

NAP CONNECTIONS

August 2013 NEWSLETTER



Native Voices Rising Funding Opportunity Deadline for LOIs

Native Voices Rising (NVR) grant awards will range from \$5,000-\$15,000, with a typical size of \$10,000. By December 2013, at least \$200,000 in grants will be disbursed. The deadline for the LOIs is Thursday, **August 15, 2013**. Learn more information about the Native Voices Rising funding opportunity [here](#).

Save the Date! Upcoming Member Webinar

Join us for our upcoming member webinar on **September 25th, 2013** at 11:00am CST. We'll be partnering with [Network for Good](#) to discuss nonprofit options for donation platforms. [Register here now](#) or look for our emailed invite with more details coming shortly!

Circle of Leadership Academy Graduation Celebration

Native Americans in Philanthropy invites you to come join us in the graduation celebration of our Circle of Leadership Academy. Meet and mingle with past alumni and support future nonprofit and philanthropy Native leaders. [Register today!](#)

NAP Member Benefit: Receive Member Discount for NAP Partner's Conferences

Association of Small Foundations CONNECT: A 3-day conference for small-staff philanthropy

Go "deep" into topics relevant to small-staff philanthropy and make the connections you need to excel. Don't miss this unique conference experience that combines intensive learning at daylong seminars with a full day of hands-on salons and skill-building workshops, allowing you to explore a variety of subjects while building real and lasting relationships with peers and other experts to support your work. With six daylong seminars, two off-site experiences, a dozen strategy salons and skill-building workshops, networking receptions and an exhibit area full of expert advisors, CONNECT is the year's premier conference for small-staff philanthropy.

<http://www.smallfoundations.org/educational-programs/2013-conference/>

Use the discount codes: COLLEAGUE2DAY for two-day registrations and COLLEAGUE3DAY for all three days.

Philanthropy Northwest Annual Conference

Native Americans in Philanthropy and Philanthropy Northwest are proud of our collegial relationship, and we are always looking for ways to strengthen those ties. Philanthropy Northwest is the regional association of grantmakers for the six Northwest states.

On Oct 1-3, 2013, Philanthropy Northwest is holding its annual conference in Juneau, Alaska, and we are pleased to offer a special rate of \$695 to NAP members, a savings of \$300. For more information or eligibility requirements, please contact Keeman Wong at [206.443.8432](tel:206.443.8432) or kwong@philanthropynw.org.

This year's theme is **Yaakw Tayiwú (Underneath the Boat): Exploring Complexities in Philanthropy.**

“Yaakw tayiwú” is the Tlingit phrase for “underneath the boat” and aptly sets the tone for this year's conference. In the face of profound challenges, philanthropy seeks innovative and creative partnerships with government, business, communities, and nonprofits, as well as other foundations. Each of these partnerships brings with it a unique set of issues. Building lasting relationships takes time, intention, and real effort. Join us as we dive into the sub-surface complexities intrinsic to collaborative relationships. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to explore complexities present in our Northwest communities, including the relationship between Native and non-Native cultures, the new realities of rural America, and philanthropy's role in public policy, among other issues. Among the many highlights of the conference is an intimate trip to Yakutat, Alaska, (population: 662). [Please visit our website for more information about our conference.](#)

Remembering Ron McKinley



Native Americans in Philanthropy (NAP) honors the memory, life and legacy of our beloved advisory and friend, Ron McKinley.

“He brought his love of this earth, and all people into powerful national conversations, into foundation board rooms connecting that with government, nonprofit and grassroots community advocacy through arts, education and social justice. He advocated for the voices of Native people around tables of influence, financial assets, and philanthropic power. He built bridges by sharing, listening and bringing people together and he challenged philanthropy and his colleagues – to take action. He inspired us, and he asked us to action.” – Joy Persall, former Executive Director for NAP.

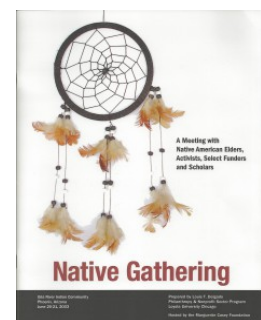
NAP shares in the mourning and remembrance of Ron and will continue to do so in the work our organization does. In lieu of flowers, Ron's family has requested that donations be made in his honor to one or more of the following: the Ronald McKinley Scholarship Fund at the MN TRiO Association (mntrio.org), the Fund of the Sacred Circle at the Headwaters Foundation (www.headwatersfoundation.org), or the Mixed Blood Theater (mixedblood.com).

Overstock Reports Available

NAP has several overstock reports available by request. The available titles include:

- The Wisdom of the Giveaway: a Guide to Native American Philanthropy by First Nations Development Institute; 2000
- The Honor of Giving: National Grantmaking and Philanthropy in Indian Country by Points of Light Foundation; 2002
- Native Gathering: a meeting with Native American Elders, Activists, Select Funders and Scholars by Marguerite Casey Foundation; 2003

If you'd like a copy or several copies of the reports, contact Kathy Forliti at kforliti@nativephilanthropy.org.





MEMBER NEWS

Tiwahe Foundation Announces American Indian Family Empowerment Grant Recipients

The Tiwahe Foundation is honored to announce that at their Board meeting June 11, 2013 ten grants were awarded to Native American individuals in the Twin Cities seven county metro area through its American Indian Family Empowerment Program (AIFEP). This program awards \$70,000-\$80,000 annually to American Indian individuals and families seeking financial resources to achieve their goals, shape their future and make positive contributions to their community through three priority areas: Economic Self-sufficiency; Education and Cultural Connections. [Read more here.](#)



Ford Foundation Announces New President

Darren Walker, who emerged from small-town Texas to an international career in law and finance before becoming a leader in the nonprofit and philanthropic worlds, will become the 10th president of the Ford Foundation this September, succeeding Luis A. Ubiñas, the foundation's Board of Trustees announced. [Read the full press release here.](#)



Join the Nation-Building Movement: Apply to Be a Native Nation Rebuilder

Application deadline: Thursday, August 15, 4:00 p.m. CDT

Many of the leaders of the 23 Native nations the Bush Foundation serves told us that developing and supporting emerging Native leaders, as well as existing leaders, will be crucial to their nation's rebuilding success over the long term. [Apply here.](#)



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PHILANTHROPY NEWS

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Awards \$5 Million to Improve Health, Success Rates of Young Men of Color

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has announced grants totaling \$5 million to ten organizations working to improve the health and success of boys and young men of color. [Read more here.](#)

UPS Foundation Awards \$7.6 Million for Diversity, Veterans Programs

The UPS Foundation has announced grants totaling \$7.6 million to forty-one nonprofit organizations working to create opportunities for underserved and -represented members of society.



EVENTS

National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy Webinar

Tricks of the Trade: Fundraising Tips and Strategies for Nonprofits

Wednesday, August 21, 2013 2:00 pm EST

Interested in learning how nonprofits like yours can raise more money? Internationally recognized, Klein & Roth Consulting will team up with NCRP to give an overview of recent trends in fundraising and outline the most successful fundraising strategies. Presenters will address why diversified funding that includes foundations and individual donors is critical to the financial stability of your organization. [Register here.](#)

Independent Sector in NYC

Independent Sector's 2013 National Conference, Sept. 29 – Oct. 1, 2013. [Register here.](#)

Philanthropy Northwest in Juneau, Alaska

Philanthropy Northwest 2013 Annual Conference and Membership Meeting on October 1-3, 2013. [Find out more here.](#)

Association of Small Foundations: Connect

Connect: A 3-day conference for small staff philanthropy in Albuquerque, NM. October 1-3, 2013. [Register here.](#)

Grantmakers in the Arts Conference

October 6-9, 2013 Conference: The NEW Creative Community in Philadelphia. Visit conference.giarts.org for more information.



RESOURCES

Engage the “next greatest generation”

“Even though Millennials are the next generation of donors and constituents, leaders spend far more resources focused on maintaining their existing... [Read more and learn more about the CausePlanet discount for NAP members.](#)

Network for Good: 7 Ways to Build Your Nonprofit Email List

Email is still the primary starting point for people taking action online. Use these best practices to ensure that you are providing multiple opportunities for potential donors to join your nonprofit email list. [View the tips here.](#)

McCune Charitable Foundation accepting applications August 15, 2013 – September 30, 2013 for funding consideration in 2014.

The Foundation funds projects in New Mexico in the areas of arts, economic development, education, environment, health, and social services. Grants for specific projects, operating expenses, and capital expenses are considered. Visit www.nmmccune.org for more information.



If you would like to contribute a resource, job posting, or article to our newsletter or website, please email the Membership Associate at jfairbanks@nativephilanthropy.org.

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