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Reports & Resources

Work for the Future

Atlantic Cities | READ STORY

Many of the jobs predicted to crop up in coming years will be in the service industry. This report by the Atlantic shows that the retail, food preparation, and personal care industries will lay claim to large portions of this job growth. The American creative class will continue to expand as well, while the traditional working class will continue to shrink. The Atlantic provides maps showing the geographical distribution of predicted growth, forecasting more growth on the East coast, and in the middle of the country, than on the West coast.



President's Corner

The MACDEP Professional Development Award application is now available; Recipients may use the award for professional development activities such as educational credits or participation at regional or national conferences and meetings. The application will be emailed to MACDEP members soon.

Also, we are tentatively planning to combine our MACDEP update with the 2014 <u>Montana Non-Profit</u> <u>Association</u> meeting and preconference Community Foundation convening on Oct. 1 in Helena MT. Stay tuned for more details.

> -Paul Lachapelle MACDEP President

Upcoming Events

Rural and Metro Poverty

Daily Yonder | READ STORY

This report, part of the Daily Yonder's Main Street Economics series, shows that rural poverty rates are increasing while metropolitan rates decrease. Metro rates have been on the decrease since 2010, while more than one in four rural children in 2012 lived in conditions of poverty. The rural poverty rate is at its highest since the 1980's.



Obesity rate rises to 27%: Chronic diseases are more prevalent in the most obese states

Gallup | READ STORY

The national obesity rate, as computed by respondents' self-reported height and weight in the Gallup-Healthways Well-Being Index, has increased to 27.1% from 26.2% in 2012, and is up 1.6 percentage points from 25.5% in 2008, Gallup's initial year of tracking. More than two in 10 adults were obese in nearly every state in 2013, with the exception of Montana. Those living in the 10 states with the highest levels of obesity are more likely to report having had a diagnosis of chronic disease at some point in their lives, including high blood pressure, high cholesterol, depression, diabetes, cancer, and heart attacks.

17th Annual Continuums of Service Conference

April 2-4, 2014 Honolulu, HI Sponsor: Western Washington University

Global Health and Innovation Conference

April 12-13, 2014 New Haven, CT Sponsor: Unite for Sight

International Association for Community Development

June 9-11, 2014 Glasgow, Scotland Sponsor: International Association for Community Development

Community Development Society Conference

July 20-23, 2014 Dubuque, IA Sponsor: University of Illinois, University of Wisconsin, and Iowa State University Extension

Grants, Awards & Jobs

Grant Proposals for Youth Creativity Programs

Deadline: April 15, 2014 Funder: Lego Children's Fund

Training to Work 2-Adult Reentry

Deadline: April 18, 2014 Funder: US Department of Labor

Proposals for Environmental, Education, Human Services Projects



Millionaires on the Rise

LA Times | <u>READ STORY</u>

The LA Times reports that the number of households with a net worth exceeding one million dollars has reached an all-time high. The number of households in this group is now at 9.63 million, eclipsing 2007's preglobal financial crisis level of 9.2 million households.



Libraries and the Public Imagination Pew Research | READ STORY

Most adult Americans express some interest in maintaining their local public libraries. Only 4% of readers have abandoned print media altogether, and library use remains an important source of information for Americans. However, the development of new media and technologies has influenced the status and standing of U.S. libraries in significant ways. This study by the Pew Research Internet Project evaluates the state of the American library, including a demographic study of library users. Deadline: April 30, 2014 Funder: The Lawrence Foundation

Support for Social Justice Issues

Deadline: June 14, 2014 Funder: Public Welfare Foundation

National/International News

Harsh U.S. Winter Boosts Coal Industry

CNBC; March 24

WA Community Devastated by Massive Landslide

Oregonian; March 24

WY Ranks Highest in Electing Women to U.S. House

Wyoming Tribune; March 24

Oil Prices Rise with Sanctions on Russia

Idaho Statesman; March 21

U.S. Real Estate Marked Down in February

Salt Lake Tribune; March 18

Montana News

Yellowstone Supervolcano May Explain Origin of Life

Wyoming Tribune; March 24

MT Areas Considered for Wilderness Designation

Missoulian; March 22



Scientists: Climate Inaction Threatens Earth

American Association for the Advancement of Science | READ STORY

The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) launched a new project, '<u>What We</u> <u>Know</u>,' that includes key messages and compelling videos--designed to cut through the disinformation campaign surrounding the science of climate change. Citing the troublesome findings of recent polls that show too many Americans still think there is scientific disagreement about the causes and potential impacts of global warming, the AAAS offers three specific messages they believe every American should know about the issue.





'Collapse' of Modern Civilization a Real Possibility: Study National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center

BIA Lays Off Non-Tribal Flathead Irrigation Workers

Missoulian; March 21

Fed: MT Rules Prohibitive to Renewable Energy

Missoulian; March 20

Signal Peak Expansion Approved by Land Board

Billings Gazette; March 18

"Ecological strain" and "economic stratification" could lead to the global fall of modern civilization within decades, researchers warn in a <u>new study</u> (<u>PDF</u>) sponsored by NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center.







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