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In this issue: **“Working with
People in Difficult Times”**

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1. Just read through, for ways to grow your organization, or make it stronger, or **find more grants**.
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Nope. We try to report as accurately as humanly possible, but can't be responsible for things like information on other websites, and changes, discrepancies, etc. Read the disclaimer at the end of this letter. The object is to save you time on first-sweep research so that you have more time to do good things, and also to assist you in accessing funding for good works.



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.

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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.

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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. If you know of something we have missed, please let us know at uofbci@utah.gov .

In this issue:

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Now, the nitty gritty—plus links:

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

WORKING WITH PEOPLE IN DIFFICULT TIMES

New studies tell us what we suspected. It's tougher to all get along in bad economic times. People tend to be judgmental, angry, and demanding. People tend to take extreme positions, and to have a hard time seeing another view. Why? There are several new books and articles out, but one that may help nonprofit practitioners has just been published by Harper. Peter Berger, a social scientist at Boston University, has written [In Praise of Doubt](#), which asserts that when society is experiencing rapid change, and especially economic stress, people feel off balance and insecure. It may seem comforting to retreat into a world where there is only black and white, and no gray. Logic often flees. The people we are trying so desperately to serve do not want to hear that there are fewer resources to spread over more need. They may not like the hoops that must be jumped. They may be tempted to shoot the messenger.

Now more than ever, it is helpful to stay calm and confident—and kindly—knowing that if our customers are not as tolerant and patient right now, there is a reason. There are some positive indicators out there of better days ahead, and many positive factors that have always remained. Now would be the time to scour our workplaces and eliminate cynical signs (like the infamous “Your lack of planning does not constitute an emergency for me”), replacing them with things that make us all smile, and feel a little better. Now would be the time to utilize more smiles. It just could make for a better work day.

EMPLOYMENT / JOB COUNSELING

If your organization helps people find jobs or retrain in new industries, don't overlook the federal government. You've likely heard that the US Census is hiring (many!) people to conduct the upcoming census and for the large help center in Sandy, but it goes farther than that. The federal government also needs to ramp up to handle the challenges of distributing and monitoring stimulus money, repairing the financial sector, handling military needs, and taking on other domestic challenges. The other factor helping job seekers is that there are large numbers of baby boomers working for the federal government, who will be looking to retire soon. Remember that federal pensions are less shaky than a lot of corporate or small business pensions, and this group of baby boomers (US government employees) may actually be able to retire ahead of some of their peers. In the [Washington Post](#), there is a comprehensive table showing what kinds of jobs are likely to be offered in the next few years. They also include a column listing jobs likely to be offered *in addition* to those opened up because of retirements: <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/graphic/2009/09/03/GR2009090300209.html?sid=ST2009090204073> .

Many, but not all federal jobs are full time and carry benefits. Applicants may have a better chance of being hired if they are willing to move, but there are also quite a few positions in Utah. All in all, it is a sector that cannot be ignored. USAJobs, the United States Office of Personnel Management website, has a search function that allows job seekers to specify location. Just before publication, we searched all federal government job openings in Utah, and more than 250 jobs came up. When we looked, it was heavy on jobs in natural resources and in healthcare, but there were a lot of other jobs, too, and the mix changes daily.

Contact: <http://www.usajobs.gov/>

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

HEALTHCARE BEST PRACTICES: UTAH!

California Wellness Foundation has funded a new study of how California can save money on healthcare billing, utilizing best practices in New England and Utah.

Download (24 pages; 247 KB): <http://www.uspirg.org/uploads/qN/Is/qNlspjHoC-BW6TabYu9kbw/Cutting-Red-Tape-in-Health-Care.pdf>

HEALTH CENTERS

Health & Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius has announced more than \$25.7 million in grants to increase and improve health and support services at the nation's health centers. Patients receive care at [health centers](#) regardless of their ability to pay. The centers offer many forms of health care including checkups, immunizations for children, dental care and prescription drugs, and mental health and substance abuse services.

More information: http://www.disability.gov/health/news_%26_events

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

KSL reports that "Utah residents and businesses are still among the most charitable in the country," in a report filed by Amanda Butterfield.

<http://www.ksl.com/index.php?nid=148&sid=7766345>

NONPROFIT EMPLOYEE HEALTHCARE INSURANCE

As a group, nonprofit organizations are the nation's fourth-largest employer, and some in the industry are worried that the health care reform as presently proposed would not fill all their needs. While many aspects of the proposed legislation would help their customers, some nonprofit leaders are now pushing for language in the bill that takes into account that the present bill would not help nonprofits pay for health insurance for their paid employees. In a recent article in the New York Times, Stephanie Strom reported: "The main bill proposed in the House would award a tax credit to small businesses that provide their employees with health insurance. But because nonprofits do not pay income taxes, they would not benefit from the credit. Some nonprofit groups have called for a subsidy along the lines of the Earned Income Tax Credit in which money would be returned to organizations that demonstrate they have contributed to an employee's health care."

Strom, Stephanie. ["Nonprofit Groups Upset at Exclusion From Health Bills."](#) New York Times 9/13/09.

http://www.nytimes.com/2009/09/14/health/policy/14nonprofit.html?_r=2&scp=1&sq=Exclusion&st=cs

FILMS ON NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS

The [National Museum of the American Indian](#) is seeking submissions of four-minute films about Native American veterans that illustrate the impact and meaning of participation in the military for native people.

All types of nonfiction film, including documentary, experimental, and animation, will be accepted. Prizes will be awarded to winners, and selected films will be shown on Veterans Day 2009 during a special program at the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

Deadline: October 18, 2009

Contact: <http://www.americanindian.si.edu/fvc/veterans/>

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

YOUTH-LED PROJECTS

The Do Something website challenges youth (up to age 25) to do something for sustainable community action or for disaster preparedness or recovery. Grants are for \$500 each and application can be made at any time. The application is easy and actually pretty fun.

Deadline: none

Contact: <http://www.dosomething.org/grants>

Check out dosomething.org: <http://www.dosomething.org/programs> for cool ways to be involved in SOMETHING important.

YOUTH SPORTS

This grant competition is a little unusual. Instead of filling out a standard application or responding to a standard RFP, youth sports league administrators must first register their youth sports organization at the Liberty Mutual Responsible Sports website below. Then, supporters link into that same website, complete an online course and quiz on sportsmanship, and increase the chances of winning for their favorite sports organization \$2,500 that can be spent on a wide variety of things for the team or teams. Twenty awards will go to organizations with the most entries. School athletic programs are also eligible. Help is available at the site—don't overlook the Community Grant Toolkit (click on it in the left hand column of the website, or the top menu).

Deadline: November 30, 2009

Contact: https://www.responsiblesports.com/community_grants/default.aspx

SOCCER / ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED URBAN AREAS

With the exception of Synthetic Field Building projects, the [United States Soccer Foundation](#) is focused this year on economically disadvantaged urban areas encompassing populations of 50,000 or more. In fact, the highest priority will be given to Synthetic Field projects serving players in economically disadvantaged urban areas. Organizations that incorporate a youth development element such as anti-violence, anti-drugs, healthy lifestyles, etc. into their soccer programs will be at an advantage. There are three different categories of grants, plus newly offered Irrigation Grants, and planning grants offered in a different cycle. Organizations must register each year they want to be considered.

Deadline: October 30, 2009. Registration for the 2010 grant cycle opens October 1, 2009. There will be some preparation that should take place before then.

Contact:

http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org/site/c.gpLPJQOpHkE/b.2766881/k.2AF1/Annual_Program_and_Field_Grants.htm

INNOVATION / DISTRIBUTION OF NEWS

The [John S. and James L. Knight Foundation](#) is looking for innovations that use new or available technology to distribute content in local communities.

Anybody worldwide can apply.

There are three rules to follow to apply to the 2010 Knight News Challenge:

- Use digital, open-source technology.
- Distribute news in the public interest.
- Test your project in a local community.

Deadline: October 13, 2009

Contact: <http://www.newschallenge.org/>

LIBRARIES / MUSEUMS / ARCHIVES

NEH's "Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections" helps cultural institutions meet the complex challenge of preserving large and diverse holdings of humanities materials for future generations by supporting preventive conservation measures that mitigate deterioration and prolong the useful life of collections. Libraries, archives, museums and historical organizations across the country are responsible for collections of books and manuscripts, photographs, sound recordings and moving images, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, art and historical objects that facilitate research, strengthen teaching and provide opportunities for life-long learning in the humanities. As institutions strive to be effective stewards of humanities collections, cultural repositories are increasingly interested in sustainable preservation strategies. NEH, therefore, invites proposals that explore and implement energy-efficient and cost-effective preventive conservation measures designed to mitigate the greatest risks to collections.

To help institutions develop sound preventive conservation projects, NEH encourages collaborative and interdisciplinary planning, which may be especially helpful for identifying sustainable strategies. Such planning would include consideration of the following factors: the nature of the materials in a collection; the performance of the building, its envelope, and its systems in moderating internal environmental conditions; the capabilities of the institution; the nature of the local climate and the effects of climate change; the cost-effectiveness and energy efficiency of various approaches to preventive conservation; and the project's impact on the environment.

Eligibility: Any U.S. nonprofit organization is eligible, as are state and local governmental agencies and tribal governments. Grants are not awarded to individuals.

Award Amount: Up to \$40,000

Deadline: December 8, 2009

Contact: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/SCHC.html>

MUSIC PERFORMANCES

American Masterpieces is a major initiative of the [National Endowment for the Arts](#). Grants are available for chamber music performances in conjunction with educational activities (discussions, master classes, seminars, exhibitions, program material, or cooperative learning projects with educational or community institutions) that will highlight specific repertoire by American composers and enable ensembles to engage with communities in a variety of settings.

Applicants may be nonprofit, tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) organizations, units of state or local government, or federally recognized tribal communities or tribes. Projects may be initiated by eligible organizations of all sizes, genres, and aesthetics, including ensembles, presenters, festivals, and colleges and universities.

Grants generally will range from \$5,000 to \$75,000 each and require a non-federal match of at least 1:1.

Deadline: October 8, 2009

Contact: <http://arts.endow.gov/grants/apply/AMChamber.html>

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS / MENTAL HEALTH

Rethinking Health: Improving Community Wellbeing is a new online, open source competition sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Changemakers. A judging panel will narrow applications to 10-15 finalists, and the public will go online to vote for three winners of \$5,000 each. Interesting concept, and a way to put your ideas forward.

Deadline: October 14, 2009

Contact: <http://www.changemakers.com/en-us/mentalhealth>

SMALL CONFERENCE SUPPORT / HEALTHCARE RESEARCH (CFDA 93.226)

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), announces its continued interest in supporting conferences through its Small Grant Program for Conference Support. AHRQ seeks to support conferences that help to further its mission to improve the quality, safety, efficiency, and effectiveness of health care for all Americans. AHRQ is especially interested in supporting conferences that demonstrate strategies that include plans for disseminating complimentary conference materials and products beyond the participants attending the event. Such strategies might include, but are not limited to, submitting articles for publication, posting information on a Web site, and seeking formal opportunities to discuss conference information with others.

Deadline: October 22, 2012

Contact: <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppld=49185>

PALLIATIVE CARE / HOSPITAL-BASED PARTNERSHIPS

The [Regence Foundation](http://www.regencefoundation.org) is offering grants designed to help people with life-threatening and incurable illness access quality palliative care in their own community. The program's Pathway grants will support hospital-based programs in Idaho, Oregon, Utah, and Washington. Grants target three phases: hospitals that need to plan a palliative care program, those that seek to implement a plan for a program, and those with a program that seek to expand it through partnerships with other community organizations. Planning grants offer \$25,000 to \$150,000. Implementation grants will provide up to \$125,000 annually for one or two years. Innovation grants may result in \$30,000 to \$100,000 per partnership for up to two years.

For more information, please contact:

Michelle L. McClellan, *Sojourns* Program Officer

E-mail: mxmccle@regence.com

Phone: (503) 721-7171

Deadlines: Depends on phase; first is **October 19, 2009**

Contact: <http://www.regencefoundation.org/programs/endOfLife.html>

NURSING

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is offering incentive grants to local or regional foundations working to address nursing workforce issues. The awards will range up to \$250,000 for projects lasting up to 24 months (effective September 2010—September 2012).

Key Dates and Deadlines

October 29, 2009 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of brief proposals.

January 5, 2010 (3 p.m. ET)—Deadline for receipt of invited full proposals.

This program will only accept proposals submitted through the RWJF Grantmaking Online system at <http://grantmaking.rwjf.org/pin5>.

www.PartnersInNursing.org

ARTS IN HEALTHCARE

Nonprofits and government agencies that are members of the Society for the Arts in Healthcare and whose arts in health care programs show evidence of “initial impact” are eligible to apply for grants to promote the use of the arts to enhance the healthcare experience for patients, their families, and caregivers. Johnson & Johnson/Society for the Arts in Healthcare grants are for a total of \$60,000 each over a period of three years.

Deadline: 10/15/09 (Letter of Inquiry)

Contact: http://thesah.org/template/page.cfm?page_id=15

HEALTHCARE / UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS

The Kresge Foundation is offering two new grant programs for organizations working to address the critical needs of underserved populations. The Health Clinic Opportunity Fund will support clinics working to address the critical needs of underserved populations; the Safety-Net Enhancement Initiative will support community health centers working in partnership to address health disparities.

Deadline: Various

Contact:

http://www.kresge.org/index.php/program_updates/article/kresge_foundation_announces_two_new_health_initiatives/ and http://www.kresge.org/index.php/what/health_program/ and http://www.kresge.org/index.php/what/healthy_environments/

VISION RESEARCH

[Hope for Vision](#) supports research aimed at developing treatments and cures for retinal degenerative diseases, including retinitis pigmentosa, Usher syndrome, Stargardt's disease, and macular degeneration. Hope for Vision provides grants to both up-and-coming and established researchers. Awards range from \$25,000 to \$150,000 per year for up to two years.

Deadline: October 15, 2009

Contact: <http://www.hopeforvision.org/grants>

INNOVATIONS IN HEALTHCARE

[Healthspottr Media LLC](#), a new media and publishing company, is seeking nominations for the first annual Healthspottr Fellows program. The new program will award qualified recipients (entrepreneurs) with prizes of up to \$250,000 each to accelerate their various healthcare innovations.

Candidates will be evaluated for their past accomplishments, as well as for their future potential to make a genuinely innovative contribution to the transformation of healthcare in the United States. Such innovations will be judged by their likely ability to expand access to care and to improve the efficiency and quality of care, within two to five years. Candidates must be nominated by others (no self-nominations).

Deadline: October 1, 2009

Contact: <http://www.healthspottr.com/weeklydigest/8-healthspottr-fellows-program-annual-prizes-for-health-innovators>

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is offering \$20 million in grants to help elderly residents and non-elderly residents with disabilities the services they need to continue to live independently in their own homes. HUD is making these grants available through the its *Service Coordinator Program* that will support the hiring of service coordinators to help frail and at-risk elderly individuals and persons with disabilities access health care, meals and other critical support services.

Service Coordinators assist elderly individuals and persons with disabilities, living in federally-assisted multifamily housing, to obtain needed supportive services from community agencies. Services are intended to prevent premature and inappropriate institutionalization.

Approximately 100 grants will be awarded.

Deadline: November 5, 2009

Contact:

Press Release: <http://www.hud.gov/news/release.cfm?content=pr09-166.cfm&CFID=6805004&CFTOKEN=67772646>

NOFA: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/nofa09/grpscmh.cfm>

NATIVE AMERICANS

[Honor the Earth](#) is a native-led organization established in 1993 to address the two primary needs of the native environmental movement — the need to break the geographic and political isolation of native communities, and the need to increase financial resources for organizing and change.

Honor the Earth's Building Resilience in Indigenous Communities Initiative will award grants to organizations working to increase Indigenous communities' capacity to prevent and adapt to climate change in ways that preserve and restore Indigenous cultures. In line with Honor the Earth's commitment to developing the next generation of Native American youth leaders, special funding is available for resilience projects that are youth-led and/or -focused.

Funding for the Building Resilience in Indigenous Communities Initiative will focus on two goals — development of culturally based, indigenous solutions to climate change based on re-localizing food and energy economies; and restoration of traditional knowledge as a key adaptation and mitigation strategy to ensure a safe and healthy future.

Please note that resources for the 2009 fall/winter docket are more limited than in years past.

Deadline: September 30, 2009

Contact: <http://www.honorearth.org/building-resilience>

FILM DIRECTORS

[Film Independent](#) is accepting applications for its 9th Annual Directors Lab.

Sponsored by [Kodak](#), the Directors Lab is an intensive eight-week program designed to help directors who are prepping feature-length narrative films. The lab takes place in Los Angeles each winter. It is designed for professionals about to break through to film festivals like Sundance and Cannes.

The primary focus of the lab is on learning to work with actors and the rehearsal process. Fellows go through a mini-production, learning how to break down a script into a shot list, collaborate with cinematographers, and construct a scene in the editing process. A secondary goal of the program is to help advance the careers of lab fellows by introducing them to established film professionals who can advise them on both the craft and business of directing.

The program is open to first-time directors as well as filmmakers who previously directed shorts and features. Documentary projects are not eligible for application.

The lab is provided free to accepted filmmakers. Upon completion of the lab, filmmakers become Film Independent Fellows and receive year-round support, including access to Film Independent's annual film education offerings, the on-staff Filmmaker Advisor, and the Los Angeles Film Festival. Lab filmmakers are provided a cash stipend for their project and access to camera and sound packages.

A maximum of **eight** projects will be selected. The application fee is \$55 for Film Independent members and \$75 for non-members. In addition, there may be travel and other expenses aside from the grant-paid tuition. For more information, please contact Filmmaker Labs Associate, Jennifer Kushner, at 310.432.1275 or JKushner@filmIndependent.org.

Deadline: October 5, 2009

Contact: <http://filmIndependent.org/content/directors-lab>

ASSISTED LIVING / REMODELING OF FACILITIES

The purpose of the federal Assisted Living Conversion Program is to provide grants for the physical conversion of some or all of the dwelling units in an eligible project into assisted living facilities (ALFs) for frail elderly persons. Private nonprofit owners of eligible developments interested in applying for funding under this grant program should carefully review the General Section and the detailed information listed in this NOFA. Assisted living facilities (ALFs) are designed to

accommodate frail elderly persons and people with disabilities who need certain support services (e.g., assistance with eating, bathing, grooming, dressing, and home management activities). ALFs must provide support services such as personal care, transportation, meals, housekeeping, and laundry. Frail elderly person means an individual 62 years of age or older who is unable to perform at least three activities of daily living (ADLs) as defined by the regulations for HUD's Section 202 Program (Supportive Housing for the Elderly) at 24 CFR 891.205. Assisted living is defined in section 232(b)(6) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715w).

Deadline: November 5, 2009

Contact:

Grants.gov CFDA: 14.314.

The application is available through Grants.gov at:

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppld=49301>.

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

MUSICIANS WITH DISABILITIES

The *VSA arts* International Young Soloists Award is given annually to four outstanding musicians, two from the United States and two from the international arena, who have a disability. The award provides an opportunity for these emerging musicians to each earn a \$5,000 award and a performance in Washington, D.C.

Deadline: November 16, 2009

Contact: <http://www.vsarts.org/x22.xml>

Applications are available at the site above. When complete, they should be sent to:

VSA arts of Utah

230 South 500 West, #125

Salt Lake City, UT 84101

PHOTOGRAPHY / SOCIAL ISSUES

[Moving Walls](#) is an exhibition series that features in-depth explorations of human rights and social issues. Emerging and veteran photographers who have completed work on a human rights or social justice issue will have their work displayed in the exhibit and will receive a \$2,000 royalty plus travel expenses to attend the opening.

Deadline: Friday, October 23, 2009

Contact: http://www.soros.org/initiatives/photography/news/movingwalls_20090811

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

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS / CHILD WELFARE

The Annie E. Casey Foundation has just published a new resource, "Disaster Preparedness Resource Guide for Child Welfare Agencies." It reports comprehensive best practices for disaster management — mitigation and preparedness, response, and recovery — at child welfare agencies, and outlines hypothetical scenarios, likely obstacles, recommendations, and resources. This is designed as a rather complete planning guide, and contains information that could be useful to any agency (child welfare or not) engaged in planning for disaster preparedness.

Published: August 2009 (71 pages; 491KB; PDF)

Download:

<http://www.aecf.org/~media/Pubs/Topics/Child%20Welfare%20Permanence/Other/DisasterPreparednessResourceGuideforChildWelf/DisasterPrep.pdf>

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

Open Educational Resources (OER) provides free-to-use teaching and learning content from around the world, including K-12 lessons, research resources and more.

<http://www.oercommons.org/>

COMMUNICATING WITH CUSTOMERS / TECHNOLOGY IN HOMES

It used to be that social service organizations could not count on their customers having internet at home, or an email account. But a new study by Forrester Research, a marketing firm in Massachusetts, says that a shift has taken place. More than 50,000 households were surveyed in the US and Canada. Sixty-three percent of American households have a broadband Internet connection. Three-quarters of American households have cell phones and PCs. And nearly 10 million American households, out of nearly 118 million, added an HDTV in the last year, a jump of 27 percent over 2007.

<http://www.forrester.com/rb/research>

Pew Charitable Trust has even more detailed data on their Pew Internet and American Life Project website. <http://www.pewinternet.org/>

For latest statistics: <http://www.pewinternet.org/Static-Pages/Data-Tools/Get-the-Latest-Statistics/Latest-Research.aspx>

AGING / PERCEPTIONS

The respected Pew Research Center has a new study out (“Growing Old in America: Expectations vs. Reality”) which looks at “felt age,” and highlights gaps between perceptions of younger adults and the self-reported experiences of seniors. Best quote? “Getting old isn’t nearly as bad as people think it will be. Nor is it quite as good.” This report could be quite useful for anyone working with seniors or their families. Information is presented in a variety of formats, for easy information gleaning.

Download (152 pages; 790KB; PDF) <http://pewsocialtrends.org/assets/pdf/Getting-Old-in-America.pdf>

CHILDREN AND YOUTH / NEEDS of IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE CHILDREN

George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services has issued a report called, “**Partnering With Parents and Families to Support Immigrant and Refugee Children at School**”. It describes the mental health needs of immigrant and refugee children and RWJF’s Caring Across Communities initiative to support partnerships between schools and families, community organizations, and agencies to address them. Includes program profiles.

Download: (19 pages; 1.21MB; PDF) <http://www.healthinschools.org/Immigrant-and-Refugee-Children/~media/48FDB9013C3C454AB6EC9E491D752AA0.ashx>

F. CONFERENCES, TRAINING & WORKSHOPS for staff and customers

(Free or inexpensive—or scholarships.)

GRANTS WRITING

This is a high quality two-day workshop designed for faith-based and community-based nonprofit organizations. While it has many of the attributes of a \$500 course, it is free—you just have to get yourself there and provide your own lunch.

This year’s training has been entirely redesigned allowing for a full day of hands-on activities aimed at reinforcing concepts to make participants fully aware of the grant development process. The workshop targets grant writers assisting 501 (C)(3) organizations who wish to partner with public as well as private funders. Attendees are asked to dress casually and bring their own

refreshments, lunch is on your own. Anyone needing assistance devices must contact Pauline Zvonkovic at the HUD office, 801-524-6076, or through email at Pauline.Zvonkovic@hud.gov at least two weeks prior to the training. Questions on the location or content of the class can also be directed to Pauline.

It will be held at the Utah State Library, 250 North 1950 West (off North Temple St.), Salt Lake City, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for two consecutive days, Tuesday and Wednesday, September 22 and 23. Register early, as seating is limited:

<http://www.hud.gov/emarc/index.cfm?fuseaction=emar.registerEvent&eventId=186&update=N>

HOMELESS CONFERENCE

6th Annual Homeless Summit

Sheraton Hotel, SLC, Utah

October 14, 2009: Tours of Grace Mary Manor and Palmer Court (permanent supportive housing for formerly homeless individuals and families)

October 15, 2009: Registration 7:30 AM, Conference 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Sheraton Hotel, 150 West 500 South, Salt Lake City, UT - (801) 401-2000 SLC

Register online at:

<http://housing.utah.gov/scso/index.html>

Questions? Call Sheryl Featherstone, 801-538-8722

THE FACE OF HUNGER IN UTAH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Tuesday, September 29th -Wednesday, September 30th 2009

Sheraton Hotel, 150 West 500 South, Salt Lake City, UT - (801) 401-2000 SLC

For those involved in the fight against hunger and poverty, there will be ways to combat hunger through avenues including improving food distribution and pantry operations, increasing fund raising, working with other cultures, coordinating food drives, team-building, and much more.

Registration: \$10 per person

Contact: Linda Trujillo at 801-887-1230

VETERANS / SPORTS

The US Department of Veterans Affairs has issued a press release, <http://www1.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=1760>, on the second annual National Veterans Summer Sports Clinic will be held from **September 20-25** in San Diego. The clinic is aimed at introducing recently-injured Veterans to adaptive sports and renewing their self confidence through sporting activities. Events at this rehabilitation clinic include adaptive kayaking, sailing, track and field, cycling and surfing, using venues throughout San Diego, including the U.S. Olympic Training Center.

Contact: www.summersportsclinic.va.gov, or Richard Olague, VA Summer Sports Clinic Public Affairs Coordinator at (202) 461-7541.

SCHOLARSHIPS / AGRICULTURE

The CHS Foundation will award 25 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are U.S. citizens and who will be studying an agricultural-related major at a two- or four-year college listed on their webpage. Several colleges are in the west, including Utah State University.

Applications/supplemental materials must be postmarked/submitted by April 1, 2010.

Contact: <http://www.chsfoundation.org/scholarshipprog.html>

The foundation offers other kinds of support; see:

<http://www.chsfoundation.org/>

SERVICE LEARNING / COLLEGE STUDENTS

Grants of \$25,000 to \$100,000 will be awarded to nonprofits, educational institutions, and government agencies in the U.S. and Canada sponsoring student-led service learning projects on environmental, societal, or financial issues in higher education. At least one service-learning project will be funded in each of the thirteen State Farm zones, which include the three provinces in Canada.

Deadline: October 2, 2009

Contact: <http://www.statefarmyab.com/apply.php>

FELLOWSHIPS / HEALTH POLICY

The *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholars in Health Policy Research* program helps to develop a new generation of creative health policy thinkers and researchers within the disciplines of economics, political science and sociology. Each year the program selects up to nine highly qualified individuals for two-year fellowships at one of three nationally prominent universities with the expectation that they will make important research contributions to future health policy in the United States.

Deadline: October 21, 2009

Contact: <http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=20841>

FELLOWSHIPS / HEALTHCARE

The [Robert Wood Johnson Foundation](#) Health & Society Scholars program provides two years of support to postdoctoral scholars at all stages of their careers to build the nation's capacity for research and leadership that addresses the multiple determinants of population health and contribute to policy change.

Its goal is to improve health by training scholars to investigate the connections among biological, genetic, behavioral, environmental, economic, and social determinants of health; and to develop, evaluate, and disseminate knowledge and interventions that integrate and act on these determinants to improve health. The program is intended to produce leaders who will change the questions asked, the methods employed to analyze problems, and the range of solutions designed to reduce population health disparities and improve the health of all Americans.

Deadline: October 2, 2009

Contact: <http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=20741>

FELLOWSHIPS / ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

The Jacob K. Javits (JKJ) Fellowships are for graduate study in doctoral programs (or masters degree programs if that is the highest terminal degree offered) in selected fields of study within the arts or social sciences. These are federal fellowships.

Awards: Estimated average \$43,755

Deadline: October 5, 2009

Contact: <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2009/pdf/E9-20177.pdf> (CFDA 84.170A)

INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING / JAPAN

Mansfield Foundation and Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership will be award grants to American citizens or permanent residents who have a working knowledge of the Japanese language and are working to promote understanding and cooperation among the nations and peoples of Asia and the United States. Applicants must be able to make a two-year commitment to the program and should be prepared to participate in at least four meetings and a study trip, including a two-day meeting in Washington, D.C. in January 2010; a week-long workshop in Washington in June 2010; a two-day retreat in Montana in the autumn of 2010; and a week-long Japan study trip in June 2011. In addition, network members will be expected to share their Japan

expertise with the policy community and to: participate in follow-up meetings; engage with other network members; conduct independent research; and produce brief policy papers, opinion pieces and memoranda.

The program will cover the costs of travel, accommodations, and meals associated with project meetings and study trips. Program participants may be eligible to compete for cash awards contingent upon publication of their pieces.

Deadline: October 1, 2009

Contact: <http://www.mansfieldfdn.org/programs/networkforthefuture.htm>

PASTORAL LEADERS / STUDY

Through its Pastoral Study Project program, the [Louisville Institute](http://www.louisvilleinstitute.org) offers pastoral leaders the opportunity to engage in thoughtful study and inquiry on issues related to Christian life, religious institutions, and ministry.

The study period may vary according to the needs and availability of the applicant. Possible options include an extended period fully away from work, designated days each week or month away from work, designated part-days off, or periodic blocks of time off. There are no residency requirements.

Grant monies may be used in many ways, such as purchase of books, research material and equipment, room and board, salary replacement, convening collaborators, supply ministry, and travel. Grant monies may not be used for tuition or other costs incurred in any degree program.

All pastoral leaders currently employed in ecclesiastically validated ministries and ordained ministers not currently employed in ministry are eligible to apply. Grants are restricted to pastoral leaders of Christian institutions in North America.

Award Amount: Up to \$15,000

Deadline: September 15, 2009

Contact: <http://www.louisville-institute.org/Grants/programs/pspdetail.aspx>



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