# Environmental Justice Encuentro

Toxic Discharge Threatens All of Us, But It Threatens Some of Us More…

Texas Southern University, Houston, TX May 16-17, 2014

Outstanding Presenters, Panels, Break-out Conversations with Attendees:

***Robert Bullard****, PhD*, Dean of Mickey Leland – Barbara Jordan School of Public Affairs, TSU.

***Antonia Juhasz***, policy analyst, journalist, author of Black Tide: the Devastating Impact of the Gulf Oil Spill (2011).

***Dr. Al Armendariz***, former Region VI EPA director; currently a leader in Sierra Club’s “Beyond Coal Campaign.

***Dr. Winifred Hamilton,*** director of Baylor College of Medicine Environmental Health Service and Assistant Professor in the Department of Medicine.

***James Blackburn***, Environmental Attorney and poet.

***Larry Soward****,* currently President of the Board for Air Alliance Houston and a former commissioner for Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

***Riki Ott, Phd,*** Marine toxicologist, former commercial fisher, author of several books on the legacy of the the Exxon Valdez.

***Juan Parras****,* environmental advocate for Gulf Coast “fence line” community residents; founder and director of Texas Environmental Justice Advocacy Services (T.E.J.A.S.) with a panel of leaders from local “health risk disparity” communities.

***TSU Graduate Student Researchers***on The Impact of Port Expansion on Community Capacity.

**De’Montra Rainey**, Special Agent, U.S. EPA-Criminal Investigation Division, Houston Resident Office

**Bill Stevens**, Resident Agent-in-Charge, U.s. EPA-Criminal Investigation Div., Houston Resident Office

**Day 1, Friday, May 16, 2014 Day 2, Saturday, May 17, 2014**

8-9 am Registration 8-9 am Registration and “Pick-up”

9-9:30 Welcome: Dr. Bullard; EPA 9 – noon Technical Education Research Center

9:30-10:15 Panel: Port of Houston Expansion training on Risk Communication

9-noon Environmental Films just off the presses

Break noon-1:00 Lunch

10:30-11:30 TSU Graduate Student Panel 1 –2 D. Rainey, Spec. Agent: US EPA: Criminal

Investigation Div., Houston Resident Ofc.

11:30-12:30 KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Dr. Bullard 2-5pm Riki Ott: Creating Community Safety Net

12:30-1:30 “Mix-it-up” lunch with table talk 5pm Closing Remarks

1:30-2:15 Antonia Juhasz: BP Spill Aftermath

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Dominican Sisters of Houston

Break

2:30-3:30 Choice from three Break-Out Sessions

3:30-4:30 Choice from three More Break-Outs

4:45-5:15 Participants reassemble for feedback

5:15-5:45 Jim Blackburn: “Earth Church”

6 – 7:30 Light meal, entertainment, network

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