

NOTICES

Grants Available for Schools, Libraries, and Community Groups

Youth Service America and Disney: Disney Minnie Grants – This grant program is designed for youth across the globe to implement service projects on National and Global Youth Service Day, April 21-23, 2006. Maximum Award: \$500. Eligibility: youth (age 5-14) or teachers, schools, and organizations that oversee them. **Deadline: Jan. 13, 2006.**

http://www.ysa.org/awards/award_grant.cfm#nowavailable

American Library Association and NEH – The “We the People Bookshelf” program encourages young people to read and understand great literature while exploring themes in American history. Public and school (K-12) libraries are invited to apply to be among the 1,000 libraries selected to receive free books. **Deadline: Jan. 17, 2006.**

<http://www.ala.org/ala/ppo/currentprograms/wethepeople/wepeople.htm>

Youth Nutrition and Fitness Grant Program – General Mills Foundation champions Youth Nutrition and Fitness Grant Program to encourage communities in the United States to improve the eating and physical activity patterns of young people, age 2-20. Grants will be awarded to non-profit organizations and agencies working with communities that demonstrate the greatest need and likelihood of sustainable impact on young people's nutrition and activity levels through innovative programs. Maximum Award: \$10,000. Eligibility: community-based groups. **Deadline: Feb. 1, 2006.**

<http://www.generalmills.com/corporate/commitment/champions.aspx>

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Knowledge River Recruiting for Fall 2006 Class

The University of Arizona School of Information Resources and Library Science (SIRLS) is pleased to announce it is now recruiting students for Knowledge River – a master's degree program leading to an exciting career as an information professional, focusing on the information and library needs and perspectives of Hispanics and American Indians.

Students accepted into Knowledge River will receive full tuition and a generous graduate assistantship or stipend for one academic year, in addition to other special program features.

A bachelor's degree in any field is acceptable. **The application deadline is April 1, 2006.**

Knowledge River has an innovative program design, with culturally relevant courses, professional development, academic support, and the chance to

go through the program with a large peer group.

Now starting our fifth year, we will admit 15 new students to Knowledge River for fall 2006. All eligibility requirements and application procedures can be found on our Web site – <http://knowledge.river.arizona.edu>.

Students wishing to be considered for Knowledge River must be accepted into the SIRLS graduate program. All application materials are online at the SIRLS Web site.

To contact SIRLS for information or questions, call 520-621-3565 or visit www.sir.arizona.edu.

Please contact us directly for additional information or any questions you might have concerning Knowledge River at 520-621-3958 or e-mail kriver@sbs.mail.arizona.edu.

“The battle for Indian children will be won in the classroom, not on the streets or on horses. The students of today are our warriors of tomorrow.”

Wilma P. Mankiller, Cherokee

“The world is constantly changing. One of the strengths of Indian people has been our adaptability. In today's world, education is what we need to survive. We need doctors, lawyers, teachers, scientists.

“We can become these things and still live in a cultural way. We need to live in two worlds, the educated world and the Indian cultural world.

“Education will help protect our land, our people's health, and provide knowledge for our people. We must teach reading, writing, and arithmetic. Also, we must teach the language, the culture, the ceremony, and the tradition of our people.”

Interested in Natural Resources? This Scholarship is for You

**Intertribal Timber Council Scholarship Announcement
for Native American/Alaska Native Natural Resources Students**

Deadline: March 31, 2006

Award: \$1,800 for college students (number of awards varies per year); \$1,200 for graduating senior high school students

Purpose: The Truman D. Picard Scholarship Program is dedicated to the support of Native American students pursuing higher education in natural resources.

- **High school seniors:** Please provide documented proof of application to an institution of higher education to study in the area of natural resources, along with your most recent grades.
- **College students:** If you are currently enrolled in a higher education program, please provide documented proof of study in the area of natural resources, along with your most recent grades.

Required Material:

- Letter of application demonstrating (1) an interest in natural resources, (2) a commitment to education, community/culture, (3) academic merit, and (4) financial need. The Education Committee reviews and ranks each applicant. All four points should be addressed in the letter, which can be up to two pages in length.
- Résumé
- Three letters of reference
- Validated enrollment in a federally recognized tribe or Native Alaska corporation, as established by the U.S. government

All information requested must be received by the close of business March 31, 2006 (5 p.m. Pacific Standard Time) to be considered. This information can also be found at our Web site – www.itcnet.org.

Inquiries and applications should be directed to the Intertribal Timber Council office:

Intertribal Timber Council
Attn: Education Committee
1112 NE 21st Ave.
Portland, OR 97232-2114
503-282-4296

Udall Foundation Offers Native American Congressional Internships

A program of the Morris K. Udall Foundation (www.udall.gov/), the Native American Congressional Internship Program provides American Indians and Alaska Natives with an insider's view of the federal government.

The 10-week internship in Washington, D.C., places students in Senate and House offices, committees, Cabinet departments, and the White House, where they are able to observe government decision-making processes firsthand. **The deadline to apply is Jan. 31, 2006.**

In 2006, the foundation expects to award 12 internships on the basis of merit

to American Indians and Alaska Natives who are college juniors or seniors, recent graduates from tribal or four-year colleges, or graduate or law students; and have demonstrated an interest in fields related to tribal public policy, such as tribal governance; tribal law; natural resource protection; and Native American education, health, justice, and economic development.

For program guidelines and application materials, visit the Morris K. Udall Foundation's Web site.

RFP link: <http://fconline.fdncenter.org/pnd/5000911/udall>

[grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov)

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