Sustain-an-Equity

Seeing sustainability and diversity as two equally important yet forever connected ideas.

Without a full appreciation of diversity among the human race, beliefs about other individuals may remain unaddressed, and resources may continue to be inequitably distributed amongst groups because of socio-ethnic, color, or gender identity.

This situation primes the human race for climate injustice. For example, the African-American community in New Orleans was the hardest hit by the storm caused by hurricane Katrina, a natural disaster that may occur more frequently as the climate continues to change.

Individuals however are becoming increasingly aware of the connections between diversity and sustainability initiatives.

Diversity and sustainability groups are even beginning to use the same kinds of symbols to represent their causes.

Currently indigenous peoples damage the planet the least compared to others, but they suffer the most affected by the warming, the melting of ice, and the droughts caused by climate change.

It is interesting to wonder if more cooperation and collaboration between groups would have created more effective efforts towards equality, or increased the limited progress that was achieved by those movements.