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“Where you put your money can change the world. The way that you bank can ensure that it works for both your future and healthier communities worldwide”

excerpted from Green America

Our money has power to create significant, positive change, or contribute to destruction and exploitation of the Earth and people on it. And it's time to be conscious and make your choices



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HOW I FEEL AFTER SEEING THE HAMMER PROJECT:

As I myself striving to be an artist, Andrea's project was more than inspiring to see. Like she said, art and activist are one-through her art, her ideas and passion to protect her people and her home is clearly expressed. I was really moved by the 30 thousand people who all stood up together to protect their water and their lands, and most importantly their own rights to a clean land and uncontaminated water.

However, at the same time, I was also deeply troubled by the Pipeline's construction, the politics that play around it symbolizes an concerning notion given off by the society & some of our leaders.

Above all, I was really inspired by Andrea's deep passion, and art, for her, is merely a tool to express and fight for the most precious things that we own. I was really inspired to see what she was doing -and really hope that I, too, can turn whatever is in my power to the causes that I believe in 😊

Other artists' works is always beautiful to see -thank you for showing me Andrea, I think that her, and the actions in North Dakota, is something that I'll make sure to follow.

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MY PARENT'S BANK

Just recently, my parents open their accounts with CITY Bank, which is one of the Dakota Access pipeline funding banks. It does not align with our family's concerns for the environment, and therefore, my parents, especially my dad, felt the need to switch to a bank with more ethical practices.

After seeing green America's work, I realized that profit really isn't the only thing that goes into the value of a company -It should be the prioritize of the communities that I WORKS WITH, THE ENVIRONEMNT, AND its impact on our future generations.

Our Work



Investing in Indigenous Communities

From 1964 to 1992, the oil giant, Texaco extracted billions of barrels of oil from the Amazonian rainforests of Ecuador. During that time, the company dumped more than 16 billion gallons of toxic, carcinogenic wastewater into the waterways that local Indigenous tribes used for drinking and bathing...
By Rebecca Adamson is an Indigenous economist and president and founder of First People's Worldwide.



Divestment: A Powerful Tool for Change

Divestment sends a signal to an industry that investors and the public want it to stop its problematic practices. People are using divestment to address huge issues including climate change, private prisons, and the border wall.

By Tracy Fernandez Rysavy, Michael Weingartner



Mutual Funds Aimed at Empowering Women

Many socially responsible mutual funds screen for diversity and/or equal employment opportunity (EEO). In fact, in US SIF's Mutual Fund Performance Chart (the association for socially responsible investment professionals and institutions), there are 17 mutual fund companies that have funds that...
By Kristi Bahrenburg-Janzen



Economic Justice for Trans Workers

The unemployment rate for trans workers is high, but new programs are helping businesses into the trans community, which helps companies and workers both find their full potential.

By Eleanor Greene



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With the help of the site, I found my parents better banks that they should invest in 😊

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The bank that I found is Spring Bank, the FIRST NY BANK TO JOIN B-CORPS. It fights to promote ethical practices, and helps many local poor.

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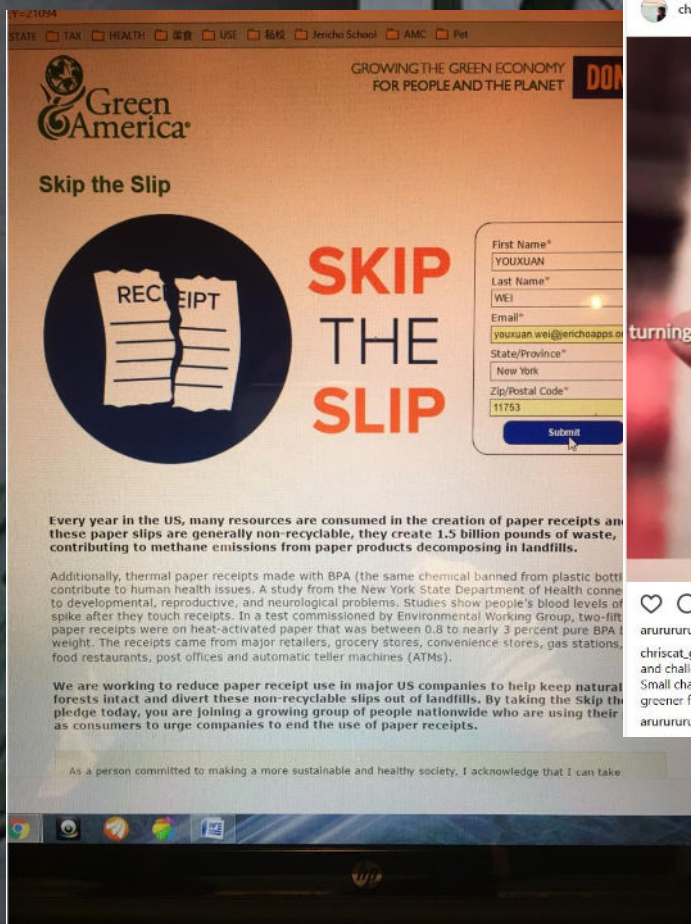
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SKIP THE SLIP-

I chose to pledge to this action, and also to challenge my friends, because I thought that it was the easiest to do, and therefore the most accessible and impactful 😊 I hope that everyone will opt for the electronics from now on, and extend that habit to more paper things -small changes make big impacts, and once it becomes a practice, I think it'll make big changes 😊_



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