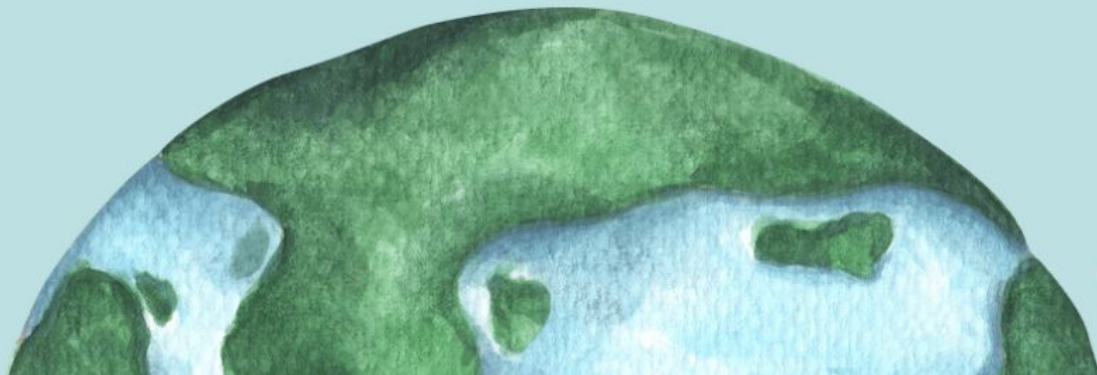


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## Take Action Toolkit: Water Justice



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- *Tell others* what you learned at One Earth Film Fest: word of mouth, social media, in an op-ed or letter to the editor
- Watch/rewatch past One Earth Film Fest films ([here](#) and [here](#)) & discussions ([here](#), [here](#), and [here](#))
- Change your mindset: Everything you do is related to the ecosystem!
- Spend more time in nature
- Lend support & resources to BIPOC and low-income communities who are most impacted by our climate crisis
- Connect with water justice organizations in your community
- Become “water literate;” learn about & teach others about regional water policies and how to prioritize & protect water
- Use water conserving appliances; purchase products that don’t contaminate water
- Volunteer to protect clean water through river, lake, and beach cleanups
- Support local wetlands: [act.ilenviro.org/a/wetlands](http://act.ilenviro.org/a/wetlands) & Drawdown Project: [coastal.wetland.protection](http://coastal.wetland.protection)
- Don’t overfertilize your lawn or garden
- Support organizations such as International Tribunal for the Rights of Nature, Global Alliance for the Rights of Nature, and others.
- Learn about the *Rights of Nature* via the [UN Water Conference](#)
- Lend your voice to the fight for clean drinking water: [nrdc.org/issues/drinking-water](http://nrdc.org/issues/drinking-water)
- Join the fight for water advocacy: [icfdn.org/activists-flow-fight-water](http://icfdn.org/activists-flow-fight-water)
- Be a leader: build a network, create content, join a board, run for office
- Contact your legislators with a letter/group letter; VOTE for candidates with strong environmental and water justice & equity platforms
- Ask your legislators to support legislation ensuring clean water access. In Illinois: [ilenviro.org/clean-water](http://ilenviro.org/clean-water)
- In IL, join the IEC [April 30 Conservation Lobby Day](#)
- Project Drawdown: [Water Distribution Efficiency](#) and [Low Flow Fixtures](#)
- Online resources: [Clean Water Act Owner’s Manual](#), [Water Justice Toolkit](#), [United Nations Water Rights](#), [Water is more valuable than oil](#), [The Guardian](#)