U-Serve – Week of 10/10/12

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

You are receiving this email because you have expressed interest in information about service-learning at the University of South Carolina. If you no longer wish to receive these updates, please respond to this email.

Updates & Announcements
2nd Annual Greater Good Conversation
November 1, 6:00pm, Capstone Campus Room
The 2nd Annual Greater Good Conversation will be held on Thursday, November 1st at 6:00pm in the newly renovated Capstone Campus Room. In addition, at 5:15pm there will be an opportunity to meet with the non-profit organization leaders over dinner at Gibbes Court. Heidi Johnson, President and CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Columbia, will share her story. Non-profits such as Teach for America, The Peace Corps, United Way, Make-A-Wish Foundation and many more will be in attendance to answer questions and give information. Internships and volunteer abroad opportunity information will be available as well. Please feel free to share the attached flyer. We look forward to seeing you there!

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.

Carolina Cares
October 22 - November 20, 2012
During the month of November...Community Service Programs and Carolina Service Council sponsor Carolina Cares- a university-wide holiday drive. The activities at http://www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/carolinacares/ are how we encourage the Carolina community to provide our local community with the best holiday season ever. In addition, please see the attached flyer for more information.

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.

**AACC Civic Responsibility Modules**

There is a new online training companion to the 2006 edition of the American Association of Community Colleges’ book, *A Practical Guide for Integrating Civic Responsibility into the Curriculum*. AACC trainers developed a series of free online video training modules as part of a grant from Learn and Serve America. The six-module series is designed to help make civic responsibility and engaged learning a more thoughtful and intentional part of college coursework. The modules -- produced by Central New Mexico Community College -- demonstrate how to use the Guide and how to lead a civic responsibility training for college faculty and staff, using scenes from an actual workshop. You may view the AACC Civic Responsibility Modules sequentially (a total of 53 minutes) or individually here.

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

**Leadership & Service Scholarship Nominations**

**Deadline: October 19**

Please consider nominating deserving and eligible undergraduate students to apply! Please see our NEW common nomination form where you can nominate students for both these scholarships as well as other leadership and service awards. These student recipients are recognized at the Leadership & Service Awards in April 2013, and are eligible to receive funds during the spring 2013 term. For more information and to submit nominations, please visit: http://www.sa.sc.edu/leaders/lsawards/.

**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.

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

**2nd National Community Partner Forum on Community-Engaged Health Disparities Research**

**December 5-7, Washington, DC**

**Call for Applications Deadline: October 12**

Community partners from across the U.S. will convene to advance an agenda for health research equity and action. The forum agenda is designed to provide time and space for community partners to learn and strategize together as peers before their academic partners
and other key stakeholders join the conversation. Learn more at http://depts.washington.edu/ccph/2012forum2.html.

Read.Write.Act Virtual Conference
November 1-2 (Virtual), 3 (Chapel Hill, NC)
Each year, SCALE (Student Coalition for Action in Literary Education) hosts the Read.Write.Act Virtual Conference, which connects college students at campus based literacy groups, program administrators, higher education faculty, and non-profit professionals from around the country with content specialists, community-based literacy organizations and other leaders in literacy who are committed to creating a more just society by engaging young people in literacy education. SCALE will hold its fourth annual virtual conference “Literacy as a National Priority” from Thursday, November 1st, through Saturday, November 3rd. Register and find more information at http://readwriteact.web.unc.edu/events/read-write-act-conference/.

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

Home Depot Foundation Grants to Support the Housing Needs of Military Veterans
Deadline: October 12
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.

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/.

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.
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 19**
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/](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).

United States Institute of Peace: Public Education for Peacebuilding Support Program  
**Deadline: November 1**
Grants of $2,000 will be awarded to colleges, universities, and public libraries to support events that advance and promote the understanding of peace. Learn more at [http://www.iie.org/programs/usip-support](http://www.iie.org/programs/usip-support).

Home Depot Foundation Community Impact Grants  
**Deadline: December 12**
Grants, up to $5,000, are available to registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, public schools, or tax-exempt public service agencies in the U.S. that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their community. Grants are given in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services. Begin applying on November 12th [here](http://www.iie.org/programs/usip-support).

Fiskars' Project Orange Thumb Community Garden Grants and Makeovers  
**Deadline: December 15**
Fiskars' Project Orange Thumb provides tools, materials, and other support to help communities reach their goals for neighborhood beautification, community collaboration, and healthy, sustainable food sources. Find more information at http://www2.fiskars.com/Activities/Project-Orange-Thumb/Grant-and-Garden-Makeover-Application.

**Sodexo Foundation Youth Grants**

**Deadline: January 31**

More than 16 million children live in food insecure homes, not always sure where their next meal will come from. That's why YSA and Sodexo Foundation are calling on young people to "take hunger personally" and join the fight to end childhood hunger. Sodexo Foundation Youth Grants of $500 grants are available for youth-led service projects that bring together young people, families, Sodexo employees and other community members to address childhood hunger. U.S. young people, ages 5-25, are eligible to apply. Projects will take place on or around Global Youth Service Day, April 26-28, 2013. Apply at http://www.ysa.org/grants/sodexoyouth.

**Kresge Foundation Arts and Community Building**

**Deadline: February 1**

The Kresge Foundation supports efforts that create access and opportunity in underserved communities. The Foundation's Arts and Community Building program is shaped by six principles: (1) Community cultural development is a growing field with minimal national infrastructure; (2) The structure and dynamics of community cultural ecosystems are not well understood; (3) Cultural development is local; (4) Local community development requires an indigenous support system; (5) Effective community cultural development requires sustained engagement; and (6) Arts-centered community building is inherently complex because it involves other community sectors such as social services, community development and public safety. Find more information at http://www.kresge.org/programs/arts-culture/arts-and-community-building.

**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.

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