

# NAP CONNECTIONS

## FEBRUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER



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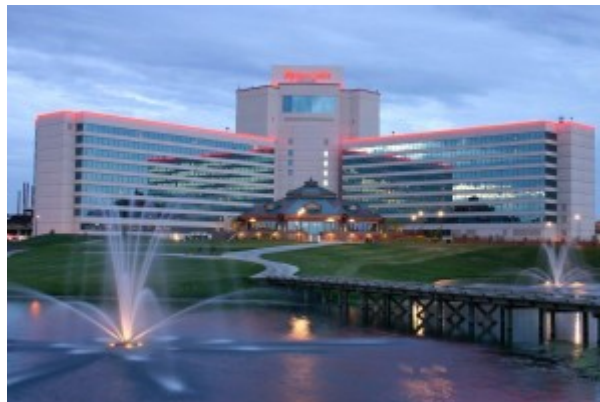
### ***REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! 2015 Native Philanthropy Institute***

Join us for our 25th Anniversary Celebration & Annual Conference

Native Americans in Philanthropy (NAP) is celebrating our 25th Anniversary at our 2015 Native Philanthropy Institute (NPI). This year's conference theme is The Next 25 Years of Giving and we're inviting you to register today!

**MAY 4-6, 2015**

**Mystic Lake Casino Hotel, Prior Lake, MN**



Why attend:

- To Engage, Educate and Empower attendees through workshops, knowledge & resource sharing in building healthy Native communities.

Who should attend:

- NAP members and network, JAG Summit participants
- Tribal: tribal programs & giving institutions, community & youth leaders
- Philanthropy: foundation trustees, executive staff & program officers, donor advisors, giving circles, corporate giving programs, family foundations, community foundations.
- Government: health & human services agencies working in and with Native communities (urban, rural, and tribal)
- Urban Indian center staff, environmental justice, voter engagement, subsistence in Alaska and First People professionals.

- Emerging and seasoned nonprofit professionals, fundraising professionals working in and for Native and communities of Color



### **EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**

#### **[Register here today](#)**

Book your rooms at Mystic Lake Casino Hotel in Prior Lake, Minnesota. We look forward to engaging you as we talk about the past, present, and future of Native philanthropy!

### ***Call for Session Proposals***

The conference planning committee is seeking session proposals for inclusion in the conference program with specific interest around the topics of Leadership, Strategic Partnerships and Collaboration, as well as Organizational Development.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal to be considered for the conference, please read the guidelines [here](#). The conference planning committee will consider all or part of your proposal with consideration given to overall program goals. Presenter proposals are due Tuesday, **February 20** at 5pm. [Download](#) the proposal form or submit online [here](#).

### ***Scholarship Opportunities!***

2015 NPI scholarship applications are now available! Scholarship amount is limited to the NPI conference fee only. Applications are due **March 1**, end of day. They will be reviewed and notifications to recipients will be sent by April 1st, 2015.

Preference will be given to nonprofits, tribal programs, and first time Institute attendees. Scholarship recipients will be required to volunteer for a two-hour shift during NPI and report out a week after with a 200-250 word reflection that may be used in our newsletter and other communications. Scholarship applications can be found here. <http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07eah2odbsi5fttpzt/start>

### ***Award Nominations***

The 2015 Native Americans in Philanthropy (NAP) Award Nominations are now open! Please find the forms below and submit by **March 16**, 2015 to have your nominations considered. A committee will review each nominee and notify award recipients by April 6, 2015.

- [2015 NAP Tribal Philanthropy Award](#)
- [2015 NAP Partner/Ally Award](#)
- [2015 NAP Member Award](#)
- [2015 Louis T. Delgado Award](#)
- [2015 Flying Eagle Woman Award](#)

### ***Board Nominations***

Native Americans in Philanthropy is pleased to announce a call for nominations for new Board Members. We are also accepting self-nominations. Find out more [here](#).

## Membership Login and Online Renewals

Members of NAP can now create logins to our website to view exclusive content and resources. You can also renew your membership with NAP online! Click the **Login** button at the top of each page at [www.nativephilanthropy.org](http://www.nativephilanthropy.org) and renew your membership today [here](#)!



# MEMBER NEWS

## ***NACF Artist Fellowship***

The Native Arts and Cultures Foundation (NACF) seeks to recognize innovative American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian artists and culture makers across the country through the 2015 NACF Artist Fellowship. Find out more here <http://your.culturegrants.org/>



## ***NWAF Program Officer***

The Foundation is seeking an experienced professional to fill the role of program officer. Each of the Foundation's program officers contributes to programmatic ideas and actively participates in grantmaking by seeking, recommending and managing grants and administering projects. Apply [here](#).



## ***Vital Funding: Investing in LGBTQ Health and Wellbeing***

In conjunction with our LGBT Health Funding Summit, I'm pleased to share with you Vital Funding: Investing in LGBTQ Health and Wellbeing.

In the context of stark health disparities faced by LGBTQ communities – ranging from high rates of HIV/AIDS and cancer to disproportionate levels of substance use and mental health challenges – Funders for LGBTQ Issues' latest report analyzes the scale and character of U.S. foundation funding to address the health and wellbeing of LGBTQ communities. Download the report [here](#).



# PHILANTHROPY NEWS

## ***Philanthropy's Role in Repairing Oppression: A Case Study in the Wake of *Keepseagle v. Vilsack****

*By: Ryan Schlegel*

The roughly \$7.9 billion injected by grantmakers into underserved communities each year has incredible positive impacts on the lives of those with the least wealth, opportunity and power. But what is philanthropy's role in repairing a specific injustice? Can philanthropy contribute to an effort to make targeted recompense for measured, documented oppression? Read the full article [here](#).

## ***Healing All Sons and Brothers: Addressing Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Boys and Men of Color***

*By Kristina Gray-Akpa, Grantmakers In Health*

Gay, bisexual, and transgender (GBT) boys and men of color face significant stigma and marginalization, based not only on race, but also on gender identity and sexual orientation. As a result, GBT boys and men of color face a number of health inequities, connected to limited access to health care, disproportionate HIV/AIDS rates, inadequate housing, and unsafe schools. This Issue Focus seeks to heighten the focus by grantmakers on the diverse needs of these communities and to highlight areas where funders can intervene. Read the publication [here](#).

## ***National Girls Initiative (NGI) Innovation Awards***

*Application Due Date: February 27, 2015*

The National Girls Initiative (NGI), operated through a collaboration between the American Institutes for Research (AIR) and The National Crittenton Foundation (TNCF) with funding from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) is seeking applications for the National Girls Initiative (NGI) Innovation Awards. More information can be found [here](#).



# EVENTS

## ***National Tribal Leaders Forum***

The National Tribal Leaders Forum 2015 (March 11-12-Phoenix, AZ) will be a facilitated meeting in which participants will work together to create a shared vision and develop a national public health agenda for advancing health and wellness of our Native communities. Learn more about the forum [here](#).

## ***The 2015 EPIP National Conference***

May 12-14, 2015

Le Méridien New Orleans. Visit <http://www.epip.org/> for more information!

[More events here!](#)



## RESOURCES

### ***New Executive Transitions Program (nEXt)***

A new era of leadership in California's community health centers is rising to the challenges of health reform. To provide them with the support they need to succeed, we're offering a free training program for new health center CEOs in the critical first year of their role.

Through personalized leadership development and mentoring, the New Executive Leadership Transitions (nEXt) program helps recently-appointed chief executive officers strengthen their skills and their organizations. The program focuses on building participants' executive capacity, connections, and leadership through organized learning and networking opportunities. Find out more [here](#).

### ***2015 American Express NGen Leadership Award and Fellows Applications Now Open!***

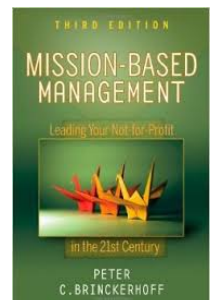
Looking to take your career to the next level? Consider applying for the American Express NGen Leadership Award if you are an emerging leader with a track record of transformative impact. Hurry! Deadline February 6. More [here](#).

## **CAUSEPLANET CORNER: where nonprofit leaders get smarter faster.**

Current Page to Practice™ book summary feature: NAP members, staff and board can download this for free! Simply visit [www.CausePlanet.org](http://www.CausePlanet.org) and sign in with your email address and "NAP" for the password. Questions? Email us at [mail@CausePlanet.org](mailto:mail@CausePlanet.org).

### **Mission-Based Management: Leading Your Not-for-Profit in the 21st Century, 3rd Ed. by Peter C. Brinckerhoff**

- Understand the unique and evolving concerns of today's managers in nonprofit organizations.
- Discover a fresh analysis of updated priorities for the mission-based manager.
- Benefit from the author's views on ethics, transparency, technology, crisis planning and more.
- Model your own practices after the best characteristics of 21st century high-impact nonprofits.



### **Don't neglect your message in tough times**

By Luis Vergara

"We need to get our message across." This is a common refrain by many nonprofit leaders and never has it been more relevant, given the current economic situation....

**Why facts, features and benefits don't belong in your copy**

"Today's number one challenge is to leverage better results with less money," asserts Dooley. Marketers are called upon to accomplish more with less. Dooley has a problem...



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