

Friday, May 8, 2009

Registration begins at 8:00am, closing remarks at 12:45pm.



The ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE movement has implications for everyone. In order to achieve the movement's goals, each facet of society must continue to work together – community groups, civil society organizations, private industry decision-makers, and government entities – in an effort to ensure equity for everyone.

## CSI Center for Environmental Science

Environmental Justice Conference: History, Issues, and Outlook

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE refers to the social movement that developed from grass-roots, community-based organizations in reaction to environmental hazards that have disparately affected communities of color and low-income populations. For more than three decades, environmental justice activists have worked to change the global understanding of the environment, which has come to be understood as "the place where we live, where we work, and where we play." As a result, the environmental movement now includes consideration of "urban disinvestment, racism, homes, jobs, neighborhoods, and communities" as well as the protection and conservation of the natural world and its resources. Furthermore, environmental justice shapes international, national, and local policies and regulations in an effort to redress and mitigate the negative impacts and harm of environmental decision-making.

Please save the date, Friday, May 8, 2009 for the CSI Center for Environmental Science's first environmental justice conference as we explore our history, issues, and future.

Registration materials will be mailed closer to the conference, please save the date. For other questions, please call the CSI Center for Environmental Science at 718-982-3920.

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