**United for Climate and Environmental Justice Task Force**

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Communities of color, including African-American, Latino, Asian and Pacific Islander, and tribal communities, have long-endured environmental injustice. These communities, like rural and low-income communities, have consistently had to live with poorer air and water quality, and resultant harms to public health. Due to limited resources and lack of political power, communities of color are disproportionately targeted for placement of pollution-producing or potentially toxic facilities. Furthermore, inadequate investment in public infrastructure and services exacerbates the poor conditions these communities are forced to endure.

The United for Climate and Environmental Justice Task Force will provide a voice and platform in Congress for those communities while working to combat environmental injustice. In coordination with community leaders, advocates, and stakeholders, the task force will promote a federal agenda that stands against attempts and policies that create environmental injustice. The task force will strive to protect a single, fundamental right: all people have a right to clean air, safe water, and healthy communities; equal protection from environmental and health hazards; and guaranteed access to the decision-making process.

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