U-Serve – Week of 9/26/12

Information and resources for those involved with service-learning at the University of South Carolina.

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Updates & Announcements

5th Annual Community Partner Breakfast

Register Now!
The Office of Student Engagement is excited to host the 5th Annual Community Partner Breakfast on Monday, October 8th, 2012 at 7:30am in the Russell House Ballroom. This event is designed to provide an opportunity for University faculty and staff, students, and local non-profit organizations to develop innovative educational partnerships related to service-learning, volunteer service, and community-based research opportunities. We hope you will be able to attend and we encourage you to forward this information to colleagues who may also be interested in this opportunity. To register for the breakfast, please click here.

City Year Columbia

Open House: September 27, 5:30-7:00pm

Location: 1919 Hampton St., Columbia, SC 29201

City Year is an international, education-focused, nonprofit organization that unites young people of all backgrounds for a year of full-time service, giving them the skills and opportunities to change the world. As tutors, mentors and role models, these diverse young leaders help children stay in school and on track, and transform schools and communities. City Year is a proud member of AmeriCorps. Find out more on their website at http://www.cityyear.org/columbia.aspx.

How to Create a Model Service-Learning Unit

Webinar: October 4, 1:00pm

Join Whitney McKinley, NYLC’s Professional Development Manager and a former elementary and middle school teacher on Thursday, October 4 for an in-depth look at how to create a high-quality service-learning unit for your classroom. Register for free by visiting the NYLC bookstore at www.nylc.org/store.

Youth Programming at Habitat for Humanity

Webinar: October 17, 1:00pm

Join Cody Logsdon, Youth Volunteer Engagement Manager at Habitat for Humanity, for a discussion on how Habitat for Humanity has incorporated young people into their
programming, and how you can get involved. Register for free by visiting the NYLC bookstore at www.nylc.org/store.

Magellan Scholar

**Deadline: October 23**

Do you have a project that an undergraduate could help with? Are you already working with a student on a project? Each Magellan Scholar receives **up to $3,000 to help fund a research project**, competing for this award with the submission of a research, scholarship, or creative project proposal developed in collaboration with his or her faculty mentor. Selection is based on the project's educational and intellectual merit, the potential impact of the project, and the student's previous academic success. More information at http://www.sc.edu/our/magellan.shtml.

Journal for Service-learning, Leadership, and Social Change

**Latest Issue: Fall 2012**

The latest volume of the International Undergraduate Journal on Service-learning, Leadership, and Social Change is online at http://www.columbiasc.edu/service-learning-journal. This is a special volume from colleagues in service-learning in New Zealand.

Journal of Higher Education Outreach & Engagement

**Latest Issue: Vol 16(3), September 2012**

The mission of the *Journal of Higher Education Outreach and Engagement* (*JHEOE*) is to serve as the premier peer-reviewed, interdisciplinary journal to advance theory and practice related to all forms of outreach and engagement between higher education institutions and communities. Find the latest volume at http://openjournals.libs.uga.edu/index.php/jheoe/index.

Civic Health and Unemployment II: The Case Builds

**Issue Brief: National Conference on Citizenship**

This 2012 Issue Brief from the National Conference on Citizenship explores the relationship between civic engagement and economic resilience. It finds that the density and type of nonprofit organizations in a community, as well as its social cohesion, are important predictors of that community’s ability to withstand unemployment in a recession. Find the issue brief at http://www.ncoc.net/unemployment2.

**USC/Local Engaged Scholarship and Recognition Opportunities**

Gladyss Marinelli Coccia Award

**Deadline: September 30**

Youth Service America is accepting nominations for this award recognizing two exceptional young people, ages 13 to 22, who are actively engaged in social entrepreneurship and in leading sustainable social change. Social entrepreneurs apply business practices to achieve positive social change and measure their success through their social impact. Two honorees will be selected to receive $2,000 to support their social enterprise and receive resources and
technical assistance from YSA. Find more information at [http://www.ysa.org/grants/coccia-awards](http://www.ysa.org/grants/coccia-awards).

**Youth Wanted for the State Farm Youth Advisory Board**

*Deadline: October 1*

Applications are now available for new Board members for the State Farm Youth Advisory Board (YAB). The Board is composed of 30 youth, aged 17-20. The board is charged with managing and distributing $5 million per year in philanthropic funding. Learn more and apply at [http://www.statefarmyab.com/apply/the-board/](http://www.statefarmyab.com/apply/the-board/).

**The K. Patricia Cross Future Leaders Award**

*Deadline: October 1*

The K. Patricia Cross Future Leaders Award recognizes graduate students who show exemplary promise as future leaders of higher education; who demonstrate a commitment to developing academic and civic responsibility in themselves and others; and whose work reflects a strong emphasis on teaching and learning. All doctoral level graduate students who are planning a career in higher education are eligible, regardless of academic department. Graduate students in fields where the Master's degree is the terminal degree, such as the MFA in art, are also eligible. More information at [http://www.aacu.org/meetings/annualmeeting/AM13/CrossAward.cfm](http://www.aacu.org/meetings/annualmeeting/AM13/CrossAward.cfm).

**Applications Being Accepted for C2C Fellows Workshop**

C2C Fellows is a national network for undergraduates and recent graduates aspiring to sustainability leadership in politics and business. Applications are now being accepted for the *C2C Fellows: Southeast Workshop* on October 26-28, 2012 at the University of Tennessee. Find more information at [http://www.bard.edu/cep/c2c/](http://www.bard.edu/cep/c2c/).

**Everyday Young Hero Award**

*Deadline: Ongoing*

Awarded weekly to a young person from around the world who exemplifies an extraordinary commitment to service, the Everyday Young Hero Award program is open to youth ages 5-25. Nominations must come from a parent, teacher or other adult mentor. Winners are announced in the NSB, featured on YSA's website and showcased within its social media outlets. Everyday Young Heroes also receive a certificate, award and press release. Learn more at [http://www.ysa.org/awards/hero](http://www.ysa.org/awards/hero).

**Faculty/Staff Conferences or Professional Development Events**

**2012 CSNAP Conference**

*November 2-3, North Carolina Wilmington*

*Registration Deadline: October 19*

Mark your calendar for the 2012 CSNAP (Citizenship, Service, Networking and Partnerships) Conference! This annual conference brings students together, from across the region, to network, dialogue and develop skills toward becoming more effective civic engagement.
participants and leaders. Topics include volunteerism, leadership, service-learning, advocacy and activism. Find out more here.

5th Annual SALSA Service-Learning Workshop
November 10, Mount Aloysius College, Cresson, PA
Proposal Deadline: October 26
Open to the community, the workshop is designed to unite community partners, students, faculty, and staff interested in learning more about service-learning and civic engagement. We anticipate a wide array of presentations that focus on designing and implementing service-learning. For this reason, SALSA (Southern Alleghenies Learn and Serve Alliance) invites you to submit a presentation proposal for its annual workshop. Submit a proposal and find more information at http://www.mtaloy.edu/salsa/.

CU Expo 2013: Engaging Shared Worlds
June 12-15, 2013, Corner Brook, Newfoundland, Canada
Proposal Deadline: November 15
CU Expo is a Canadian-led international conference designed to showcase the best practices in community-university partnerships worldwide, and to create opportunities for innovative and successful collaborations which strengthen our communities. The conference has been held every 2 years over the past decade in different provinces, including Ontario, British Columbia, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. CU Expo is organized jointly by communities, universities and colleges, government, and non-profit organizations. Submit a proposal and find more information here.

IMPACT Conference
February 21-24, 2013, Albuquerque, NM
Save the Date
The IMPACT Conference is historically the largest annual conference focused on the civic engagement of college students in community service, service-learning, community-based research, advocacy and other forms of social action. Building on the rich 28-year tradition of the COOL Conference and the Idealist Campus Conference, IMPACT is the one time during the year when students, administrators, faculty, AmeriCorps members and VISTAs, and nonprofit professionals gather together to learn and share effective practices, improve personal skills and organizational strategies, discover opportunities and resources, exchange stories, be inspired and challenged to sustain our efforts. Visit the conference website at http://www.impactconference.org/.

Funding/Publication Opportunities
Bank of America: Grants for Nonprofits Addressing Basic Needs in Low-Income Communities
Deadline: October 8th
The Bank of America Charitable Foundation invites funding proposals for local programs that address the critical needs facing low-income communities through emergent or "lifeline" services such as hunger relief, short-term supportive shelter, and benefits access. The
Foundation will invest $10 million to support vital community efforts to assist individuals and families with immediate services and financial empowerment programs that promote long-term economic stability. (Note: lead applicant must be a nonprofit.) Find out more here.

**Home Depot Foundation Grants to Support the Housing Needs of Military Veterans**

**Deadline: October 12th**

Grants of up to $5,000 in the form of Home Depot gift cards will be awarded to volunteer-driven projects designed to help veterans stay in their homes comfortably. Apply at [http://homedepotfoundation.org/page/applying-for-a-grant](http://homedepotfoundation.org/page/applying-for-a-grant).

**Verizon Foundation**

**Deadline: October 14**

The Verizon Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Verizon Communications, is focused on using technology to solve critical social issues in the areas of education, healthcare, and sustainability. The Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations throughout the United States that address one of the following funding priorities: increasing student interest and achievement in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM); preventing domestic violence and helping victims gain independence; improving healthcare through innovative technology-based programs; fostering smart energy practices; and inspiring good environmental citizens among schools and communities. The average grant size ranges from $5,000 to $10,000. Learn more at [http://www.verizonfoundation.org/](http://www.verizonfoundation.org/).

**Caravel**

**Deadline: October 15**

The Office of the Vice President for Research is pleased to announce a new opportunity for our students: CARAVEL, the online journal of undergraduate research and scholarly excellence. Caravel is a system-wide journal, showcasing our students' achievements in all disciplines. This online undergraduate research journal aims to provide a publication forum for students to showcase their research, creative and scholarly works. Submissions may include (but are not limited to): research and scholarly articles, videos, audio/musical recordings, poetry, plays, short essays, and artwork. Please encourage and support your students' submissions! For more information visit [http://www.sc.edu/our/research_journal.shtml](http://www.sc.edu/our/research_journal.shtml).

**UnitedHealth HEROES Service-Learning Grants**

**Deadline: October 15**

Youth Service America and UnitedHealthcare are inviting schools and other community-based nonprofit organizations to Step into Service by applying for UnitedHealth HEROES grants. Grants of up to $1,000 are available for youth-led service-learning projects which aim to combat childhood obesity through walking, running or hiking programs. YSA will hold webinars to help applicants through the application process and answer all of their questions. Find more information at [http://www.ysa.org/HEROES](http://www.ysa.org/HEROES).

**IGNITEgood Millennial Impact Challenge**

**Deadline: October 19th**
The Millennial Impact Challenge will identify game changers among young men and women and connect them with the resources they need to turn their visions into reality, scale their impact, and inspire others to do the same. Emerging leaders from around the country will compete for a shot at one of 10 Millennial Impact Grants, each worth $10,000. The Impact Challenge is open to anyone 30 years and under. In addition to funding, the grantees will receive ongoing coaching, pro-bono support and training, including a three-day bootcamp in New York led by a team of experts who will share practical tools for long-term success. Find out more at http://ignite-good.org/the-competition/.

**American Honda Foundation Grants**

*Deadline: November 1*

The American Honda Foundation is supporting broad, innovative and forward-thinking projects that meet the needs of youth, especially minority students. The Foundation is awarding grants of $20,000 to $75,000 for projects that emphasize youth education, specifically in the areas of STEM, the environment, job training, and literacy. Learn more at [http://corporate.honda.com/america/philanthropy.aspx?id=ahf](http://corporate.honda.com/america/philanthropy.aspx?id=ahf).

**Do Something Seed Grants**

*Deadline: Ongoing, one grant awarded weekly*

These $500 grants are for youth-led (25 and under) project ideas and programs that are just getting started, or to jump-start a program. These grants can also be used towards projects that are already developed and sustainable, towards the next steps of a project and organization to help expand the project and increase impact. Learn more at [http://www.dosomething.org/grants/seed-grants](http://www.dosomething.org/grants/seed-grants).

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