

# LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT CLIMATE CHANGE

Together, we can make safer & healthier environments for our communities

#### **HOW TO GET INVOLVED**

Nurses are the most trusted profession for the last 20 years according to Gallup Polls. As a trusted nurse, and voter, your voice is powerful and capable of advocating for healthier communities.



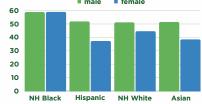
#### **HISPANICS/LATINOS**



18.9%

18.9% of the United States population is Hispanic/Latino. However, only 1.5% of elected officials are Hispanic/Latino.

## CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE PREVALENCE BY RACE



The American Heart Association reports among Hispanics/Latino 52.3% of males and 42.7% of females had cardiovascular disease.

This is exacerbated by not having safe places to stay active, not having clean air or healthy food.



### THE CHANGING HEAT

43% According to the EPA, Hispanics/Latinos are 43% more likely to live in areas with the highest projected reduction in hours due to extreme temperatures.

Full-time hourly Hispanic/Latino workers earn 26.2% less than their non-Hispanic white counterparts, reducing access to healthcare.

Hispanics/Latinos are more likely to live in areas with the highest projected increases in temperature-related deaths at 2 degrees C global warming increase.



### **HOW DOES OUR ENVIRONMENT AFFECT US?**

Hispanic men and women are both more likely to be diagnosed and die from stomach and liver cancers.

Hispanics are 70% more likely to be diagnosed with Diabetes and 1.3 times more likely to die of this chronic disease than their non-Hispanic white counterparts.

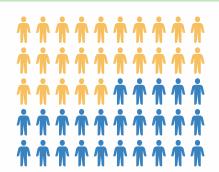
Without proper access to healthy foods and environments that promote wellness, the situation will not get better.



## WHY IS CLEAN AIR IMPORTANT?

Hispanic children are 2 times as likely to visit the Emergency Department for asthma and 40% more likely to die than their non-Hispanic white counterparts.

### **AIR QUALITY**



50% of Hispanic/Latino Communities are living below safe air quality standards.