



NAP CONNECTIONS

AUGUST 2014 NEWSLETTER



Native Americans in Philanthropy & Ford Foundation Learning/ Listening Together

The [Ford Foundation](#) continues to engage Native Americans in Philanthropy (NAP) as a thought partner, convener and guide. NAP assisted in the organization of a funder learning tour for two Ford Foundation program officers from the Advancing Racial Justice and Minority Rights through the Civil and Human Rights. In his inaugural learning/listening tour was an opportunity for the Ford Foundation's Advancing Racial Justice and Minority Rights program officer Eric Ward to deepen his context/knowledge of Native/Tribal communities while expanding Ford's relationships within Indian Country and Native nonprofit. Read the full article [here](#).

SAVE THE DATE! 2015 Native Philanthropy Institute

Mark your calendars to join us as we celebrate our 25th Anniversary during the 2015 Native Philanthropy Institute. The conference will be **May 4-6, 2015** at [Mystic Lake Casino Hotel](#) in Shakopee, Minnesota. An exciting mix of pre-conference sessions, site tours, annual awards dinner, and much more are in the planning stages. We look forward to engaging you as we talk about the past, present, and future of Native philanthropy!

Summit for Native Nonprofits and Tribal Programs: ARIZONA

NAP and its partners are honored to host the second in a series of gatherings designed to help leverage resources and collaboration to better serve Native communities. Our next convenings will be held Tuesday, **September 16, 2014** (9:30am – 4:00pm), at the [Phoenix Indian Center](#) and Thursday, **September**

18, 2014 (9:30am-4:00pm) at the [Moenkopi Legacy Inn](#) in Tuba City. These meetings will focus on nonprofit fundraising and program evaluation training as well as structured networking opportunities. A continental breakfast and lunch will be served.



All are welcome! Nonprofits, foundations, tribal giving programs, and community leaders. Bring a friend! Limited travel assistance may be available for those who need it. Contact Robert Sturm at Robert@teoxihuitl.com to register or for more information.

This event is supported by Native Americans in Philanthropy, the Native American Advised Endowment Fund of the Santa Fe Community Foundation, The WK Kellogg Foundation, the Institute of American Indian Arts and the New Mexico Community AIDS Partnership



MEMBER NEWS

Join the Nation Building Movement: Apply to be a Native Nation Rebuilder

Application deadline: Thursday, August 28, noon Central

A revolution is underway among the Indigenous nations of North America, where Native peoples are reclaiming their right to govern themselves and shape their futures in their own innovative ways. If you are a citizen of any of the Native nations that share geography with Minnesota, North Dakota, or South Dakota, apply to the Native Nation Rebuilders program so you can be a part of this movement. You'll get inspired, equipped, and connected in new ways that will help you and your Native nation. Details available at www.BushFoundation.org/Rebuilders.

Tiwahe Foundation Awarded \$105,000 from Two Feathers Endowment Grant Will Help Fund the American Indian Leadership Initiatives

The Tiwahe Foundation Board of Directors will expand the reach of its American Indian Family Empowerment Fund, thanks to a \$105,000 grant from the Two Feathers Endowment. The Two Feathers Fund is an affiliate of Minnesota Philanthropy Partners.

<http://www.tiwahefoundation.org/tiwahe-news.html>

Foundation wishes Roqueñi well in new position

Native Arts and Cultures Foundation Program Director Reuben Roqueñi will leave the foundation for another opportunity on August 1.

“While we regret that Reuben will not be working with us directly, we wish him the best in this next phase in his life and look forward to working with him in the future,” said President/CEO T. Lulani Arquette (Native Hawaiian). “He will remain a part of our national arts grantmaking family, as he is joining the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation.”

Changing Social Norms & Building Movements

Social norms change takes place when a critical mass of people reform their actions and revise their underlying views on an issue, and through this revision, contribute to significant long-term

transformation in society. Social norms change, coupled with narrative change, is an essential ingredient to any successful social movement.

In this webinar series, The California Endowment is inviting practitioners and scholars to share strategies for TCE staff, grantees and partners working towards narrative change as they transform social norms in their own communities.

Now Accepting Grant Proposals for First Nations' Advancing Positive Paths for Native American Boys and Young Men Program

First Nations Development Institute (First Nations) is now accepting proposals from organizations working to address the disproportionately high at-risk factors faced by Native male youth in Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.



PHILANTHROPY NEWS

Pathways Forward: Foundation Funding for LGBTQ Immigration Issues.

This report, made possible by the generous support of the Evelyn & Walter Haas, Jr. Fund, provides detailed data on the current scope and character of foundation funding at the intersection of LGBTQ and immigrant rights. [Download here.](#)

Morris named director of ASU's American Indian Policy Institute

Traci Morris, a nationally recognized tribal communications leader and expert, has been named director of the American Indian Policy Institute. More [here.](#)

Snoqualmie Tribe donates \$250,000 to wildfire victims

The Snoqualmie Tribe is donating \$250,000 to assist in the relief efforts for those affected by the devastating fires burning in Eastern Washington. Read more [here.](#)

New study by Philanthropy Southwest shows Foundations, Charitable giving strong in Southwestern U.S.

Philanthropy Southwest's 2014 Giving Study provides everyone in the field - charitable organizations to funders and donors, and state and national leaders - a comprehensive and detailed look at foundations' giving in the seven-state region. Read more on the report [here.](#)

Native Child Welfare Advocate Sarah Kastelic to Receive 2014 American Express NGen Leadership Award

Independent Sector is proud to name Dr. Sarah Kastelic, deputy director of the National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA), as the 2014 recipient of the American Express NGen Leadership Award. Read the full press release [here.](#)



EVENTS

Performance line-up announced for 2014 Community Spirit Awards in Minneapolis

Native artists from as far as Hawaii will take the stage during this year's Jennifer Easton Community Spirit Awards, which will be held on Saturday, October 18, 2014, at The Cowles Center for Dance and the Performing Artists.

The evening will feature collaborations by artists in newly-commissioned works that have never been seen before. Many of the artists performing have not performed together before—adding a unique twist to the production that is being produced.

Registration Now Open for Our L.E.A.D. Conference!

First Nations Development Institute's 19th Annual First Nations L.E.A.D. Institute Conference will be held at the Tulalip Resort Casino in Tulalip, Washington, on September 25 & 26, 2014. Pre-conference sessions will be held on September 24.

To register for the conference visit: <http://www.firstnations.org/lead>. Please act quickly because attendance is limited.

EPIP's 2014 PCN Gathering @ Facing Race

November 13-15, 2014

Hilton Anatole in Dallas, TX

The 2014 EPIP People of Color Network Gathering (PCN, formerly Professional Development Fund or PDF) will take place at Race Forward's *Facing Race* National Conference to be held in Dallas, TX from November 13-15, 2014. The PCN offers participants access to professional development training and intergenerational learning opportunities, with the intent of diversifying and retaining people of color within the sector. The content of the PCN gathering itself is three-fold: 1) making personal connections to social justice work; 2) understanding structural racism; and 3) bringing this work back home.

World Summit on Indigenous Philanthropy

New York City September 24-26 (with pre-conference events on the 23rd). We encourage donors, investors and foundation members to join us. NAP members get a discount! Please contact jfairbanks@nativephilanthropy.org for the code. **[Click here for more.](#)**

[Find more events here!](#)



RESOURCES

NB3 Foundation Offers New "Native Strong" Grants

The Notah Begay III (NB3) Foundation's "Native Strong: Healthy Kids, Healthy Futures" national initiative has announced it is now accepting proposals for a second round of capacity-building grants. The application deadline is Friday, September 12, 2014, at 5 p.m. MDT. Please find additional information [here](#).

Program Officer for Raikes Foundation

Seattle, Washington

The Raikes Foundation's mission is to empower young people to transform their lives. Based in Seattle, WA the Raikes Foundation is an endowed, family foundation led by its co-founders, Tricia and Jeff Raikes. Click [here](#) to apply and for more information.

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[The Money-Raising Nonprofit Brand: Motivating Donors to Give, Give Happily, and Keep on Giving](#) by Jeff Brooks

- Discover why branding efforts often fail nonprofits and why commercial-style branding can damage an organization.
- Learn how to connect your cause with potential donors and bring your brand to life.
- Apply seven essential elements of a successful fundraising call to action that will motivate donors to give.
- Use imagery that reminds donors why they care about you and communication strategies that set you apart from other causes.

[CEO survival: Thou shalt not get \(too far\) ahead of thy board](#)

By Thomas McLaughlin

It's the first commandment of nonprofit CEO survival: thou shalt not get ahead of thy board. At least not too far ... But you do need to be a little ahead of them...[More here!](#)

[Put donors and prospects at ease by honing the fine art of small talk](#)

By Debra Fine

Working in the nonprofit sector means attending many business-related social events, especially fundraisers. And a big part of a nonprofit executive's...[More here!](#)

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