Seattle’s Minimum Wage Experience 2015-16
Institute for Research on Labor and Employment | READ STORY
This brief on Seattle’s minimum wage experience represents the first in a series that CWED will be issuing on the effects of the current wave of minimum wage policies—those that range from $12 to $15. Upcoming CWED reports will present similar studies of Chicago, Oakland, San Francisco, San Jose and New York City, among others. The timing of these reports will depend in part upon when quality data become available. We focus here on Seattle because it was one of the early movers.

There was snow, there was sun, and with over 360 community development scholars and practitioners from across the world, the 2017 CDS-NACDEP Conference was an event not to be missed. While too numerous to mention here, the many individuals who contributed to conference planning and implementation should be recognized and acknowledged; see page 27 of the Conference Program for the list of individuals from both organizations who contributed their time and energy toward a successful conference. The session PowerPoints, conference photos and Keynote videos should be posted on the CDS and NACDEP sites soon. Congratulations to
Public Support for 'Single Payer' Health Coverage Grows

Pew Research Center | READ STORY

A majority of Americans say it is the federal government’s responsibility to make sure all Americans have healthcare coverage. And a growing share now supports a “single payer” approach to health insurance, according to a new national survey by Pew Research Center.

Digital Gap Between Rural and Nonrural America Persists

Pew Research Center | READ STORY

Rural Americans have made large gains in adopting digital technology in recent years, but they remain less likely than nonrural adults to have home broadband, smartphones, and other devices. Mobile technology use among rural adults has also risen rapidly, with the share of those owning smartphones and tablets increasing sharply. Ownership of desktop or laptop computers, by contrast, has only slightly risen since 2008.

MSU faculty Micky Zurhner and Tom Harrington who received the NACDEP Western Region Excellence in Teamwork Award for their effort in "Making Boulder's Future Bright." This award recognized outstanding work in building partnerships and collaborations to address a unique problem.

The International Association for Community Development Annual General Meeting will be Aug. 9 at 6am London time. Board nominations are now open and more information can be found on the IACD website.

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Upcoming Events

Rural Development Conference 2017
July 9-11, 2017
Bangkok, Thailand
Sponsor: Tomorrow People Organization

2017 NAE4-HA Conference
November 12-17, 2017
Indianapolis, IN
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Sustainable Development Conference 2017
The Economic Importance of National Monuments to Communities

Headwaters Economics | READ STORY

Trends in important economic indicators—population, employment, personal income, and per-capita income growth—in each of the regions surrounding the national monuments generally grew following a new monument’s creation. Overall, the updated analysis by Headwaters Economics again found no evidence that designating these national monuments prevented economic growth.

Global Wind and Solar Costs to Fall Even Faster, While Coal Fades Even in China and India

Bloomberg New Energy Finance | READ STORY

Renewable energy sources such as solar and wind are set to take almost three quarters of the $10.2 trillion the world will invest in new power generating technology over the years to 2040, according to a major independent forecast published recently. New Energy Outlook 2017, the latest long-term forecast from Bloomberg New Energy Finance, shows earlier

July 13-15, 2017
Bangkok, Thailand
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Grants, Awards & Jobs

HHS: Building Capacity of the Public Health System to Improve Population Health through National, Nonprofit Organizations

Deadline: July 12
Funder: Department of Health and Human Services

HHS: Resource Centers for Minority Aging (RCMAR) Coordinating Center (R24)

Deadline: July 20
Funder: Department of Health and Human Services

HHS: National Center for Benefits Outreach & Enrollment

Deadline: July 20
Funder: Department of Health and Human Services

HHS: Rural Health Opioid Program

Deadline: July 21
Funder: Department of Health and Human Services

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National/International News

Puerto Rico Struggles to Save Historic Buildings Amid Crisis
progress than its equivalent a year ago towards decarbonization of the world’s power system – with global emissions projected to peak in 2026 and to be 4% lower in 2040 than they were in 2016.

There’s No Evidence That Immigrants Hurt Any American Workers
Vox Media | READ STORY
Do immigrants from poor countries hurt native workers? It’s a perpetual question for policymakers and politicians. That the answer is a resounding “Yes!” was a central assertion of Donald Trump’s presidential campaign. When a study by an economist at Harvard University recently found that a famous influx of Cuban immigrants into Miami dramatically reduced the wages of native workers, immigration critics argued that the debate was settled.
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