

Diversity and the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Report Card

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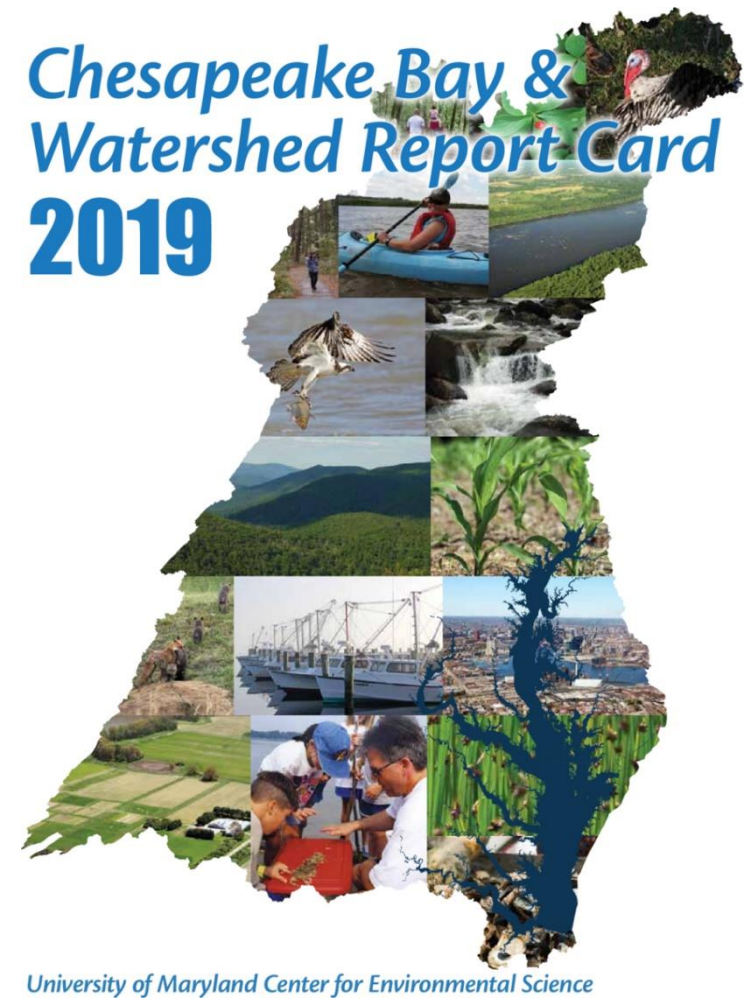
Diversity Workgroup Meeting



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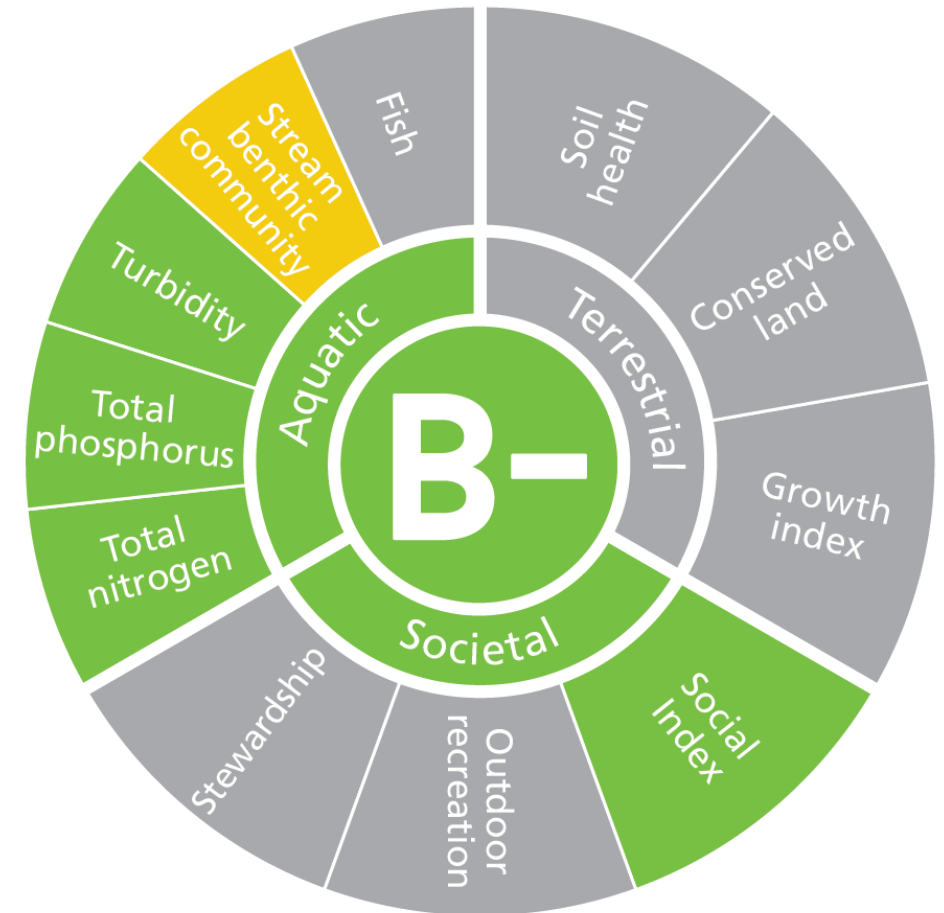
Integration and Application Network (IAN)

- University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science (UMCES) created IAN in 2002
- IAN has more than a decade of experience developing report cards
- IAN has been producing the Chesapeake Bay Report Card since 2006



Chesapeake Bay Watershed Report Card

- Scored the entire watershed for the first time in 2019 using five indicators
- Intend to add more indicators, particularly a Diversity indicator.
- We need your help!



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How do you define environmental justice and how is it different from diversity?

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What are your goals for diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed?

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Indicators or metrics to include

- Tree canopy example:
 - “The urban canopy directly contributes to meeting a city's regulatory clean air requirements. Access to trees, green spaces, and parks promotes greater physical activity, and reduces stress, while improving the quality of life in our cities and towns.”
 - Evaluate tree canopy coverage in underserved, low-income, and/or communities of color and compare in to tree canopy in white privileged communities.



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What kind of metrics are you interested in exploring?

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