## October 15th Meeting of the Alamo Group of the Sierra Club

## Open to the Public

When: Tuesday, October 15, 2019

Doors open 6:00 pm Announcements 6:15 Program starts 6:30 pm

**Where:** Eco Centro

1802 N Main Ave. San Antonio, TX 78212

Title: Inequality and Climate Change

Speaker: Michael McGuire, PhD

Professor Emeritus of Economics University of the Incarnate Word San Antonio, TX

T. Michael Brune, Executive Director of the Sierra Club, inspired the topic of this evening's presentation when he wrote in Sierra magazine:

[I]t's become increasingly obvious that climate change and economic and environmental inequality are closely linked. ... We cannot successfully tackle either climate change or inequality without addressing both. <sup>1</sup>

Economic inequality is indeed one of the main causes of climate change. Destructive disparities are likely to skyrocket in the future if effective policies are not found and implemented. Outlining the climate policies of presidential candidates, and the Oil and Gas industry, reveals a range of approaches to policy and sets the stage for a lively discussion of the Sierra Club's climate policy.

<sup>1</sup> https://www.sierraclub.org/sierra/2019-3-may-june/executive-director/vision-for-our-best-america

## **Speaker Bio:**

Michael McGuire earned his Ph.D. in Economics from Syracuse University specializing in



Public Finance and Urban/Regional Economics. He taught Economics in the School of Business and Administration of the University of the Incarnate Word (UIW), 1987-2018, and now serves as Professor Emeritus of Economics at UIW. He was a Fulbright Scholar to the Universidad Centroamericana José Simeón Cañas of El Salvador (UCA), where he taught economics in the Graduate School of Finance, 1989-1991 and in the summers, 1992-2017. His

research focuses on the public finance of inclusive economic development.

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