



December 15, 2021

Ms. Julia Fay Bernal  
Pueblo Action Alliance  
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211 10th St. SW  
Albuquerque, NM 87102

Dear Julia,

In honor of the Pueblo Action Alliance's outstanding dedication to climate justice including brave activism and on-going teamwork protecting the Greater Chaco region from oil and gas extraction, we proudly present you with the 2021 Direct Action Award.

The Climate Change Leadership Institute (CCLI) is giving out this award and while we are just a small community oriented non profit, we honor mighty displays of leadership in combatting the climate crisis. We give out 6 awards per year to those who make outstanding contributions in the solution areas of Justice, Direct Action, Courage, Innovation, Conservation, and Education.

There are several compelling reasons why the Pueblo Action Alliance is receiving the Climate Justice Award. Firstly for your enduring and powerful resistance to persistent colonialism. Secondly for your "life work" to protect the Greater Chaco region. In that regard it was especially rejuvenating to witness the dedicated collaboration of your group and so many others pay off when President Joe Biden and Interior Secretary Deb Haaland took the first step of safeguarding the greater Chaco region by preventing new oil and gas leasing within 10 miles of Chaco National Park.

Thirdly for all the other amazing work you do including Community Defense, Water Rights, Carbon Pricing and Art Action to name a few of your important campaigns.

We are grateful for your extraordinary service not only to Pueblos and other indigenous communities but also to the common good.

With so much appreciation,

Robb Hirsch  
Founder and Executive Director  
Climate Change Leadership