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## DYCD CALENDAR AND EVENTS

**\*\*April 1** –2007 New York City Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) applications are available online. The deadline for submitting the form is May 18. SYEP is open to New York City residents between the ages of 14 through 21. For the first time, applications may be filled out and submitted online. For additional information, go to: <http://nyc.gov/html/dycd/> .

**\*\*April 9** – The deadline to submit proposals under the Notice of Intent to Negotiate for Technical Assistance and Capacity Building (TACB) Services. For more information, go to <http://www.nyc.gov/dycd> .

**\*\*April 13** – The deadline to submit comments on the Service Learning Initiative Concept Paper. To review the Concept Paper, go to <http://www.nyc.gov> .

**\*\*April 17** – DYCD is sponsoring a celebration in commemoration of the City's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Immigrant History Week (April 16-22) at Federal Hall from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Awards will be presented to outstanding honorees nominated by our immigrant services community-based organizations. All are invited. An Immigrant History Week calendar may be downloaded at <http://www.nyc.gov/immigrants> .

**\*\*April 19** – Neighborhood Advisory Board (NAB) Bronx 4 will hold a Town Hall meeting from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. at the Bronx Economic Development Office, 198 East 161<sup>st</sup> Street, Bronx, New York. This series of forums signals a new approach for involving the local NABs in advising DYCD in the allocation of CSBG funding. The 43 local Neighborhood Advisory Boards (NABs) help DYCD stay informed about community needs and service gaps, and help determine which programs will be funded. For more information, please contact DYCD at 212-442-5880, or visit us online at: <http://www.nyc.gov/dycd> .

**\*\*April 20** – The deadline to submit comments on the Young Adult Internship Program (YAIP) Concept Paper. To review the Concept Paper, go to <http://www.nyc.gov> .

**\*\*April 25** – DYCD will host a Building Bridges forum for Staten Island community-based organizations. Panel presentations will describe the process to obtain funding from various sources, and roundtable discussions will offer participants and DYCD program staff the opportunity to interact. It will be held in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor auditorium from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon. To RSVP, contact April Chambers 212-442-6009.

**\*\*May 18** – The DYCD Scholars Application for Fall 2007 is available now online. It is a two-year college credit certificate program for youth workers, sponsored by DYCD in collaboration with CUNY's JFK, Jr. Institute for Worker Education. Through scholarships supported by The Wallace Foundation, selected staff of DYCD's Beacon and Out-of-School Time funded programs will have the opportunity to earn a certificate in Youth Studies and 12 college credits. For additional information, go to: <http://nyc.gov/html/dycd/> .

## PROGRAM UPDATES

### **\*\* Out-of-School Time (OST) Community Meetings Held**

On March 15, DYCD's OST unit held a forum in the Rockaway Community with local provider organizations to discuss concerns about violence and gang activity in the area, and the affect on local youth and the community as a whole. Staff members from the Council for Unity, a community based organization that specializes in gang prevention and at-risk youth, shared their anti-violence program approach. As a result of this meeting, OST providers intend to collaborate to bring awareness to the increasing level of violence in the Rockaways and will host a Town Hall Meeting in the near future.

On March 13, OST held a Region 7 meeting at the Staten Island Children's Museum for program directors and supervisors. The meeting was attended by 27 staff from over 20 OST providers. Presentations were made by the Staten Island Children's Museum, the Staten Island Zoo, and Arts Horizons regarding their program and services. Additionally, a representative from the Department of Education Region 7 office discussed positive relationship-building between OST providers and the schools. The subsequent break-out sessions gave providers an opportunity to discuss best practices and resolve concerns.

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### **\*\*FOR YOUTH\*\***

The **United States Golf Association** offers grants to make golf more affordable and accessible through its ongoing *For the Good of the Game* Grants Program. This annual initiative focuses on positively impacting young people (minorities, girls, the economically disadvantaged, and others with limited access to the game of golf) and individuals with disabilities through instructional programming and golf facility construction projects, as well as caddie and other work-based programs. The USGA will consider funding requests for the following items: course and practice range access; golf instruction; golf equipment, including adaptive golf equipment for individuals with disabilities; transportation provided for participants to attend programming; and certain construction costs for alternative, beginner-friendly golf courses and golf facilities in areas where there are obstacles to affordable access to the game. The amount and duration of grants awarded vary greatly based on the type of organization, proposal, and needs specified. The application deadline is July 6. Visit the USGA Web site: <http://www.usga.org/> for complete program information, examples of funded projects, and application materials.

The **Department of Health and Human Services** announces the availability of funds for *Adolescent Family Life (AFL) Demonstration Projects*. Under the Title XX statute, the primary purpose of AFL prevention demonstration programs is to find effective means, within the context of the family, of reaching pre-adolescent and adolescent children before they become sexually active to encourage them to abstain from premarital sexual activity. The OAPP also encourages reaching out to those adolescents who may have already become sexually active to encourage them to return to abstinence and support them in doing so. Early initiation of sexual activity brings not only the risk of adolescent pregnancy, but also substantial health risks, primarily STIs, including HIV/ AIDS. Adolescent sexual activity is also associated with a host of other problems, such as poor school performance, delinquency, substance use and depression. The submission deadline or proposals is June 1. For more information, go to: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppld=13326>

The **Avon Foundation's** *Helping Children of Domestic Violence Grant* program is seeking proposals from nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations and agencies that assist children who have been exposed to domestic violence. For 2007, the Avon Foundation has identified three strategic priorities. An organization must quantify its work under one or more of these strategic priorities in order to be considered: 1) coordinated response models between domestic violence organizations and child abuse agencies; 2) programs that enable teens to develop and create materials and resources to help other teens speak out against domestic violence; and 3) safety planning or counseling for children who are not residing in domestic violence shelters. All program models must have the capacity to be replicated in other communities and

cities. Grant amounts will range from \$10,000 to \$50,000, depending on the size, scope, and impact of the program proposed. The submission deadline is May 1. Visit the Avon Foundation Web site for complete program guidelines and application instructions: <http://www.avonfoundation.org/>.

**Target** is accepting applications from organizations in communities where the company does business for its *Local Store Grants* program. Applications are accepted from nonprofit programs that impact any of the following areas: arts; early childhood reading; and family violence prevention. Arts grants are awarded to programs that bring the arts to schools or make it affordable for families to participate in cultural experiences. Early childhood reading grants support programs that promote a love of reading and encourage children, from birth through age nine, to read together with their families. Family violence prevention grants support programs that strengthen families by preventing or reducing the cycle of family violence. The average grant amount is between \$1,000 and \$3,000. The submission deadline is May 31. To learn more and apply online, visit the Target Web site: <http://www.target.com/>.

The **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** invites research proposals through its *Active Living Research* to focus on children's physical activity. The current call for proposals aims to increase the understanding of how environments and policies affect children's physical activity in community and school settings. Grants will be awarded for two research topics: 1) examination of how children's and parents' perceptions of community and recreation environments are related to objective attributes of the environments and how those perceptions affect their desire to use the environments for physical activity; and 2) evaluation of policy interventions to promote physical activity in schools. Research funded under this call for proposals will inform the foundation's efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by 2015. For research topic 1, grants of up to \$150,000 total over one to two years are available. For topic 2, grants of up to \$200,000 total over one to two years are available. Funds also are available for doctoral dissertation awards. May 16 is the deadline for submission. Visit the RWJF Web site for complete program details: <http://www.rwjf.org/>.

The **New York City Department of Education** (NYCDOE), on behalf of the **Office of School Intervention and Development**, is seeking proposals from organizations with the demonstrated effectiveness to provide high quality services that promote safe and supportive school communities. Organizations may respond to one or more of the following areas: 1) behavior management; 2) bullying prevention and intervention, including cyber bullying; 3) bias and promotion of respect for diversity; 4) conflict resolution; and/or 5) facilitation skills and/or services.

Proposals from providers are sought who can offer such services in one or more of the following: 1) Component A: Professional Development for School Staff; 2) Component B: Direct Services to Students; 3) Component C: Parent Workshops. Successful providers will offer a range of positive and engaging models that impart pro-social knowledge, attitudes, social emotional learning and life skills and build the capacity of school staff, students and parents to promote and sustain safe and supportive schools for all students. A pre-proposal conference will be held on: April 9 at 2:00 P.M. at St. Francis College— Founders Hall 182 Remsen Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201. Please bring a copy of the RFP with you to the conference. The submission deadline is April 24 at 11:30 A.M. To view the RFP go to: <http://schools.nyc.gov/offices/dcp/contracts/rfp/rfp1c609.pdf>.

The **Captain Planet Foundation** funds hands-on environmental projects involving children and young adults in communities across the United States. All projects must promote understanding of environmental issues, focus on hands-on involvement, involve children and young adults between the ages of 6 and 18 (elementary through high school), promote interaction and cooperation within the group, help young people develop planning and problem solving skills, include adult supervision, and commit to follow-up communication with the foundation. Generally, grant amounts will range between \$250 and \$2,500. The upcoming deadlines for submitting grant applications are June 30, September 30, and December 31. For complete program information and an online application form, visit the Captain Planet Foundation Web site: <http://www.captainplanetfdn.org/>.

#### **\*\*COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT\*\***

The **WHO Foundation: Women Helping Others** supports grassroots charities in the United States and Puerto Rico serving the overlooked needs of women and children. Specific projects and programs addressing health, education, and social service needs are the foundation's priority. The Foundation

recognizes the value of new programs created to respond to changing needs and will consider funding projects of an original or pioneering nature within an existing organization. Organizations must have been incorporated for a minimum of three years prior to application. Preference will be given to organizations with an operating budget of \$3 million or less, those not dependent on government grants, and those with greater program than personnel costs. The application deadline is September 11. Visit the foundation's Web site: <http://www.whofoundation.org/> for program guidelines, application materials, and an FAQ.

The **Open Meadows Foundation** is a grant-making organization for projects that are led by and benefit women and girls. The foundation offers grants of up to \$2,000 each for projects that are designed and implemented by women and girls; reflect the diversity of the community served by the project in both its leadership and organization; promote building community power; promote racial, social, economic, and environmental justice; have limited financial access or have encountered obstacles in their search for funding. In addition to its general grant fund, Open Meadows has six special funds that are targeted to specific groups and/or for specific activities: the Jeanne Meurer Indigenous Women's Fund; the Ellen Dougherty Activist Fund for Young Women; the Edie Windsor Fund for Old Lesbians; the India Fund; the PatsyLu Fund for Women's Music Projects; and the Susan F. Eastman Fund for Environmental Activists. Small and start-up organizations are strongly encouraged to apply. Organizations with a total organizational budget of more than \$150,000 will not be considered. Preference is given to first-time applicants. Film and video projects will be considered only after the film/video is complete. The submission deadline is August 15. See the Open Meadows Foundation Web site: <http://www.openmeadows.org/> for complete program information and application procedures.

## RESOURCES

*Promoting Healthy Families in Your Community: 2007 Resource Packet* is available now. Developed for service providers, the packet highlights strategies to strengthen families by promoting key protective factors that prevent child abuse and neglect. It also includes tip sheets in both English and Spanish to share with parents. The Resource Packet is produced annually by the **Department of Health and Human Services' Children's Bureau, Office on Child Abuse and Neglect** (OCAN), its **Child Welfare Information Gateway**, and the **FRIENDS National Resource Center on Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention**. The 2007 Resource Packet was developed with input from nearly 30 national organizations that work to promote healthy families. The packet and corresponding poster can be downloaded or ordered at [http://www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/res\\_packet\\_2007](http://www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/res_packet_2007) or by contacting Child Welfare Information Gateway at 1.800.394.3366 or [info@childwelfare.gov](mailto:info@childwelfare.gov).

Small and growing nonprofits are always looking to save money by finding donated or low-cost computers, software, phone service, furniture, etc. The **Faith and Service Technical Education Network** (FASTEN) has gathered information about free and low-cost items that nonprofits may be able to get through a variety of organizations and associations. To view the list of organizations and the services they provide to nonprofits, please visit the Fasten Web site: <http://www.fastennetwork.org/Display.asp?Page=FreeStuff> .

New and emerging nonprofit organizations that want to work toward greater stability and effectiveness can now refer to a helpful, new benchmarking tool on the **Compassion Capital Fund** Web site. Staff and board leaders can use this tool to establish priorities for strengthening an organization's infrastructure and identify the most important next steps needed to build capacity. This tool can be re-used to track progress and focus the organization on achieving new capacities. View online at: [http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccf/resources/benchmarking\\_tool/cpct\\_toc.html](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccf/resources/benchmarking_tool/cpct_toc.html)

In 2005, the **New York State Office of Children and Family Services** established a task force to develop state-wide juvenile justice indicators that could support local and state planning. The Task Force has just released *Widening the Lens: A Panoramic View of Juvenile Justice in New York State*, which includes the state's first-ever set of multi-agency juvenile justice indicators. With local-level data for every New York County, this report will enable stakeholders at every level to conduct collaborative system-wide analyses, identify areas ripe for reform, and develop appropriate responses. View online at: [http://www.vera.org/publications/publications\\_5.asp?publication\\_id=381](http://www.vera.org/publications/publications_5.asp?publication_id=381) .

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*\*June 8 – YouthBridge-NY** will be convening its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Summit 2007: *Express Yourself! Diverse Teens Taking Charge*. This conference convenes the best and brightest high school student leaders in our city for a day of key note speakers, workshops, and trainings. We are asking you to select up to 7 high school students in grades nine through eleven to participate. You must register them online or by fax. Please register your students online at <http://www.youthbridgeny.org/summit-forstudents.htm> no later than April 25. All students must receive permission from a parent or guardian to attend the summit; for a permission form, go to: [http://www.youthbridgeny.org/Parent\\_Permission\\_Slip.doc](http://www.youthbridgeny.org/Parent_Permission_Slip.doc). Please send a completed and signed permission slip for each student who you are registering. Space is limited to the first three hundred student leaders and fifty faculty members who register. If you have any questions, please contact Elana or [bekermane@jrcrcny.org](mailto:bekermane@jrcrcny.org).

**\*\*April 10 – Baruch College, School of Public Affairs, Nonprofit Group** will hold a Nonprofit Seminar: *Technology for Nonprofits* led by Gale A. Brewer, Councilmember - District 6 Chair, City Council Committee on Technology in Government, from 4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. at the Newman Conference Center, 151 East 25<sup>th</sup> Street (between Lexington and Third Avenues) 7th floor, Room 750. RSVP by email to: [nonprofit\\_workshops@baruch.cuny.edu](mailto:nonprofit_workshops@baruch.cuny.edu) or by phone at 646-660-6743. The Seminar is free but space is limited and an RSVP is required.

**\*\*April 19 and May 25 – The Hispanic Outreach Taskforce Committee of the Upper Manhattan Office of the American Cancer Society** will be offering free mammograms from 8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. at 1854 Amsterdam Avenue (corner of 152<sup>nd</sup> Street) at the Avon Breast Imaging Center van. This is in conjunction with the Columbia University Breast Cancer Screening Partnership and NYPMC. For an appointment, call: 1-800-564-6868.

**\*\*April 21 – The After-School Corporation (TASC) and Children for Children** invite you to join after-school programs in a Walk-a-thon (on-site registration available) to benefit the American Diabetes Association and to promote obesity prevention to commemorate National and Global Youth Service Day. Additionally, all New York kids and families are invited to *Come Out to Play* in Van Cortlandt Park from 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Lend a hand to refurbishing historic Van Cortlandt Stadium. Enjoy outdoor games including handball and Double Dutch, and join the New York Knicks in a free-throw contest. There will be free health screenings and nutritional workshops for all ages. Directions: Take the 1/9 trains to 242 St/Van Cortlandt Park, enter the park through the Stadium Entrance at 241 Street. For more information, contact: Shammara Wright at 212-506-0004, or [swright@tascorp.org](mailto:swright@tascorp.org); or Alex Buckley at 212-850-4173 or [alex@childrenforchildren.org](mailto:alex@childrenforchildren.org).

**\*\*April 24 – The Partnership for After School Education (PASE)** will hold a free *Forum on Summer Literacy and Learning Programs for Youth* from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. at the Baruch College Vertical Campus; 55 Lexington Avenue, 14th floor (at 24th Street). Come share your summer camp program ideas and learn best practices for summer programming from other practitioners and specialists. Choose from a variety of workshops where you can get some more cool ideas and fun activities for running your summer youth program before it starts! This Forum is a great way to experience easy and unique ways of making summer learning fun! All staff levels are welcome. Register for this event at <http://www.pasesetter.org>.

**\*\*April 25 -** In partnership with the **Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP)**, an audioconference will be held at 3:00P.M. and will highlight cities that have created successful formal systems to share youth data between social services, juvenile justice, law enforcement, education, and workforce agencies. Panelists from Hartford, CT; Indianapolis, IN; and San Jose, CA will discuss integrated database systems and community networks as potential data-sharing strategies. To register, please e-mail or fax your name, title, organization, mailing address (including street, city, state and zip), telephone, fax and e-mail. No telephone registrations can be accepted. You may e-mail your registration to [fellow@nlc.org](mailto:fellow@nlc.org) or fax to 202-626-3043.

**\*\*May 1 - Join ACT for Youth** at its 2007 Annual Youth Development Conference, to be held in Albany. The theme this year is *Making Positive Youth Development Happen: Everyone Has a Role to Play!* and will

offer skill-building workshops with a special focus on how to engage different sectors of the community in your youth development work. Keynote speaker, Ivan J. Juzang of MEE Productions, will talk about making a difference with the hip hop generation. For more information and registration, visit: <http://www.actforyouth.net> . For offline registration contact Amy Breese, ACT for Youth Center of Excellence, [act4youth@cornell.edu](mailto:act4youth@cornell.edu) or 607-255-7736. ACT for Youth advances positive youth development in New York State communities.

**\*\*July 11-13** - The **New York Gang Investigators Association** is pleased to announce its 1st Annual 2007 *New York State Gang Training Conference* to be held at the Holiday Inn and Conference Center, Saratoga Springs, NY. This training conference will provide the most current and reliable street gang information available. The NYGIA has gathered an array of speakers from throughout the United States that will focus on the recognition and identification of Bloods, Crips, Latino Gangs, Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs, Female Gang Members and other street and prison gangs. They will also have special guest speakers that will focus on Intervention and Prevention strategies for at-risk youth. Registration fee is \$150 when submitted by June 1; late registration is \$175. For further conference information, contact Lianne Archer at [nygiamanagers@gmail.com](mailto:nygiamanagers@gmail.com) or 914-494-9005. The NYGIA Web site is: <http://www.nygia.org> .

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

**Enterprise Community Partners** and the **Freedom Forum** have announced the *2007 Excellence in Urban Journalism Award*. It is intended to encourage and recognize quality reporting on major issues facing the United States' urban areas, particularly inner cities. Two winners will be selected to receive the award and a check for \$2,500. Each entry must involve a news report regarding an urban issue in the United States. Topics may include, but are not limited to, affordable housing, community development, homelessness, child care, and after-effects of disasters that have left people homeless and communities destroyed. The entry should examine how a city or community has been affected by a situation. Ideally, the entry should include reporting on the outcome or resolution of the situation or show responses through editorials, letters to the editor, etc. The entry may be a single article or broadcast or series of articles or broadcasts, and must have been published or broadcast during the 2006 calendar year. The deadline is May 31. Applications are available at the Enterprise Community Partners Web site: <http://www.enterprisecommunity.org/> .

The **U.S. Conference of Mayors**, **DuPont Cities**, and the **United for Science Progress** will reward cities for taking direct action (*2007 Lead-Safe...for Kids' Sake!*) to lessen the occurrence of childhood lead poisoning. The program sponsors are interested in hearing how applicants plan to maximize the impact of grant funds through public/private partnerships and other creative leveraging approaches. Awards will be presented at the U.S. Conference of Mayors Annual Meeting, June 24-26, in Los Angeles. The deadline for applications is April 20. For further information, go to: <http://www.usmayors.org/> .

The City is currently accepting applications for 13 week paid and non-paid summer internship positions. There is no centralized internship processing center; interested applicants should forward a cover letter and résumé via fax or email to the specific City department that they have an interest in; each department has a contact person who will respond to inquiries. A list of participating departments may be obtained online at <http://www.nyc.gov/internships> .