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In 1862

an event occurred, in what is now Minnesota, which had a dramatic impact on the subsequent history of the United States, Canada, and Dakota tribes. The event was the result of federal policy and a newly formed state to

remove the Dakota people from their lands and led to the largest mass hanging in US history on December 26, 1862 and the scattering of Dakota people across a region stretching from Saskatchewan to Nebraska. Today, all the people of the region continue to be affected by this traumatic event.

In Spring, 2005, Jim Miller, a Vietnam veteran, enrolled member of Cheyenne River, and a descendent of the Dakotas who where displaced after the event, dreamt of a series of horseback rides that would bring the Dakota people together, raise awareness to the significance impact still with us from the mass hanging and the surrounding events, and to bring reconciliation among all people of the region so that we may move forward and live in a good way.

Jim's vision is for riders from all Dakota tribes to ride over 330 miles from Lower Brule Indian Reservation to the site of the mass hanging in Mankato, Minnesota. The ride is in December to honor the men, women, and children who were forced to march across the cold winter prairies either to the mass hanging in Mankato or to a large concentration camp of Dakota families at Fort Snelling, Minnesota. The riders finish at Reconciliation Park in Mankato on the anniversary of December 26.

We take the youth on the ride, so that they may connect with their culture in a more physical way. By being apart of the ride they are connecting themselves with their ancestors and their horse relatives. It is through the ride that they are able to see the beauty in the history and their culture.



<http://sunktanka.weebly.com/dakota-38-plus-2-memorial-ride.html>

[Jason Salgado](#) is with [Wichapi Spotted Bear](#) and [6 others](#).

[December 23 at 7:44pm](#) ·

Chief Big Foot Memorial Ride, Day 1, 42 miles, 10-15 degrees, 10 hours, about 100 riders. Tired. Thankful. Saddle up again tomorrow. Photo by [Charmaine Juban-Salgado](#).

The Impact of Global Warming in the Land of Santa Claus

Josh Gabbatiss, The Independent

Gabbatiss writes: "Environmental changes in the far north are having disastrous effects on the region's indigenous people and tourism industry." [READ MORE](#)

How You Make a Difference and Stand Firm for Justice

Recently, Comcast's Newsmakers series featured NARF's work and five priorities:

They describe how NARF is pursuing each of the five priorities found in its mission:

- Preserving Tribal Existence.
- Protecting Tribal Natural Resources.
- Promoting Human Rights.
- Holding Governments Accountable.
- Developing Indian Law.

[Annual Reports - Native American Rights Fund : Native American ...](#)

<https://www.narf.org/about-us/annual-reports/>

These battles are not going away, but neither are we.

***"To be able to look back upon one's past life with satisfaction is to live twice."* Lord Acton**

GrantStation

National Funding

Support for the Preservation of Rare Recordings

[Council on Library and Information Resources: Recordings at Risk](#)

Recordings at Risk is a national regranting program, administered by Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR), to support the preservation of rare and unique audio and audiovisual content of high scholarly value through digital reformatting. Recordings nominated for reformatting through this program may be valuable for research or education in any field, not just fields normally considered as humanities disciplines. The program aims to help institutions identify priorities and develop practical strategies for digital reformatting, build relationships with partners, and raise awareness of best practices. Grants will range from \$10,000 to \$50,000. Applicants must be U.S. nonprofit academic, research, or cultural heritage institutions. The current application deadline is February 9, 2018; the next call opens on May 1, 2018. Visit the CLIR website to review the Applicant Resources.

Programs Addressing HIV Health Issues Funded

[AIDS United: Evidence-Informed Interventions RFP](#)

AIDS United, in collaboration with the Health Resources and Services Administration's HIV/AIDS Bureau and The Fenway Institute, is offering funding through the Using Evidence-Informed Interventions to Improve Health Outcomes among People Living with HIV initiative. The goal of this initiative is to support the implementation of evidence-informed interventions to

reduce HIV-related health disparities and improve health outcomes, including increasing retention in care, improving treatment adherence, and improving viral suppression for people living with HIV. Up to 24 intervention sites will receive \$170,000 per year to support the development and implementation of interventions. Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program recipients or subrecipients that operate within the United States or its territories are eligible to apply. Proposals must be submitted by January 22, 2018. Visit the AIDS United website to download the RFP.

Grants Promote Leadership Development for Young Jewish Women

Hadassah Foundation: United States Grants

The Hadassah Foundation is an investor in social change to empower girls and women in the United States and Israel. The Foundation is currently accepting applications from U.S. nonprofit organizations for programs and curricula that foster leadership development for Jewish adolescent girls and young women, ages 12-30, in the United States. Both new and existing programs will be considered for funding. A limited number of one-year grants of up to \$40,000 will be provided, as well as one multi-year grant of up to \$25,000 a year for three years. The application deadline is February 5, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the funding guidelines and to download the application forms.

Children and Youth Theatre Projects Supported

Children's Theatre Foundation of America: Aurand Harris Grants and Fellowship Fund

The Children's Theatre Foundation of America's grantmaking focus is on theatre for children and youth, the utilization of drama or theatre in education for children grades K-12, and development opportunities for theatre artists working in the area of children's theatre in the United States. The Foundation's Aurand Harris Grants and Fellowship Fund supports small and mid-sized nonprofit theatres that are engaged in a new initiative for a particular company or a new original play for children and youth. Professional theatre artists working in theatre for young audiences may also apply for support in the development of their artistic excellence. Grants range up to \$2,000 and may be used for project expenses, equipment, or travel. The application deadline is March 5, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Aurand Harris Grants and Fellowship Fund.

Regional Funding

Funds for Oral Health Programs in Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana

Delta Dental Foundation: Brighter Futures Community Grants

The Delta Dental Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Delta Dental of Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana, provides grants to nonprofit organizations that provide dental care for the underserved, to programs that promote the importance of good oral health, and to educational institutions to enhance dental education and research. In 2018, through its Brighter Futures Community Grants program, the Foundation will be providing \$150,000 in grants to support programs that focus on adult and/or children's oral health in Michigan, Ohio, or Indiana. Of particular interest are programs designed to promote and improve the oral health of underserved or at-risk populations and programs that have an oral health education component. Grants are limited to a maximum of \$5,000 each. The application deadline is January 31, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to submit an online application.

Grants Strengthen Direct Services for Hawaiians

[Friends of Hawaii Charities](#)

Friends of Hawaii Charities provides support to nonprofit organizations and public agencies that benefit women, children, youth, the elderly, and the needy in Hawaii. Grants focus on the following areas: arts and education, healthcare and basic needs, and social services, such as family abuse programs, drug and job rehabilitation, elderly services, and programs for the terminally ill. Priority is given to direct services that make a significant difference in Hawaiian communities. Grant applications must be submitted by January 31, 2018. Visit the Friends of Hawaii Charities website to download the 2018 application materials.

Support for Communities Served by CSX

[CSX Community Investment Program](#)

The CSX Community Investment Program supports nonprofit organizations that serve the communities where the company is located, primarily in the Eastern, Southern, and Upper Midwest areas of the United States. The program provides assistance to nonprofit organizations that address one of the following categories: Safety, with a focus on railway, public, and personal safety; Environment, with a focus on land, water, and air preservation and restoration; Wellness, with a focus on healthy lifestyles and wellness education; and Community, with a focus on community leadership and service. Cash grants (\$2,500 to \$5,000), sponsorships, volunteer support, and in-kind transportation services are provided. Online applications may be submitted from January 1 through December 15 of each year. Visit the CSX website to download the Giving Guidelines.

Organizations Tackling Poverty in the Southeast Funded

[Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation](#)

The Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation partners with organizations and networks working to alleviate poverty and increase social and economic justice in the Southeastern states. The Foundation has a particular interest in supporting economic transition work in Central Appalachia, civic engagement in Georgia and North Carolina, civic engagement for local and state policy change in Arkansas and Louisiana, and community economic development efforts in South Carolina. Organizational summaries may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the grant guidelines and application process.

Federal Funding

Program Supports Victims of Violence

[Department of Justice](#)

The Grants for Outreach and Services to Underserved Populations Program provides support to develop and implement outreach strategies targeted at, and providing victim services to, adult and youth victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking in underserved populations. The application deadline is January 26, 2018.

Funds Available for Arts and Cultural Projects

[National Endowment for the Arts](#)

The Art Works program supports artistically excellent projects that celebrate America's creativity and cultural heritage, invite a dialogue that fosters a mutual respect for the diverse beliefs and values of all persons and groups, and broaden our understanding of ourselves as individuals and

as a society. The grants.gov application deadline is February 15, 2018.

8.5 million gallons Amount of water that Nestle is drawing from the San Bernardino National Forest without valid permits, according to a recent review by California state regulators. Nestle, which sells Arrowhead bottled water, claims that it inherited the forest rights more than a century ago. [ABC News](#)

Nestle warned it lacks rights to some California water

Robert Jablon, Associated Press & Washington Post

Nestle, which sells Arrowhead bottled water, may have to stop taking millions of gallons of water from Southern California's San Bernardino National Forest because state regulators concluded it lacks valid permits.

Overcoming the Challenges of Small-Scale Water Recycling

Tara Lohan, News Deeply – Water Deeply

IN DOWNTOWN SAN Francisco, a mixed-use 800ft tower nearing completion at 181 Fremont St. features a water treatment system that will provide 5,000 gallons a day of recycled water captured from the building to be used for toilet flushing and irrigation. That will help save an estimated 1.3 million gallons of potable water a year.

KWUA taps fish biologist for deputy director

Holly Dilleuth, Herald News

The Klamath Water Users Association (KWUA) has hired a former U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) fish biologist as its deputy director.

<http://blogs.edf.org/growingreturns/2017/12/21/californias-rural-water-leaders/>

River report examines climate change impact on Colorado River basin

From the Water Education Foundation:

Drought and climate change are having a noticeable impact on the Colorado River Basin, and that is posing potential challenges to those in the Southwestern United States and Mexico who rely on the river.

In the just-released Winter 2017-18 edition of *River Report*, writer Gary Pitzer examines what scientists project will be the impact of climate change on the Colorado River Basin, and how water managers are preparing for a future of increasing scarcity.

Already, climate change is showing its effects. Snowpack in the Basin is smaller and it's melting earlier, diminishing the river system's natural reservoir. Water managers have been vexed for years by persistent drought along the Colorado. In 2016, water in Lake Mead fell to levels not seen since 1937, when the reservoir behind Hoover Dam was first filling.

Complicating solutions is the long-established framework for dividing the river's waters and deciding who is first in line when there's too little to go around. The uncertainty surrounding both the supply and increasing demand is pressing water managers to find ways to cooperate, collaborate and adapt.

River Report, the Water Education Foundation's biannual Colorado River newsletter, is a free resource for the public.

[Read "A Warmer Future and Increased Risk" here.](#)

22 Jan @ 11:00 am Mon [WEBINAR: California-Nevada Drought & Climate Outlook](#)

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[**Secretarial Order #3206: American Indian Tribal Rights, Federal-Tribal Trust Responsibilities, and the Endangered Species Act**](#)

U.S. Department of the Interior | January 24, 2006...Summary

This Order is issued by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Commerce (Secretaries) pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of... [View Document](#) [Download Now](#) [Email](#)

[**Indian Water Rights Settlements**](#)

Congressional Research Service | March 27, 2017...Summary

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[**Indian Reserved Water Rights Under the Winters Doctrine: An Overview**](#)

Congressional Research Service | June 8, 2011...Summary

Although the federal government has authority to regulate water, it typically defers to the states to allocate water resources within the state. The...[View Document](#) [Download Now](#) [Email](#)

[**Indian Nations in the US**](#)

National Congress of American Indians | November 11, 2003...Summary

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[**Tribal environmental and natural resource assistance handbook**](#)

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Culinary Club is Part of the Mix at our Boys & Girls Club by Steven Field

Bridging the gap between school and home, the Boys & Girls Club of Winnemucca, under the direction of Chef Ian Tolotti, has formed a Culinary Club that focuses on the skills of cooking, fundamentals, volume measurement and knife skills. The club is comprised of two age groups, kindergarten through 6th and 7th through 12th. [...] [Read more of this post](#)

American Citizens Are Doing What Trump Won't: Holding Polluters Accountable in Court Mother Jones

This story was originally published by The New Republic and is reproduced here as part of the Climate Desk collaboration. There's a vast conspiracy afoot to decimate American manufacturing. Wealthy environmentalists and greedy attorneys are trying to stuff their already-fat pockets by suing defenseless companies over their contributions to global warming. They allege that energy manufacturers create a... [Read the full story](#)

10 Obama regulations Trump has overturned Yahoo News

Trump's executive-order counteroffensive carries more than mere symbolic value and represents a dramatic policy shift that will impact the nation and the world for years to come. [Read the full story](#)

Celebrating the Biggest Conservation Wins of 2017

<https://www.ecowatch.com/wwf-conservation-2017-2517712948.html>

U.S. Bank Quietly Joins \$4B Deal With Dakota Access Owner After Declaring End to Oil and Gas Pipeline Loans

<https://www.ecowatch.com/us-bank-dapl-2519145269.html>

How the US Government Hid Fracking's Risks to Drinking Water

Neela Banerjee, InsideClimate News

Banerjee writes: "For all those who believe their water has been tainted by fracking, there are few remedies." [READ MORE](#)

In unexpected move, feds OK mining on the edge of BWCA

Department of the Interior reverses Obama-era environmental review on Twin Metals.

<http://strib.mn/2BTXjsn>

Question: What color is snow?

1. White
2. Blue
3. Colorless
4. Yellow

"Ojibway Netflix" app launched as part of effort to revive American Indian languages in Minnesota

The streaming service was launched this month by a Winnipeg-based company. <http://strib.mn/2D5LD5e>

Life of the Hoop Dancer

Posted By [Toyacoyah Brown](#) December 17th, 2017 Blog

Found this great hoop dance video from The CACHE Project, an independent TV and video channel that documents arts and culture around Central Alberta, and thought I'd share with y'all!

In the video they speak with [Dallas Arcand](#), from the Alexander First Nation (Kipohtakaw) Treaty 6 in Alberta, who is a 3x World Champion Hoop Dancer. I'm sure you've seen him dance before!

Hear in his own words what it's like to hoop dance.

Life of the Hoop Dance

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The Government Has Screwed Up the Bundy Case Even Worse Than We Realized

Stephanie Mencimer, Mother Jones

Mencimer writes: "US District Court Judge Gloria Navarro declared a mistrial on Wednesday in the prosecution of Cliven Bundy, his sons Ammon and Ryan, and Montana militiaman Ryan Payne, saying that the government had willfully withheld evidence from defense lawyers that was potentially helpful to their case, in violation of legal rules." [READ MORE](#)

Answer: Colorless. (Thanks to Buckaroo News)

7 Ways to Launch Your Own Anti-Plastics Movement

By Bibi Farber

We have a whole world of [plastic](#) that needs to be replaced with [other biodegradable materials](#). We have come to rely on this indestructible modern material for every single facet of daily life.

The food you ate today was probably sold in plastic packaging, the vehicle you transport yourself in has plastic components, be that a car, bus, bike, train, plane, boat, kayak ... the computer you are reading this article on, even the charger and the wall socket protector ... just look around.

It wasn't always this way. We have seen an explosion in the last 65 years. From 1950 to 2013, plastic production went from [1.7 million tons to 300 million tons a year](#). Then consider that all the plastic that has been produced since its inception is still here. It has not biodegraded, it has not been absorbed by the earth. It is, on the contrary, leaching [toxic chemicals](#) and causing destruction to the ecosystem on an unprecedented scale, choking and poisoning our ecological balance.

The dangers are visible, obvious and urgent—and paradoxically, microscopic, out of sight and [not of great concern to the mainstream](#).

As a culture, we have been duped into thinking that recycling is enough of a step in the right direction. Certainly, any plastic we can keep out of the landfills and oceans is great, for whatever time that item is reused or recycled. But it simply postpones the plastic's destructive path and does not mitigate the damage. It's estimated [only 25 percent of plastic is recycled](#) anyway. The U.S. has one of the lowest overall recycling rates of any developed nation.

Worse, it keeps us consuming the stuff because we believe if we are recycling, it's ok.

It is not ok. According to The Davos Report by the [World Economic Forum](#) the oceans will contain, by weight, [more plastic than fish by 2050](#). And, 77 percent of manmade waste that enters the ocean stays at the bottom. The waste enters the oceans via streams, rivers, drainage and all manner of marine vessels and fishing activities. Looking at the water's surface, you'd never know you're looking at a garbage patch. It's the microscopic plastic particles, small as a grain of salt, which fish mistake for food. The damage is vast: There are an estimated 46,000 pieces of plastic floating in every single square mile of the ocean, the United Nations Environment Program reported.

The anti-plastics movement is now evolving from simply recycling. Today the goal is to radically reduce our collective plastic footprint, with a major shift in lifestyle and some promising new earth-friendly materials.

Here are some options:

1. Innovative Natural Packaging: Mushrooms Replace Styrofoam

While polystyrene, known as styrofoam, takes thousands of years to decompose, a new mushroom-mycelium packaging made by [Ecovative Design](#), can be disposed of simply by throwing it in the compost where it will biodegrade within weeks. It's solid, does not smell and can be "grown" to fit any package specifications. It's even edible, but perhaps not so tasty! Companies like IKEA and computer giant Dell are already using this amazing product.

2. Hemp

Exciting developments are on the horizon for one of the strongest fibers known to man. Plastic can now be derived from plant cellulose. At least 16 U.S. states have legalized industrial hemp production for commercial purposes and 20 states have passed laws allowing research and pilot

programs. Hemp is an extremely efficient crop that grows up to 60 feet in just 90 days. It requires few pesticides and no herbicides.

The company [Hemp Plastic](#) has a composite material that can be molded for any number of plastic items. Hemp plastic is said to be 5 times stiffer and 2.5 times stronger than polypropylene plastic, which is used in everything from packaging, to lab equipment and textiles. There are thousands of plastic replacement hemp products on the market right now, including for furniture, electronics, fiberglass and other construction materials. Even door panels of some BMW's, Mercedes and Bugatti are manufactured using a hemp fiber basis.

3. Renewable Wood Pulp

Innovia, headquartered in the United Kingdom created [NatureFlex](#) products. They look like any plastic food packaging that one might expect to be used for nuts or dried fruit. However they are made from sustainably sourced, renewable wood pulp. They have a high moisture barrier and are fully biodegradable, even in the ocean. In 2010, the company tested its products in seawater and discovered that nearly all disintegrated within four weeks.

4. Bioplastics

Bioplastics are a new type of plastic made from plants. Though there is much less carbon dioxide produced during production, it does have a product footprint. Bioplastics also release carbon dioxide during the biodegrading process and do not biodegrade easily in all environments. Some in fact, do not biodegrade at all. However, they are less toxic than regular plastics.

5. Make it Package Free

Since we can't easily find products packaged in eco-friendly wood cellulose, hemp or mushroom mycelium in our stores just yet, the best place to start is to be aware of all packaging and make every effort to reduce it.

Beginning in Germany, but now all over the world "packaging free" stores are emerging. These stores are designed to sell items in bulk, from pinto beans to hair conditioner. Just bring your own containers, weigh them, fill them up and pay by the pound as you check out. But we don't have to wait for a new store to open. Many health food stores are implementing this system for the items in the bulk section, so you can say goodbye to hundreds of pounds of extraneous packaging (glass, metal, paper and plastic) right away.

Lauren Singer lives a Zero Waste lifestyle in NYC. She is one of the founders of The Package Free Shop, a retail store in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. "We offer everything that you'd need to transition to a low waste lifestyle in one place," she says. "For us living a package free life means that we are avoiding single use plastic and disposable products to the best of our ability."

In the store, you will find products like bamboo toothbrushes, re-useable cotton rounds for sustainable make up application and removal, and remember those stainless steel ice trays? Just pull the lever and the ice pops out perfectly every time. They sell steel airtight food containers and glass, organic cotton or bamboo replacements for hundreds of household items. Beauty and

personal care products are sold in bulk, and in tins and glass jars. They also ship the goods to you, completely without plastic! All shipping materials are 100 percent recyclable and 100 percent compostable. Even the tape is made of paper.

Search here for packaging free stores in the U.S. and Canada: [Litterless](#)

Search here for packaging free stores worldwide: [Bepakt](#)

6. Plastic Product Alternatives

[Life Without Plastic](#) is another great example of a one stop online shop for safe, high quality ethically sourced, stylish and earth friendly alternatives to plastic products. You can see how to easily replace all that plastic in your kitchen. Use what you have—but there is no need to ever bring home any more.

Take a few minutes to look online at the thousands of new companies now making the plastic free life practical and affordable. Women's make up and personal care products no longer require relentless plastic consumption. How about flip flops made from natural rubber? [Purrfect Play](#) makes a whole line of plastic free pet toys.

7. Zero Waste Lifestyle

Zero waste is a term that rallies the goal that all waste will be recycled, composted, repurposed, and preferably never produced in the first place. There are zero waste restaurants and hotels, even stadiums and conference centers. Cities from Buenos Aires to Taiwan to San Francisco have passed zero waste resolutions, with innovative and ambitious plans to reduce consumption, extend recycling, and increase composting.

Zero waste is a revolution in the relationship between waste and people. It is a new way of thinking: There is no "away" when we throw away. We're just parking it somewhere else, at a tremendous cost.

With every purchase you make, consider the importance of the plastic-free future. A few things may cost a few more dollars initially. But the rewards of establishing a new precedent for how we shop, package, eat and consume have never mattered more. When it comes to plastic, it will always be here. Support the alternatives, starting now.

Learn more about the many impacts of plastic pollution at Earth Island's [Plastic Pollution Coalition](#).

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