmental Justice Event Guide

Environmental justice addresses issues of: (1) unequal distribution of resources such as clean air and water, healthy food, homes, parks, places to walk and sit in public, etc.; (2) inaccessibility of public goods and resources because of transportation, cost or discrimination; and (3) exclusion from facilities and full participation in decisions about one's community largely because of poverty, prejudice, race, income, recent immigration, or other marginal status. **Landscape architects increase or diminish environmental justices by nearly every act of planning and design, either knowingly or unwittingly.**

Event Goals

- Raise awareness of environmental justice among landscape architecture practitioners
- Highlight case studies featuring environmental justice issues impacting communities and/or projects achieving environmental justice
- Provide opportunities to collaborate with other allied professionals (e.g. planners, urban designers, community orgs, public health groups)

Guiding questions

- Is there a particular issue in your locality that you want to focus on?
- What is the role of a landscape architect, planner, community advocate in advancing environmental justice?
- Is there a firm or member of your chapter working on EJ issues?
- What is an example of a local or regional project or community that has achieved environmental justice?
- What is a successful/effective planning and design process for environmental justice that can be shared with membership?
- Who is missing in the conversation about environmental justice?

Resources (provide 3-5 links for background to educate event attendees)

[ASLA Environmental Justice PPN](#)

[17 Principles of Environmental Justice](#)

[Environmental Justice - EPA](#)

[Study Finds Racial Gap Between Who Causes Air Pollution And Who Breathes It - NPR](#)

[A Student's Guide to Environmental Justice Version 1.3](#) - 2018 Student ASLA Honor Award

Search for a local network in your community



Potential Invited Guests

local APA chapter
local APHA chapter
local AIA chapter
local ULI chapter
community activists / organizations
university faculty and students (beyond LA) - get students involved!
municipal, regional, state government officials
clients

Recognition

Let the EJ PPN leadership team and ASLA staff know what you are planning!
(propractice@asla.org)
Highlight events and outcomes via national platforms - [The Field](#) blog, [LAND](#)
newsletter, and social media
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