

# NAP CONNECTIONS

## August 2013 NEWSLETTER



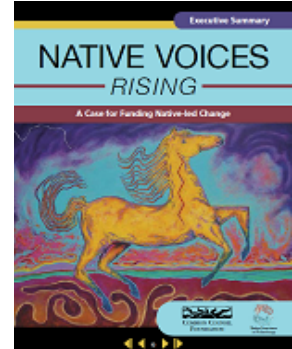
### *Philanthropic Partnership Announces Native Voices Rising*

#### *Launches new grants program to support positive social change in Native Communities*

Native Americans in Philanthropy and [Common Counsel Foundation](#) announce the launch of Native Voices Rising (NVR), a research and regranting project designed to support *organizing and advocacy in American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities.*

[Download the full press release here.](#)

[Download the full report here.](#)



### *Native Americans in Philanthropy (NAP) Program Offerings*

[Native Culture & Context for Philanthropy](#) is designed to deepen the cultural understanding and engagement of philanthropic organizations to adopt strategic and inclusive grantmaking to and develop partnerships with Native communities. Available individually or as a whole (4), the symposia-based learning sessions share the Native realities and context that includes local, regional, and national wisdom holders. We research and access Native knowledge resources and present them in an interactive classroom format using skilled lecturers and focused panel discussions.

Our areas of focus are:

- History and Culture of Native Communities
- Tribal Sovereignty and Self-Determination
- Native Philanthropy and Reciprocity
- Foundation-Identified Issue Area

[Watch highlights from the program on youtube here.](#)

For more information contact Daniel Lemm at [dlemm@nativephilanthropy.org](mailto:dlemm@nativephilanthropy.org).

[Art of Reciprocity: A Native Development Guide](#) is a philanthropic development guide that honors culture, promotes purpose and encourages intergenerational and inter-tribal participation.

The Art of Reciprocity offers your organization a Native perspective on how to create the mutual agreement that leads to reciprocity within your community and beyond. Through an experiential learning environment, participants will:

- Discuss Native traditions of Giving
- Examine the social exchange model
- Explore Constituency building

- And more...

Available in a 3-day training format, for more information contact Daniel Lemm at [dlemm@nativephilanthropy.org](mailto:dlemm@nativephilanthropy.org).

### ***Join Our Circle!***

As our fiscal year comes to a close at the end of June, Native Americans in Philanthropy will be participating in an analysis of our membership base. Our membership is made up of individuals and organizations that are committed to the vitality and well-being of Native organizations and Native communities. We encourage our current members to get in their membership renewals before the end of June and for individuals or organizations who are interested in joining our network to inquire about membership. If you're unsure whether your membership is up for renewal or for prospective membership inquiries, contact Jennifer Fairbanks, Membership Associate at [jfairbanks@nativephilanthropy.org](mailto:jfairbanks@nativephilanthropy.org) or 612.724.8798 extension 3#. [Download our membership application here.](#)

### ***Congrats to Kathy and Dan!***



The NAP Staff and Board would like to take the opportunity to recognize two of it's very own for their recent academic achievements. Kathy Forliti, Administrative Assistant for NAP will graduate this summer with a BA in American Indian Studies and Native American Art. Our Director of Programs and Finance, Daniel Lemm graduated with a BS in Accounting. Daniel already holds a degree in Finance. Congratulations to Kathy and Dan for all your hard work and commitment to your education. NAP is proud!

### ***Annual Membership Survey***

Our annual Membership Survey enables NAP stay connected to its members and helps to keep us improving on our benefits and programs. This year's survey was made up of six questions and distributed online through email. The following are highlights from the results:

- 90% of participants had attended a Native Philanthropy Institute (NPI) prior to 2013's conference and 40% had attended at least one Regional Action Network (RAN) gathering.
- The majority reported that they would feel our [Membership Webinars](#) and submitting news and events to our website and newsletter to share with our NAP network would be of most use to their organization. There was also a lot of interest shown in becoming a part of our social media network on sites such as LinkedIn, twitter, and Facebook.
- In 0-6 months from now, most respondents shared that they plan on utilizing our Membership Webinars, [CausePlanet](#), and sharing news and events with our network. 33% showed interest in participating in our [FlipCam Program](#) within a year from now.

Some of the suggestions for improvements included more social media updates from NAP, providing or sharing curriculum and programs that are more specified to educate tribal communities on starting up foundations, and to invite research project proposals.

Thank you to those members who participated in our survey! Feedback and suggestions for membership and the work we do is always encouraged and valued by our organization as a chance to learn, improve, and grow.



## MEMBER NEWS

### ***W.K. Kellogg Foundation names Alvin H. Warren as program officer of New Mexico programs***

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF) of Battle Creek, Mich., today announced Alvin H. Warren as its new program officer for New Mexico programs. He joins the foundation to assist in managing the New Mexico place-based grantmaking and social change efforts. [Read the full article here.](#)



### ***Highlights from the Art of Hosting Training & Gathering of Sacred Voices II***

*Held May 5th & 6th, 2013*

Leading and Listening From Our Future Leaders!

The Tiwahe Foundation in partnership with MIGIZI Communications, Minneapolis Indian Education, Nawayee Center School, Minnesota Council of Churches and the Bush Foundation was inspired and led by over 60 youth leaders at our Art of Hosting/Gathering of Sacred Voices event. [Read about the event here.](#)



### ***Community Spirit Awards--the Hawaii edition--to be celebrated June 13***

"This year's honorees have shown unparalleled dedication and commitment to supporting and impacting Native art and culture in their communities, and it is an honor and a privilege to celebrate with them," said Lori Pourier, president of First Peoples Fund. Join us in Hawaii for the special celebration. [Read more about the event here.](#)



**First Peoples Fund**



# PHILANTHROPY NEWS

## *D5 State of the Work 2013*

The D5 coalition, on a mission to advance philanthropy's diversity, equity and inclusion, just released the State of the Work 2013 report, which examines the diversity in today's philanthropic sector. The report draws on the successes and challenges of philanthropic leaders to create a more diverse sector in 2012—and offers actions to inspire leaders to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion in 2013. [Download the report here.](#)



# EVENTS

## *Philanthropy Northwest: Registration is NOW OPEN for our 2013 Annual Conference & Membership Meeting in Juneau, AK! October 1-3, 2013*

Yaakw Tayiwú: Exploring Complexities in Philanthropy

“Yaakw tayiwú” is the Tlingit phrase for “underneath the boat.” As the ancestral home of the Tlingit people, Juneau, Alaska, is the perfect setting to reflect on the sub-surface complexities facing our communities. [Register here!](#)

## *Conference of Southwest Foundations: From Effective to Inspired: Grantmaking at its Best* September 9-10, 2013 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. in Dallas, Texas

This is a program for trustees and staff of grantmaking organizations of all sizes. Using the collective knowledge of faculty and participants in the room, this workshop will embark on a deep dive into the elements of grantmaking. [Learn more about the program here.](#)



# RESOURCES

## *CausePlanet: Small but mighty: game-changing strategy in small to mid-sized nonprofits*

By: David La Piana

Many nonprofits use periodic strategic planning to tune up their strategies or make adjustments to their route along a fairly steady course over the... [Read more](#) and [learn more about the CausePlanet discount for NAP members.](#)

## *CausePlanet: Everyone loves a good story*

Why do we continue to write boring fundraising materials and grant proposals that ask for our readers' stamina rather than their enjoyment?... [Read more](#) and [learn more about the CausePlanet discount for NAP members.](#)

## *American Indian Science & Engineering Society Asks for Session Proposals*

The American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) has issued a Call for Proposals for the upcoming 2013 AISES National Conference, which will be held in Denver, Colorado, Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 2013. [Read more here.](#)

### ***NCAIED Now Accepting Nominations for Scholarships & Prestigious National 40 Under 40 Awards***

The National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED) is now accepting applications for the NCAIED American Indian Fellowship in Business Scholarship and nominations for our 2013 "Native American 40 Under 40" Awards. The deadline for application and nomination submissions is August 2, 2013. [Make a nomination here.](#)

### ***Seneca Nation of Indians Seeks Grant Development Manager***

The Grant Development Manager for the Seneca Nation of Indians will provide leadership in the management and development of the Nation's Grant Writing Division, including thorough research and knowledge of community needs to assist various government departments in targeting grant opportunities.

For more information and the full job description, please contact Michael Kimelberg, Chief Planning Officer:

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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](mailto:jfairbanks@nativephilanthropy.org).

### ***Got NAP? Can't wait until the next e-Newsletter? Want More NAP now?***

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