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Community Health, Environmental Justice & Clean Energy

The 13th Annual Grassroots Community Conference

Saturday, November 1st 8:30am to 2:30pm The University of Memphis University Center

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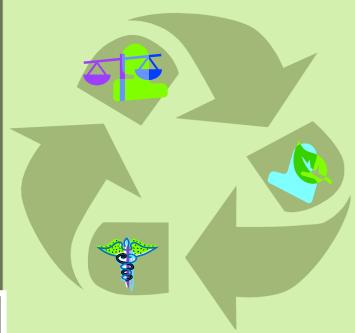
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Schedule of Events

8:30am: Coffee and Registration

UC Center third floor

9:00am: Introduction

UC Ballroom

9:15am: Keynote by Dr. Bullard

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10:15am: Break

10:30am: Session 1 workshops

11:30am: Break

11:45am: Session 2 workshops

12:45pm: Lunch, Ignite

Environmental Justice

Program & Awards

UC Ballroom



Workshops

Health Assessments & Environmental Justice

Michael Schmidt (Associate Professor, Director, Center for Multimedia Arts, The University of Memphis)

Green Spaces & Health in Urban Communities

Matt Farr (Assistant Director of Philanthropy, The Nature Conservancy)

Chronic Illness & Environmental Exposure

William McBride (Environmental Protection Specialist, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 4)

Effective Advocacy: LTE's & Public Commenting

Dave Muhly (Senior Field Organizing Manager, Sierra Club)

MS River Fishing & River Ecology

Karen Thornton (Public Outreach Manager, MS River Corridor)

What's Good About Dirty Energy?

Angela Garrone, ESQ (Southeast Energy Research Attorney, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy)

Energy Efficiency

Jack Cowan (Owner, Cowan House and Sandra Upchurch-Energy Organizer, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy)

Organizing 101- Be a Part of the Solution

Brad Watkins (Executive Director, Mid-South Peace and Justice Center)

Disasters, Environmental Disruptions and Community Resilience

Dr. Arleen Hill (Associate Professor of Earth Sciences, The University of Memphis)

Keynote Speaker

Dr. Robert Bullard

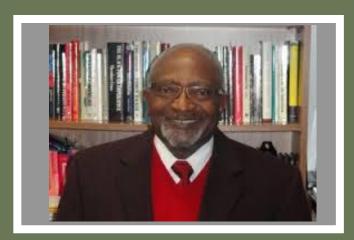
We are pleased to welcome
Dr. Robert Bullard, Dean of the
Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School
of Public Affairs at Texas Southern
University, as our keynote speaker.

Dr. Bullard, considered "the father of environmental justice," has been named one of "Ten African American Green Heroes" by Planet Harmony in 2010, one of the "13 Environmental Leaders of the Century" by Newsweek in 2008, and the first African American to be honored with the Sierra Club's "John Muir Award" in 2013.

Dr. Bullard's writings include 17 books and over 100 articles on environmental racism, urban land use, community development, climate change, emergency response, smart growth, transportation, housing and sustainable development.



Dr. Bullard will be signing books on the day of the conference!



His titles include:

R.D. Bullard and B.H. Wright. 2012. The Wrong Complexion for Protection: How the Government Response to Disaster Endangers African American Communities. New York: New York University Press.

R.D. Bullard, G.S. Johnson and A.O. Torres. 2011. *Environmental Health and Racial Equity in the United States: Strategies for Building Environmentally Just, Sustainable, and Livable Communities.* Washington D.C.: American Public Health Association Press.

R.D. Bullard. 2000. *Dumping in Dixie:* Race, Class and Environmental Quality. 3rd ed., Boulder: Westview Press.

How to register

Registration is open to all students, faculty, neighborhood watch leaders, community activists, community groups and anyone else interested in learning about environmental justice!

Come join The Sierra Club and the University of Memphis for a day of fellowship, learning and fun at the 13th Annual Grassroots Community Conference. This is the only environmental conference completely focused on providing easy-to-understand information and an opportunity to network with expert speakers and activists.

This conference is free and will include complimentary parking and lunch.

Register Now!

E-mail Laura Van Booven at lmvnbven@memphis.edu
Please include your name, e-mail address, and organizational affiliation or school if a student.



PARKING AND DIRECTIONS

Convenient parking can be found in the Zach Curlin Parking Garage directly across from the University Center.

The entrance to the University Center is accessible is from the 3rd level of the parking garage via a covered walkway just to the left of the garage stairs and elevators. Follow the covered walkway into the University Center and take the University Center elevator or stairs to the ballroom area on the third floor.