

<https://ejatlas.org/conflict/homestead-temporary-shelter-for-unaccompanied-children>

- Describe the issue

An unaccompanied migrant child facility in Homestead that houses thousands of kids is close to an air base that holds hazardous toxins, waste materials, landfills, and uncontrolled dump sites. This site is also only cleaned based on industrial standards, not a housing facility.

- Who is it impacting most?

13-17 year olds who came to the US by themselves and have been separated from their families were impacted as their health deteriorated due to their exposure to these toxic chemicals.

- How close to where you live is this injustice occurring?

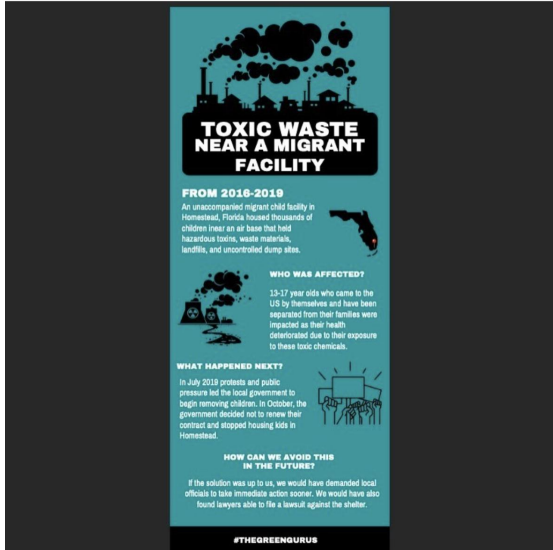
This is occurring in Southern Florida which is the region where we all currently live.

- Is any local government or organization working to intervene?

In July 2019 protests and public pressure led the local government to have to begin removing children. In October, the government decided not to renew their contract and stopped housing kids in Homestead.

- If the solution were up to you, how would you approach it? Consider referencing the above-mentioned environmental justice principles.

If the solution was up to us, we would have demanded local officials to take immediate action sooner. We would have also found lawyers able to file a lawsuit against the shelter.



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thegreengurus2022 From 2016-2019, in our local community a facility filled with unaccompanied migrant children left them exposed to hazardous toxins. Luckily due to protests this issue was able to be resolved, however, it should have never occurred in the first place. We encourage you to read our infographic explaining the scenario and hopefully inspire people to speak out about similar issues in their own communities. 🌱🌍 #TheGreenGurus #PGC2022 @turninggreenorg @drbrunner @captainplanetfdn @friends_earth @francissuarez