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To avoid creating or worsening localized climate impacts in overburdened communities, it's important to ask questions such as:

1. **What are the existing stressors and vulnerabilities in the community?** Understand the socioeconomic, environmental, and health challenges faced by the community before introducing any new projects or policies.
2. **How might proposed climate initiatives affect these communities?** Assess the potential impacts of climate-related projects or policies on issues such as air and water quality, access to resources, displacement, and economic opportunities.
3. **Are there alternative solutions that minimize negative impacts?** Explore options that prioritize environmental justice and equity, considering factors like location, scale, technology, and community involvement.
4. **Have community members been consulted and involved in decision-making processes?** Ensure that affected communities have a voice in planning, implementing, and evaluating climate initiatives to address their specific needs and concerns.
5. **What measures can be taken to mitigate adverse effects?** Identify strategies to minimize or offset negative impacts, such as providing adequate compensation, improving infrastructure, or implementing green infrastructure solutions.
6. **How can we build resilience and capacity within the community?** Invest in initiatives that strengthen community resilience, including education, training, access to resources, and social support networks.
7. **What monitoring and evaluation mechanisms are in place?** Establish transparent and accountable processes for tracking the effectiveness and equity of climate initiatives and adjusting them as needed based on feedback from affected communities.
8. **Are there opportunities for co-benefits and positive outcomes?** Look for ways to align climate action with community priorities and values, such as creating local jobs, improving public health, and enhancing quality of life.
9. **How can we address historical injustices and disparities?** Acknowledge and rectify past injustices and systemic inequalities that have disproportionately impacted overburdened communities, and work towards building trust and partnership.

By asking these questions and engaging in meaningful dialogue with affected communities, policymakers, and stakeholders can work together to develop climate solutions that prioritize equity, justice, and sustainability.

~You must always be willing to truly consider evidence that contradicts your beliefs, and admit the possibility you may be wrong. Intelligence isn't knowing everything, it's the ability to challenge everything you know. Let's all give up our fear as a justification for not to take action because we are the creators of our reality.

Sending healing vibes

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Sharing energy,

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Doughnut Economics 7 Ways to Think Like a 21st Century Economist
by Kate Raworth

Free digital copy of the book,

<https://fenix.tecnico.ulisboa.pt/downloadFile/845043405579281/Raworth%20%282017%29%20Doughnut%20Economics.pdf>

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29 minute video explaining Doughnut Economics

"How radical ideas can turn into transformative practice. Stockholm impact week 2023"

<https://youtu.be/qwyzsAWRMcw?si=Hut8czYBLqAjOBpb>

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Nate Hagens: "Episode 100 - The Great Simplification"

<https://youtu.be/GocuMZX3hIs?si=impadsCjN-aGZzk0>