Equality doesn’t mean Equity
Exposure

Sensitivity

Event

Adaptive Capacity

Sustained Damage

Frontline Communities
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- Lack of trust in institutions
- Access to critical services
- Cultural barriers
- Cumulative risk
- Social isolation

- Single-headed households
- Industrial employees
- People of Color
- Disabled Refugees
- Youth
- Outdoor workers
- People with preexisting illnesses
- Struggling with addiction
- Uninsured
- Public housing residents
- Tribal members
- Women
- Homeless
- Transient people
- Tribal members
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Tip: Cut tennis balls in half to store more in one tube.
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Two of the biggest challenges facing the United States—and the world—are the growing inequalities that unfairly disadvantage large segments of the population, and climate change, which exacerbates existing risks in our communities. The effects of climate change including rising temperatures, more polluted air, and increased extreme storms, will disproportionately affect already poor and disenfranchised people. Policymakers must find ways to focus not only on the physical impacts of climate change, but also on the ways that policies can have a differential impact on certain individuals and communities. In this portal we will refer to people facing disproportionate climate impacts as “frontline communities” since these are groups that are on the frontlines of impacts from climate change.

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Equitable Adaptation Resources

An Introduction to Adaptation and Equity

Climate change is often described as a threat multiplier—and this applies to social inequities. For example, people already struggling to find affordable housing will face more difficulty if extreme weather damage a significant number of units. Explore the resources below to better understand how climate change will have disproportionate impacts on people of color, low-income individuals, and other groups on the “frontlines” of climate change. Also, learn some of the strategies being used to address disproportionate risks.

Resource

NAACP Equity in Building Resilience in Adaptation Planning

January 26, 2015

From the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), this report contains a list of equity based indicators that are measures of vulnerability and resilience to climate change impacts. The indicators were developed for both pre-existing vulnerabilities and assets, as well as for processes and results of resiliency planning. The aim of this resource is for city planners, community organizations, elected officials, and other decision-makers to consider these equity based indicators as they design climate adaptation plans.

Related Organizations: National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

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