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My work seeks to secure related health disparities and environmental exposome and structural processes that shape the environmental exposome and related health disparities. Research: mapping how social-communication, policy, clinical practice, and advancements in science, improve health equity through environmental justice and social identities. Photo credit: Zota and VanNoy, under review.
Maximizing impact through disruptive innovation
PROBLEM:
THOUGHT LEADERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ARE PREDOMINATELY SENIOR, WHITE MEN?

SOLUTION:
AMPLIFY NEGLECTED VOICES IN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND HELP FOSTER A NEW GENERATION OF MORE DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE THOUGHT LEADERS.
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A nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to driving science into public discussion and policy on environmental health issues, including climate change.
• Increase the impact of early career scientists from under-represented backgrounds.

Environmental health is a predominantly white field. To increase diversity and inclusion in the field, we need to broaden our perspectives and center non-white voices.

• Inject new ideas into the environmental health science and advocacy communities.

We need bold, innovative ideas to push our planet in a healthy, more just direction.

• Representation matters.

We need a diverse, non-white cohort of colleagues, and a “digital megaphone” training in next-generation science communication skills, a platform to test ideas, diverse perspectives, and bold new ideas.

PROGRAM GOALS
• Early career scientists from backgrounds historically under-represented in science and academia.
• 8 fellows from 5 different institutions, research staff, doctoral students, post-docs, and
  postdocs.
• Disciplines: environmental health, ecology.
Cultural Aries

Hands on the land, heart in community: Returning

Induction in environmental health

“No research on us without us: Prioritizing

Source of pride and pollution: Balancing energy needs and community health

We don’t farm because it’s trendy: Farm as resilience for health and sovereignty

May 13, 2020

May 12, 2020

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

• 9 essays/blogs published in Agents of Change series
• First blog published in January 2020
• Total views on EHN website: 972,042
  English: 855,421; Spanish: 116,621
  Median: 13,500 views
  Max: 885,000 views
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