



\$4.1 million in new EJ grant awards!

Projects will address multiple needs of EJ communities, including impacts of COVID-19!

Read about [the State EJ Program selections addressing COVID-19](#).

Read about [18 community-led projects selected to receive up to \\$120,000 each](#).

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Environmental justice is the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies. This goal will be achieved when everyone enjoys:



Read the Factsheet about the [EPA's Office of Environmental Justice](#).

The same degree of protection from environmental and health hazards, and

Equal access to the decision-making process to have a healthy environment in which to live, learn, and work.

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EJSCREEN

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Grants and Resources



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- [EJSCREEN](#)

Strategic Planning



- [Learn about Environmental Justice EJ 2020 Action Agenda](#)
- [Equitable Development](#)
- [National Environmental Policy Act \(NEPA\)](#)
- [Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964](#)

Collaborative Partnerships



- [Community Voices](#)
- [National Environmental Justice Advisory Council \(NEJAC\)](#)
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- [Tribes and Indigenous Peoples](#)

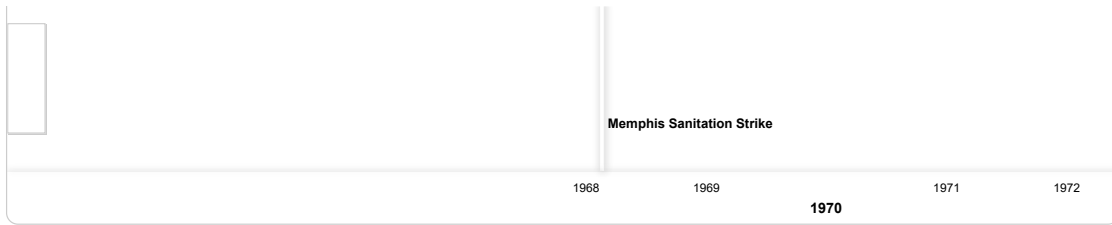
How Did the Environmental Justice Movement Arise?

The environmental justice movement was started by individuals, primarily people of color, who sought to address the inequity of environmental protection in their communities.

Professor Robert Bullard wrote, "whether by conscious design or institutional neglect, communities of color in urban ghettos, in rural 'poverty pockets', or on economically impoverished Native-American reservations face some of the worst environmental devastation in the nation."

The Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s sounded the alarm about the public health dangers for their families, their communities and themselves.

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This timeline presents EPA's involvement in the Environmental Justice Movement and the major events leading up to it. This is not meant to be an all inclusive history of the movement in general.



Report a Violation

Report possible violations of environmental laws and regulations.

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