

# CHALLENGE DETROIT



Detroiters  
Working for  
Environmental  
Justice

This month, the [Challenge Detroit](#) Fellows are partnering with [Detroiters Working for Environmental Justice](#) (DWEJ) to develop a clean air awareness campaign. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Wayne County is the highest risk level for pollution related cancers, neurological disorders, respiratory illness, infant mortality, and low birth weight rates. Asthma (respiratory illness) is the leading chronic illness among children and low birth weight increases risks to heart disease, diabetes, and high blood pressure which some of the top causes of death in Detroit.

While many officials focus on the health industry to increase access to treatment, public and environmental health representatives look to improve resident's living conditions to decrease the root causes of these medical conditions. Furthermore, Detroit ranks in the top three in Michigan for emissions for every criterion of air pollutants. The fellows will develop a campaign engaging local businesses in clean air initiatives throughout five Detroit neighborhoods.

If you are interested in learning more about [DWEJ](#), please checkout their website. You may want to take advantage of the [Charitable Volunteer Program](#) and participate in an event with others at Billhighway.

Also, check out the [Challenge Detroit](#) Fellows via their weekly spotlights. You can find more videos and older spotlights here at the [Challenge Detroit Youtube](#) page.

Spotlight: [Jared Berman](#)



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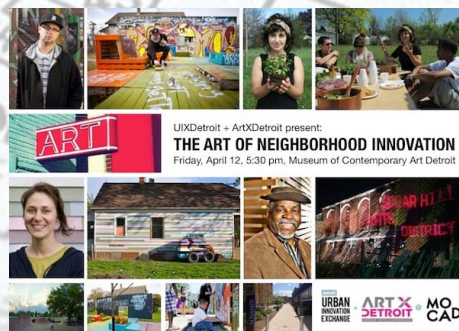
[Art X Detroit](#)  
April 10th to April 14th



[Drinks X Design](#)  
Thursday, Apr. 11th 5:30-9:30pm



[The Art of Neighborhood Innovation](#)  
Friday, Apr. 12th 5:30pm



[Red Bull House of Art](#)  
Friday, Apr. 12th 6-11pm



[Historic Fort Wayne Flee Market](#)  
April 13th to April 14th



[Detroit Derby Girls](#)  
Saturday, Apr. 13th 5-10pm



[Ford Second Sundays](#)  
Sunday, Apr. 14th 10am-5pm



[April Detroit SOUP](#)  
Sunday, Apr. 14th 6-9pm



[Open City Detroit-Brick by Brick](#)  
Monday, Apr. 15th 6-8pm



[The Slow Roll](#)  
Monday, Apr. 15th 7-10pm



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