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... what a picture!!! Some photos speak a thousand words.



EPA Announces Availability of up to \$1.6 Million in Environmental Justice Grants for Tribal Public Participation Project

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has announced the availability of up to \$1.6 million in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding to support Tribal government efforts to establish or modify programs on environmental justice water and air quality issues. Earlier this year, EPA announced spending plans for the \$100 million in ARP funding appropriated by Congress in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and health outcome disparities, with \$50 million being designated to improve ambient air quality monitoring, and \$50 million designated to address disproportionate environmental or public health harms and risks in underserved communities. Congress made up to \$1.6 million in ARP funding available to Tribes, recognizing the importance of supporting Tribal public engagement programs and related priorities that have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. EPA anticipates awarding 16 to 20 grants nationwide in amounts of up to \$100,000 per award.

"This funding opportunity will help ensure that our Tribal Nation partners and their communities are prioritized within EPA's whole-of-government approach to address environmental challenges," said JoAnn Chase, Director of the American Indian Environment Office. "This funding also serves as reaffirmation of EPA's policy, and the Biden Administration's priority, to advance and integrate environmental justice into all of our work, including our work with federally recognized Tribal governments and indigenous peoples."

"Our partners in Tribal governments recognize that they, just like us, advance justice by starting with meaningful engagement," **said Matthew Tejada**, **Director of the Office of Environmental Justice.** "We are excited to support their efforts to lift up the voices of the people most impacted by and vulnerable to pollution."

EPA is committed to assisting federally recognized Tribes in building capacity to establish public participation, community involvement, education, and communication systems to engage with tribal members and others living on tribal lands, as noted in the EPA Policy on Environmental Justice for Working with Federally Recognized Tribes and Indigenous Peoples.

Projects stemming from this Tribal grant opportunity will help achieve the goals of President Biden's Justice40 initiative, which aims to ensure that federal agencies deliver at least 40% of benefits from certain investments to underserved communities.

Applicants interested in this funding opportunity must submit grant proposal packages by May 20, 2022. Applicants should plan for projects to begin on October 1, 2022. To learn more about the pre-application assistance calls and how to apply for funding, visit: Environmental Justice Small Grants Program.



The Power and Urgency of Public History

by David M. Chamberlain

After a tour of the South's historical sites, I maintain a teacher's optimism that knowledge of our nation's imperfect past offers us the necessary wisdom to walk ourselves back from the edge of the political ledge on which we are so perilously perched.

James Pogue, a journalist who has written extensively on rural American resistance, looked into the **secessionist movement brewing north of Sacramento**:

"The Jefferson project is sometimes invoked as a gentle nod to regional solidarity — the local NPR network is called Jefferson Public Radio — but it has increasingly come to signify a defiantly conservative strain of politics. To others, Jefferson represents something more insidious: a barely concealed desire to carve an ethnostate out of the only part of California where whites still constitute a majority." Harper's Magazine

Mining investment convention to be held March 30-31

The 121 Mining Investment will be held in Las Vegas on March 30-31 at The Venetian Expo. The event will bring together 65 mining company chief executive officers that will speak to investors and answer their questions about current projects.

"Mother-of-All-Uranium Bull Runs"

Court Blocks Order Barring Biden From Considering Climate Costs in Rulemaking

JAKE JOHNSON, COMMON DREAMS

The decision to block a Trump-appointed judge's order gives the government new tools to address the climate crisis. Read the Article →

Redistricting Could Make It Harder for Tribes to Protect the Environment *Joseph Lee, Grist*

Lee writes: "In February, the Navajo Nation sued San Juan County, New Mexico over its new redistricting plan. San Juan County, which stretches across a large swath of the Navajo reservation, has enough Indigenous voters to be a majority in two voting districts."

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Among Winter Olympic cities, Tahoe will soon be too warm to host games

If current climate trends continue, the Winter Olympics will have only one place to go.

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AMERICAN INDIAN GROUPS RALLY FOR STATE FUNDING

https://replica.startribune.com/infinity/article_popover_share.aspx? guid=83f8064d-6b95-4fd7-a0c0-bb80a573fd60 (copy URL into server) The Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA-ETA-22-05) for the Indian and Native American (INA) programs is available now at <u>Grants.gov</u> or by <u>clicking here</u>.

This Announcement solicits applications for the Indian and Native American Employment and Training Program grants authorized under Section 166 of WIOA. The purpose of this program is to support employment and training activities for Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian individuals in order to: (A) develop more fully the academic, occupational, and literacy skills of such individuals; (B) make such individuals more competitive in the workforce and equip them with the entrepreneurial skills necessary for successful self-employment; and (C) promote the economic and social development of Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities in accordance with the goals and values of such communities. The deadline for submission is Friday, May 6th at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern Time)

Eligible Applicants:

- Federally Recognized Tribes;
- Tribal Organizations, as defined in 25 U.S.C. 450b;
- Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-controlled organizations;
- Indian-controlled organizations as defined at 20 CFR 684.130
- A consortium of eligible entities which meets the legal requirements for a consortium as described at 20 CFR 684.200(e);
- State-recognized tribal organizations that meet the definition of an Indiancontrolled organization as defined at 20 CFR 684.130;
- Tribe Colleges and Universities (TCUs).

For questions regarding the FOA contact Marc Purvis at **Purvis.Marc@dol.gov** For webinar related questions contact **DOL-DINAP@tribaltechllc.com**

The Division of Indian and Native American will host two informational webinars providing a general overview of the FOA and its application requirements. All current INA program grantees and potential applicants are encouraged to join.

You can find webinar information on **Workforce GPS** as well as below. Please note that the same link will be used for both sessions and you do **not** need to reserve a seat.

Use the links below to join the session that works best for you. All sessions will be held in Eastern Daylight Time. To find the time in your time zone, click here.

Monday, April 4, 2022 - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm Eastern

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 - 3:00 pm-4:30 pm Eastern

Walking Among "Dakota Spirit"

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"We don't accomplish anything in this world alone ... and whatever happens is the result of the whole tapestry of one's life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that creates something."



A Schurz band during the 1930s. Top Row (l-r) Roy Harrison, Benson Johnson, Brady Johnson, Clyde Sam; Second Row (l-r) Clarence Praught, Jimmy Cline, Ed Lewis, Ernest Conway, Charles Pamp; First Row (l-r) Phillip Buff, Sam Dewey, James X. Willie, Francis Praught. (courtesy Frances Sam Collection)

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Walker River Paiute Band Members 1930

WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE WITH OUTDATED COLONIAL LANGUAGE by Priva Satia

The dominant climate activist theme of sacrificing in the present to protect the future is rooted in the intellectual history of economics which has driven the profligate consumption and gross inequality that threatens the planet.

'We're Saving the Last of the Last': What Florida's Endangered Panthers Need to Survive

Megan Mayhew Bergman, Guardian UK

Bergman writes: "In a state with a rapidly growing population, wildlife corridors and safe highway crossings are critical to protecting the species."

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The Census Bureau <u>released new data</u> on Thursday revealing some interesting migration patterns caused, in part, by the coronavirus pandemic in the U.S. The nation's biggest and most populous cities saw mostly the same pattern between July 2020 and July 2021 – a mass exodus of folks who couldn't see the need to stay and pay city prices. The draw of walkability and nearby activities was gone with bars, restaurants, venues, and at some points other essential services shut down for months at a time. Coupled with the move to remote work, cities saw tens of thousands leaving for more rural areas.

New York lost almost 330,000 people, even with births outpacing deaths in the area. Los Angeles lost 176,000 residents, San Francisco lost about 116,000, and Chicago lost over 90,000. Migration patterns saw people moving South and West, especially into different parts of Texas and Arizona. Dallas and Houston added 97,000 and 69,000 residents, respectively, though their growth was more of a combination of people moving and a high birth rate. Phoenix, on the other hand, almost hit 80,000 new residents, most of whom were movers. "Micro areas," which the Census Bureau defines as having less than 50,000 residents, also saw a boom, even though deaths often outpaced births in these areas.

The pandemic itself <u>played a role</u>, with the virus claiming hundreds of thousands of lives between July of 2020 and July of 2021, but rising housing costs, falling birth rates, and low immigration numbers all added to the losses for cities as well. The 10 fastest-growing cities accounted for almost 80% of the nation's total growth, which means it's actually the slow growth in the rest of the country that's changing the face of it – the nation's population only grew by 0.1% in 2021. However, Demographer William Frey thinks the growth of micro areas, and the shrinking of metropolitan areas, is temporary. He says, "We're at one of the lowest levels of immigration in a long, long time, and that affects big metros like New York, Los Angeles and Chicago. That is going to come back. With the natural decrease, we will go back to normal." (AP, NYT, \$)

Los Angeles gives every <u>first grader a bank account</u>.

"Greatness is not measured by what a man or woman accomplishes, but by the opposition, he or she has overcome to reach his goals."

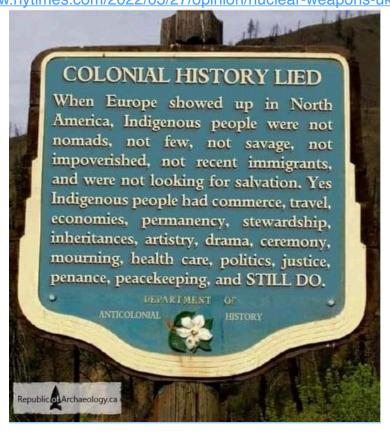
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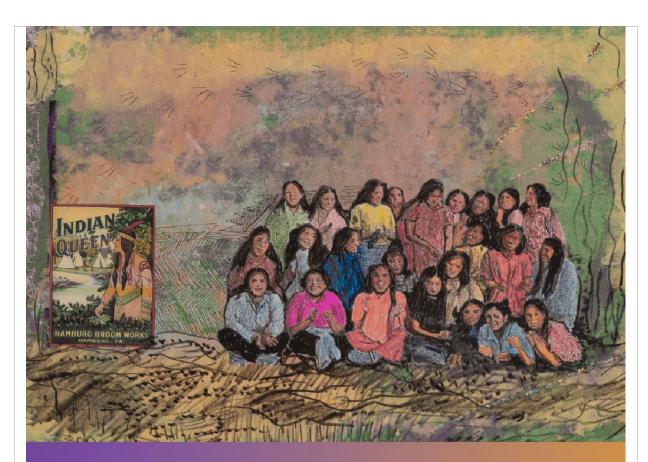
Just a great story:

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A Community Forum: Reckoning with Nevada's Boarding School Past

March 31 | 5-7:30 pm

Beginning in 1890, thousands of American Indian children were sent to Stewart Indian Boarding School in Carson City, Nevada as part of the U.S. government's policy of forced assimilation. This community forum provides an opportunity to learn about and discuss this history and the traumatic legacy that remains. Participants include Stacey Montooth, Executive Director of the Nevada Indian Commission; Dr. Debra Harry, Associate Professor in the Department of Gender, Race, and Identity, University of Nevada, Reno; and the debut of Jean LaMarr's performance, *They Danced, They Sang, Until the Matron Came*.

This program is a hybrid presentation. Register to join us live or virtually.

Co-presented by Stewart Indian School Cultural Center & Museum, Carson City, Nevada

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Industrial agriculture is a leading source of the climate crisis. Big Ag causes continual topsoil loss (costing the US more than a trillion dollars every year), pollutes our waterways, and provides nutrient-depleted food.

Restoring soil health is a critical step to addressing these crises.

That's why Green America, in partnership with over 150 farms, companies, NGOs, and soil scientists, launched the first-of-its-kind certification for regenerative agriculture open to all farms and food companies: <u>Soil Carbon Initiative</u>.

The Soil Carbon Initiative is a world-changing, outcomes-based, commitment and verification program that empowers and incentivizes farmers, food companies, and the entire food supply chain to transition acreage to regenerative farming.

This way of farming with, not against, Mother Nature improves soil health, carbon sequestration, biodiversity, water quality, climate resiliency, food security, farm profitability, and rural community economics.

We're looking for the next 100 farmers and food companies to become part of our "2022 Go-to-Market" pilots.

Please share with a farmer or company who might be interested. The deadline for applications is April 5.

Learn more about regenerative agriculture, this world-changing initiative, and how farmers and food companies can join our pilot program.

Microplastics discovered in human blood for the first time.

Scientists in the Netherlands analyzed blood samples from 22 anonymous donors and found 17 of them had plastic particles. About half contained PET plastic, often found in water bottles. The amount of plastic particles in each donor varied.

New male birth control pill found to be 99% effective in mice.

University of Minnesota researchers concluded the finding after administering the contraceptive pill orally to mice for four weeks. The male mice were able to reproduce after four to six weeks off the pill. No observable side effects were noted.

Fish-Friendly Hydro Turbine Turns River Into Power Plants

This fish-friendly hydro turbine turns streams, rivers into a zero-emissions power plant.

Credit: Natel Energy

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If one says things often enough they become true to some folks. I am weary of uneducated Americans say that the longest war in US history was Afghanistan. That is not true. The longest war was between the indigenous people of the Great Plains and the United States. That war lasted 60 years and the effects were even longer. Shelly Davis-King. 9.15.21