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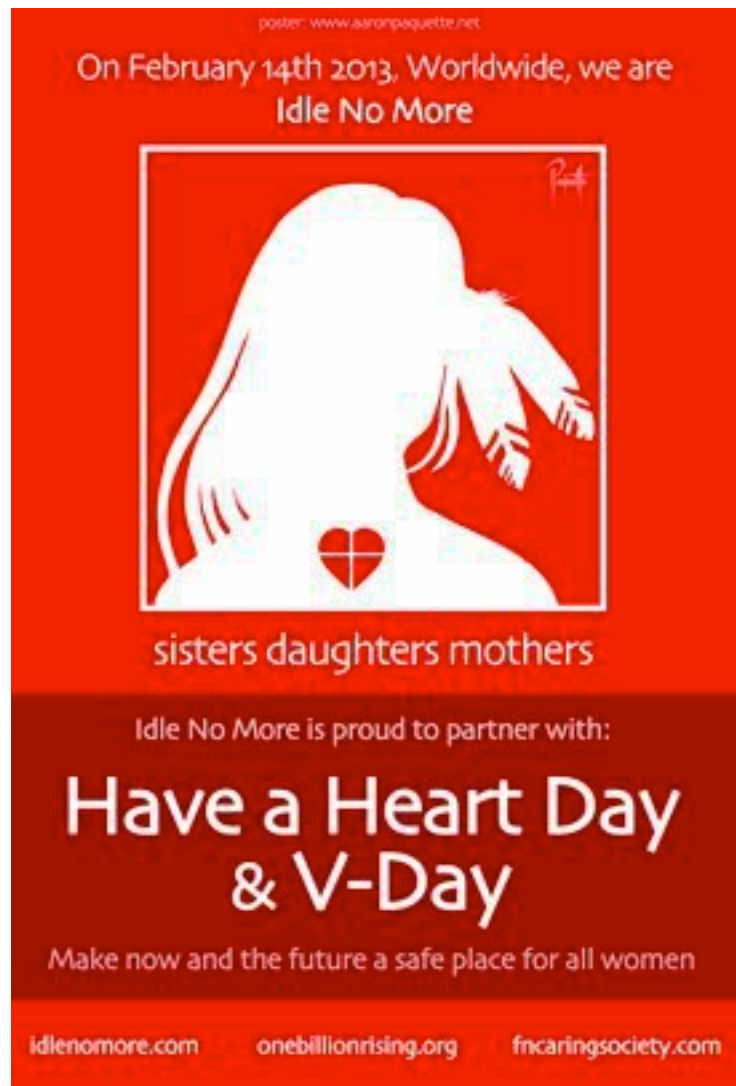
It's my favorite day of the year so
Happy V Day to all readers.



Participants

www.tarsandsaction.org

The following list of people have chosen



[to risk arrest on February 13th to call on President Obama to confront the challenge of climate change, beginning with stopping the Keystone XL tar sands pipeline.](#)

Must read: <http://rabble.ca/news/2012/12/twas-night-december-dedicated-all-who-are-standing-idle-no-more>

Join us in San Francisco to rally and march in solidarity with the huge Forward on Climate demonstration in Washington DC. Both events February 17.

Join over 50 organizations and thousands of citizens to encircle the State Department Office at One Market Plaza - Demand that the Department reject Keystone XL permit.

[RSVP BELOW](#)

Why this matters - The way forward on climate is clear: President Obama must start cutting carbon from today’s biggest polluters—power plants—and stop the Keystone XL tar sands pipeline to avoid adding more carbon pollution tomorrow.

Why march now - President Obama understands the severity of the climate crisis and can lead the world to solve it, but he needs to hear from his constituents that this is a priority. **Let’s march together and give the President the support he needs to move Forward on Climate!**

WHEN February 17, 2013 at 1pm - 3pm
WHERE One Market Plaza 1 Market St San Francisco, CA 94105

[Google map and directions](#)

CONTACT Pierre Delforge · forwardonclimatebayarea@gmail.com

[From the Culture of Aloha, a Path Out of Gun Violence](#)

Poka Laenui, Op-Ed: U.S. society tends to deal with violence by treating it as an individual occurrence—focusing on the “perpetrator” and how he is different from us. The more people killed or maimed, the more horrendous the event, the more we separate the actor and event from ourselves—the good people—and individualize responsibility to the “gun-toter.” All that matters is believing that we’re different—whether because of race, religion, political beliefs, economic status, mental illness, or some other characteristic.

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National Funding Opportunities

Support for Volunteer Projects That Serve Vets

[Home Depot Community Impact Grants Program](#)

The Home Depot Community Impact Grants Program provides support to nonprofit organizations, public schools, and public service agencies in the U.S. that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their communities. Proposals for the following community improvement activities will be considered: repairs, refurbishments, and modifications to low-income and/or transitional veteran’s housing or community facilities (schools, community centers, senior centers, etc.); weatherizing or increasing energy efficiency of low-income and/or

transitional veteran's housing or community facilities; and planting trees or community gardens and/or landscaping community facilities that serve veterans. Priority is given to projects for veterans that include housing repairs, modifications, and weatherization work. Grants of up to \$5,000 are made in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services. Requests will be accepted from February 1 through August 13, 2013. Visit the Home Depot website to submit an online application.

Spay/Neuter Initiatives Funded

[PetSmart Charities](#)

The mission of PetSmart Charities is to improve the quality of life for all companion animals through programs that save the lives of homeless pets and promote healthy relationships between people and pets. PetSmart's Targeted Spay/Neuter Program provides grants for spay/neuter projects that focus on owned pets (dogs and/or cats) in areas where there is a critical need. Target areas may include all or part of a county, city, township, ZIP code, census tract, neighborhood, mobile home park, or other location. The Free-roaming Cat Spay/Neuter Program provides grants for spay/neuter projects that work to reduce the free-roaming cat population within a specific geographic area. The grant range for both programs is \$10,000 to \$100,000. Applications are due on March 26, 2013. Visit the PetSmart website to learn more about these grant programs.

Grants Enhance Tennis Programs for At-Risk Youth and People with Disabilities

[USTA Serves](#)

The mission of USTA Serves, the National Charitable Foundation of the United States Tennis Association, is to promote programs that enhance the lives of at-risk children and individuals with disabilities through the integration of tennis and education. Grants of \$5,000 to \$50,000 are provided to tennis programs for underserved youth, ages 5-18, that include an educational component. Support is also provided for tennis programs for people with disabilities (all ages) with a life skills component. Nonprofit organizations that are [USTA members](#) are eligible to apply. The upcoming application deadline is March 22, 2013. Visit the USTA Serves website to learn more about the grant program and application procedure.

Social Change Programs Supported

[Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program at Shelter Rock](#)

The Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program at Shelter Rock supports programs throughout the United States that foster the growth and development of the denomination and that increase the involvement of Unitarian Universalists in social action. The Veatch Program also supports non-denominational nonprofit organizations nationwide that are committed to social change and whose goals reflect the principles of Unitarian Universalism. Grant categories include civil rights and sustainable communities, capacity building for social justice, economic equity and fairness, and making democracy work. In addition, the New York Metro Region program provides funds for advancing economic and social equity in New York City and Long Island. Letters of inquiry may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Veatch Program's website for guidelines on developing letters of inquiry.

Regional Funding Opportunities

Funds for College Retention Programs in Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin

[Great Lakes Higher Education Guaranty Corporation: College Success](#)

The College Success grant program, an initiative of the Great Lakes Higher Education Guaranty

Corporation (Great Lakes), is open to colleges and community-based organizations in Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. Grants are intended to support programs that provide direct services to increase semester-to-semester retention and year-to-year persistence rates for undergraduate students from traditionally underserved backgrounds who are enrolled in two-year and four-year colleges and universities, including community and technical colleges. For the purposes of this grant, “students from traditionally underserved backgrounds” include students from low-income households, students of color, and first-generation college students. Grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$300,000 are available for programs that will serve students during the 2013-2014 academic year. The application deadline is March 14, 2013. Visit the Great Lakes website to download the application guidelines and instructions.

Grants Address Health Care Issues in Colorado

[Caring for Colorado Foundation](#)

The mission of the Caring for Colorado Foundation is to promote and serve the health care needs of the citizens of Colorado. The Foundation's broad funding priorities fall into four categories: building health care capacity, strengthening health care systems, linking people to care, and promoting prevention. The current target areas include strengthening the primary care safety net, oral health, mental health, health professions, and care coordination and patient navigation. The upcoming grant application deadline is March 8, 2013. Visit the Foundation’s website for details.

Support for Hurricane Sandy Recovery Efforts in New Jersey

[New Jersey Recovery Fund](#)

The New Jersey Recovery Fund, administered by the Community Foundation of New Jersey, seeks to address the intermediate and long-term impacts of Hurricane Sandy by supporting local organizations and communities as they participate in rebuilding efforts throughout the state. The Fund has recently issued a request for proposals to support New Jersey’s communities and nonprofit organizations that are affected by or responding to Hurricane Sandy. The Fund is focusing on five overarching areas: public information and community engagement, reframing the conversation - policy reform to support resiliency and sustainability, innovative community/regional planning demonstration projects, environmental protection and restoration, and community-driven participatory arts projects. Communities and nonprofit organizations, as well as partnerships of individuals, nonprofits, businesses, and municipalities are invited to apply. Letters of inquiry must be received by February 25, 2013. Visit the Community Foundation of New Jersey’s website to download the request for proposals and submit an online letter of inquiry.

Midwest Environmental Education Collaborations Funded

[Earth Force: Building Environmental Education Communities Small Grants Program](#)

The Building Environmental Education Communities Small Grants Program, administered by Earth Force and funded by the EPA, provides support to nonprofit organizations throughout Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and nine Tribal Nations. The program aims to build an environmentally literate citizenry, where school systems, higher education institutions, and community stakeholders work together to develop collaborative structures that engage young people in environmental education. Funded projects are required to address at least one of the following educational priorities: Human Health and the Environment, Community Projects, Educational Achievement, and Working for Environmental Justice. Grants of up to \$5,000 will be provided, with the majority of grants going to organizations working as a consortium. The

application deadline is February 28, 2013. Visit the Earth Force website to download the Request for Proposals.

Federal Grant and Loan Programs

Funds Available for Housing Counseling Efforts

[Department of Housing and Urban Development](#)

The Comprehensive Housing Counseling Program provides support to housing counseling agencies to respond flexibly to the needs of residents and neighborhoods, and deliver a wide variety of housing counseling services to homebuyers, homeowners, renters, and the homeless. The application deadline is March 18, 2013.

Support for Youth Service Learning Programs

[Department of Labor](#)

The YouthBuild Grants program provides support to organizations to oversee the provision of education, occupational skills training, and employment services to disadvantaged youth in their communities while performing meaningful work and service to their communities. The application deadline is March 19, 2013.

Tribal Safety and Justice Projects Funded

[Department of Justice](#)

The Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation supports public safety, victim services, and crime prevention improvements for American Indian and Alaska Native governments. Program areas include Public Safety and Community Policing, Comprehensive Tribal Justice System Strategic Planning, Justice Systems and Alcohol and Substance Abuse, Corrections and Correctional Alternatives, the Violence Against Indian Women: Tribal Governments Program, Children's Justice Act Partnerships for Indian Communities, the Comprehensive Tribal Victim Assistance Program, Juvenile Justice, and the Tribal Youth Program. The application deadline is March 19, 2013.

Program Supports Drug-Free Communities

[Department of Health and Human Services](#)

The Drug-Free Communities Support Program supports the efforts of community coalitions working to prevent and reduce substance use among youth. The application deadline is March 22, 2013.

Your children are not your children, they are the sons and the daughters of life's longing for itself," is a line from a poem by Kahlil Gibran

E-News - Native Arts and Cultures Foundation

Weaving Art and Science Beautifully **February 2013**

Teri Rofkar (Tlingit) - 2013 Native Arts & Cultures Traditional Arts Fellow

Defining the work of weaver [Teri Rofkar \(Tlingit\)](#) is complex. Over the past 25 years, she has woven her connection to a web of historic knowledge, such as knowing where and when to gather wool, the deliberate processing of cedar bark, spruce roots, ferns and other fibers to make them ready for weaving and the intricate traditional design development that is her signature on the work.

Each act in the creation of a traditional robe is filled with nuance, connecting Teri to the history of the [Sitka Tribe](#) she belongs to, and their connection to the land and sea over millennia. As a traditional art, Teri's work involves preserving stories and the complexities of her Native language as well as a deep understanding of materials, artistry and design.

Made to be worn and used, the robes she weaves transfer warmth between the wearer and the robe. You will find tribal members clothed in Teri's weavings at cultural gatherings and during ceremonies. More than objects, these robes are viewed as family members. [<READ MORE>](#)

Regional Collaboration Pilot Program: Sundance Institute's Native Film Program

The Native Arts and Cultures Foundation (NACF) is proud to offer grants to arts organizations actively supporting Native artists. This year, we are honored to award funding to the [Sundance Institute's Native Program](#), the [Pa'i Foundation](#), [the Longhouse Education and Cultural Center](#) and the [First Peoples Fund](#). Congratulations to each of our [Regional Collaboration Pilot Program](#) partners!

Photo of Billy Luther (Navajo/Hopi/Laguna) by Idris and Tony for the photo book ["The World According to Wonder"](#) published on Feb. 5

Last month, the Sundance Film Festival screened an amazing array of films, including some by indigenous filmmakers. With the help of filmmakers like Billy Luther (Navajo/Hopi/Laguna), the Sundance Institute provides direct support to emerging Native American, Native Hawaiian, and Alaskan Native filmmakers year-round through its Native Filmmakers Lab. The lab pairs participants with talented role models like Billy, who have effectively navigated through the arduous movie making process.

After being selected to participate for a Sundance Native film fellowship in 2006, Billy directed the groundbreaking documentaries [Grab \(2011\)](#) and [Miss Navajo \(2007\)](#). Last spring, Billy returned to lead intensive lab workshops at the Mescalero Apache community in New Mexico. Over the next year, he will continue to provide support to the current class of Native Filmmaker Fellows. By giving feedback and critiques of short films and scripts, Billy will help the filmmaker develop the material and relationships necessary to launch a film project. Lab participants who also go on to create a feature-length film, have the chance to have their work screened at a future Sundance Film Festival. [<READ MORE>](#)

Open House Blessing for Foundation

In welcoming everyone, elder Richard Twiss (Sicangu Lakota)(*recently deceased*) described Native artists as "the sun shining behind the clouds" before offering a prayer song to bless the new offices of the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation in Vancouver, WA. [<READ MORE>](#)

<http://nonprofitorgs.wordpress.com/2013/01/21/29-nonprofit-resources-to-follow-on-twitter/>

Nonprofit Resources to Follow on Twitter

A long overdue follow up to my post on [29 Nonprofit Bloggers to Follow on Twitter](#), below are 29 nonprofit resources that tweet regularly on subjects ranging from fundraising to social media to mobile communications. Of course, there are many other resources deserving of being listed – if you would like to add one, please do so in a comment below:

1. **Armchair Advocates :: @**[ArmchrAdvocates](#)

Social Media, Cause Marketing, Nonprofit Tech	armchairadvocates.com
2. Association of Fundraising Professionals :: @AFPIHQ Fundraising, Research, Philanthropy	afpnet.org
3. Blackbaud :: @Blackbaud Fundraising, Nonprofit Technology, News	blackbaud.com
4. Charity Village :: @CharityVillage News, Jobs, Fundraising, Canada	charityvillage.com
5. Charity Navigator :: @CharityNav Charity Reviews, Philanthropy, Research	charitynavigator.org
6. Chronicle of Philanthropy :: @Philanthropy News, Research, Jobs	philanthropy.com
7. Connecting Up :: @ConnectingUp Nonprofit Technology, News, Training, Australia	connectingup.org
8. Council on Foundations :: @COF Philanthropy, News, Research	cof.org
9. Foundation Center :: @fdncenter Grants Directory, Philanthropy, Research	foundationcenter.org
10. GOOD :: @GOOD Social Good, News	good.is
11. GuideStar :: @GuideStarUSA Charity Ratings, Philanthropy, Research	guidestar.org
12. Huffington Post Impact :: @HuffPostImpact Social Good, News	huffingtonpost.com/impact
13. Idealist :: @Idealist Jobs, Volunteerism, News	idealist.org
14. Independent Sector :: @IndSector Policy, Leadership, Governance	independentsector.org
15. Mashable Social Good :: @SocialGood Social Good, Nonprofit Technology	mashable.com/social-good
16. MobileActive :: @MobileActive Mobile Communications, Mobile Fundraising, Research	mobileactive.org
17. Network for Good :: @Network4Good Fundraising, Research, Training	networkforgood.org
18. Nonprofit Quarterly @NPQuarterly News, Philanthropy, Democracy	nonprofitquarterly.org
19. Nonprofit Tech 2.0 :: @NonprofitOrgs Social Media, Mobile Communications & Fundraising, Training	nonprofitorgsblog.org
20. Nonprofit Technology Network :: @NTEN Nonprofit Technology, News, Training	nten.org
21. Nonprofit Times :: @NonProfitTimes News, Jobs, Management	thenonproffitimes.com
22. Osocio :: @Osocio Advertising, Cause Marketing, Activism	osocio.org
23. Pew Internet & American Life Project :: @PewInternet Research, Data, Statistics	pewinternet.org
24. Socialbrite :: @Socialbrite	

Social Media, Fundraising, Nonprofit Technology socialbrite.org

25. Souktel :: @Souktel

Mobile Communications, Nonprofit Technology, Middle East souktel.org

26. Tech4Good :: @MSFTctzAPAC

Nonprofit Technology, Corporate Social Responsibility, Asia Pacific

technet.com/citizenship_asia_pacific

27. TechSoup :: @TechSoup

Software grants, Nonprofit Technology, Training

techsoup.org

28. Third Sector :: @ThirdSector

News, Research, Jobs, United Kingdom

thirdsector.co.uk

29. Volunteer Match :: @VolunteerMatch

Volunteerism, News, Training

volunteermatch.org

<http://www.nytimes.com/2013/02/10/opinion/sunday/the-secret-to-fixing-bad-schools.html?src=me&ref=general>

<http://www.nytimes.com/2013/02/10/business/college-costs-battled-a-paycheck-at-a-time.html?pagewanted=1&ref=general&src=me>

First all-digital library in the U.S. will look like an Apple Store

The library, slated to open this fall in Bexar County, Texas, was inspired by Walter Isaacson's biography of Steve Jobs.

by [Shara Tibken](#) [Follow @sharatibken](#)

The first book-free library in the U.S. may look pretty familiar to visitors. That's because it's being modeled after an Apple retail store.

Bexar County, Texas, which includes San Antonio, [will launch the nation's first all-digital public library system](#), dubbed BiblioTech, this year. A prototype location on the county's south side is slated to open this fall, and the county hopes to open similar libraries in the future.

Bexar County Judge Nelson Wolff got his inspiration for the all-digital library from Walter Isaacson's biography of Steve Jobs, according to the San Antonio Express-News.

"If you want to get an idea what it looks like, go into an Apple store," Wolff said, according to the report.

Here's how it will work, according to the San Antonio Express-News: There won't be any physical books in the library. There will be digital systems instead. County residents will also be able to check out one of the 100 e-readers available for home use for two weeks.

However, creating the library won't be cheap. The county will save some money by using a building it already owns, but it will need at least \$250,000 to gain access to the first 10,000 book titles. And costs for design and construction haven't yet been determined.

Digital versions of books have become popular as more people buy [tablets](#) and e-readers. Many libraries already allow people to download digital books, but there so far have not been any all-digital libraries.

Wolff noted that BiblioTech won't replace the current library system but will enhance what's already available.

"People are always going to want books, but we won't be doing that in ours," Wolff said.

More: <http://www.pcworld.com/article/2025194/all-digital-library-system-is-planned-for-texas-community.html>

And if the above has you shaking your head, try this:

<http://www.nbcnews.com/id/21134540/vp/50582822#50582822>

CIVIC ACCELERATOR NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

[The Civic Accelerator](#), a joint venture between Points of Light and Village Capital, is a ten-week accelerator program for the most promising Civic Ventures, or enterprises that put people at the center of social change. You'll join a group of like-minded peers, get expert coaching on how to build your company, and build a network of investors and strategic partners that can scale your innovation. Each team accepted will receive a \$10K investment and at the end of the program, two teams will receive a \$50,000 investment with a twist -- you, the entrepreneurs, will decide who gets funded! [Learn more here.](#)

[Waste Is Seen in Program to Give Internet Access to Rural U.S.](#)

By EDWARD WYATT

A \$4 billion federal program is extending high-speed Internet access to rural areas. But it is not always going where it is most needed.

Climate Change Adaptation

The **Environmental Protection Agency is accepting public comments** on its [climate change adaptation plan](#) through April 9. Comments can be submitted via www.regulations.gov, referencing docket number EPA-HQ-OA-2012-0247.

One of the plan's goals is to help EPA staffers understand how climate change affects their particular programs. The plan also cites Canadian hockey legend Wayne Gretzky, who said, "I skate to where the puck is going to be, not where it has been."

Water Themes for Congress

Federal spending on water supply infrastructure and ecosystem restoration. The operation of federal reservoirs in river basins with testy water relations. How to respond to drought and flood. These are a few of [the water matters that the current band of U.S. senators and representatives will consider](#) this session of Congress, according to a Congressional Research Service report made public by the Federation of American Scientists.

Groundwater Drop

A section of the Columbia Plateau aquifer had a [mean decline in the water table](#) of 58 centimeters (1.9 feet) per year from 1968 to 2009, according to a U.S. Geological Survey study. Some 72 percent of wells in the study area, which covered parts of Oregon and Washington, showed a drop in water levels.

[International Year of Water Cooperation Launches](#)

UNESCO reported yesterday from Paris where the ceremony [launching the International Year of Water Cooperation](#) took place. UN-Water Chair Michel Jarraud emphasized UNESCO efforts “in favor of water diplomacy as an essential instrument of dialogue and cooperation to create a more peaceful world.” Others, including Maude Barlow, Council of Canadians President, [warn that the UN Water agenda is at risk of being hijacked by big business](#), reports *IPS News*. “We don’t need the United Nations to promote private sector participation under the guise of greater ‘cooperation,’” she said, “when these same companies force their way into communities and make huge profits from the basic right to water and sanitation.”

Who We Are - About National Marrow Donor Program and Be The Match

<http://marrow.org>

Creating connections. Saving lives.

The National Marrow Donor Program® (NMDP), a nonprofit organization, is the global leader in providing bone marrow and umbilical cord blood transplants to patients in need. As Be The Match®, we operate the Be The Match Registry®, the world’s largest listing of potential marrow donors and donated cord blood units and raise funds to help provide transplants to all patients through the Be The Match Foundation®. We also match patients with donors, educate health care professionals and conduct research through our research arm, the Center for International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research® (CIBMTR), so more lives can be saved.

Our mission

Every year, thousands of people of all ages are diagnosed with blood cancers like leukemia or lymphoma, sickle cell anemia or other life-threatening diseases. Many of them will die unless they get a bone marrow or cord blood transplant from a matching donor. Seventy percent of people do not have a donor in their family and depend on our Be The Match Registry to find a match to save their life.

FEDERAL LAWSUIT SAYS NEW RULES WILL HARM LAKE TAHOE

Conservationists at Lake Tahoe are suing over new regulatory changes they say will erode environmental protection of the mountain lake by allowing for construction of bigger buildings near the shore and failing to adequately monitor water quality.

<http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz15984204>

[Klamath Tribes Members Standup for Restorations Agreements-NativeNewsNetwork](#)

www.nativenewsnetwork.com

[KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON Tribal members of the Klamath Tribes attended the Klamath County Commission meeting on Tuesday to show support to move forward the](#)