

DIY urbanism as an environmental justice strategy: The Case Study of Time's Up! 1987-2012

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Time's Up! is a New York environmental group which promotes non-polluting transportation and sustainable solutions to urban problems. Over the last twenty-five years, the group has taken a do-it-yourself approach to environmental activism, bridging neighborhood, global justice, and Occupy movements. With roots in the squatter movement in New York, Time's Up! has built its own distinct brand of DIY urbanism to fight for community gardens, support group bike rides, and create sustainable approaches to urban living. While the group makes use of a wide range of approaches to reclaim public space, direct action is its guiding principle. The group links social networks with alternative approaches to community building outside of institutional channels. The following considers Time's Up! as a case study in environmental justice DIY urbanism. [Article copies available for a fee from The Transformative Studies Institute. E-mail address: journal@transformativestudies.org Website: <http://www.transformativestudies.org> ©2014 by The Transformative Studies Institute. All rights reserved.]

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