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**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!

**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/](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.

**IARSLCE 2012 Annual Conference Proceedings**

The International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement (IARSLCE) invites you to join in conversation with fellow researchers and practitioner-scholars through our second annual conference Proceedings. The Proceedings is an online, interactive publication that provides summaries and references for the over 175 sessions facilitated by scholars from around the world at the 12th annual conference this fall (Sep. 23 – 25th, Baltimore, MD). It is intended to increase the public visibility of research related to service-learning and community engagement and to facilitate communication and collaboration among researchers and practitioner-scholars. Access the Proceedings [here](http://www.sa.sc.edu/communityservice/carolinacares/).

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

**2013 PPIA Junior Summer Institute**
**Deadline: November 1**
The Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs is pleased to announce that the 2013 PPIA Junior Summer Institute will be held at Princeton University from June 13 through August 2, 2013. The goal of the PPIA Junior Summer Institute is to prepare students for the graduate study and careers in public policy and international affairs. The summer institute provides a rigorous training in policy analysis for eligible college juniors and serves as a springboard to exciting careers in public service. The online application form can be found at [www.ppiaprogram.org](http://www.ppiaprogram.org).

**Graduate Preparation Program - TRIO Ronald E. McNair**
**Deadline: November 28**
The TRIO Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, a graduate school preparation program, is currently accepting applications for the upcoming Summer Research Internship. The internship is a paid, 6-week residential program where students work closely with faculty mentors to develop a research project proposal. Students gain experience presenting their work at an undergraduate research conference, and will receive GRE preparation materials and class instruction. An *Information Session for students* will be held on **Monday, October 29**th, 2:00-4:00 pm in Russell House Room 304. Students may drop-in at any time between 2:00 – 4:00 pm to learn more about the program. An *Information Session for faculty and staff* will be held on **Tuesday, October 30**th, 3:00-4:30 pm in the Green Quad Learning Center, Room 101. More information can also be found at [http://www.sc.edu/trio/mcnair.html](http://www.sc.edu/trio/mcnair.html).

**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**
**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/](http://www.mtaloy.edu/salsa/).
Continuums of Service Conference
April 24-26, 2013, Portland, Oregon
Proposal Deadline: October 29
The Annual Continuums of Service Conference, established in 1998, invites civic engagement and service-learning practitioners from higher education and their campus and community partners to convene and discuss strategies to implement our shared leadership and responsibility to strengthen communities across the region and advance the civic mission of higher education. The 16th Annual Continuums of Service Conference “The Engaged Campus: Higher Education for the Public Good” will explore the historic mission of higher education to provide a quality education for the public good – assuring students’ civic development, workforce training and educational success. Learn more here.

Read.Write.Act Virtual Conference
November 1-2 (Virtual), 3 (Chapel Hill, NC)
Registration Deadline: October 30
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/.

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

All-In: Re-imagining Community Participation
Deadline: November 1
APAP (Association of Performing Arts Presenters) is proud to announce a second round of All-In: Re-imagining Community Participation. One-year grants of up to $25,000 are awarded to current APAP member presenting organizations in support of promising new approaches to community engagement through the performing arts. A total of $150,000 is available thanks to the generous support of MetLife Foundation. Learn more here.

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.

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.

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.

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.
American Association of University Women: Community Action Grants  
**Deadline: January 15**  
Community Action grants provide funds to individuals, AAUW branches and AAUW state organizations as well as local community-based nonprofit organizations for innovative programs or non-degree research projects that promote education and equality for women and girls. $2,000 - $10,000 grants provide funding for community-based projects. More details can be found [here](#).

Dell Social Innovation Challenge  
**Deadline: January 28**  
University students are invited to share their innovative ideas for solving a social or environmental problem and compete for $350,000 in prizes and awards. This challenge is open to students in all fields of study with any social impact innovation (from charitable to for-profit and even blended projects) and in any phase of development (from early ideas to complete operations fully up and running).

J.W. McConnell Family Foundation: Community Service Learning Awards  
**Deadline: January 31**  
In 2011, the J.W. McConnell Family Foundation launched an annual CSL Awards program to celebrate the most innovative CSL initiatives, while encouraging post-secondary institutions and communities to continue the promising work that has begun. The awards will go to community projects that are being jointly supported by community organizations and post-secondary institutions through CSL. A total of $30,000 is available for up to four awards of $7,500 each. In addition, their accomplishments will be celebrated in a video and at a national event. Find out more [here](#).

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](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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