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Tomas Rivera
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Dear Tomas,

The Climate Change Leadership Institute is proud to present you with the Justice Award for your stellar work helping to bring about Social Equity & Climate Leadership in our Community.

There are so many ways that you and the Chainbreaker Collective organization have made a meaningful difference in our City Different. You have uplifted the importance of providing **access** to better services including **sustainability** services to those who are less fortunate in our community including to low income and other under represented residents in our City. You and Chainbreaker Collective have helped enact a Residents' Bill of Rights **ensuring that those in need are getting their needs met**. You and Chainbreaker Collective are elevating vital issues around **public transportation and affordable housing** which are two areas in dire need of improvement; and if improved these supports will not only help deliver **critical human services and critical financial security to the residents who are facing brutal insecurities**, but these supports will also **significantly help reduce pollution** by reducing the need for commuting long distances by gas powered cars.

Well beyond looking after just one facet of our well being whether it's the rights or financial security of those who are struggling the most in our community or looking after one aspect or another of the environmental health in our neighborhoods, you and Chainbreaker Collective are not only doing that yeomen's work but in a deeper, more holistic way you are **taking care of the integrity of our City at large**. We need to look after the environment and one another at once and that is what your organization is doing.

We also thank you for being an organization **respecting long-standing multicultural values** and traditions in our community while also looking forward and **working toward a new day** that will bring justice for all and a cleaner more collective culture. In this vein, you and Chainbreaker Collective are not afraid to take on the special interests and fossil fuel factions that are holding us back, dividing us and imperiling the Earth which we inhabit together. We applaud you for caring as we do to bust the marriage of fossil fuels and automobiles as well as that of fossil fuels and electricity; for recognizing whether through electric vehicles or renewable energy that innovation is the way to go as long as there is a concerted sincere commitment to ensure over time that all people can access and afford these cleaner innovations.

Most of all we applaud you for your **caring teamwork** - for serving others and our ecosystem - which you do so well and so admirably.

With gratitude and appreciation,

Robb Hirsch
Executive Director and Founder

