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### ***What is included in the letter?***

It's all based on what not-for-profits say they need. Basically, we are hearing that it is hard for each organization to devote much manpower to writing grants, let alone finding potential grants and researching background information needed to win them. We also hear that not all of you have big bucks for training, but are interested in high quality experiences for little or no registration fees. Tips and news were also requested.

For the specifics of what's in this e-letter, read on.

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*Please contribute tips you want to share at [uofbci@utah.gov](mailto:uofbci@utah.gov).*

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#### **B. NEWS**

The news here is of importance to the nonprofit world, especially in Utah. What are the trends? Who is supporting the work that is important to your organization? What is changing? You can scan items to get a view, and click the link for the whole story.

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In this section, you will find reports and data that inform your work, but that also provide the hard data needed in writing winning grant proposals. A quick read here will let you know the gist of the report, and links take you to free downloads. Many nonprofit leaders cut and paste to a word processor file the notes on reports that interest them, for quick access. Or, they simply save the entire pdf.

**In this issue:**

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#### **F. CONFERENCES, TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS for staff and customers**

We search for training that is free or inexpensive, but high quality. In general, we only report on events that are within geographic reach, though we sometimes let you know of interesting events outside this area that are specifically designed to make your job easier or more effective. Scholarships and fellowships are included. If you know of something we have missed, please let us know at [uofbci@utah.gov](mailto:uofbci@utah.gov).

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## Now, the nitty gritty—plus links:

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### A. TIPS (*Timely tips, and sometimes mini-lessons*)

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#### **New Prospects for America**

Actually, our national anthem, “The Star Spangled Banner” was written in a very grim moment in history. There was no assurance that the fledgling nation would survive, let alone the flag that was receiving enemy fire that night. The major premise of that song is that America will survive, because of determination and a myriad of other strengths and qualities exhibited by its citizens. Those strengths and qualities are surely needed now, perhaps most of all in those who are working to make the world better. It is impressive, how well Utah organizations are coming through under less than ideal conditions. And, things are looking better. For example, nationally, some large donors are stepping up donations, in part to stimulate the economy and to be an example to other foundations. Dartmouth has just announced a \$50 million commitment to the arts. University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas has announced an un-restricted \$100 million gift from former Texas governor William P. Clements, Jr. while Life Technologies just announced \$2 million to advance science. The Knight Foundation is pumping another \$15 million into new models for journalism, the Gates Foundation has just announced nearly \$25 million more to boost college completion rates and bolster remedial education in the U.S, and Walmart, which dramatically increased its food donations last fall, has just pledged an additional \$7.8 million for summer food programs. Although the Boston Foundation has seen the value of its assets plummet 19 per cent in the past year, it plans to not decrease, but instead increase its giving.

Del Martin, chair of *Giving USA Foundation* is quoted in a press release from that foundation, "With the United States mired in a recession throughout 2008, there was no doubt in anyone's mind that charitable giving would be down. However, what we find remarkable is that individuals, corporations, and foundations still provided more than \$307 billion to causes they support, despite the economic conditions."

In Utah, our Lieutenant Governor and soon-to-be Governor, Gary Herbert, was just quoted in *Utah CEO Magazine* (June, 2009) when asked about his top priorities. “Clearly my number one focus is going to be to grow the economy and get us back on solid economic footing,” he says. “I think we actually are on pretty solid footing now, certainly in comparison to the rest of the country, but we’re not where we have been and we’re not where we can be.”

Sounds like the attitude that has brought Utah to be judged the best managed state in the nation by Pew Charitable Trusts and others. Prospects are looking up for Utah, and for Utah charities.

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### B. NEWS (*Nonprofit news for Utah.*) [Click link for whole story](#)

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#### **MICHELLE OBAMA URGES CHARITIES TO USE AMERICORPS**

First Lady Michelle Obama, speaking at a charity summit in Washington, D.C., emphasized the continued need for charities and volunteers. "Communities are built and rebuilt by regular people. Folks working in businesses, philanthropists, foundations and volunteers — all of them coming together to find solutions to these types of challenges."

She recounted her experience as a community organizer and running an AmeriCorps program, and pointed to the recent boost given to AmeriCorps funding. This will potentially triple the number of AmeriCorps volunteer opportunities, and the first lady urged charities to take advantage of these thousands of new volunteers.

Indeed, many organizations in Utah are finding AmeriCorps to be a source of needed personnel at a cost that is a bargain, while willing volunteers find the stipends make it economically feasible to volunteer.

To connect with AmeriCorps opportunities in Utah, go to <http://volunteers.utah.gov> . To read the AP report of Michelle Obama's remarks, go to <http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5iVNYRSpkXPid5qCbRThe5oGJpLmQD98S4PB02> .

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## **HEALTH CARE REFORM**

The highly respected Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has produced a new report through its Health Care Financing and Organization (HCFOO initiative, which explores the role of public perception in relation to health care reform. It points out that issues surrounding health care reform are complex, and not always well understood either by the public or by the legislature. When the public does not understand specific proposals—or lawmakers do not fully understand public reactions to these ideas—interest groups are able to leverage public opinion to derail reform.

Recent public opinion polls, surveys and town hall meetings consistently show broad support for federal health care reform—though identifying the public's opinion on the specific policies that may comprise health reform is difficult. According to the report, better understanding of the public's preferences could help policy-makers design, describe and market reform proposals. History shows that when the public does not understand specific proposals—or lawmakers do not fully understand public reactions to these ideas—interest groups are able to leverage public opinion to derail reform.

Download a brief, or the whole report:

<http://www.rwjf.org/healthreform/product.jsp?id=44648>

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## **GIVING TO BENEFIT WOMEN AND GIRLS**

A new report from the Foundation Center and the Women's Funding Network finds that foundation giving specifically meant to benefit women and girls has surpassed the rate of overall foundation giving in recent years. In inflation-adjusted dollars, it grew from an estimated \$412.1 million in 2000 to nearly \$2.1 billion in 2006—a 223% increase. See the press release at:

<http://foundationcenter.org/media/news/20090623.html>

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## **CALLS TO 2-1-1 INCREASING**

2-1-1 Information and Referral received its 100,000<sup>th</sup> phone call in Fiscal Year 2009, a significant milestone illustrating the service's growing awareness and crucial role in the community. The referral line provides information on a variety of health and human services on a free, confidential basis.

Last year, 2-1-1 received 87,072 phone calls during the 2007-2008 fiscal year and is currently experiencing a 16 percent increase in the number of calls over the 2007-2008 fiscal year. A 30 percent increase in calls was experienced in May 2009 compared to May 2008 and projections show that June 2009 will see a 40 percent increase compared to June 2008.

2-1-1 Information and Referral is a statewide program of Utah Food Bank Services. The easy-to-remember telephone number connects people with important health and human services programs throughout the communities of Utah. 2-1-1 call specialists are available from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Voice mail is available after hours and on the weekends.

[www.utahfoodbank.org](http://www.utahfoodbank.org).

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## **JOB TRAINING / ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY**

The U.S. Department of Labor has announced five grant competitions, totaling \$500 million, to fund projects that prepare workers for green jobs in the energy efficiency and renewable energy industries. This is welcome news for workers who find themselves looking for a new line of work, and eyeing promising new industries. In Utah, the Department of Workforce Services will be working with agencies that win grants to train workers.

Interested in applying for one of the grants? A notice of these grant solicitations is in today's edition of the *Federal Register* and is also available at [http://www.doleta.gov/grants/find\\_grants.cfm](http://www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm) and <http://www.grants.gov>. Dates and times for applicant virtual conferences are found in each SGA. For more information on the array of Department of Labor employment and training investments and opportunities, visit <http://www.doleta.gov>.

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## **DISABILITIES / EDUCATION**

Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced June 29, 2009 that the administration will rescind all or part of three Medicaid regulations that were previously issued and delay the enforcement of a fourth regulation. One of these rules would have eliminated reimbursement for school-based administrative costs and costs of transportation to and from schools.

<http://www.disabilityinfo.gov/digov-public/public/DisplayPage.do?parentFolderId=143>

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## **BENEFIT CONCERT**

Utah Symphony will present a free concert at Abravanel Hall on Wednesday, July 8, 2009, featuring guest conductor Sterling Poulson. A donation of \$15 (collected at the door if you decide to contribute) is suggested, and will go to benefit the Road Home, Utah's largest homeless shelter and provider of other homeless services. Before the 7:00 p.m. concert, vendors will be in the courtyard serving a variety of foods. Again, the proceeds go to The Road Home.

More information: . The Road Home ~210 South Rio Grande Street~ Salt Lake City, UT. 84101. 801-819-7297 [www.theroadhome.org](http://www.theroadhome.org)

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## **C. FUNDING, GRANTS & RESOURCES** *(Annotated list of some currently available grants and resources.)*

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**See News, Job Training, above.** The Utah Department of Workforce Services has more information, also.

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## **COMMUNITY ACTION PROJECTS / YOUTH**

Do Something Plum Awards: Sustainable community actions projects, programs or organizations may receive \$500 to make the project viable. Applicants must be 25 or under, must be a U.S. or Canadian citizen, and can only win once every 12 months. The website is full of ideas and helps.

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Contact:** <http://www.dosomething.org/sharesomething/fund-your-project/plum-guidelines>

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## **LIBRARIES / CHILDREN'S BOOKS**

Small, rural libraries with small budgets may qualify for a matching grant for quality, hardcover children's books. Local organizations must raise \$50 to \$350 which will be matched with \$2 for every \$1 raised. There are book lists, and the local librarian chooses titles from the

lists. Fundraising ideas are provided, and both the application and the reporting is straightforward and simple. Communities that have suffered a recent natural disaster may qualify for a grant without the local match.

Deadlines: 3 times a year; the next is August 15, 2009 (postmark)

Contact: <http://www.librifoundation.org/index.html>

Application: <http://www.librifoundation.org/apps.html>

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## EDUCATION / DOMESTIC VIOLENCE / HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Verizon Foundation and their partners have much to offer above and beyond cash grants. Using the website linked below you can find volunteers, Internet training, business advice and Web developers. The online community has a wealth of resources that can help you every time you visit. The website offers considerable help to applicants, and the foundation reviews applications continuously from January 1 to October 31. Read the guidelines carefully, and then begin with the online eligibility screener [eligibility screener](#)

**Contact:** <http://foundation.verizon.com/grant/application.shtml>

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## DOMESTIC ABUSE

The Amy's Courage Fund was established by the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) to alleviate the financial constraints that often prevent a victim from escaping abuse. Amy's Courage Fund provides emergency financial assistance of up to \$2,000 each to victims of domestic violence and their children to meet their immediate needs after escaping an abusive home. Funds may be used to pay for:

- moving and transportation costs associated with escaping abuse, such as plane, train or bus tickets, U-Haul rentals, hotels and other travel expenses;
- rent and security deposits for new, safe homes;
- utilities, utility deposits, phone hookups for new, safe homes;
- medical expenses;
- legal fees and expenses for filing for protective orders, custody agreements and divorces;
- car repairs and transportation needs; and
- furniture, appliances, clothing and other household goods.

In addition, during times of national crisis — such as Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the Amy's Courage Fund extends its emergency grants to domestic violence programs so that they are able to continue providing services to their communities.

**Deadline:** Ongoing; a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization (usually a local domestic violence or advocacy program) must apply on behalf of the victim.

**Contact:**

Information and links: <http://www.nnedv.org/projects/amysfund.html>

Application: call 202.543.5566 or use the e-mail form provided on the Program web site at:

<http://www.ncdsv.org/images/Amy's%20Courage%20Fund%20Application.pdf>

Once a domestic violence shelter is established with NNEDV, the application process is streamlined for new cases.

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## PERFORMING ARTS

The Cultural Exchange Fund of the Association of Performing Arts Presenters will award travel subsidies to individual presenters, presenting organizations, and to groups of presenters traveling to see the work of artists, companies, and/or to develop and advance projects with international artists and their collaborators. Travel to the Middle East, Asia, Latin America, and Africa is strongly encouraged, but other locations will be considered.

All applicants must be active members of the Association of Performing Arts Presenters.

Award Amounts: \$2,000 to \$20,000

Deadlines: Vary; there are multiple rounds of awards

**Contact:** <http://www.apapconference.org/cultural-exchange-fund-application-guidelines-final.html>

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### **GUEST ARTISTS / COLLEGE PRODUCTIONS**

American colleges and universities may apply for up to \$5,000 in matching funds, to add to their budgeted funds for hiring of professional stage directors and choreographers as guest artists. At the Stage Directors and Choreographers Society website you may be directed to a main page. If this happens, scroll over the pull-down menu at the top of the page titled "Foundation" and click on "Guest Artist Initiative Program."

Deadline: October 15, 2009

**Contact:** [http://sdcweb.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=44&Itemid=110](http://sdcweb.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=44&Itemid=110)

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### **HEALTH CARE / BREAST CANCER**

The [National Breast Cancer Coalition](#) (NBCC), a grassroots membership organization dedicated to ending breast cancer, has announced a call for applications for advocacy grants to be awarded in 2009, with a potential for renewal in 2010.

The grants are to be used to expand public policy and advocacy work of NBCC in local communities. Applicants should specifically describe how they will use the funds to support the NBCC mission of ending breast cancer through research, access and influence.

Applicant must be members of NBCC and have either 501(c)(3) and/or 501(c)(4) status with the IRS.

Deadline:

**Contact:** : July 10, 2009

[http://www.stopbreastcancer.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=952&Itemid=169](http://www.stopbreastcancer.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=952&Itemid=169)

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### **AWARENESS AND EDUCATION / HEART HEALTH / DEFIBRILLATION**

The "HeartRescue Grant Program" from [Medtronic Foundation](#) is NOT for AEDs, but is instead for awareness and education associated with defibrillation. If this is what you are after, the program offers \$5,000 to \$30,000 per year for one to three years.

**Deadline:** ongoing basis between May 1 – January 31

**Guidelines:** [http://www.medtronic.com/foundation/apply\\_general\\_guidelines.html](http://www.medtronic.com/foundation/apply_general_guidelines.html)

**Apply:** <http://www.medtronic.com/foundation/apply.html>

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### **SOCIAL INVESTMENT / LOANS OF CAPITAL FOR CERTAIN NONPROFITS**

The Calvert Foundation makes loans (not grants) to community organizations that act as financial intermediaries, including loan funds, microfinance institutions, affordable housing developers and social enterprises. Read their materials carefully and compare with your other alternatives.

**Amount of funding:** \$50,000 to \$2.5 million. Loans are limited to 10% of applicant's total assets. Loans range from one year to five years. With sound financial condition, investments are often recommended for renewal at maturity.

**Contact for Information:**

Lisa Hall, Director of Lending & Advisory Services

[Lisa.Hall@calvertfoundation.org](mailto:Lisa.Hall@calvertfoundation.org) or phone 800.248.0337

**Website:** <http://www.calvertfoundation.org/>

**Lending brochure:**

<http://www.calvertfoundation.org/downloads/borrowers/Lending%20Brochure.pdf>

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## D. AWARDS AND HONORS *(Recognition—some with resources.)*

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### ANNUAL TAGLINE AWARDS

Does your organization have a tagline—a short catchy phrase that sums up what you do? According to Nancy Schwartz, Publisher of Getting Attention <http://www.GettingAttention.org>, which sponsors the awards, a strong tagline does double-duty -- working to extend your organization's name and mission, while delivering a focused, memorable and repeatable message to your base.

This competition is fun (you will get to review a lot of clever taglines for other charities) and rewarding (every entrant, whether they win or not, receives the *2009 Nonprofit Tagline Report* late in the calendar year.

Review the 2008 winners at: <http://is.gd/19B04>; Enter your tagline at: <http://is.gd/19ASm>

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## E. SPECIAL RESOURCES *(Reports and data. Most download for free.)*

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### SUMMER ACTIVITIES / CHILDREN AND YOUTH

If students are not engaged in thinking activities during the summer, they lose some of what they gained during the school year.

[Thinkfinity.org](http://thinkfinity.org) is the Verizon Foundation's free, comprehensive Web site that contains thousands of educational resources including K-12 lesson plans, online educational activities, videos and other materials to enhance teacher effectiveness and improve student achievement.

**Contact:** <http://thinkfinity.org/>

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### CHILD HEALTH and SCHOOL READINESS

A new report from the Colorado Trust describes research, practices, and policy options for integrating efforts to enhance child health and school readiness by ensuring child health care; linking child health, early learning, early intervention and family support; and improving environments.

Download (12 pages):

[http://www.coloradotrust.org/attachments/0000/2480/IssueBrief\\_Bruner\\_Feb09\\_Final.pdf](http://www.coloradotrust.org/attachments/0000/2480/IssueBrief_Bruner_Feb09_Final.pdf)

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### HISPANIC CHILDREN

Demographics in the U.S. are changing. Of children in the U.S. who are eighteen and younger, 22% are Hispanic. Furthermore, nine out of ten of them are native born US citizens—52% second generation, and 37% third generation. Nationally, by 2010, 2.3 million of these children will be old enough to vote. By 2020, an additional 8.1 million will be eligible to vote, and by 2025, another 4.9 million, for a total of 15.3 million new voters. Read all about it in the downloadable report: <http://pewhispanic.org/files/reports/110.pdf>

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### PUBLIC BENEFITS / UNDOCUMENTED CHILDREN

According to the Pew Charitable Trusts Hispanic Center, undocumented children are eligible to receive some public benefits but not others. They are legally entitled to public education from kindergarten through high school; to some emergency medical care; and to child and school nutrition programs under the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) legislation. They are not eligible for many other federal programs that provide a safety net for children, including the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as the food stamp program), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), non-emergency Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance

Program )SCHIP). Also, undocumented students are not eligible for federal Pell grants for postsecondary education.

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## **FEDERAL STIMULUS MONEY**

Questions about the federal stimulus money? Here's the website with information on the opportunities, including jobs, provided through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act as well as information on where the ARRA funding is going and up-to-date data on the expenditure of funds.

<http://www.recovery.gov/>

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## **UTAH FOOD BANK SERVICES**

Utah Food Bank Services provides food to a statewide network of over 125 agencies and community centers. Last fiscal year, Utah Food Bank Services distributed 19.1 million pounds of food – the equivalent of over 9.5 million meals for emergency food assistance from families and individuals in need. Utah Food Bank Services also operates 19 Kids Cafe sites, 2-1-1 Information & Referral and Services for Seniors. For more information about Utah Food Bank Services (OR about volunteering at the warehouse) call (801) 978-2452 or go to [www.utahfoodbank.org](http://www.utahfoodbank.org).

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## **FOOD STAMPS (now often called SNAP)**

The Food and Nutrition Service has released the latest SNAP participation rates. The full report, titled Trends In Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Participation Rates: 2000 – 2007, can be viewed at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/ORA/menu/WhatsNew.htm> and a summary is available at <http://www.fns.usda.gov/ORA/menu/Published/SNAP/FILES/Participation/Trends2000-2007Sum.pdf>.

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## **MEDIA GUIDE / HEALTH AND SCIENCE EXPERTS**

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has published a new guide, "You: A Valuable Media Source: Media Guide for Health and Science Experts. It provides an overview of the media landscape and offers practical guidance on how to engage the media to inform the public, educate patients, and inspire changes in health practices, systems, and policies, while also promoting one's work or organization.

<http://www.rwjf.org/files/research/20090508rwjfmediaguide.pdf>

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## **HEALTH CARE / NEWS SERVICE**

The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation has announced the launch of a nonprofit news service dedicated to major health policy issues in the United States. Kaiser Health News (KHN) will distribute in-depth stories, news summaries, interviews, and multimedia content for free through its Web site and partnerships with leading news organizations such as the *Washington Post*, the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, NPR News, and the *New Republic*. Headed by executive editors Laurie McGinley, former national healthcare policy correspondent at the *Wall Street Journal*, and Peggy Girshman, former NPR managing editor, KHN will be staffed by experienced health policy journalists and editors and will feature contributions from leading health policy commentators and independent journalists.

"Our mission and our challenge with Kaiser Health News is to do in-depth coverage of health policy that informs and explains and that increasingly cannot be done in the mainstream news business," said Kaiser President and CEO Drew Altman.

More: <http://www.kff.org/newsroom/khn060109nr.cfm>

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## **F. CONFERENCES, TRAINING & WORKSHOPS for staff and customers**

(Free or inexpensive—or scholarships.)

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### **SAVE THE DATE**

6th Annual Homeless Summit

October 15, 2009

Sheraton Hotel, SLC, Utah

Registration 7:30 AM; Conference 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Pre-Conference October 14, 2009

Tours of Palmer Court and Grace Mary Manor

Questions? Contact Sheryl Featherstone at 801-538-8722

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### **WORKSHOP / LEAVING POVERTY**

Utah Housing Coalition is sponsoring a workshop to increase understanding of differing perspectives and improve communication with customers. We all react to our environment because of perspectives picked up in our childhoods, and sometimes words or phrases are interpreted much differently than we meant. This workshop, with the accompanying *Bridges Out of Poverty* book, explains a lot. If you have ever gotten a quizzical look or a surprising reaction to something you said in good faith, this day may be revealing. More importantly, if you are interested in assisting people to leave poverty, it can provide insight for building bridges to do just that.

The price is right--\$35 for an all day training, including lunch and the book by Ruby Paine. If you already have the book, the cost will only be \$20. The workshop is on Wednesday, July 22, 2009, at the Salt Lake State Library (rooms 218 and 219), 1950 West 250 North, Salt Lake City, UT 84111. Seating is limited; register soon at: <http://housing.utah.gov/scso/index.html> .

For more information, contact Sheryl Featherstone, 801-538-8722 or [sfeatherstone@utah.gov](mailto:sfeatherstone@utah.gov) , who is coordinating registration.

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### **PBS DOCUMENTARY ON SCHOOL LEADERSHIP / INSERVICE**

“The Principal Story” (on School Leadership) will be airing nationally on PBS September 15, 2009 (check P.O.V. <http://www.pbs.org/pov/> for local listings).

<http://www.wallacefoundation.org/principal-story/Pages/default.aspx>

Resources are available for facilitating discussions of a documentary on two elementary school principals' efforts to improve student achievement and implement reform. Includes sample agendas for viewing the full clip reel, individual clips, or the full film.

<http://www.wallacefoundation.org/principal-story/field-guide/Documents/Principal-Story-Field-Guide.pdf>

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### **FELLOWSHIPS / JOURNALISM/ HEALTH CARE**

Serious, professional journalists are invited to apply for the prestigious USC Annenberg fellowships to participate in week-long seminars and field trips to investigate health trends, policy innovations and political conflicts involving health care. Fellows will be expected emerge with a broader and more nuanced awareness of immigrant health, health disparities, access to care, farm worker health and the nation's frayed safety net. Fellows will also receive a cash stipend upon completion of “ambitious, major fellowship projects”. To encourage collaboration between mainstream and ethnic media, the program supports applicants who propose a joint project for use by both media outlets. Each collaborator receives the stipend.

Details on the upcoming 2009 fellowship program agenda to be announced soon. The seminars will be at University of Southern California School for Communication in Los Angeles, October 4-9,

2009.

For more information, contact Program Manager, Andrea Kobrinsky Alday at 213.437.4448.

**Deadline: August 14, 2009**

**Contact:**

<http://annenberq.usc.edu/Home/CentersandPrograms/ProfessionalEducation/CalendowFellowships/FellowshipsSeminars/Track3.aspx>

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## FELLOWSHIPS / INTERNATIONAL STUDY

Multiple awards for study on international issues are available through the Social Science Research Council (SSRC). Those with due dates approaching are:

The Abe Fellowship is designed to encourage international multidisciplinary research on topics of pressing global concern. The program seeks to foster the development of a new generation of researchers who are interested in policy-relevant topics of long-range importance and who are willing to become key members of a bilateral and global research network built around such topics. Abe Fellows will be eligible for up to twelve months of full-time support.

**(Deadline: September 1, 2009)**

The Abe Fellowship for Journalists is designed to encourage in-depth coverage of topics of pressing concern to the United States and Japan through individual short-term policy-related projects. **(Deadline September 15, 2009).**

The China Environment and Health Initiative (CEHI) announces a small grants program to stimulate the generation and dissemination of policy and practice-oriented social science research on environment and health in China, supported by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. The first round of grants occurred in 2008; the focus was on rural health in China. The focus of the second round **(Deadline: July 15, 2009)** will be on environmental health problems relating to processes of urbanization and urban development, including but not limited to urban air pollution, urban water quality, urban planning and environmental health, occupational health and safety, and rural-urban migrants.

The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) is an independent nonprofit organization devoted to the advancement of social science research and scholarship. Founded in New York City in 1923 as the world's first national coordinating body of the social sciences, it is today an international resource for interdisciplinary, innovative public social science.

**Contact:** <http://www.ssrc.org/>  
and <http://www.ssrc.org/fellowships/search/>



## Here's the fine print:

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