

October 17, 2012

Akilah Sanders-Reed Macalester College 1600 Grand Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55105

Dear Akilah:

The Climate Change Leadership Institute (CCLI) is proud to present this year's Justice Award to you. We are a Santa Fe based non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of climate stewardship, clean energy and conservation. We annually lead direct action projects, develop educational partnerships, offer paid student internships and provide community seed grant awards, among other initiatives.

Our Justice Grant Award is dedicated to supporting and empowering those internationally and/or here at home who have been unduly affected by the impacts of global climate change and the United States' disproportionate level of greenhouse gas emissions. CCLI awards the 2012 Justice Grant Award to you for your dedicated climate action on behalf of young people today who have been unduly harmed by the lack of US leadership on this matter. Through your many years of activism, your partnership with 350.org and Kids vs. Global Warming and your lawsuit calling on the State of New Mexico to uphold its public trust obligation to protect the atmosphere – you have been a champion of change calling on us all to take responsibility today for a cleaner and better future tomorrow. CCLI is proud of your collective efforts and impressed by the powerful idea that our society and indeed our government is entrusted to protect the atmosphere – among other essential life giving common domains (such as clean air and readily available drinking water) – for the next generation. CCLI, in presenting you this award, acknowledges the pursuit of justice by all young people today below 18 years of age who do not yet have the right to vote but when it comes to addressing climate change have the power to change and restore the world.

The award comes with a plaque and seed funding support. If you could please provide a letter notifying us not only that you received the award but reflecting on what it means to you and indicating how you may use the funding we will post this response letter on our website as we do with our other annual award recipients.

Heartfelt congratulations on earning this award. Good luck with your collegiate & climate action endeavors. We look forward to keeping in contact and working in concert for a brighter future.

Sincerely,

Robb Hirsch

Executive Director and Founder