

Environmental Justice Organizations & Small Community Assistance

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Border Environment Cooperation

Commission (BECC) is a bi-national institution created by the United States and Mexico with the purpose of enhancing environmental conditions and the quality of life of people living along the U.S.-Mexico border. BECC works closely with its sister institution, the North American Development Bank (NADB), and with other border stakeholders to identify, develop, certify and implement environmental infrastructure projects. BECC offers various types of technical services and assistance to support the development of water and wastewater projects.

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El Paso, TX 79913
phone: 877-277-1703
fax: (915) 975-8280
email: bduarte@cocef.org
<http://www.cocef.org/ingles.php>

California Rural Legal Assistance

Foundation (CRLAF) is a nonprofit legal services program that strives for economic justice and human rights on behalf of the rural poor. They work to improve conditions for farm workers, new immigrants, welfare mothers, school children, the elderly, and disadvantaged communities with no-cost legal services and a variety of community education and outreach programs.

2210 K Street, Suite 201
Sacramento, CA 95816
phone: 800-477-7901
<http://www.crlaf.org>

California Rural Water Association (CRWA)

is a nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in small communities by providing training, technical assistance, and representation to public water and wastewater utilities.

4125 Northgate Boulevard
Sacramento, CA 95834
toll-free: 800.833.0322
phone: 916.553.4900
fax: 916.553.4904
email: lara@cwo.com
<http://www.calruralwater.org>

Clean Water Action (CWA) is a national organization working for environmental, health, ecosystem protection and community quality of life concerns. They organize grassroots groups and coalitions, as well as campaigns to solve environmental and community problems.

111 New Montgomery St. # 600
San Francisco, CA 94105
phone: 415-369-9160
fax: 415-369-9180
<http://www.cleanwateraction.org>

Community Water Center (CWC) seeks to ensure that all communities have access to safe, clean, and affordable water. Their mission is to create community-based water solutions through organizing, education, and advocacy in California's San Joaquin Valley.

311 W. Murray Ave.
Visalia, CA 93291
phone: 559-733-0219
fax: 559-733-8219
email: info@communitywatercenter.org
<http://www.communitywatercenter.org>

Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC)

is a nonprofit corporation whose member counties participate through their respective Boards of Supervisors. RCRC represents the elected general governments of over half of California's counties – local governments that have regulatory and public trust responsibilities over the lands, surface waters, groundwater resources, fish and wildlife, and overall environmental quality within their respective jurisdictions.

1215 K Street, Suite 1650
Sacramento CA 95814
phone: 916-447-4806
fax: 916-431-0101
<http://www.rcrcnet.org>

Rural Community Assistance Corporation

(RCAC) provides support to small municipal and nonprofit water systems through their Water and Waste Program. This program focuses on maintaining safe reliable drinking water, wastewater, and solid waste systems.

3120 Freeboard Drive, Suite 201 - 2nd Floor
West Sacramento, CA 95691

phone: 916-447-2854

fax: 916-447-2878

<http://www.rcac.org/doc.aspx?81>

Self-Help Enterprises' (SHE) Community Development (CD) Program provides technical and organizing assistance to disadvantaged small communities in the San Joaquin Valley Counties to obtain clean drinking water and sanitary sewer services. The CD Program helps communities determine facility needs, prepare funding applications, and organize and work with community members to develop their water and sewer facilities.

P.O. Box 6520

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<http://www.selfhelpenterprises.org/default.asp?contentID=595>