



Regenerative practices for people and planet

Idea 32	Communities, corporations, and governments work together to slow and mitigate the effects of climate change
Proposal 32a	Educate and organize the community to work together; local communities, neighbors get together to work on important themes
Description	Educate and organize the community to work together; local communities, neighbors get together to work on important themes. Involve people who care about an issue, such as management and collection of trash. Encourage community voices to speak up with local authorities on the need to support household recycling (some communities where trucks don't currently collect separately). Support home ownership through subsidizing housing costs for communities to be more long term or other ways to foster longevity of neighborhoods with residents—work with local churches or civic groups to help educate and provide organization to communities to work together
How will the proposed action advance equitable health and well-being?	IBPOC communities suffer from inequities because of racism that has been translated into hostile social environments that are constantly changing (neighborhoods) and environmental racism, (pollution, neighborhoods near landfills, etc.). A community-focus on the management of trash/recycling/composting would improve the environment and address these inequities in IBPOC communities.
Is there work we can build on?	Green City Force
Who would have to act? Who would be key partners?	Churches or civic groups could be the main leaders of this effort, so that they are teaching the communities in which their church is housed. It fulfills the mission or many missions of the church to be community focused, while also meeting a direct need of the community itself.
A few high-level action steps	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify funders who would be willing to fund places of worship to be equipped to do this community outreach. The place of worship would have to be a diverse leader of change, not just in composting, trash, and recycling, but also in social enterprise to help motivate people through economic development outcomes from participating. It would also benefit communities to enforce churches as residents of communities in which their trash, recycling, and compost is part of the city/county program, instead of having them to determine what happens to their waste.



Other comments or guidance	
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