

NAP CONNECTIONS



OCTOBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

Native American Education Series for Philanthropy

Join Native Americans in Philanthropy in partnership with Casey Family Programs, Center for Native American Youth, Philanthropy Northwest and Philanthropy Southwest for a series of webinars, culminating with an interactive gathering to enhance funder capacity.

This 4 part education series, we will explore the interplay of policy, philanthropy and the Native American and Alaska Native communities. Even if you are not directly involved in funding children, youth and families, we encourage your participation to begin to understand how grantmaking – both by policy makers and private philanthropy – that is thoughtful and culturally contextualized can make a difference in Indian Country.



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How the Historic Context Can Increase your Grantmaking Effectiveness:

Explore the significance and history of Indian child welfare. The context for the establishment of the Indian Child Welfare Act, how it is implemented (and in some cases isn't) and highlights of successful grantmaking efforts will be shared.

Oct 7, 2014 1:30-3:00 CST. [Register here!](#) (closed)

Increase the Impact of Your Philanthropic Engagement with Tribal Partnerships:

Explore tribal sovereignty & governance systems and how as a funder you can work in partnership.

Examples of active tribal/philanthropic partnerships along with steps it took to build them will be shared.

Oct 14, 2014 1:30-3:00 CST. [Register here!](#) (closed)

Maximizing the Return on Your Investment

Highlights of opportunities and strategies for economic development in Indian Country. Through an examination of the human, economic and cultural capital along with existing barriers to success, this session will provide considerations for increasing your return on investments.

Oct 21, 2014 1:30-3:00 CST. [Register here!](#) (closed)

Priority Investment Strategies for Native American Youth Convening

Building on the series of webinars hosted in October, we invite you to an interactive dialogue to explore existing partnerships, current investments made towards how to create hope and opportunities for Native children and families. This convening will also include visioning for future partnerships and investments.

Nov 5, 2014 12:00-4:30. [Register here!](#) (closed)

Join us in Bemidji, Minnesota!

Leveraging Resources to Serve Our Communities: A summit of Native non-profits and tribal programs
Come for one event or all three events. The Summit is a structured networking gathering and training workshop for Native nonprofits and tribal programs. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to invite others into this circle of conversation and sharing.

Chi Miigwech to [Headwaters Foundation](#) and [Northwest Area Foundation](#) for supporting this event.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

4:30PM-6:30PM

Reception

Southshore Conference Center

1019 Paul Bunyan Drive South, Bemidji, MN

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

9:30AM – 4:30PM

Summit

Southshore Conference Center



**NATIVE
NONPROFIT
SUMMIT:**
**Leveraging Resources to Serve
Our Communities**

1019 Paul Bunyan Drive South, Bemidji, MN

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

8:30AM-11:30AM

Workshop

Southshore Conference Center

1019 Paul Bunyan Drive South, Bemidji, MN

FREE!

[Register online here](#) or call Kathy at 612.724.8798, ext. 19. (closed)

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!



MEMBER NEWS

New Fundraising Partnership to benefit refugee children from Central America

The [California Endowment](#) and Univision Communications Inc. are joining forces for an unprecedented fundraising campaign, which officially launched September 1 and runs through September 30, to provide critical humanitarian support to vulnerable children seeking refuge in the United States. The California Endowment was a major catalyst behind the effort, pledging \$500,000 to kick start this partnership with Univision and other philanthropic foundations, including [The James Irvine Foundation](#) and [The Marguerite Casey Foundation](#), which have contributed \$300,000 and \$50,000 respectively. Read the full story [here](#).



First Nations-NUIFC Partnership Awards Second-Year Grants to Four Urban Indian Centers

First Nations Development Institute ([First Nations](#)) and the National Urban Indian Family Coalition ([NUIFC](#)) today announced they have selected four organizations as second-year grantees under their joint urban initiative for Native Americans. Under the project, First Nations and NUIFC, as partners, are working to build the capacity and effectiveness of American Indian and/or Alaska Native nonprofit organizations over a three-year period by providing project funding, training and technical assistance. Read more [here](#).



PHILANTHROPY NEWS

Northeastern Regional Grants Support Health Awareness and Disease Prevention in Northeastern New Mexico

NMCF has awarded four grants totaling \$36,000 to serve the northeastern part of the state, made possible through NMCF's Northeastern Regional Community Foundation (NERCF) Fund, to improve health and decrease prevalence of disease in the seven county region. Learn more [here](#).

IHRFG San Francisco Conference and Pre-Conference Institute: Request for Proposals

Proposals Due Friday, October 10, 2014

We invite grantmakers to submit proposals on timely topics related to human rights and human rights funding. The design and content of these educational events are driven by IHRFG members who volunteer to play a leadership and sponsorship role. Learn about the conference [here](#).

MacArthur Foundation Fellows Program: Sarah Deer

Legal Scholar and Advocate, Professor of Law

Saint Paul, MN

Sarah Deer is a legal scholar and advocate leveraging her deep understanding of tribal and federal law to develop policies and legislation that empower tribal nations to protect Native American women from the pervasive and intractable problem of sexual and domestic violence. Native women living on reservations suffer one of the highest per capita rates of violent crime in the world, but because of limited jurisdictional powers, a lack of resources, and limitations on sentencing authority, tribal courts are often unable to prosecute these crimes, and federal prosecutors decline to take up more than half of the cases that fall under their authority. Read more about Sarah [here](#).

Muckleshoot Indian Tribe to be honored for philanthropic efforts

The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) Washington Chapter will honor the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe as an outstanding philanthropic organization at its Nov. 5 National Philanthropy Day luncheon. Read the full story [here](#).

Notah Begay III Foundation Announces Leadership Transition

Organization Will Launch National Search for New Executive Director Due to the Departure of Crystal Echo Hawk

After more than five years successfully leading the Notah Begay III Foundation (NB3F) as executive director, and instilling a focus on strategic research, grant making and advocacy that led the organization to a national expansion, Crystal Echo Hawk will depart the Foundation at the close of 2014. Read the job description [here](#).



EVENTS

First Peoples Fund 2014 Jennifer Easton Community Spirit Awards

A special one-night-only evening of traditional and contemporary American Indian performances featuring some of today's most celebrated Indigenous artists. Native artists from around the country will share performances and stories from the Ojibwe, Oneida, Skokomish, and Tewa tribes as four Native artists receive the Community Spirit Award, which honors the exceptional passion and wisdom they bring to their art—and our lives. Learn about the event [here](#).

Vision and Voice: The Role of Leadership and Dialogue in Advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

When: Wed, October 22, 2014, 10:00am PDT

Where: Webinar

The Forum of Regional Associations of Grantmakers is pleased to co-sponsor a new webinar series in partnership with the D5 Coalition, a five-year effort to advance philanthropy's diversity, equity and inclusiveness. Diversity, equity and inclusion affect every dimension of the work carried out by philanthropic organizations to promote the common good. This series is designed to support regional associations and their members with webinars tailored to each. Click [here](#) for more info.

Potlatch Fund's 12th Annual Gala

Saturday, November 1, 2014

Tulalip Resort and Casino

10200 Quil Ceda Boulevard

Tulalip, WA

The Potlatch Fund was formed in 2002 and is a Native-led 501(c)3 nonprofit and leadership development organization. Among Northwest Coast tribes, a potlatch is a coming together in ceremony, celebration, sharing, and giving. Read more about the fund and gala [here](#).



RESOURCES

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is now inviting applications to Grand Challenges Explorations, which has awarded over 1070 grants in over 58 countries to date

Grand Challenges Explorations seeks innovative global health and development solutions. Applicants can be at any experience level; in any discipline; and from any organization, including universities, government laboratories, research institutions, non-profit organizations as well as for-profit companies. Two-page proposals are being accepted online from September 4, 2014 until November 12, 2014 [here](#).

Senior Program Officer Position Available at First Nations

First Nations Development Institute (First Nations) has an opening for a Senior Program Officer. The application deadline is Nov. 3, 2014. Read about the position and apply [here](#).

Out in the South, Part Two: LGBTQ Community Assets in the U.S. South

This report is the second in a series of reports entitled ***Out in the South***. This second report, ***Part Two: LGBTQ Community Assets in the U.S. South***, identifies more than 750 LGBTQ community assets in the U.S. South and spotlights several funding strategies with potential for high impact. The report assesses the state of the LGBTQ movement in the U.S. South based on a comprehensive scan of the region's LGBTQ community assets, a survey of more than 200 organizers and service providers working in the South, and in-depth interviews with 30 LGBTQ leaders. Download the report [here](#).

Download Margret A. Cargill Foundation Annual Report

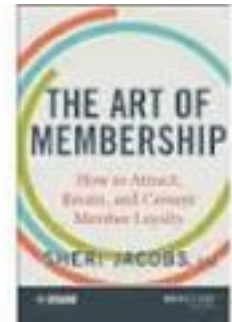
The Margret A. Cargill Foundation released their first annual report. It can be downloaded [here](#).

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[The Art of Membership: How to Attract, Retain, and Cement Member Loyalty](#) by Sheri Jacobs

- Apply this hands-on guide, which is backed by ASAE research and the author's 40-plus market research studies, by using the strategies relevant to every membership organization.
- Learn how to identify your value and understand the difference between members and customers.
- Sell your unique benefits and overcome objections.
- Personalize your membership acquisition process and create meaningful connections that cement your organization's relationship with members.



[Six ways to package your story so it qualifies as news](#)

By Michelle Dally

If you don't have anything to hide, why should you worry about media relations? I get asked this question on at least a weekly basis.

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