



- **DYCD Calendar and Events:** Youth Board/Youth Council to meet September 22; GPO solicitation for goods and services for DYCD clients and CBOs due October 8 at 2:00 pm
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DYCD CALENDAR and EVENTS

****September 22** – Youth Board/Youth Council meeting to be held from 8:30 am to 10:30 am at the Door, 555 Broome Street, New York City. For additional information, contact Christopher Cesarani, ccesarani@dycd.nyc.gov.

****October 8, 2:00 pm Negotiated Acquisition Proposal Deadline** – DYCD (“The City”) is seeking one or more appropriately-qualified group purchasing organizations (“GPO”) to provide goods and services to Client and Community Based Service Providers that do business with the City of New York. This solicitation is a component of Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg’s Nonprofit Assistance Initiative, recognizing the City’s strong partnership with the nonprofit sector which supports the efficient delivery of quality services to New Yorkers. Potential applicants may submit questions or request a conference with representatives of the City at any time until September 24, 2010. Any inquiries regarding this solicitation should be directed to acco@dycd.nyc.gov. For more information or to access this solicitation, go to: <http://www.dycd.nyc.gov>.

SPOTLIGHT NEWS

****Technology Advances for Service Providers**

On September 3, DYCD launched the **2.0 version of DYCD Online**. For the past nine months, DYCD has been working with community partner organizations and a software developer, Corporate Staff Services, to expand and improve the functionality of DYCD Online. Beacon Online, Teen ACTION Online, and Cornerstone Online have been added to the original OST Online, creating a system that is able to meet the needs of the thousands of users. Some new system features include access from both PC and Apple computers and connectivity through a variety of browsers: Firefox, Safari, Google Chrome and Internet Explorer.

The DYCD Community Development Unit has launched ‘**Capricorn**,’ a new online reporting system for all Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)-funded agencies. This program will streamline quarterly program reporting, assist case managers to more effectively monitor contracts and help agencies centralize enrollment of participants, outcomes, case management notes and attendance record keeping.

PROGRAM UPDATES

****Summer of Service Holds Culminating Events**

On August 13, the 16 Summer of Service awardees completed their projects. Each of the culminating events showcased the projects successfully developed over the previous five weeks. At MS 210 in Ozone Park, Queens,

youth and volunteers completed an anti-bullying mural. Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav was joined there by Chief Service Officer, Diahann Billings-Burford, Senior Vice President of Corporate Social Responsibility at Neuberger Berman, Elizabeth Rabii Cribbs, and the Executive Director of the Cross Island YMCA, Dana Feinberg. Commissioner Mullgrav also attended the Global Kids Leaders' Food Justice Festival in Crown Heights, Brooklyn. Global Kids participants had been looking at the fundamentals of human rights and social justice, and its relationship to the environment and food justice. At the Food Justice Festival, the students showcased the farm they started at their school and shared information they learned about cultivating fruits and vegetables, healthy cooking and nutrition. Staff represented DYCD at events throughout the five boroughs.

****Summer Youth Employment Programs Update**

The **2010 Summer Youth Employment Program** (SYEP) concluded the week of August 16. Over 35,500 youth worked at about 5,800 worksites located throughout the City. DYCD received 143,169 applications this year, 81% of which were completed online. Participants work up to 25 hours a week and earn the minimum wage of \$7.25. SYEP is a seven week program and is open to all New York City residents between the ages of 14-24.

This year, Goldman Sachs contributed \$1.5 million to SYEP, adding 1,000 jobs to the program and becoming its first private sector funding partner. On August 19, twenty-one SYEP participants from all five boroughs attended workshops and toured Goldman Sachs. Goldman Sachs employees led the workshops covering topics such as career exploration, financial literacy and college/career planning. Participants also received a tour of the equities trading floor and spoke with a number of Goldman Sachs employees from several divisions of the company.

On August 9, the **2010 Ladders for Leaders** program closing ceremony was held at Gracie Mansion. Now in its fifth year, the NYC Ladders for Leaders initiative saw its largest class of 190 interns as well as partnering employers. Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg led the program and congratulated the 2010 Ladders for Leaders participants. DYCD Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav was joined at the ceremony by Commission on Women's Issues Chair, Anne Sutherland Fuchs and American Airlines Vice President of the New York office, Art Torno.

On August 13, the NYC Ladders for Leaders program concluded its summer workshop series with a career exploration workshop hosted by Bloomberg L.P. All of the interns were invited to hear from a distinguished panel of professionals that included: Rachelle Abrahami, Executive Director, New York City Family Justice Center; Harriet Adjei, Verizon; Jeff Boudin, Eco Answers US; Roopa Kalyanaraman-Marcello, NYC DOHMH; Jane Reiss, Executive Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer, NYC & Company; Iasha Rivers, Corporate Relations and External Communications, Macy's; Mark Topping, Npower and Melinda Wolfe, Bloomberg LP. Ladders staff moderated the panel, which was followed by a question and answer session.

On August 19, interns for the Youth for Greener Buildings through DYCD's **In-School Youth** program concluded their internship by presenting their building audit findings to their employers and guests, including Parks Commissioner Adrian Benepe. The Youth for Greener Buildings internship is a partnership among DYCD, NYC Department of Parks and Recreation and Columbia University.

****Cornerstone and Beacon Programs Summer News**

On August 12, the Cornerstone and Beacon units participated with the NIKE organization in the NIKE Basketball Festival held at Radio City Music Hall. Deputy Mayor for Education and Community Development, Dennis M. Walcott, participated in a panel discussion with the aspiring basketball players. Commissioner Mullgrav cheered on campers from the Alianza Sports Summer Camp at a basketball clinic with professional NBA stars. The youth received NIKE sneakers and t-shirts. That evening, 450 participants and staff from 13 Cornerstone Community Centers attended the World Basketball Festival/USA Basketball Showcase. The young people met with the 2008 gold medal USA Olympic basketball team coaches and watched a basketball game between the players for the next USA Olympic team.

On August 27, the Cornerstone programs successfully ended their first summer session. Over 1,700 youth were served through the initiative this summer, and well over a hundred more who worked as SYEP summer counselors. Youth were exposed to many new activities such as canoeing, gardening, yoga, fishing, healthy cooking, and overnight camping, and took part in several fun trips to Sony Wonder Lab, FDR State Park, Rye Playland, Hershey Park, Ripley's Believe it or Not, Victorian Gardens, Citi Field, Yankee Stadium, Chelsea Piers, the Crayola Factory, and many City museums, zoos and parks. Programs also held celebratory closing events including barbecues for participants and their families, dance and music showcases, and a Back-to-School Jam at which participants and community members received free school supplies.

****NYC Funders and DYCD Review STEM Curriculum for Afterschool Programs**

On August 23, DYCD Commissioner Mullgrav, Assistant Commissioner for OST, Christopher Caruso; Assistant Commissioner for Beacons and Work Readiness, Darryl Rattray; Assistant Commissioner of Capacity Building, Denise Williams; and Deputy Chief of Staff, Cathleen Collins met with representatives from the philanthropic community that joined the City this summer to restore funding to OST middle school programs. Roderick Jenkins and Patricia White from the New York Community Trust, Leslie Park from the Helena Rubenstein Foundation and Janet Kelley, coordinator of the NYC Youth Funders Network were in attendance. The group came together to discuss the DYCD STEM-related (science, technology, engineering and math) activities in our afterschool programs. The highlight of the meeting was a presentation by the New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS). NYAS is collaborating with DYCD to place graduate and post-doctoral candidates as mentors in Beacon and OST programs beginning this fall.

****Fatherhood Initiative is Focus of Meeting Convened by CEO**

On August 10, Commissioner Mullgrav and the DYCD Director of the Fatherhood Initiative, Mike Bobbitt, joined Commissioner Robert Doar and Assistant Deputy Commissioner Gary Jenkins of the City's Human Resources Administration and Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Mayor, Andrea Batista Schlesinger at a meeting held at City Hall. The City's Center for Economic Opportunity welcomed a team from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), including David Harris, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Services Policy. During the meeting, DYCD provided an overview of its Fatherhood Initiative, described the qualifications and approaches of the contract agencies currently participating in the initiative, responded to HHS' queries concerning ways to address specific challenges posed by fathers reentering society and the job market following a period of incarceration, and discussed the Fatherhood Reentry Jobs Program that DYCD piloted in fiscal year 2010 with funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

****DYCD Participates in 21st Annual National Equal Opportunity Training Symposium**

On August 10-12, the DYCD Director of the Equal Opportunity – Workforce Investment Act Unit and the Local Workforce Investment Act Equal Opportunity Officer, Denise Pilgrim, attended the 21st Annual National Equal Opportunity Training Symposium in Bethesda, Maryland. The Symposium was hosted by the U.S. Department of Labor, Civil Rights Center, in partnership with the National Association of State Workforce Agencies Equal Opportunity Committee. The Symposium has been recognized by the U.S. Civil Rights Commission as a model for educating recipients of Federal financial assistance about their nondiscrimination and equal opportunity responsibilities. This Symposium gave DYCD the opportunity to share its best practices with workforce development professionals nationally.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

****FOR YOUTH****

The **Tony Hawk Foundation** announces funds to support the high-quality, public skate parks in low-income areas throughout the United States. City or township governments, county governments, nonprofit organizations and community-based organizations are eligible to apply for funds. The deadline for submissions is October 1, 2010. Awards range from \$1,000-\$30,000. For additional information, go to:

http://tonyhawkfoundation.org/application/grant_application_2010b.php .

The **Nestle Very Best In Youth Program** was created to recognize young people across America who not only excelled academically, but are working hard to make their communities a better place. Students (ages 13 to 18) are eligible to apply and must be legal residents of the United States or its territories. Twenty five winners will: be profiled in a special publication; awarded a trip to Los Angeles, California plus \$500 spending money, and receive a \$1,000 donation in their name that will be given to a charity of choice. The application deadline for the 2011 competition is November 1, 2010. To obtain an application and additional information, visit:

<http://verybestinyouth.nestleusa.com/About/Default.aspx> .

A philanthropic initiative of the United States Tennis Association, **USTA Serves - Foundation for Academics, Character, Excellence** (formerly the USTA Tennis & Education Foundation) awards grants to not-for-profit organizations that support efforts in tennis and education to help disadvantaged, at-risk youth and people with disabilities. Special consideration is given to National Junior Tennis and Learning programs and those following the

"Aces for Kids" program model. The "Aces for Kids" program seeks to promote healthy lifestyles and combat childhood/adult obesity by providing disadvantaged, at-risk children the opportunity to learn to play tennis and improve their academic skills in a structured format. All programs requesting USTA Serves support must offer the components of tennis and education. "Education" is defined as structured activities promoting academic achievement, such as tutoring, homework assistance, computer technology, reading clubs, and mentoring. Life-skills programs that focus on individual character development and the development of social skills, individual goal setting, physical fitness, and self-discipline are also included as components of the education requirement. Applicants must be 501(c)(3) organizations that demonstrate a commitment to the mission of "changing lives through tennis and education." The submission deadline is October 15, 2010. Visit the USTA Web site for complete program information: <http://www.usta.com/> .

WaysToHelp.org invites teens in the United States to apply for grants to fund their community service ideas across any one of 16 issue areas. Apply for a grant, by visiting and for any issue area, select "See Ways to Help" followed by "Apply for a Grant." Applications are short - just 5,000 words or less - and should summarize: how the project will involve others, who it will help, what effect it's expected to have, when it will start and how the funds will be used. The deadline is open - grant requests are reviewed and responded to on a monthly basis. Topic areas include: Environment, Democracy & Equality, Health, and Community Issues. For more information, go to: www.waystohelp.org.

Everyday important school programs like arts and sports are being cut. **Clorox** knows these programs are critical to a child's educational experience. Clorox has created *Power a Bright Future* to help save some of the programs that are most important to you. Nominate your school for a chance to win a \$50,000 grant or one of three \$20,000 grants. Post a photo of your school program; tell Clorox about your program; tell them how the grant will help. The deadline to apply is September 27, 2010. For further information, see: <http://www.powerabrightfuture.com/> .

In many schools, fine arts programs and cultural arts assemblies are the first targets when budget cuts are made. For many other districts, these programs are often non-existent. **Bob's Discount Furniture** supports the importance of these programs in your child's education and wants to put the arts back in your school. Bob's Outreach Team has designed this contest to help sponsor one winning school per state*. They are looking for all K-12 schools to take part. If you are a teacher, parent, guardian, town folk, etc. you can register your school to have a chance to win a \$5,000 grant for cultural arts assemblies for the 2010-2011 school year. One school will be randomly selected per state (including New York), utilizing questionnaire criteria showing the need for this support. By filling out a simple questionnaire, you will put your school in the running! All schools are eligible to enter this contest. No purchase necessary. Winners are randomly picked by a third party. Contest runs August 16, 2010 through September 13, 2010. Winners will be notified by September 17, 2010.

The **U.S. Department of Labor** has extended the deadline for its *Career Videos for America's Job Seekers Challenge* to allow submissions as late as Monday, Nov. 1. The challenge invites members of the public to produce and submit one- to three-minute videos focusing on the daily activities of 15 high-wage and in-demand occupations. This competition is intended to provide greater visibility for selected occupations and thereby increase the number of workers seeking training and placement in those areas. The creator(s) of the top video in each of the 15 categories will win a \$1,000 cash prize. To view the press release, visit: <http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20101149.htm>.

Mr. Holland's Opus Music Foundation Grants have two programs, the *Melody Program* that targets qualified school music programs in need of assistance, and the *Special Projects Program* that targets community schools of the arts, after school programs and youth orchestras in need of assistance. Programs fund instrument repair and the acquisition of new instruments up to \$10,000; no cash grants. School music programs K-12; community schools of the arts, after-school programs, and youth orchestras are eligible to apply. The pre-application deadline is October 1, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://www.mhopus.org/Apply>.

The **William T. Grant Foundation** is pleased to release updated funding guidelines for the fall 2010 cycle of their *Youth Service Improvement Grants (YSIG)* program. The YSIG program supports activities intended to improve the quality of services for young people (ages 8 to 25) in the five boroughs of New York City. Applications for the fall cycle will be accepted via their online application system starting on August 9. Applications are due by 3:00 pm on September 22, 2010. Please see the attached guidelines for more information. Applications that were submitted for the spring cycle in April are in the final stages of review and decisions will be made shortly. For complete guidelines and more information, go to:

http://www.wtgrantfdn.org/funding_opportunities/how_to_apply/youth_service_improvement_grants/applying_for_a_youth_service_improvement_grant .

Prism Comics is accepting submissions for the *2010 Queer Press Grant*, an annual grant to assist in the publication and promotion of LGBT comics. The grant of approximately \$2,000 will be awarded to an LGBT cartoonist who is self-publishing a comic book with queer characters and/or themes. The work can be in black and white or in color, and in comic strip, comic book, or Web comic format. Entries are judged first and foremost by artistic merit, followed by concerns such as financial need, proposal presentation, and contribution to the LGBT community. The deadline to apply is September 15. Visit the Prism Comics Web site for information.

The **U.S. Department of Transportation**, **Seventeen** magazine and **AAA** today announced their *National Two-Second Turnoff Day Viral Video Challenge*, a contest that will run from August 2 until September 10 to raise awareness among young people about the dangers of talking and texting while driving. The contest challenges teens to develop a catchy, creative anti-distracted driving video to promote safe driving and *Seventeen's* National Two-Second Turnoff Day, scheduled for September 17, 2010. Watch the launch video [HERE](#). To enter, teens should fill out an official entry form at www.seventeen.com/twosecond, then upload a creative anti-distracted driving video and share it among friends. The video will be featured at DOT's second Distracted Driving Summit on September 21, 2010 and on Seventeen.com, AAExchange.com, and Distraction.gov. The winner will also receive a \$2,000 prize sponsored by AAA and Discover.

The **Captain Planet Foundation's** mission is to fund and support hands-on, environmental projects for children and youth. The foundation's objective is to encourage innovative programs that empower children and youth around the world to work individually – and collectively – to solve environmental problems in their communities. The foundation believes that through environmental education, children can achieve a better understanding and appreciation for the world in which they live. Non-profit organizations are eligible for an award. Awards range from \$250.00-\$2,500.00. The application deadline is Thursday, Sept. 30, 2010. Contact: The Captain Planet Foundation, <http://captainplanetfoundation.org/> .

The **Gerber Foundation's** mission is to enhance the quality of life of infants and young children. To do that, the foundation supports research projects that investigate health, nutrition, care and development issues for newborns and children up to age 3. Research projects aimed at finding solutions to children's health and nutritional problems are sought. Of particular interest are those offering a substantial promise of meaningful advances in prevention and treatment of diseases and those with broad applicability to the general population. Non-profit organizations are eligible to apply for an award. The application deadline is Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2010. For more information, contact: The Gerber Foundation, 4747 W. 48th St., Suite 153, Fremont, MI 49412, 231-924-3175, tgf@ncresa.org, <http://www.gerberfoundation.org> .

The **CVS Caremark Community Grants** program awards funds to nonprofit organizations for programs targeting children (under age 21) with disabilities, programs focusing on health and rehabilitation services, public schools promoting a greater level of inclusion for children with disabilities in student activities and extracurricular programs, and initiatives that give greater access to physical movement and play. In addition, some contributions are made to organizations that provide uninsured individuals with needed care, in particular programs where the care received is of higher quality and delivered by providers who participate in accountable community healthcare programs. Applicants must be nonprofit organizations or public schools located in states with CVS/pharmacy stores. Qualifying organizations are eligible for grants of up to \$5,000 each. The grant deadline is October 31. For additional information, go to: <http://info.cvscaremark.com/community/our-impact/community-grants/> .

****FOR COMMUNITIES****

In 2010, the **MetLife Foundation** expects to award grants totaling \$500,000 through the *Museum and Community Connections program*. The purpose of the program is to encourage art museums in select cities in the United States to reach out to large numbers of people of all ages and backgrounds through imaginative programs and/or exhibits that help us understand and appreciate each other and our world. Individual grants will not exceed \$75,000 and will vary in amount depending on the nature and scope of the proposed project. Collaboration and partnership with other organizations is a plus. Museums may request funding for one or a combination of the following categories, although the requested project does not have to be limited to these categories: partnerships between 1) mainstream museums and culturally specific museums; 2) museums and non-profit organizations serving diverse populations whose primary mission does not focus on the arts (e.g., community centers, social service

organizations, immigrant and refugee organizations, and others); and 3) museums and arts organizations of all types. For this program, science and technology museums, museums of natural history, botanical gardens, zoos, children's museums, and university/college museums are not eligible. Visit the MetLife Foundation Web site for further information: <http://www.metlife.com/about/corporate-profile/citizenship/metlife-foundation> .

The Community Tool Box, a service of the **Work Group for Community Health and Development at the University of Kansas**, has announced the *2010 Out of the Box Prize program* to honor promising initiatives that improve community health and development worldwide. Any group that has engaged in any aspect of community health and development effort — from planning to sustainability — between 2008 and 2010 can apply. Eligible initiatives may involve innovative activities to improve community health, education, urban or rural development, poverty, the environment, social justice, or other related issues of importance to communities. Applicants must be willing to share the group's innovative and promising approach with others. An international panel will review the applications to select finalists. Public voting on the finalists will determine the grand prize and second prize winners. The grand prize winner will receive \$5,000 and a free customized WorkStation for their group. The second prize winner will receive \$2,000 and a free customized WorkStation for their group. The application is due October 31, 2010. For more information and application materials, go to: <http://www.gmanet.com/Grants.aspx?CNID=53485>.

Citizens Committee for NYC awards grants to volunteer-led groups to work on community improvement projects. Funds will be awarded from \$500-\$3000. The fall deadline is September 30, 2010. Contact: Arif Ullah or Saleen Shah at 212-989-0909 or grants@citizensnyc.org .

The **Helena Rubinstein Foundation** supports programs in education, community services, arts/arts in education, and health, with a special interest in programs that benefit women and children and assist disadvantaged communities. Grants are mainly allocated to organizations in New York City. Although general operating grants are made, the Foundation prefers to support specific programs in the following areas: 1. education, 2. community services, 3. arts/arts in education, 4. health. Organizations seeking funds are asked to submit a letter outlining the project, its aims, budget, other funding sources, and amount requested, as well as a description of the organization. Letters should be addressed to: Diane Moss, President, Helena Rubinstein Foundation, 477 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022-5802. Proposals are accepted throughout the year. There is no application form; however, the New York Common Application Form may be used. Where feasible, a meeting or site visit will be arranged. Proposals are acted on by the Board of Directors, which meets semi-annually, in May and November. For complete guidelines, go to: <http://www.helenarubinsteinfoundation.org/guide.html> .

SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment is accepting applications for its *2011 SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Environmental Excellence Awards*. The Awards are designed to provide school and community groups with a monetary award, national recognition and some well-deserved fun at one of the SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment parks. Eight winning groups will be selected to receive \$10,000. One environmental educator/leader will receive \$5,000. The application deadline is December 1, 2010. To obtain additional information and an application, visit: <http://www.seaworld.org/conservation-matters/eea/faq.htm>.

The **Office Depot Foundation** announces funds for *Making a Difference in Children's Lives* to support activities that serve, teach and inspire children, youth and families; *Building Communities* – to support civic organizations and activities that serve the needs of our community; and *Disaster Relief* – to support disaster relief efforts of recognized national, regional and local agencies, and to provide disaster relief to Office Depot associates who have experienced catastrophic loss. Nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations and Local Educational Agencies are eligible to apply for funds. Awards range from \$50 - \$3,000. The submission deadline is November 15, 2010. For additional information, go to: <http://www.officedepotfoundation.com/funding.asp> .

Bikes Belong, a national coalition of bicycle suppliers and retailers, provides grants to organizations and agencies within the United States that are committed to putting more people on bicycles more often. The grants program funds projects in the categories of facilities and advocacy. For the facilities category, Bikes Belong will accept applications from non-profit organizations whose missions are bicycle and/or trail specific. Bikes Belong will also accept applications from public agencies and departments at the national, state, regional, and local levels; however, these municipalities are encouraged to partner with a local bicycle advocacy group that will help develop and advance the project or program. For the advocacy category, Bikes Belong will only fund organizations whose primary mission is bicycle advocacy. Applicants must be non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations or organizations with an eligible fiscal sponsor. Bikes Belong does not fund individuals and rarely awards grants to organizations and communities that have received funding from the organization within the last three years. Applicants can request up

to \$10,000 each. Bikes Belong reviews applications on a quarterly cycle. Applications must be emailed by the due date. Upcoming application deadline is November 30, 2010. Visit the Bikes Belong Web site for application information: <http://www.bikesbelong.org/>.

****MINI-GRANTS****

State Farm is teaming up with **Youth Serve America** to offer grants of up to \$1,000 to youth-led service-learning initiatives in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and the Canadian provinces of Alberta, Ontario, and New Brunswick. Eligible programs will engage youth in service-learning, an effective teaching and learning strategy that promotes student learning, academic achievement, workplace readiness, and healthy communities. State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Grants encourage semester-long projects that launch on the *Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service*, January 17, 2011, and culminate on *Global Youth Service Day*, April 15-17, 2011. Eligible candidates include teachers, service-learning coordinators, and students in a public school, or staff and youth in a community-based organization working with a public school. YSA will host two application webinars, September 7 and October 7, for applicants to learn more about developing a successful project. Applications are due October 15, 2010. Webinar registration information and application materials are available at the YSA Web site: <http://www.ysa.org/>.

Youth Service America announces funds to help youth, ages 5-25, create and implement local, hands-on programs to fight childhood obesity through its *UnitedHealth HEROES* program. Nonprofit organizations, individuals, community-based organizations and Local Educational Agencies are eligible to apply for an award. The deadline for submission is October 22, 2010. Awards range from \$500-\$1,000. For additional information, call (202) 296-2992 or info@ysa.org; or go to: <http://www.ysa.org/HEROES>.

The **Lorrie Otto Seeds for Education (SFE) Fund** announces *Wild Ones* funds to support project goals that focus on the enhancement and development of appreciation for nature using native plants. Projects must emphasize involvement of students and volunteers in all phases of development. Nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations and Local Educational Agencies are eligible for an award. The submission deadline is October 15, 2010. Awards range from \$100-\$500. For more information, contact: Wild Ones at SFEDirector@for-wild.org; or go to: <http://for-wild.org/wildcertification/SFEInstructionsApplication.pdf>.

National Gardening Association/Subaru Healthy Sprouts Award recognizes and supports youth gardening programs focused on teaching about the environment, nutrition, and hunger issues in the United States. Maximum award: a \$500 gift certificate to the Gardening with Kids catalog and online store, for basic youth gardening supplies and supporting educational materials; NGA's Eat a Rainbow Kit; a literature package from NGA. Eligibility: schools or organizations planning to garden in 2011 with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18. The selection of winners is based on a demonstrated relationship between the garden program and education about environmental, nutrition, and hunger issues in the United States. The application deadline is October 1, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants/healthysprouts.asp>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

****September 14** – There will be a Department of Education meeting in Queens to discuss changes to the use of school space. It will be held from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at Aviation High School, 45-30 36th Street, at Queens Boulevard. Subway: 7 to 33rd St & Rawson. Background: Chancellor's Regulation A-190 governs how & when the DOE notifies the public about proposals for significant changes in how a school building is used. The DOE is proposing to revise the regulation to clarify the public review process, expand the notification requirements, and establish new procedures for managing campuses where public schools are co-located with a charter school. Oral and written comments will be accepted until Oct 6th at (212)374-2471 or via email: RegulationA-190@schools.nyc.gov. The Panel will vote on the revisions at the October 7th Panel on Education Priorities meeting, 6pm at the New World High School, 921 East 228th Street, Bronx, NY 10466. For more information, call 212-374-4118 or email ofea@schools.nyc.gov -*Interpretation service available upon request*-

****September 16** – There will be a Department of Education meeting in Manhattan to discuss changes to the use of school space. It will be held from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at MS 324/MS 319, 21 Jumel Place at West 168th Street. Subway: A,C or 1 to 168th Street. Background: Chancellor's Regulation A-190 governs how & when the DOE notifies the public about proposals for significant changes in how a school building is used. The DOE is proposing to revise

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****September 21** – LGBTQ youth are invited to attend Circle Of Youth (COY), a support group for LGBTQ youth between the ages of 15 to 21. The group provides a comfortable environment in which foster, adoptive and kinship young adults/adolescents can come together to learn their rights, express their feelings, set a positive example and help each other achieve their goals. The meeting will take place at the LGBTQ Community Center, 208 West 13th St., Manhattan. For more information, contact Jarel Melendez at 212-966-6420 x642 or jmelendez@lawyersforchildren.org.

****September 29-30** – The **Baruch School of Public Affairs** will be holding a forum: *Public Management and the Lindsay Years* from 8:15 am – 5:00 pm at Baruch College, 151 East 25th Street, 7th Floor. The focus will be exploring and assessing NYC Mayor John V. Lindsay's initiatives in public management and their legacy for today. The 9/29 program will be followed by a reception and tour of the exhibition, America's Mayor: John V. Lindsay and the Reinvention of New York at the Museum of the City of New York. For more information, go to: http://www.baruch.cuny.edu/lindsay_symposium.htm.

****October** – The First **USA Science & Engineering Festival** Planned for D.C.'s National Mall. Imagine chatting with Albert Einstein, building an underwater robot, lunching with a Nobel Laureate, or managing cargo in the space shuttle within a virtual reality environment. These are just a few of the many activities planned for the first USA Science & Engineering Festival. Organizers hope to have a million people join in across the nation, and the best part--IT'S ALL FREE. To view the news release, visit: <http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/first-usa-science-engineering-festival-planned-for-dcs-national-mall-october-of-2010-84598027.html>.

****October** – This year is the fifth anniversary of **PACER's National Bullying Prevention Month** that unites communities nationwide to raise awareness of bullying prevention. Traditionally held the first week in October, the event has been expanded to include activities, education and awareness building for the entire month. Whether you are an educator, student, family, or individual who cares about students, here are the tools you need to address bullying in your school, recreational program or community organization. PACER Center is a national parent center serving all youth, with a special emphasis on children with disabilities. For more information visit this link: http://www.disability.gov/community_life/news_%26_events.

****October 15** - The **Internal Revenue Service** (IRS) has announced a one-time relief program that will allow small nonprofits that failed to file required returns for 2007, 2008, and 2009 to keep their tax-exempt status by filing returns by October 15. The IRS has posted a page on its web site (<http://www.irs.gov/charities/article/0,,id=225889,00.html>) with links to the names and last known addresses of organizations that have not filed their returns. Two types of relief are available for small organizations: a single, short form for organizations with gross receipts of less than \$25,000 and a voluntary compliance program for those organizations eligible to file the Form 990-EZ (i.e., those with less than \$500,000 in gross revenues and less than \$1.25 million in assets). The extension does not apply to larger organizations required to file the Form 990 or private foundations that file the 990-PF.

****October 19** – LGBTQ youth are invited to attend Circle Of Youth (COY), a support group for LGBTQ youth between the ages of 15 to 21. The group provides a comfortable environment in which foster, adoptive and kinship young adults/adolescents can come together to learn their rights, express their feelings, set a positive example and help each other achieve their goals. The meeting will take place at the LGBTQ Community Center, 208 West 13th St., Manhattan. For more information, contact Jarel Melendez at 212-966-6420 x642 or jmelendez@lawyersforchildren.org.

****October 20** - The **New York City Mayor's Office for Person's with Disabilities** (MOPD) is pleased to announce its participation with *National Disability Employment Awareness month* and observance of *Disability Mentoring Day* (DMD). DMD is a wonderful opportunity offering persons with disabilities an opportunity to participate in a day of job shadowing, mentoring, internships and/or future employment opportunities. MOPD has already begun their efforts to recruit mentors and mentees and providing further information through their website:

www.nyc.gov/mopd If you have questions you may also contact Nitza V. Monges, DYCD Special Advisor, Vulnerable Youth, Children and Family Initiatives at nmonges@dycd.nyc.gov.

GOVERNMENT RESOURCES

A new temporary state-wide insurance option for uninsured legal residents who have medical conditions is now available. This new plan, called the **NY Bridge Plan**, is New York's version of the Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan that was created under federal health care reform. The NY Bridge Plan is a valuable product of health care reform in that it provides health insurance coverage at a lower price than other options currently available in the individual market. Through the NY Bridge Plan, premiums will be \$362/month for residents of upstate counties and \$421/month for residents of downstate counties. A list of upstate and downstate counties is available in the [NY Bridge Plan brochure](#).

Health insurance coverage is essential to having access to care. Through this program, more New Yorkers who need medical care will be able to receive it. The NY Bridge Plan covers a broad range of services, including primary and specialty care, inpatient and outpatient hospital care, and prescription drugs, as well as assistance from professional nurses and caseworkers to help members manage chronic conditions and maintain overall health. Coverage for a pre-existing condition begins right away, with no waiting period. Eligibility for this program is not based on income. To be eligible to apply, individuals must: 1.be a legal U.S. resident 2.be a resident of New York State 3.have a pre-existing medical condition and 4.have not had health care coverage for the last six months.

Applications are available now. Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis. If the NY Bridge Plan reaches capacity, a waiting list will be established. Coverage will be effective October 1, 2010, and will be available until January 2014, when more health insurance coverage options become available through a new Health Insurance Exchange. More information on the NY Bridge Plan, including the application and brochure, is available through www.healthcarereform.ny.gov. I encourage you to apply for this program if you are eligible, and to also help us spread the word about this new health insurance option to your uninsured family and friends.

The **Bureau of Labor Statistics** released, for the first time, a detailed comprehensive overview on the employment of *Persons with a Disability: Labor Force Characteristics, 2009*. Armed with this new data, researchers, disability advocates, and policy makers can better project labor force participation for working-aged persons with disabilities. To read the BLS report and the current CPS go to <http://www.bls.gov>. To view the press release, visit: <http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/odep/ODEP20101204.htm>.

Disability.gov Job Training in Employment Update: The **U.S. Department of Labor's Registered Apprenticeship Program** connects job seekers looking to learn new skills with employers looking for qualified workers. The Registered Apprenticeship program offers access to 1,000 career areas, including able seaman, carpenter, chef, child care development specialist and construction craft laborer. The program also offers on-the-job training, nationally recognized certifications and guaranteed wage increases. For more information visit this link: http://www.disability.gov/employment/jobs_&_career_planning/apprenticeships

GED Compass, a web portal that is designed to streamline and centralize information about GED preparation programs and testing sites throughout New York City, has been launched and can be accessed at: <http://www.GEDCOMPASS.com>. The site is a partnership between the **Literacy Assistance Center and the New York City Department of Education (DOE)**. Funding partners are the **DOE**, the **New York City Department of Youth and Community Development**, the **New York Community Trust** and the **City Council**, which provided \$50,000 in its 2010 adopted expense adjustments. The Council has committed to working with preparation and training providers to better coordinate the GED system. In addition, the Council, the **DOE's Office of Adult and Continuing Education**, and the **Department of Small Business Services** will create a citywide pilot at Workforce1 Career Centers to connect those without a high school diploma or GED to GED test preparation services and to testing.

The **Advertising Council**, in partnership with the **U.S. Department of the Treasury** and the **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)**, has announced the launch of a national public service advertising (PSA) campaign designed to encourage homeowners who are struggling with their monthly mortgage payments to learn about the *Making Home Affordable Program*. While over one million homeowners have already received assistance from the program, the national campaign encourages other struggling homeowners who may be eligible

for assistance to reach out for the help they need through free resources made available by the Federal Government. The PSAs direct homeowners to visit <http://www.MakingHomeAffordable.gov> or call 1-888-995-HOPE (4673) to see if they may be eligible for assistance to make their mortgage payments more affordable and to understand options they may have to avoid foreclosure.

CHECKBOOK NYC is a powerful new tool that provides unprecedented access to view billions of dollars in City of New York government spending. One of the most comprehensive initiatives of its kind in the nation, "Checkbook NYC" is an easy-to-use online database of the City's expenditures, allowing users to search and download by agency, vendor/payee name, purpose and amount. NYC Comptroller John Liu announced the website on July 1, 2010. New Yorkers can now answer the age-old question: What are they doing with my money? This is a one-of-a-kind single location website that is updated daily to show New Yorkers how their tax dollars are being spent. <http://www.comptroller.nyc.gov/mymoneynyc> .

The **Sierra Club** would like to partner with non-profits on white roofs and other free environmental projects as part of the City's *Cool Roofs* program. This will lower electricity bills and demonstrate how neighbors can make the district greener and more sustainable. Columbia University researchers discovered that a cool roof can reduce air conditioning costs by 50% in a one-story building and 25% in a two-story building. The goal is to paint 1 million square feet of roofs in 2010. The City will provide highly reflective white paint for free for nonprofits. Volunteers, who will be recruited by Sierra Club NYC, the City's partners, and the nonprofit itself, will paint the roof. The Sierra Club will bring a portfolio of related green services directly to the grassroots level, jointly promoted by multiple neighborhood co-sponsors, and presented as ways to improve quality of life while cutting costs. NYSERDA and Con Edison are eager to discuss their free energy efficiency surveys and equipment upgrades for homes and businesses. GrowNYC, which runs the City's greenmarkets, does presentations about gardening, composting and recycling. Various partners can discuss training for green jobs. Please contact Dan Miner, Sierra Club NY Chair, at 917.319.2924 or beyondoilnyc@yahoo.com or Tamara Milton, Staff, at 212.791.3600 ext.284 or tfm008@bucknell.edu .

A mentoring guide, *Paving the Way to Work: A Guide to Career-Focused Mentoring*, developed by the **U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy's** (ODEP) seeks to find and promote the most effective research-based policies and practices to improve transition outcomes for youth with disabilities. Mentoring is recognized as one of the most important strategies for assisting youth in making a positive transition into adulthood. Both caring adults and peers may play a key role in mentoring. In response to the under-representation of youth with disabilities in most youth development programs, ODEP, in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Labor's Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, launched an initiative to promote mentoring for youth with disabilities in 2004. This Guide is intended for individuals designing mentoring programs for youth, including youth with disabilities, in the transition phase to adulthood. To view this guide, visit: <http://www.ncwd-youth.info/paving-the-way-to-work>.

The **U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services** issued a revised questions-and-answers document to provide states, state and local educational agencies, parents, and other stakeholders with information regarding the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act* requirements relating to individualized education programs (IEPs), evaluations, and reevaluations. The document includes information related to transition: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/speced/guid/idea/iep-qa-2010.pdf> .

NCWD/Youth and the **U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy** released *Cyber Disclosure for Youth with Disabilities*, a supplement to [*The 411 on Disability Disclosure: A Workbook for Youth with Disabilities*](#), which helps youth learn about disability disclosure and what it means for them. Search sites like Google, social networking sites like Facebook, and micro-blogging sites like Twitter have added a new element to disclosure. Now it is possible to disclose disability status on the internet without even being aware of it. This can be as simple as a picture of a person using a wheelchair, a comment on a friends' blog about disability, or a profile posted on a disability organizations website. The goal of this document is to provide youth suggestions on how to make informed decisions about their own disability disclosure and to manage their disclosures online.

Birth certificates issued by the **Puerto Rico Health Department** are valid until September 30, 2010. New York City residents who were born in Puerto Rico can still obtain a copy of the new birth certificate by filling out and mailing a Birth Certificate Application form, or fill out an application online at www.pr.gov. You can apply for your own birth certificate if you are 18 years or older and were born in Puerto Rico. Parents, legal guardians, heirs or a

person authorized by the courts can also request a copy for children under 18 years old. For additional information, call 311.

The **NYC Workforce Investment Board** is launching *WIB Notes*, a new monthly electronic publication that will feature a topic of importance to workforce development, particularly in New York City. Written by David Jason Fischer, WIB vice president for planning and policy, it will also provide a "Reading Digest" of timely articles and studies. The inaugural issue, *The Incredible Shrinking Workforce System*, examines federal funding to New York City under the Workforce Investment Act. To access it go to: <http://www.nyc.gov/wib> .

Walk NYC is a FREE Parks program that encourages New Yorkers of all ages to get fit while enjoying the outdoors. With funding provided by Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield, 30 park locations throughout the City will be staffed with trained walking instructors to lead walks. Anyone can exercise -- it's as easy as getting out to your neighborhood park and taking a walk! For more information, visit <http://www.nyc.gov/parks/walknyc> or call 311.

If you are a victim of human trafficking or would like to report a tip regarding suspected human trafficking, call 911. If you would like more information about human trafficking or would like to learn about how you can help, call 311 or visit www.nyc.gov/humantrafficking.

The Fire Department of New York offers free *bystander CPR training* to all New York City residents. The program takes less than an hour and each participant is given a free CPR training kit to bring home to friends and family. For more information, call 718-9992413 or email Michael Eichler at eichlem@fdny.nyc.gov.

311 recently expanded its on-line presence. **311 On-Line** not only gives you information on a wide range of City services and regulations, from alternate-side parking to licensing to bulk item disposal, but you can also make a complaint on anything from heat to housing and even those annoying yellow curbs that don't mean anything! Just visit nyc.gov and click on the 311 icon on the right side of the screen. The 311 homepage lists general categories to browse to help you find what you're looking for. Or you can type a keyword (like "noise complaints"!) into the search bar on the top. In addition, 311 made friends with the **iPhone!** An app is now available for your iPhone that allows you to report certain troublesome conditions or problems, and even upload photos and video to make it clear exactly what you're talking about. You can obtain the app by searching "NYC 311" in the App Store on your iPhone. Functionality on non-iPhones is in the offing.

The *Affordable Care Act* allows young adults to stay on their parents' health care plan until age 26. Before the President signed this landmark Act into law, many health plans and issuers could and did in fact remove young adults from their parents' policies because of their age, leaving many college graduates and others with no insurance. For a fact sheet on the program, go to: <http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/pdf/fsdependentcoverage.pdf> .

We Are New York is a Web site to help non-English speakers with language skills. Go online to find: 1.the full-length video of each episode; 2. a 36-page study guide for each episode to download and use to practice reading and writing English and 3.the script for each episode to download and use to practice speaking English. All of these materials can be found by visiting <http://www.nyc.gov/LearnEnglish> and clicking on "Episodes".

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Visit the first career website for NYC youth workers: <http://www.AfterschoolPathfinder.org> . Pathfinder is the place where New York's youth workers, trainers and employers connect online and share job, training, educational and career opportunities. [Pathfinder](#) was developed and is operated by **The After-School Corporation TASC**, with the support of **DYCD**, **The Wallace Foundation** and the **Booth Ferris Foundation**. Site users can search job openings for New York City after-school and youth programs, and receive job alerts; post or find training opportunities, and receive training alerts; advertise for staff, and find tools to create winning cover letters and resumes. The site's most exciting feature, however, is an inter-active tool that lets a user describe his or her job and educational experiences, and plot an individualized path toward a career working with youth. [Pathfinder](#) is a useful professional development tool; return to the website regularly to explore its many features and to get up-to-date information.

CAMBA's Respite Bed Program is holding an orientation and training for new volunteers on the evenings of September 21st and 23rd in Park Slope. The training is open to anyone who is interested in serving dinner or

staying overnight at a volunteer-run homeless shelter in Brooklyn, Queens, or Manhattan. If you are caring, dependable, friendly, and interested in helping other people you have all it takes to be a great volunteer. Please contact Henry Tarlow at henryt@camba.org or 347-992-9757 for more information. This training is held monthly.

SRI International announced the completion of an implementation study that looked at programming and the quality of instruction at *21st Century Community Learning Centers*. The centers are part of a federal program originally developed to provide funding to school districts to support continuing education and lifelong learning opportunities. The report findings suggest that there are three key challenges faced by all 21st Century Community Learning Centers: retention of high-quality staff, lack of updated information about students' individual needs, and low attendance rates. Researchers also found that approximately one-third of all centers reported that coordination with staff from the children's school was a challenge to implementing high-quality programming. The percentage was highest among nonschool-based centers. To view the press release, visit: <http://sri.com/news/releases/081110.html>.

A guide developed by The **National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability for Youth** (NCWD/Youth), *Charting the Course: Supporting the Career Development of Youth with Learning Disabilities*, is intended to help practitioners, administrators, and policymakers in secondary and postsecondary education programs, transition programs, One-Stop Career Centers, youth employment programs, and community rehabilitation programs to improve services and outcomes for youth, ages 14 to 25, with diagnosed and undiagnosed learning disabilities. This Guide includes numerous quick reference charts, tables, and tools for counselors, career advisors, and other professionals who work directly with youth. In-depth information is provided on a variety of topics, including the types and impact of learning disabilities, needed supports, and research-based interventions. This Guide is intended to increase awareness of the fact that the workforce development system serves many youth who have learning disabilities that may never have been identified and many others who may know they have a learning disability but choose not to disclose. Although focusing primarily on youth with learning disabilities, many of the strategies and approaches advocated in this Guide, which are premised on universal design, may be of practical use for other youth. To view the guide, visit: <http://www.ncwd-youth.info/ld-guide>.

A report, developed by **Dan Bloom, Saskia Levy Thompson, and Rob Ivry**, *Building a Learning Agenda Around Disconnected Youth*, provides a good summary of findings from evaluations done on second-chance programs. It also discusses best practices and recommendations for filling the "gaps or unmet needs" of the very broadly termed disconnected youth population that are worth looking at. To view the report, visit: <http://www.mdrc.org/publications/545/abstract.html>.

NonProfit HelpDesk (NPHD), a division of JCCGCI, can be helpful to non-profits with fiscal or management challenges. NPHD has launched a full program of certificate courses at Brooklyn College for 2010. Management, staff and board members of nonprofit organizations can attend these courses at no charge. Registration is ongoing at the [NPHD website](#), or by calling 718-449-5000, x 2267.

Habitat for Humanity - New York City is providing free workshops for New York City consumers on the details of the new credit card reforms, how to understand credit reports, tips for improving credit scores and where to go for help when consumers face a credit crisis. They'll give members of a congregation, school, or community group vital information about credit cards and debt. All inquiries are welcome. For more information or to schedule a presentation for a group, please contact Tristan Dreisbach at tdreisbach@habitatnyc.org.

Only 20 percent of 15-year-olds in the United States have the kind of meaningful relationships with adults beyond their family that can help them succeed in life, a new report from the **Search Institute** and the **Best Buy Children's Foundation's @15 program** finds. Based on a survey of more than 1,800 15-year-olds, the report, *Teen Voice 2010: Relationships That Matter to America's Teens* (60 pages, PDF), examines teens' engagement with their passions and interests; the opportunities they have to influence things that matter to them; and their access to high-quality resources and relationships that help them nurture their strengths. The report found that 80 percent of respondents said they have at least one passionate interest that gives their life meaning, focus, energy, and joy. At the same time, only 51 percent of teens scored highly in the "passions and interests" category, indicating that a significant number of teens are not fully engaging with the issues they care about most. And overall, only 7 percent of teens scored highly in all three areas. To download the report, go to: https://www.at15.com/sites/all/themes/at15_v3/_assets/pdf/TeenVoice2010.pdf.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

The **New York Times Company Community Affairs Department**, the **Nonprofit Coordinating Committee of New York** and **Philanthropy New York** are delighted to announce the fifth annual *Nonprofit Excellence Awards*. The Awards recognize the enormously important roles played by thousands of New York's nonprofit organizations in improving our lives and communities. Winning organizations will be recognized for achieving excellence in management at a special Awards Presentation in June, 2011, at The New York Times. Winners will receive cash awards, special mention in The New York Times and a scholarship towards tuition at Social Enterprise Programs in Executive Education at Columbia Business School. All 501(c)(3) nonprofits in the New York City area are invited to apply. This is your opportunity to tell all New Yorkers - and the world - what your organization accomplishes and how you manage to make it possible. What makes your organization unique? And, share your organization's excellent management practices with the nonprofit sector. The application deadline for the 2011 Awards is November 15, 2010. Applications and guidelines are now available online:

<http://nytawards.fcny.org/npea/definition/>. There will be seven Application Clinics and Pathways to Excellence Workshops to review the program's purpose and application process, and to answer applicants' questions. [Please click here to register in advance for your preferred clinic and/or workshop.](#)

In celebration of their first anniversary as the **Brooklyn Community Foundation**, they are launching a borough-wide initiative to recognize some of the many Brooklynites who embody the values of our mission to encourage local giving and community service. The *Brooklyn Do Gooder Awards*, which they hope will be an annual event, invites the larger Brooklyn community to nominate and vote for exceptional individuals--community leaders, workers, activists, volunteers and/or donors -- whose efforts are making Brooklyn a better place everyday. Each winning Brooklyn Do Gooder will receive \$5,000 for the Brooklyn non-profit of his or her choice, and each will be honored at a community celebration on Wednesday evening, November 3, 2010 at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden's Palm House. Go to <http://www.DoGoodRightHere.org> for more information.

The **White House** is accepting applications for its *2011 Internship Program*. This hands-on program is designed to mentor and cultivate today's young leaders, strengthen their understanding of the Executive Office, and prepare them for future public service opportunities. To qualify, applicants must be: a U.S. citizen; at least 18 years of age before the first day of the internship; enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at a college or university, or graduated the previous semester; or a Veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces and has served on active duty at any time over the past two years. The application deadline is February 26, 2011. To obtain additional information and an application, visit: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships>.

The **Youth Channel** offers interns a flexible schedule, hands-on learning and prime exposure to community media television and media literacy. Individuals interested or involved in youth media, media-arts or filmmaking and who have a passion to create and promote media around social and political issues that matter to young people are encouraged to apply. Interns must commit 10-15 hours/week between 10:00 am – 6:00 pm, Monday - Friday. Some hours during weekday evenings or on the weekends may be required according to the event and production calendar. The minimum commitment required is 3 months. See the application for complete details. The application deadline is September 17, 2010, 5:00 pm. Interested applicants should read and complete the Internship Application available at www.youthchannel.org and return it with a resume and brief letter of interest to youth@youthchannel.org or fax to 212-757-1603 attn: Youth Channel Internships.

The **American Management Association (AMA)** and **Leader to Leader Institute Scholarship Program** assists social-sector non-profit organizations in developing strong leadership. The AMA Scholarship is designed to provide non-profit leaders with an opportunity to step out of the day-to-day, interact with peers across sectors, and develop practical skills they can apply immediately within their organizations. Maximum award: one-year scholarship. Employees of 501(c)3 organizations with a minimum of 3 years of work experience in the social sector are eligible to apply. The application deadline is December 15, 2010. For more information, go to: <http://www.leadertoleader.org/collaboration/ama/index.html>.

The **NAMM Foundation**, a non-profit organization with the mission of advancing active, lifelong music making through scientific research, philanthropic giving, and public service programs, is accepting applications for its *2011 President's Innovation Award* to support undergraduate and graduate students pursuing careers in the music products industry. The cash award supports qualified college students attending NAMM's annual global music products trade show "The NAMM Show," in Anaheim, California, January 13-16, 2011, where they will be invited to

participate in a special collegiate program offering advice, mentoring, and networking with industry laureates and professionals. The submission date for the award is September 30. Visit the NAMM Foundation website for complete program information: <http://www.nammfoundation.org/>.

The **Doris Duke Charitable Foundation** and **Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago**, a research center focused on child and family policy, have launched the *Doris Duke Fellowships for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect* for doctoral and dissertation students. The new program aims to identify and nurture promising leaders in child abuse prevention. Fellows can be based at any academic institution in the United States and will be selected through an open national competition. Because the prevention of child maltreatment requires knowledge and collaboration from and among diverse fields, the program is multidisciplinary in scope and approach, with the range of academic disciplines including but not limited to social work, public health, medicine, public policy, education, and economics. Fellows will work on a variety of issues, such as designing programs that attract and retain the most vulnerable families, creating strategies that better connect public and private efforts, and applying empirical evidence to improve practice and policy. Selected fellows will be mentored by leaders in the field and professors, participate in a collegial network for fellows, attend an annual knowledge sharing meeting, and take part in presentation and training opportunities. The program will consist of two cohorts of fifteen fellows with two-year terms, the first starting in the fall of 2011 and the second starting in the fall of 2012. Each fellow will receive an annual stipend of \$25,000. Applications for the fall 2011 cohort will be accepted from August 15 to December 15, 2010. For further information and application instructions, visit the Chapin Hall website: <http://www.ddcf.org/>.