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National Funding

Support for Healthy Housing Policy Development

The Kresge Foundation: Developing Healthy Places

The Kresge Foundation works to reduce health disparities among children and adults by addressing conditions that lead to poor health outcomes. The Foundation's Developing Healthy Places program supports place-based, community-driven efforts to promote health and remove barriers to opportunity for people in low-income neighborhoods. In the Healthy Housing and Neighborhoods category, support is provided to organizations working to address policies, systems change, and communication to connect health and housing; policies that promote healthy housing and mitigate the impacts of substandard housing; and innovative investments that connect community development, health, and housing. Preliminary applications may be submitted at any time. Visit the Foundation's website to review the application guidelines.

Initiatives to Aid Vulnerable Populations Funded

Jewish Helping Hands: Tikkun Olam Grant Program

Jewish Helping Hands' *Tikkun Olam* Grant Program is intended to advance the goal of inspiring and supporting tzedakah, justice, and righteousness throughout the world. The grant program supports projects that focus on reaching needy and vulnerable populations in the United States and abroad, particularly those that have been overlooked or marginalized. Grants of up to \$5,000 are provided to nonprofit organizations that show clear promise to promote self-help and empowerment within communities, or respond to unmet needs of those who are poor or marginalized. The program values projects that aim to bring about positive change for groups of all backgrounds and religious affiliations. For the 2018 grant cycle, the focus is on projects to address infant hunger, clean water access, and paths to independence and self-sufficiency. In addition, projects in the U.S., Africa, and in regions worldwide with impoverished Jewish populations are given priority. Initial inquiry forms must be submitted by September 12, 2017; invited full applications will be due December 11, 2017. Visit the Jewish Helping Hands website to learn more about the *Tikkun Olam* Grant Program.

Grants Enhance Programs for Young Children

Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood

The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood supports nonprofit organizations throughout the United States that offer programs that will significantly enhance the development, health, safety, education, or quality of life of children from infancy through seven years of age. The Foundation's areas of interest include the following: The Early Childhood Welfare category supports programs that research best child rearing practices and identify models that can provide caring environments to ensure all children thrive. The Early Childhood Education and Play category focuses on improving the quality of both early childhood teaching and learning through the development of innovative curricula and research-based pedagogical standards, as well as the design of imaginative play materials and learning environments. The Parenting Education category promotes programs that teach parents about developmental psychology, cultural child rearing differences, and health, prenatal care, and diet, as well as programs that provide support to parents. The Foundation's goal is to serve as an incubator for new, innovative projects and research that will have a nationwide impact. In that regard, the Foundation does not provide grants for the revision or implementation of existing programs or research, or for capital equipment, such as playgrounds. Letters of inquiry are due September 30, 2017. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the application process.

Travel for International Artist Collaborations Supported
[Association of Performing Arts Professionals: Cultural Exchange Fund](#)

The Cultural Exchange Fund, an initiative of the Association of Performing Arts Professionals, is a travel subsidy program that assists U.S.-based presenters in building partnerships with international touring artists, companies, and their collaborators. The focus of the program is on increasing presenters' knowledge of international performing artists based outside the U.S. and the cultural context for these artists' work. In promoting cross-cultural arts programming, travel to Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East is strongly encouraged. The maximum amount awarded per individual organization or artist is \$2,000. Group travel subsidies of three or more presenters are also available, with a maximum award of \$10,000. All applicants must be [members](#) of the Association of Performing Arts Professionals. The remaining 2017 deadlines are July 31 and October 30. Applications must be submitted online through the Association of Performing Arts Professionals website.

Support for Youth-Led Community Service Projects

[Youth Service America: Disney Be Inspired Summer of Service Grants](#)

Youth Service America and Disney are teaming up this summer to inspire kids and families to make a positive impact in their communities through the Disney Be Inspired Summer of Service campaign. Children and teens, ages 5 to 18, can apply for a \$500 Disney Be Inspired Summer of Service Grant to create a project or expand an existing project using fun summer activities like sports, arts, reading, or being outdoors to make their communities healthier, greener, and stronger. This fall 250 youth-led service projects will be selected and \$500 grants will be awarded to each winner's sponsoring organization to support their projects. The registration deadline is September 15, 2017; applications will be accepted through September 30, 2017. Visit the YSA website to learn more about the program.

Weed Control Partnerships Funded

[National Fish and Wildlife Foundation: Pulling Together Initiative](#)

The Pulling Together Initiative, a program of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF), is intended to help local communities throughout the country promote the conservation of natural habitats by preventing, managing, or eradicating invasive and noxious plant species. This program provides grants to develop or advance Cooperative Weed Management Areas and Cooperative Invasive Species Management Areas. Priority will be given to projects that include partnerships with a wide cross-section of invasive species stakeholders including private landowners, local nonprofit organizations, state and local governments, and federal agencies. Grant awards will range from \$10,000 to \$100,000. All grants require a minimum 1:1 match of cash or contributed goods and services from non-federal sources. Nonprofit organizations, government agencies, Indian tribes, and educational institutions are eligible to apply. Pre-proposals must be submitted online by July 12, 2017; full proposals are due September 19, 2017. Visit the NFWF website to review the Request for Proposals.

Grants Promote Children's Health Projects

[American Academy of Pediatrics: Community Access to Child Health Program](#)

The Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) Program, a national initiative of the American Academy of Pediatrics, is designed to improve access to healthcare by supporting pediatricians who are involved in community-based efforts to enhance the health of children. CATCH Planning and Implementation Grants of up to \$10,000 are awarded to pediatricians and fellowship trainees to plan innovative community-based child health programs that will ensure all children have medical homes, are properly immunized, and have access to healthcare services not otherwise available in their community. (Grants of up to \$2,000 are awarded to pediatric residents addressing the same issues.) The application period will close on July 31, 2017. Visit the American Academy of Pediatrics' website to learn more about the CATCH Program.

Organizations Advancing Justice for LGBT People Supported

[Arcus Foundation: U.S. Social Justice Program](#)

The Arcus Foundation is dedicated to the idea that people can live in harmony with one another and the natural world. The Foundation's U.S. Social Justice Program focuses on advancing social justice for LGBT people in the United States, with a significant focus on LGBT youth and communities of color. This program's grantmaking focuses on the following three goal areas: 1) increased LGBT understanding and acceptance among youth and communities of color through culturally relevant messages and messengers; 2) strengthened leadership among activists working across movements or in alliances where LGBT issues are meaningfully integrated; and 3) increased social and economic protections for LGBT youth, with an emphasis on LGBT youth of color. U.S. nonprofit organizations may submit an online Initial Funding Concept form at any time. Visit the Foundation's website for more information.

Regional Funding

Funds for Internet Education Initiatives in Company Communities

[Spectrum Digital Education Grant Program](#)

The Spectrum Digital Education Grant Program supports nonprofit organizations that educate community members on the benefits of broadband and how to use the Internet to make their lives

better. Applying organizations must serve communities located in a [Spectrum market](#). Priority is given to programs that serve families or seniors and partner with diverse, minority-based communities. Funded programs should have a lasting, meaningful, and tangible impact (e.g. development of a new digital site or app, expansion of the capacity of a digital learning center, creation of a mobile computer lab, etc.). Grants will range from \$2,500 to \$50,000. Applications will be accepted from June 30 through August 11, 2017. Visit the Spectrum website to review the selection criteria and submit an online application.

Grants Address Health Disparities in Georgia

[Healthcare Georgia Foundation: Direct Services Grant Program](#)

The mission of the Healthcare Georgia Foundation is to advance the health of all Georgians and to expand access to affordable, quality healthcare for underserved individuals and communities. The Foundation's Direct Services Grant Program will provide grants of up to \$50,000 to existing healthcare services and health promotion programs specifically related to the Foundation's priority area of Addressing Health Disparities. Programs in both community and clinical settings will be considered. The Foundation's Direct Services Grant Program will be accepting applications until 3 p.m. EDT on August 3, 2017. Visit the Foundation's website to review the application materials and submit an online application.

Capital Support for Colorado Nonprofits

[Gates Family Foundation: Capital Grants Program](#)

The Gates Family Foundation provides support to Colorado nonprofit organizations that have meaningful impact and enhance the quality of life for those visiting, working, and living in the state. The Foundation supports capital projects that fall within the following categories: Arts and Culture; Parks and Recreation; Education; Well-being of Children, Youth, and Families; and Community Development. Applicant organizations should incorporate green building and sustainable development practices into their projects whenever possible. In addition, applicant organizations must be based in Colorado. Proposals are reviewed three times per year; the next application deadline is October 1, 2017. Visit the Foundation's website to review the application guidelines.

Fellowship Opportunity for Indiana Educators

[Lilly Endowment: Teacher Creativity Fellowship Program](#)

The Teacher Creativity Fellowship Program, offered by the Lilly Endowment, is a program of renewal that supports lifelong learning among Indiana K-12 educators by enabling them to pursue dreams and passions, explore new areas of interest, expand existing talents, and develop new ones. The program supports opportunities for intentional exploration and reflection that will result in renewed energy, enthusiasm, and creativity in teachers and thereby in classrooms and schools. Indiana principals, assistant principals, classroom/resource teachers, guidance counselors, and library and media specialists are eligible to apply. Up to 100 educators will receive fellowship stipends of \$12,000. Applications must be postmarked by September 1, 2017. Visit the program's website for application information.

Funds for Local Programs in Company Communities

[Gannett Foundation: Community Action Grant Program](#)

The Gannett Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations that serve the [communities](#) where Gannett Co., Inc., owns a newspaper or broadcast station. The Foundation's Community Action Grant Program's priorities include education and neighborhood improvement, economic development, youth development, community problem-solving, assistance to disadvantaged people, environmental conservation, and cultural enrichment. Grants are generally in the \$1,000 to \$5,000 range. Grant requests are considered twice each year; the upcoming postmark deadline is August 29, 2017, for most locations. Proposals should be submitted to the local newspaper publisher or TV station general manager. Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant guidelines and download the application form.

Grants Strengthen Communications for Californians with Disabilities **[Disability Communications Fund](#)**

The Disability Communications Fund (DCF) supports nonprofit organizations that offer technology and programs that serve the communication needs of Californians with disabilities. DCF's funding priorities for 2018 include the following: Training the Next Generation of AT and AAC Experts, Facilitating Research and Innovation, and Building Networks and Replicating Successful Models. Grants of \$10,000 to \$100,000 will be provided. The deadline for letters of intent is August 9, 2017; full grant applications are due October 6, 2017. Visit the DCF website to learn more about the funding priorities and the application process.

Support for Racial Justice and Equity Programs in Maine **[Maine Initiatives: Grants for Change Program](#)**

Maine Initiatives cultivates social, economic, and environmental justice through grants and other support to grassroots nonprofit organizations in Maine communities. Maine Initiatives' Grants for Change Program supports community-based nonprofit organizations advancing racial justice and racial equity in local communities or statewide. Grants of \$25,000 will be provided for general operating support spread out over three years. Funded organizations will also be invited to participate in a series of peer learning, training, capacity building, and community outreach activities over the course of the grant period. Support is provided to organizations with budgets under \$1,000,000. The application deadline is July 14, 2017. Visit the Maine Initiatives website to review the Grants for Change Program's guidelines.

Illinois Habitat Protection Initiatives Funded **[Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation](#)**

The mission of the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation is to improve energy efficiency, advance the development and use of renewable energy resources, and protect natural areas and wildlife habitat in communities all across Illinois. The Foundation is currently accepting applications for the following grant opportunities in the Natural Areas Program: Capacity Building, Land Acquisition, and Planning for Land Acquisition. The upcoming application deadline for all three grant opportunities is August 29, 2017. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Natural Areas Program and the grant application procedure.

Federal Funding

Grants Available to Help Street Youth

Administration for Children and Families

The Street Outreach Program provides support for street-based services to runaway, homeless, and street youth who have been subjected to or are at risk of being subjected to sexual abuse, prostitution, sexual exploitation, and severe forms of trafficking in persons. The application deadline is July 11, 2017.

Program Supports Rural Healthcare

Department of Agriculture

The Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants program supports access to education, training, and healthcare resources for rural Americans through the use of telecommunications services. The application deadline is July 17, 2017.

Historic Preservation Funds Available

National Park Service

The Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Underrepresented Communities program supports the survey, inventory, and designation of historic properties that are associated with communities currently underrepresented in the National Register of Historic Places and among National Historic Landmarks. The application deadline is July 31, 2017.

Creative Community Development Efforts Supported

National Endowment for the Arts

The Our Town program supports creative placemaking to improve communities. Program areas include arts engagement, cultural planning, and design of public and cultural spaces. The application deadline is September 11, 2017.

And nuclear waste next?

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Federal Water Tap

Agencies Move to Repeal Water Rule

Revoking an “overreaching” Obama-era rule that defined which water bodies are regulated by the Clean Water Act is a pillar of Trump administration environmental policy. As a candidate, the president campaigned against it and, once in office, he ordered that it be overturned. The Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have now [begun the formal process to repeal the Clean Water Rule](#).

In practice, little will change. Due to a federal court stay, neither agency has enforced the rule since October 2015, less than two months after it was finalized.

The announcement is the first step in what the administration envisions will be a two-stage process. The second stage is proposing a new rule that, in all likelihood, will be less encompassing. Both stages must go through a public comment and review period.

Tossing out the old rule [will not be easy](#), according to environmental lawyers. Though some criteria are debatably arbitrary — such as the distance between water bodies, which is used to determine jurisdiction — the administration must contend with the large body of science that agency staff wielded to justify their argument. As always, expect lawsuits.

House (Mostly) Preserves Rural Water Program

The Trump administration said eliminate it, but members of the House Appropriations subcommittee rejected the White House’s proposal. They instead [offered a budget bill](#) that mostly preserves the infrastructure loan and grant program for rural water utilities.

The bill allocates \$US 473 million to the program. Even though the sum is \$US 96 million less than the program’s current spending, Mike Keegan, a policy analyst with the National Rural Water Association, views the bill as a promising starting point.

The level “is only the starting level for the appropriations process that will almost certainly be impacted by a future budget deal which could result in the allocation of additional discretionary funding,” Keegan wrote in an email to Circle of Blue. “When Congress and possibly the White House finalize a budget deal we are optimistic the level will increase.”

House members signaled their interest in the program in April when at least 62 Republicans and Democrats [sent a letter of support to the Appropriations Committee](#).

Wildlife Agencies OK California Water Tunnels

Two federal wildlife agencies say that construction of a highly controversial pair of water supply tunnels in California’s Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta will not cause salmon, steelhead, and other endangered or threatened species to go extinct nor will it destroy habitat necessary for their recovery. Construction will alter habitat and harm fish, but not eliminate them.

The “no jeopardy” finding from the [U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service](#) and [National Marine Fisheries Service](#) is necessary for the 37-mile-long, 40-foot-tall tunnels to proceed. Estimated construction cost of the megaproject, which will deliver water to farms and cities in southern California, is at least \$US 15 billion. The construction timeframe is 2018 to 2030.

The biological opinion is a favorable result for tunnel proponents but it is by no means the last word. It assesses construction of the tunnels, not their operation nor the construction of at least three associated facilities. The agencies will issue separate biological opinions for those elements of the project. A biological opinion for operations will determine whether there are any restrictions on water diversions through the tunnels due to endangered species.

Then there are the inevitable legal challenges that will seek to quash the project through the courts. The first lawsuit against the no jeopardy finding [has already been filed](#).

Bureau of Reclamation Nominee

Looking to fill a key water policy position in a depleted government, President Trump [nominated an Arizona water official](#) to be the head of the Bureau of Reclamation, the agency that oversees hundreds of dams and thousands of miles of canals in the western United States.

Brenda Burman is the director of water strategy at the Salt River Project, which supplies water and power to the Phoenix area. She served at Reclamation in the George W. Bush administration.

Reclamation plays a large role in the Colorado River Basin — it controls delivery contracts for river water supplied to Arizona, California, and Nevada. [dies and Reports](#)

What Is Drought? The Latest in a Series of Precision Definitions

Drought, like a die, is a many-sided thing. How many sides? Depends on who you ask. But a group of academic and federal scientists are suggesting making room for one more.

Current drought definitions, they say, [writing in the *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*](#), do not adequately account for environmental changes that have subsequent effects on ecology and people.

Speaking of CRS Reports

A House Appropriations Committee included [a clause in a budget bill](#) (see page 20) that would make Congressional Research Reports available to the public. CRS reports, meant for the eyes of Congress, have long been acquired and made public by third parties such as the Federation of American Scientists. Soon, the middleman may no longer be needed. [On the Radar](#)

EPA Seeks Science Advisers

The EPA is accepting nominations for its main science advisory board and six science committees, including one for drinking water. To nominate an expert for the science advisory board, [click here](#); for drinking water committee, [click here](#). Self-nominations are accepted. Nominations for the positions, which carry a three-year term, are due July 27, 2017.

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We invite proposals for paper presentations, workshops/interactive sessions, posters/exhibits, colloquia, virtual posters, or virtual lightning talks. The conference features research addressing the [annual themes](#).

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Submit your proposal by **25 July 2017**.

We welcome the submission of proposals at any time of the year. All proposals will be reviewed within two to four weeks of submission.

Even Zuck and Facebook Are Getting Into The Drone Biz: The world is one step closer to borderless connectivity as Facebook announced the successful flight of a test drone. Mark Zuckerberg envisions a fleet of solar-powered drones that will bring the internet to the 4 billion people worldwide who currently do not have access. Using data gathered in a test flight last December that ended in a crash, Zuck's engineers made improvements that resulted in the drone executing a 106-minute flight up to an altitude of 3000 feet at the Yuma Proving Grounds in Arizona. Facebook's drone, named Aquila, weighs in at around half a ton, but has a wingspan greater than that of a Boeing 747 jumbo jet. Performance data was live-streamed to engineers, and the drone was chased through the flight via helicopter. DailyPnut

WOW. Today, July 4, is the 241st year since the original BREXIT