

# BLACK ENVIRONMENTAL HEROES

*Black History Month Celebration*



## GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER

Even though he was born a slave, he became the first African American to earn a bachelor of science degree in America (1894), and dedicated his life to help farmers better grow their crops and invented methods for preventing the soil from being depleted.

## DR. ROBERT BULLARD

After discovering how toxic waste sites were often placed in poor black communities in Houston, Texas, he became an environmental justice activist and continues to fight so that everyone can have access to healthy communities.



## HATTIE CARTHAN

Hattie is the founder of Tree Corps, which she founded at the age of 71 in Brooklyn NY. Her life-long love for trees continues to inspire youth to plant and protect trees, and created a movement that advocates for more green spaces within cities.

## HAZEL M. JOHNSON

Hazel worked for most of her life to improve the living conditions of her community in Chicago, after discovering that lots of people were getting sick due to a nearby toxic landfill. Through her leadership, President Clinton signed the Environmental Justice Executive Order in 1994.

