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**Comment Yes & Sign If You Want To End The Media  
Blackout Of Renewed Police Violence At Standing Rock**



[#StandWithStandingRock #NoDAPL](#)

[Sign & End Media Blackout Of DAPL Police Violence](#)

Oh no! Police at Standing Rock renewed their violent campaign against our Water Protectors!  
Add your name to demand that CNN, NBC and CBS end the media blackout of how activists are  
still being treated by law enforcement...

actionsprout.io

### Bixi Nibe

CALLING ALL WARRIORS  
BACK TO THE CAMP.  
TO STAND FOR THE WATER.  
SACRED STONE CAMP ISSUES URGENT  
CALL. OUR SISTER LaDonna Tamakawastewin Allard  
Standing, awaits our arrival. We Are One.

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[If you wish to share the following information from an observer at Standing Rock on January 18-19, 2017, please copy and paste.](#)

I have returned from Standing Rock with my mind blown, my heart broken and my spirit troubled with foreboding of a deepening tragedy. Volunteering as a legal observer with the Water Protector Legal Collective I witnessed several confrontations between Water Protectors (WP) and law enforcement: national guard, sheriffs and private security (LE).

On 1/18/17 - 1/19/17 I observed WP with their hands in the air chanting "hands up don't shoot" being fired upon at a range of 10 to 15 feet. Tear gas canisters and rubber bullets (rubber bullets are regular bullets covered in rubber) were used against unarmed WP who had been singing and praying. I observed national guard chasing WP off the Backwater bridge, firing at people running away. I heard people choking and gagging from tear gas. I saw access to the WP medic vehicles being blocked. I spoke with medics and WP who described bullets penetrating flesh and causing terrible injuries, including to one media person who nearly lost his finger when his camera was targeted.

I talked with a media person and was told of 4 media people on the bridge that night, 3 had their recording devices shot and the 4th, his hand. I saw a photo of a sheriff aiming a rifle directly at a media woman who was standing apart from the crowd. I heard testimony of the back of the medic pickup truck being awash in blood after evacuating wounded.

I watched, and then, inadvertently became a part of, WP being forced off the bridge by national guard who were hiding behind WP vehicles parked along the road and firing rubber bullets at fleeing people. Many people were shot in the back, the neck, the head. When LE fired at people at close range, many were shot in the genitals or in the face. I received information about DAPL security breaching the short wave radio channels of the WP with taunts such as "come out and fight like men you faggots or we will come to Camp and fuck your women."

There are some young warriors, who, without the support of their elders, many who want the camps cleared to mitigate the economic and social damage being suffered by the local community in having the bridge closed, have vowed to not leave the camps or to let the last section of pipeline be built.

Driving away from the area on Monday I saw a convoy of construction vehicles heading to the drill pad. Last night an indigenous website live streamed reports of drilling and construction noises coming from the drill pad.

Without the eyes of a free press these attacks and trespasses continue, with the human rights and sovereignty of indigenous peoples denied. The UN Committee on Transnational Corporations and Human Rights was in Standing Rock this week to take testimony of the many transgressions against people: crop dusters spraying poison pesticides and fertilizers on the camps; hair samples indicating the presence of these chemicals; people who have been injured, beat up, arrested, strip searched; media and medics being targeted by snipers; (one medic told me he stopped wearing his Red Cross vest due to medics being targeted); praying people being attacked and the refusal of DAPL and our government to abide by the Rule of Law.

We need to stand up for our brothers and our sisters, for their way of life and, I believe, for our social contract as a democracy which is now threatened.

Please share this so word gets out what is happening, thank you.

Deborah Mackay

This is copy-pasted. If you choose to share, please do the same.

[Eric Swanson](#) This is only the beginning, we are fucked. And please do pardon the language as it's used very deliberately. What's in it for me and how to game the system vs what's better for OUR planet and the most people has been and is a never ending battle. We'll fight on and hope it's still worth fighting for in two and four years. Stay awake. @nodapl



### **Police Raid Standing Rock Camp, Destroy Tipis and Are Burning What Remains**

Following our earlier report from Standing Rock on the police raid of the Last Child...

[alternativemediasyndicate.com](http://alternativemediasyndicate.com)

### **Malia Obama joins protest against Trump DAPL revival, stands with water protectors**

The daughter of former and much-beloved President Barack Obama has made her political leanings completely public now that she's moved out of the White... rawstory.com

**And here comes the alternative information:**

### **Dakota Access Pipeline Facts**

The Dakota Access Pipeline is safe and modern, with state of the art construction and engineering that meets or exceeds all relevant regulations. Don't be misled... get the facts about #DAPL

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### **Glee Willis**

**Kyburz Flat Interpretive Area** in the Tahoe National Forest is an example of the public lands that Republicans want to see privatized. Here are some excerpts from the 2016 GOP platform: "[R]anching on public lands must be fostered, developed, and encouraged....[W]e support the opening of public lands...to exploration and responsible production....Because we believe states can best promote economic growth...We support expediting the permitting process for mineral production on public lands. We support lifting restrictions to allow responsible development of nuclear energy..." <<http://bit.ly/2fxksaX>> (pgs. 18-22) Thanks, Bob



### **Republicans are selling 3.3 million acres of our land; including 3 national monuments**

Rep. Jason Chaffetz has introduced H.R. 621 that will sell 3,368,278 acres of federal land, a total area that is slightly smaller than the state of Connecticut. The Tea Bag... [dailykos.com](http://dailykos.com)

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House Republicans have introduced a bill that would allow oil and gas drilling in more than 40 National Parks -- Grand Teton National Park, Everglades National Park, and Mesa Verde National Park, just to name three. Sierra Club



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### **EPA Grant Freeze Cuts Tribes Deeply - Indian Country Media Network**

The freezing of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grants and the media...  
indiancountrymedianetwork.com

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### **Breath of Life 2016: Bringing Story Back Home By Vincent Medina**

Not too long ago, a friend of mine broke a beautiful abalone necklace. The beads were  
newsfromnativecalifornia.com

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### **On Alaska's Coldest Days, a Village Draws Close for Warmth By KIRK JOHNSON**

Just below the Arctic Circle, villagers find ways to survive an Alaskan winter.

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*"The humanities remind us where we have been and help us envision where we are going." -*  
**The American Academy of Arts and Sciences**

## **WHY HUMANITIES MATTER**

The twenty-first century is a time of tremendous change. While technological and scientific developments litter media coverage, the human dimensions of these changes often is unappreciated. The [American Academy of Arts and Sciences](#) recently asked prominent American artists, business leaders, and politicians about their perceptions of the value of the Humanities . . . .

### **Humanities for Citizenship**

Humanities lies at the core of the liberal arts, developed to teach students the value and application of *libertas*, the pursuit of a free, independent, and productive life.

### **and for Careers**

For many college students, starting a career is a priority. Yet the business community recognizes the centrality of the humanities in the success of employees. In everything from [innovative thinking desired by modern companies](#) to [preparing for higher leadership positions](#), the humanities pave the way.

### **and for Life**

Even those planning on moving into life-long careers will find the demands of their professions changing due to technology, society, or just the positions taken. The humanities skills and knowledge provide a basis for life-long learning and adaptation in a changing world. A collegiate education is not just about the first job; it is about the first, the last, and everything in between.

### **The Growing Dialogue**

The growing discourse about the importance of the Humanities to the 21st century is part of the inspiration behind the GBC Virtual Humanities Center. Below are some of the discussions that we find the most engaging:

- [The Heart of the Matter - Report of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences](#)
- [Liberal Education and America's Promise \(LEAP\)](#)
- [Mapping the Future: The Teaching of Arts and Humanities at Harvard College](#): The Introduction in particular examines and counters the arguments for ignoring the humanities in higher education
- [Stanford University's The Human Experience: Why are the Humanities Important?](#)

### **Featured Article**

Humanities matter because we are all part of the human race--the human experience. Please read our Featured Article:

- [John Armstrong, "What is Art For?" City Journal 23, no. 4 \(Autumn 2013\)](#)

*"Art is a therapeutic instrument: its value lies in its capacity to exhort, console, and guide us toward better versions of ourselves and to help us live more flourishing lives, individually and collectively."*

*- John Armstrong*

...a digital humanities center developed by great basin college because 'humanities matter'

### **ABOUT THE VIRTUAL HUMANITIES CENTER - The History of the VHC**

Faculty at GBC had believed for some time that humanities were not being emphasized enough in our curriculum. We realized that our students are not proficient in many of the important skills that the humanities encourage, such as the ability to think critically about what they are reading or to connect the ideas in that reading to a larger context. As teachers we work with students struggling to use facts to support their opinions—sometimes even to differentiate between fact and opinion—and to present their ideas clearly and cogently. Our students, and students in general, often cannot recognize the validity of other perspectives or value the diversity of viewpoints and ideas that surround them. We searched for ways to help our students gain those core skills and habits of mind that are so important to succeeding in the world of work and building happy and fulfilling lives.

For GBC the solution to this dilemma would have to take into consideration the realities of our situation: a service area that has grown to 87,000 square miles of Nevada, a mission to serve the mostly rural residents of that vast expanse, a strong distance education infrastructure relying on interactive video and online instruction to reach our students. We began with those parameters and a conviction that a renewed focus on the humanities would help our students.

In 2011, a group of faculty began to discuss applying for a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. As we talked the Virtual Humanities Center began to take shape: a website that would collect local and regional humanities events, lectures, art, performances that would open our students to the humanities already present in their lives; a site that would assist teachers

across the curriculum to include relevant humanities content in their classrooms; a gateway course in the humanities that would help students answer the question, “what does it mean to be human?”; and a way to support live humanities programming at GBC.

Jeannie Rosenthal Bailey gathered those ideas into a challenge grant which was submitted to NEH in 2013. We were expecting a polite refusal, but also valuable suggestions for a later resubmission. To our surprise, in July 2013 we received the news that GBC had received the grant! The GBC Foundation had agreed to support the grant and to go beyond the 2-to-1 match to a 3-to-1 match, meaning that the \$500,000 from NEH would realize a total contribution of \$2,000,000 to GBC for the project over five years. In July emeritus professor of history and humanities Dr. Cyd McMullen was asked to act as Project Director, with Dr. John Patrick Rice as Co-Director in charge of fundraising and Jeannie Bailey as Grant Manager. A dedicated committee of faculty and administrators began meeting in August 2013 to implement the grant and continues today to oversee and improve its operations.

*California History Note:* The OMWB has provided funding for a number of acquisitions for the Museum’s History Gallery, including the Ohlone Basket Project, which commissioned Ohlone artist, basket weaver, and scholar Linda Yamane to create a very rare Ohlone basket to enhance the Museum’s Native American collection. This basket was the first of its kind to be made in more than 250 years, and serves as the sole Ohlone basket represented in OMCA’s collection. Ohlone baskets are rare, with only a few dozen known to exist worldwide.

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## **Grant Deadlines**

### **Feb. 14 Drought Resiliency Projects for FY2017**

Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) for states, tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, and other organizations with water or power delivery authority to leverage their money and resources by cost sharing with Reclamation on Drought Resiliency Projects that will increase the reliability of water supply; improve exchange of water; and provide benefits for fish, wildlife, and the environment to mitigate impacts caused by drought. "[http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?13437\\_161118151142](http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?13437_161118151142) <http://www.usbr.gov/climate/docs/ClimateChangeAdaptationStrategy.pdf>. Projects" carried out through Drought Resiliency Project Grants, can increase water management flexibility, making our water supply more resilient, which helps to prepare for and address the impacts of drought and climate change. Proposals must demonstrate that the proposed project is supported by an existing drought planning effort. FOA number - BOR-DO-17-F010. For more info. and to apply, visit "[http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?13437\\_161118151142](http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?13437_161118151142) <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=290104>" or contact Michael Dieterich at (303) 445-2484 or "[mdieterich@usbr.gov](mailto:mdieterich@usbr.gov)

### **Feb. 14 Drought Response Program: Drought Contingency Planning Grants for FY2017**

Funding available to states, Indian tribes, irrigation districts, water districts, and other organizations with water or power delivery authority to leverage their money and resources by cost sharing Drought Contingency Planning with Reclamation to build resilience to drought in advance of a crisis. Funding may be used to develop a new drought plan or to update an existing drought plan (collectively, Drought Contingency Plans). Applicants may also request technical assistance from Reclamation for the development of elements of the Drought Contingency Plan

(Project). FOA number - BOR-DO-17-F009. For more info. Incl. eligibility or to apply, visit <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=290122>. For questions, contact Rupal Shah at (303) 445-2442 or HYPERLINK "[http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?13437\\_161118151142\\_mailto:rshah@usbr.gov](http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?13437_161118151142_mailto:rshah@usbr.gov)" [rshah@usbr.gov](mailto:rshah@usbr.gov)

#### **Feb. 14 DHS-FEMA Tribal Grants Available for Community Coordinated Terrorist Attack Preparation**

The Dept. of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency competitive funding opportunity for federally recognized tribal governments to help prepare communities for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks (CCTA). Grants are designed to support development of a "whole community" approach by working with surrounding jurisdictions in response to terrorist events. For more info., click "[here CCTA Program Fact Sheet](#)" "[\\_blank](#)" [Program to Prepare for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks](#)

#### **Feb. 16 OVM FY17 Transitional Housing Assistance Grants for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence & Stalking**

Funding opportunity number: OVW-2017-11820. The Transitional Housing Program makes grants to programs to provide 6-24 months of transitional housing with support services for victims who are homeless, or in need of transitional housing, as a result of a situation of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking; and for whom emergency shelter services or other crisis intervention services are unavailable or insufficient. Program seeks a holistic, victim-centered approach to providing transitional housing services that move survivors into permanent housing. For more info. <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=290960>. For additional questions, contact Kara Moller at "[http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?12848\\_1716154612\\_mailto:Ovw.transitionalhousing@usdoj.gov](http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?12848_1716154612_mailto:Ovw.transitionalhousing@usdoj.gov)" or 202-307-6026

#### **Feb. 20 US7830 Tribal Funding Under the Clean Air Act (Region 9) FY 2018**

\$50,000 to \$120,000 in funding available to support tribal air pollution control projects, and to help tribes build the capacity to manage their air quality programs in accordance with their individual needs. Projects may incl. investigations, experiments, demonstrations, surveys, and studies related to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, enforcement, and control of ambient and indoor air pollution and climate change. These activities may include: Air quality characterization studies; Identification and investigation of air pollution sources; Air quality monitoring studies; and/or Training and community education and outreach. Eligibility is limited to federally recognized tribal lands located within Region 9 of the funding agency. For more info., including eligibility and applying, visit: <https://www3.epa.gov/region9/funding/pdfs/fy18-tribal-caa103-fund-announce.pdf>. For questions contact Lauren Maghran: (415) 947-4107 or HYPERLINK "[http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?13437\\_161230135342\\_mailto:maghran.lauren@epa.gov](http://govtrans.az.gov/ianmp/inc/rdr.asp?13437_161230135342_mailto:maghran.lauren@epa.gov)" [maghran.lauren@epa.gov](mailto:maghran.lauren@epa.gov)

#### **Feb. 24 Environmental Work Force Development & Job Training Grant Program (EPA)**

Government entities; Indian Tribes; and nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply for this EPA program to train unemployed and under-employed residents of communities impacted by a



variety of waste facilities, blighted properties, contaminated sites, and other environmental issues, for environmental jobs that contractors may otherwise fill from outside the affected community. More at:

### 2017 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation

The 2017 CTAS grant has been announced. The U.S. Dept. of Justice seeks to provide funding to improve public safety and victim services in tribal communities. The program provides federally recognized tribes and tribal consortia an opportunity to develop a comprehensive /coordinated approach to public safety and victimization issues. HYPERLINK "<https://www.justice.gov/tribal/page/file/913601/download>" <https://www.justice.gov/tribal/page/file/913601/download> link to the resource page.)"

### 2017 EPA EJ Small Grants Opportunity (EPA-OECA-OEJ-17-01)

**DEADLINE EXTENDED to February 10, 2017!**

**Closing date extended to Friday, February 10th**

The submission deadline for the 2017 EPA EJ Small Grants opportunity has been extended. The new **Closing Date to Friday, February 10, 2017 at 11:59 PM (ET).**

- The Amended Request for Proposals (RFP) document has been posted on Grants.gov here: <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=289829>
- And on the EPA Environmental Justice website here: <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-small-grants-program#tab-2>

All other terms and conditions of the RFP remain unchanged. This amendment replaces the previous version of the RFP.

Please contact Jacob Burney at [burney.jacob@epa.gov](mailto:burney.jacob@epa.gov) or 202-564-2907 for any questions about the RFP deadline extension.

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**The Heart of the Matter** from [americanacad](#) on Vimeo. ["Heart of the Matter" video](#)

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On **Feb 1 in 1951** residents of the Duckwater/Currant area of Nye County were asking the Nevada Legislature to detach their region from Nye and attach it to White Pine.

# *Nevada Tribes Legislative Day*

Nevada's Tribes and the Nevada Indian Commission  
Invite You to Join them on  
**Tuesday, February 14, 2017**

Stewart Indian School Tour 9:30am-11:00am  
Legislative Building, Room 3100 12:30pm - 2:30pm

- Traditional Welcome
- Information on Tribal Governments
- Information on Priority Tribal Issues
- Cultural Presentation
- Luncheon Reception (light appetizers will be served)
- Visit the Notable Native Nevadans Exhibit on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl., Senate Atrium

Legislative Building, 401 S. Carson St., Room 3100, Carson City, Nevada

For more information call the Nevada Indian Commission at 775.687.8333 or email at [srupert@nic.nv.gov](mailto:srupert@nic.nv.gov)