

Climate Justice Project

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The Climate Justice Project, funded by a SSHRC Community-University Research Alliance (CURA) in the Spring 2009 seeks to identify and develop economic and social policy options that lead to aggressive action on climate change with broad-based public support. The project explores the economic security and inequality dimensions of longer-term mitigation (reducing emissions) and adaptation (responding to climate change that is locked in due to past emissions) strategies, areas that require more difficult trade-offs, and for which comparably little policy work has been done to date. Research spans four streams:

- Carbon pricing, incentives and alternative mitigation policies;
- Industrial and employment strategies in support of sustainable production;
- Building resilient communities, through adaptation planning with a focus on basic needs;
- Communications and social change.

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Current projects: Developing a framework for understanding community resilience (P. Gurstein, S. Chang, D. Tindall, E. Geller, J. Mucha and K. Millsip). The project will provide a conceptual framework to understand community resilience by identifying indicators and how they can be operationalized and case studies for further research.

Sample Recent Outputs from previous research by P. Gurstein:

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