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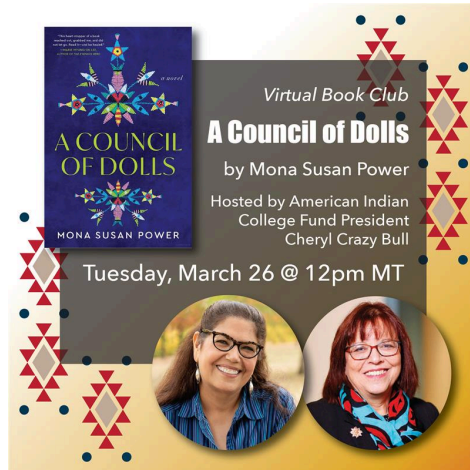
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Over generations, communities in the Andes have witnessed the negative impacts of deforestation, melting glaciers, and disappearing water sources. In response, nonprofit organizations like ECOAN, led by Constantino Auca Chutas, an Incan descendant, are

collaborating with indigenous families to plant trees and restore ecosystems. Constantino Auca Chutas and his organizations have established ...



[American Indian College Fund](#)

[College Fund virtual book clubs are back! Our first of the year will be with College Fund President Cheryl Crazy Bull and Native author Mona Susan Power as they discuss Mona's latest novel 'A Council of Dolls' which was longlisted for the 2023 National Book Award for Fiction.](#)

Join the conversation by registering for our free event today: <https://bit.ly/monabookclubFB>
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Want up to \$50,000 to bring your community project to life? [Here's how to apply for a T-Mobile Hometown Grant.](#)

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**Biden-Harris Administration Invests \$2.3 Billion in Projects to Expand Affordable, Reliable, Clean Power in Rural Communities Through Investing in America Agenda**

***USDA Selects First Five Applications to Move Forward in the Awards Process for the Powering Affordable Clean Energy Program***

**SAN ANTONIO, March 6, 2024** – As part of President Biden’s Investing in America agenda, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association’s PowerXchange annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas that USDA is moving forward on clean energy investments in 23 states to reduce pollution and strengthen rural America’s power grid. Today’s announcement includes the first five awards totaling \$139 million under the Powering Affordable Clean Energy (PACE) program. Secretary Vilsack also announced \$2.2 billion in funding awarded to 39 projects to help ensure over 2 million people in rural areas have access to reliable electricity.

“Rural electric cooperatives are the backbone of America’s power delivery, and the Biden-Harris Administration is committed to helping them create a path toward a cleaner, more sustainable

future that lowers energy costs and creates jobs and lasting economic prosperity for people everywhere,” Secretary Vilsack said. “Today’s announcement reinforces this commitment and delivers on President Biden’s promise to strengthen America’s energy security by investing to deploy renewable energy technology and upgrade thousands of miles of transmission line across the nation.”

USDA is financing projects through the [Electric Infrastructure Loan and Loan Guarantee program](#) and selecting the first applications to move forward in the awards process for the [Powering Affordable Clean Energy](#) program.

To learn more, read full [News Release](#).

### **National Opportunities**

#### **[Programs Keeping Pets and Domestic Violence Survivors Together Funded](#)**

RedRover's Safe Housing Grants provide support to nonprofit domestic violence and animal organizations across the United States to build pet programs that help survivors of domestic violence by allowing pets and people to escape abuse together.

#### **[Grants Promote K-12 Education Projects Addressing the Legacy of Slavery](#)**

The 1619 Project illuminates the legacy of slavery in the contemporary United States, and highlights the contributions of Black Americans to every aspect of American society.

#### **[Support Seeks to Improve Healthcare Access in the U.S. and Canada](#)**

The mission of the McKesson Foundation is to remove barriers to quality healthcare across the United States and Canada, especially for vulnerable and underserved communities.

#### **[Awards Facilitate Creation of Innovative Art](#)**

Creative Capital provides grants to support the creation of groundbreaking art by innovative and adventurous artists across the country.

### **Regional Opportunities**

#### **[Grants Enhance Family Literacy Programming in Florida](#)**

The Florida Family Literacy Initiative provides funding to help Florida schools and educational programs to establish or expand upon family literacy programs in their communities.

#### **[Traffic Safety, Driver Education, and Financial Literacy Supported](#)**

The Auto Club Group Foundation provides support in the areas of traffic safety, driver education, and financial literacy programming throughout Auto Club Group's 14-state footprint.

#### **[Funding Advances Vermont Environmental Initiatives](#)**

The Lintilhac Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in working toward a stronger, healthier Vermont—one in which human and natural communities can all thrive together.

#### **[Grants Strengthen Access to Justice in Michigan](#)**

The Michigan State Bar Foundation provides leadership and grants to improve access for all to the justice system in Michigan.

### **Federal Opportunities**

#### **[Funds Available for Humanities R&D](#)**

The Research and Development program supports projects that address major challenges in preserving or providing access to humanities collections and resources.

### **Programs Serving Victims of Human Trafficking Supported**

The purpose of the Services for Victims of Human Trafficking program is to develop, expand, or strengthen victim service programs for victims of human trafficking.

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New Moon Fund

The New Moon Fund, an initiative of the New Moon Network, is a new and growing resource dedicated to supporting programs led by sex workers and survivors in the U.S., including its territories. The Fund prioritizes projects that are poised to catalyze positive change, address basic needs and well-being, and are led by groups with a history of service to communities and of thoughtfully navigating conflict. [Learn more](#) about the funding guidelines and application process.

Call for Nonprofit Entries: Kubota Hometown Proud™ Grant Program Now Open

[Do you know a community project in need? Kubota wants to help make an impact in YOUR community. Through the Kubota Hometown Proud grant program, Kubota will award 20 grants to deserving hometown projects across the country. Each project can be as diverse and imaginative as your community. Grant applications can be submitted by any 501\(c\)\(3\) nonprofit organization or municipality with a closely affiliated nonprofit.](#)

[Visit KubotaHometownProud.com for more information or to apply.](#)

Contest open only to legal residents of the 50 US/DC, 18+ who are designated representatives of 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, located within 50 miles of an authorized Kubota dealer. Void where prohibited. Enter Contest before 4/12/24 at 11:59:59 pm CT. Sweepstakes open only to 50 US/DC 18+ (19 AL and NE, 21 MS). Enter Sweepstakes by voting 8/1- 8/14/24. Subject to full Official Rules, including prizes, judging criteria, and all details, visit KubotaHometownProud.com. Sponsor: Kubota Tractor Corporation, 1000 Kubota Drive Grapevine, TX 76051.

March 13: ReConnect Round 5 Webinar for Tribal Applicants

Presented by USDA Rural Development's Rural Utilities Service, this webinar will provide an overview of the ReConnect Program, highlight resources, and key considerations for tribal applicants, and allow ample time for questions and answers. Date and Time: Wednesday, March 13, 2024 from 3:00 PM-4:00 PM EST

[Register Here](#)

Contact: Please submit all other ReConnect questions using the [Contact Us](#) on the ReConnect website.

<https://tribalbusinessnews.com > sections > energy > 14632-clean-energy-dreams-realities-highlighted-at-doe-tribal-summit>

Clean energy dreams, realities highlighted at DOE tribal summit

[The recent Tribal Clean Energy Summit in Temecula, California, fostered collaboration among tribal, business, and nonprofit leaders. Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm announced \\$400 million in new funding for renewable energy projects, with a focus on tribal initiatives. Despite positive discussions and expanded outreach, concerns persist about funding gaps.](#)

House passes bipartisan legislation to boost support for Indigenous entrepreneurs

In a rare moment of bipartisanship, the House of Representatives passed a bill on Thursday that would strengthen support for Native American entrepreneurs if it becomes law.

The U.S. Department of Labor announces **\$312 million in grant funding for the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) Grants**. The purpose of the program is to provide subsidized, part-time community service training for unemployed, low-income adults ages 55 and older with low employment prospects.

Information about the grant opportunity is available at: <https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/352098>

Authorized by the Older Americans Act, SCSEP provides subsidized, part-time community service training for unemployed, low-income adults, ages 55 and older with low employment prospects. SCSEP funding will allow grantees to assign older participants to various community service roles at non-profit and public facilities, such as day care centers, senior centers, schools, and hospitals. The community service assignments aim to promote self-sufficiency for participants and serve as a bridge to unsubsidized employment.

To be eligible for SCSEP National Grant funding under this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), an applicant must be a non-profit organization, Federal public agency, or Tribal organization that demonstrates the ability to administer a multi-state SCSEP program – see section II.A.4 of the FOA. The Department plans to award approximately 10 to 22 grants.

Grant applications are due on May 6, 2024, by 11:59 pm Eastern Time

Questions regarding this funding opportunity announcement may be sent to SCSEP.OGM@dol.gov

Elveda Martinez: There is a BIA Irrigation System Operator job advertised on USAJobs.gov. It's listed under Carson City, Nevada, but the job will be based in Schurz. Check it out and apply if you're interested; the deadline to apply is March 15, 2024 (this Friday).



Native American Tribes

THE CHIRICAHUA APACHE NANTAN, GOYATLE (GERONIMO) ALL DOLLED UP: HE LOST THE WAR, BUT NOT HIS SOUL The nantan is seen here for what he became; a dignified, admired, and unbroken POW. Meanwhile, those are winter moccasins he is wearing. They certainly look warm. RIP, Nantan Goyatl

Native American Tribes

"Tsin-is-tum, also known as Jennie Michel (c. 1814–1905, Clatsop), was a Native American folklorist based on the Pacific Coast of Oregon. Called "Last of the Clatsops" at the time of her death in 1905, Tsin-is-tum was much photographed. She provided oral history for scholars of the indigenous peoples of the Pacific Northwest region of the United States. Among her accounts was of family members who interacted with members of the Lewis and Clark Expedition in the winter of 1805-1806; she helped historians to locate salt works they had used.

"Tsin-is-tum (known to some during her lifetime as "Jennie Michel") was a Clatsop woman born about 1814 to a family on the coast of what is today part of the American state of Oregon. She was the daughter of a woman named Wah-ne-ask, who was an eyewitness of the Lewis and Clark Expedition that visited the Pacific Northwest in 1805 and 1806. The name of her father has been lost to history. He was killed in a bombardment of her village by a warship, probably in the spring of 1829.

"Tsin-is-tum was recognized by historians associated with the Oregon Historical Society as a source of



folklore of the Clatsop people, as well as oral history of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. She had family members who had engaged with the Anglo-America explorers during their 1805-1806 sojourn on the northwest coast of today's state of Oregon. In addition to her mother's recollections, Tsin-is-tum learned from her uncle Ka-ta-ta about his experiences of hunting elk with the explorers.

"At the time of contact with Meriwether Lewis, William Clark, and their associates, the total population of the Clatsop people had plummeted to as few as 200 people, in the estimation of the Anglo-America visitors. They had suffered high mortality in the late 18th century due to new infectious diseases introduced into the population through contact with outsiders.

"Tsin-is-tum married the last chief of the Nehalem people, Wah-tat-kum. The couple lived along the Oregon coast between the outlets of the Columbia and Nehalem rivers until his death. She later married again, this time to Michel Martineaux (also written as "Michelle Martineau"), a man of French Canadian descent and a retired steamboat captain and sailing master. Her alternative name, Jennie Michel was derived from this relationship. The couple lived in the area of Seaside, Oregon.

"In June 1900, Tsin-is-tum provided a statement to a committee of the Oregon Historical Society. She described the story of her life and helped identify the location of salt works used by the Lewis and Clark party during their stay in Oregon in the winter of 1805-1806. At the time, she was believed to be one of the last three surviving full-blooded Clatsops.

"Tsin-is-tum died in March 1905 at the age of approximately 89. At the time of her death, she was referred to as "the last of the Clatsops" — perhaps the last surviving full-blooded member of that Native American tribe."

Utah Outdoors

The Moqui (Moki) Cave Shelter and Food Store is a fascinating historical and natural landmark located just north of Kanab, Utah, offering a unique glimpse into the region's ancient and more recent past. Originally used by the Ancestral Puebloans (often referred to as the Anasazi) for shelter and storage, this natural sandstone cave has served various purposes throughout the centuries, including as a hideout for outlaws in the 19th century and a speakeasy during Prohibition. In the 1950s, it was transformed into a museum and tourist attraction by the Chamberlain family, showcasing Native American artifacts, dinosaur tracks, and other geological and historical exhibits. The cave, with its cool interior, provided an ideal environment for the ancient inhabitants to store food and goods, leveraging its natural preservation qualities. Today, Moqui Cave offers visitors a chance to explore the intersection of natural wonder, historical intrigue, and cultural heritage, set against the backdrop of the stunning Utah landscape. It's a testament to the ingenuity of the Native Americans who utilized the landscape to its fullest potential and a must-visit for those interested in the rich tapestry of human history and natural beauty. [#utahoutdoors](#)



Green colonialism is flooding the Pacific Northwest: The Yakama Nation is fighting a pumped hydro storage development near Goldendale, Washington – but it's just one of many

https://www.hcn.org/issues/55-3/indigenous-affairs-green-colonialism-is-flooding-the-pacific-northwest/?utm_source=wcn1&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=2024-03-08-Newsletter

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**States and Tribes Scramble for a Colorado River Pact Before Election Day:**

Elizabeth Koebele, a professor at the University of Nevada, Reno, highlights the critical political negotiations ahead for the Colorado River's sustainability. These discussions are vital for the river's future management. ([motherjones.com](https://www.motherjones.com))

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Strategic cattle grazing could increase food supply of greater sage-grouse, study finds:

Researchers from the University of Nevada, Reno, find that strategic cattle grazing may benefit the sage-grouse's food supply, offering new insights into land management and species protection. ([knpr.org](https://www.knpr.org))

Maureen Chiloquin-Katenay shared Welcome Native Spirit Culture .

Ola Mildred Rexroat (August 28, 1917 – June 28, 2017) was the only Native American woman to serve in the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP).[1][2]

Rexroat was born in Argonia, Kansas, to a Euro-American father and an Oglala mother. The family moved to South Dakota when she was young, and she spent at least part of her youth on the Pine Ridge Reservation.[3] She attended public school in Wynona, Oklahoma, for a time, and graduated from the St. Mary's Episcopal Indian School in Springfield, South Dakota, in 1932.[4] Rexroat initially enrolled in a teachers college in Chadron, Nebraska, but left before completing her degree to work for what is now the Bureau of Indian Affairs for a year.[5] She earned a bachelor's degree in art from the University of New Mexico in 1939.[4] After college, she again worked for the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Gallup, New Mexico for a year.[5]

Rexroat next worked for engineers building airfields, where she decided to learn how to fly. In order to do so, she would need her own airplane or to join the WASPs. Selecting the latter, she moved to Washington, D.C., with her mother and sisters, and was also employed at the Army War College.[5] Rexroat then went for WASP training in Sweetwater, Texas, and was assigned the dangerous job of towing targets for aerial gunnery students at Eagle Pass Army Airfield after her graduation.[6] She also helped transport cargo and personnel. When the WASPs were disbanded in December 1944, she joined the Air Force, where she served for ten years as an air traffic controller at Kirkland Air Force Base in New Mexico during the Korean War.[2][6][7] She continued to work as an air traffic controller for the Federal Aviation Administration for 33 years after her time in the Air Force Reserves was complete.[5]

In 2007 she was inducted into the South Dakota Aviation Hall of Fame.[8]

Rexroat died in June 2017 at the age of 99.[9] Immediately before her death she was the last surviving WASP in South Dakota and one of 275 living WASPs out of the original 1,074.[10]



Several months after her death, the airfield operations building at Ellsworth Air Force Base was named after her.

Prospective college students or recent grads in the Great Lakes State, this one's for you: Approximately 350 scholarships and internships are up for grabs in [The Michigander Scholars program](#), which is designed to attract talent for the state's burgeoning electric vehicle, mobility and semiconductor industries.

Scholarships with April 14-15 Deadlines

Hopson-Laurent Scholarship	\$1,000	April 14, 2024
Judith A. Sanders Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	April 14, 2024
Kentucky Student Technology Leadership Program (STLP) Scholarship	\$1,000	April 14, 2024
Lanford Family Highway Worker Memorial Scholarship Program	\$5,000	April 14, 2024
LEAGUE Foundation Scholarships	Varies	April 14, 2024
Martha Meade Memorial Scholarship	\$5,000	April 14, 2024
MBA Student Broadcaster Scholarship	\$2,500	April 14, 2024
Mitchell/Tufts Scholarship	Varies	April 14, 2024
Norma Gray College Scholarship for the Visual Arts	\$1,000	April 14, 2024
Palo Alto Rotary Club Vocational Scholarships	\$3,000	April 14, 2024
Plan New Hampshire Scholarship & Fellowship	\$5,000	April 14, 2024
RTF Cyber Security Scholarship	\$1,000	April 14, 2024
Ruth Lilly Poetry Fellowships	\$27,000	April 14, 2024
Steigleder Family Scholarship	Varies	April 14, 2024
Texas Resident with Autism Scholarship	\$500	April 14, 2024
Texas Women in Public Finance Scholarship	\$3,000	April 14, 2024
The Dennis and Shirley Feldman Fellowship	\$5,000	April 14, 2024
The Tim DeWitt HARVEST Education Foundation Scholarship	\$2,000	April 14, 2024
VFRW Kendall Rhodes Scholarship	\$1,000	April 14, 2024
VFRW Political Studies Scholarship	\$1,000	April 14, 2024
Washington CPA Foundation Associate Accounting Scholarship	\$2,000	April 14, 2024
AAUW Connecticut State Scholarship	\$6,000	April 15, 2024
AAUW Re-Entry Women Scholarship	\$2,000	April 15, 2024
AAUW Returning Scholar Scholarship	\$3,000	April 15, 2024
AAUW Seattle Undergraduate Scholarship	\$15,000	April 15, 2024
Abbie Sargent Memorial Scholarship	Varies	April 15, 2024

AKA-EAF Financial Need Undergraduate Scholarship	Varies	April 15, 2024
American Association of Blacks in Energy Scholarship	\$20,000	April 15, 2024
APCF Bank of the Sierra Scholarship	\$2,000	April 15, 2024
APCF Cathay Bank Foundation Scholarship Program	\$2,500	April 15, 2024
APCF First General Bank Scholarship	\$2,000	April 15, 2024
APCF Harold J. West Memorial Scholarship	\$10,000	April 15, 2024
APCF State Bank of India (California) Scholarship	\$1,000	April 15, 2024
Asparagus Club Scholarship	\$8,000	April 15, 2024
Balkhi Foundation Higher Education Scholarship	\$1,000	April 15, 2024
Benjamin D. and Miriam Pessin Education Assistance Fund	\$2,500	April 15, 2024
BHW Scholarship	\$3,000	April 15, 2024
Bird Dog Foundation Annual College Scholarship Essay Contest	\$2,000	April 15, 2024
Boatman King Scholarship Foundation	\$4,000	April 15, 2024
Butkus-Sylvester Family Scholarship	\$22,000	April 15, 2024
Calculated Genius STEMINIST Scholarship	\$5,000	April 15, 2024
Candlelighters For Children With Cancer Continuing Education Scholarship	\$2,500	April 15, 2024
Captain Jeff Kuss Aviation Scholarship	Varies	April 15, 2024
CDGA Foundation Veteran Scholarship	\$5,000	April 15, 2024
Chao Family Foundation Scholarship	\$20,000	April 15, 2024
Credit Union of Colorado Foundation Scholarships	\$5,000	April 15, 2024
DeNise Scholarship Fund	\$1,000	April 15, 2024
Dr. Jason and Nicole Green College Scholarship	\$1,000	April 15, 2024
Emily M. Hewitt & Stephen Stocking Memorial Scholarships	\$3,000	April 15, 2024
ESA Foundation Computer and Video Game Arts Scholarship	Varies	April 15, 2024
Financial Literacy Scholarship Competition	\$1,250	April 15, 2024
Folsom Garden Club Scholarship	\$5,000	April 15, 2024
Gale Osterloh and Wilbur Woodrow Walton Memorial Scholarship	\$2,500	April 15, 2024
Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes	\$10,000	April 15, 2024
Gloria Borges WunderGlo Foundation Scholarship in Memory of Jim Gainey	\$2,000	April 15, 2024
Great Khalid Foundation Performing Arts Scholarship	\$10,000	April 15, 2024

Families of high-performing 7th graders can apply now for The Jack Kent Cooke Young Scholars Program! Deadline is May 9, 2024.

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Young Scholars Program - Center for Talented Youth - Jack Kent Cooke Foundation
Middle schoolers living in VA, DC, MD, WV, PA, DE, NJ, NY, CT, MA, NH, VT, ME, WA, OR,
CA, AZ, AK, and HI can apply for this scholarship with help from CTY.



[CPN employee writes Oscar nominated song](#)
[CPN Housing Department Director and Osage Nation tribal member Scott George is the first Native American to be nominated for an Academy Award for Music \(Original Song\) for his composition of "Wahzhazhe \(A Song for My People\)," featured in Martin Scorsese's Killers of the Flower Moon.](#)

https://youtu.be/IXDVKYSc1g0?si=89YZPYm_sLE9TSY3



[youtube.com](https://youtu.be/IXDVKYSc1g0?si=89YZPYm_sLE9TSY3)

[Wahzhazhe \(A Song For My People\), nominated for Best Original Song at the 2024 Academy Awards](#)

[VIDEO: The Oscar-nominated song "Wahzhazhe \(A Song For My People\)" from Martin Scorsese's "Killers of the Flower Moon" is sung before a crowd at the National...](#)

Lat minute bulleting: **Climate change poses unprecedented threats to global security.** What natural resources are most in danger from international security tensions? How can the United States minimize resource conflicts? Can international cooperation be leveraged to mitigate security risks and increase equitable access to scarce necessities?

National security expert and interdisciplinary research scientist **Swathi Veeravalli** will address how complex crises are prompting more multidisciplinary cooperation across disparate government agencies and between national governments.

Speaker: Swathi Veeravalli, director of climate change and adaptation, National Security Council, The White House

Moderator: [Edo Berger](#), codirector of the science program, Harvard Radcliffe Institute, and professor of astronomy, Harvard Faculty of Arts and Sciences

Harvard Radcliffe Institute gratefully acknowledges the Mary E. and Clara Z. Costanza Fund for Science, which is supporting this event.

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