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*This Opportunity Forecast highlights opportunities for the next two months. The information listed is what was available to the author at the time of publishing, there are more opportunities that may not be listed below. For entire listing of federal funding opportunities please visit [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov).*

## **Pine Ridge Reservation Opportunities**

### **Super Saturday Free Tax Preparation - Porcupine**

February 6, 2016; Porcupine College Center, Porcupine, SD

Description: Get your taxes done for FREE by IRS-certified volunteers. Bring all of your tax forms and current identification. This service will be provided from 9:30am-3:30pm on a first come, first served basis. However, appointments are recommended. Call Inez Spencer at 605-455-2500 to make an appointment.

Sponsor: Lakota Funds

### **Global Press Institute-Become a Reporter**

Global Press Institute offering a training-to-employment program for women in developing media markets. No prior journalism experience is required as we offer all trainees our original, award-winning journalism training program. Applicants should be aware that if selected they will be offered full or part-time employment at the completion of the training program so must have a minimum of 20 hours per week to dedicate to a contract.

Geographic Coverage: Tribal nations including Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, SD; Cherokee Nation, OK; Blackfeet Indian Reservation, MT.  
Application Deadline February 15.

Sponsor: Global Press Institute

**Pathways – First Time Homebuyer**

Classes held: February 13, 2016 and March 12, 2016 at Thunder Valley Community Development Corporation near Sharps Corner.

Sponsor: Thunder Valley Community Development Corporation

Contact: Star Means

**Credit When Credit is Due**

Classes held February 27, 2016 at Thunder Valley Community Development Corporation near Sharps Corner

Sponsor: Thunder Valley Community Development Corporation

**Veteran's Stand Down**

March 1, 2016

Little Wound School

Sponsor: Black Hills Health Care System

**Financial Literacy**

Classes held March 26, 2016 in Oglala, SD, Location: TBD

Sponsor: Thunder Valley Community Development Corporation

## **Federal and State Opportunities**

**Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (TMIECHV) Program: Development and Implementation Grants**

Grants to tribes for community needs assessments; planning, adopting, implementing, expanding, enhancing, and sustaining of evidence-based maternal, infant, and early childhood home visiting programs; and to provide high-quality home visiting programs.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Letter of Intent (Optional): February 6, 2016

Application Deadline: March 23, 2016

Sponsor: Administration for Children and Families

**Accountable Health Communities Model**

Grant objective is to test whether screening beneficiaries for health-related social needs and associated referrals to and navigation of community-based services will improve quality and affordability in Medicare and Medicaid.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Letter of Intent (Required): February 8, 2016

Application Deadline: March 31, 2016

**Seeds of Native Health**

Supports Native American tribes and organizations working to eliminate food insecurity; promote access to fresh and healthy foods; and provide increased access to nutritional programs.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: February 11, 2016

Sponsor: First Nations Development Institute

**[Suicide Prevention Lifeline Crisis Center Follow-Up](#)**

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Mental Health Services, is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2016 Suicide Prevention Lifeline Crisis Center Follow-Up grants. The purpose of the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline Crisis Center Follow-Up program is to promote systematic follow-up of suicidal persons who call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (NSPL) network and those that are discharged from a partnering emergency department. Anticipated Award Amount: Up to \$115,000 per year.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: February 11, 2016

Sponsor: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

**[Underground Storage Tank Compliance Assistance and Training Support in Indian Country](#)**

Funding to promote the prevention of releases from federally-regulated underground storage tanks (USTs) in Indian country and the compliance of UST facilities in Indian country with federal regulation

Geographic coverage: National

Application Deadline: February 11, 2016

Sponsor: Environmental Protection Agency

**[Christopher Reeve Foundation Quality of Life Grants](#)**

Grants to nonprofit organizations that provide services to individuals with paralysis, with special consideration given to wounded military and their families.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: February 16, 2016

Sponsor: Christopher Reeve Foundation

**[Cool & Connected: Announcement of Federal Planning Assistance for Broadband and Sustainable Community Development](#)**

Communities interested in using broadband service to help revitalize small-town main streets and promote economic development are encouraged to apply for Cool & Connected, a pilot program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service and EPA's Office of Sustainable Communities.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Letter of Interest Deadline: February 24, 2016

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**[Office on Violence Against Women Grants for Outreach and Services to Underserved Populations](#)**

Program goals are to develop and implement outreach strategies targeted at, and provide victim services to, adult and youth victims of domestic

violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking in underserved populations.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Letter of Intent (Optional): February 18, 2016

Application Deadline: March 9, 2016

Sponsor: Office on Violence Against Women

**Connections for Cardiovascular Health**

Provides grants to nonprofit organizations working to improve cardiovascular health at the community level.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: February 25, 2016

Sponsor: AstraZeneca Healthcare Foundation

**Great Plains Center for Agricultural Health Community Outreach/Education Grants**

Funding to enhance capacity to deliver evidence-based agricultural health programs.

Geographic coverage: Iowa, Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Letter of Intent (Optional): March 1, 2016

Application Deadline: April 3, 2016

Sponsor: Great Plains Center for Agricultural Health

**Telehealth Resource Center Grant Program**

Supports the establishment and development of Telehealth Resource Centers (TRCs) which provide technical assistance to health care organizations, health care networks, and health care providers in the implementation of telehealth programs to serve rural and medically underserved areas and populations.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: March 4, 2016

Sponsor: Office for the Advancement of Telehealth

**Native Youth and Culture Fund (NYCF)**

This program focuses on youth, and incorporating culture and tradition to address social issues in Native communities. First Nations will award approximately 20 grants to Native organizations and tribes seeking ways to preserve, strengthen and/or renew Native culture and tradition among Native youth. Eligible entities include but are not limited to federal- and state-recognized tribal governments, tribally-run programs, tribal colleges and Native American-controlled 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations. Our focus is tribal communities.

Application Deadline: March 9, 2016

Sponsor: First Nations Development Institute

**Rural Health Research Center Cooperative Agreement**

Grants to increase the amount of high quality, impartial, policy-relevant research to assist decision-makers to better understand problems faced by

rural communities, and provide information that will improve access to healthcare and population health.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: March 14, 2016

Sponsor: Federal Office of Rural Health Policy

#### **[Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program Grants](#)**

Provides grants to improve telemedicine services and distance learning services in rural areas through the use of telemedicine, computer networks, and related advanced technologies.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: March 14, 2016

Sponsor: USDA Rural Development

#### **[Strengthening Working Families Initiative: FOA-ETA-16-05](#)**

The U.S. Department of Labor will make approximately \$25 million in grant funds to address education and training barriers for low- to middle-skilled parents by prioritizing the needs of this targeted population; addressing child care needs for parents seeking education and training; and bridging the gap between the workforce development and child care systems. To accommodate a range of applicants and models, there is no designated minimum amount for which communities may apply.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: March 16, 2016

Sponsor: U.S. Department of Labor

#### **[Medica Foundation Behavioral Health Grant Program](#)**

Provides funds for programs that help people with serious mental illness and addictions recover and lead productive lives.

Geographic coverage: Minnesota, western Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota

Application Deadline: March 25, 2016

Sponsor: Medica

#### **[Wal-Mart National Giving Program](#)**

Grants to organizations working in the area of hunger relief and nutrition, sustainability, women's economic empowerment, or career opportunities.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: Walmart Foundation

## **Helpful Tools and Learning Opportunities**

### **[USDA Announces Webinar Schedule for the Distance Learning & Telemedicine Grant Program](#)**

On February 18th (1 – 3 pm EST) the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) will host webinars focused on the Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) Grant Program. These webinars will inform participants about the major eligibility and regulatory requirements of the program and will provide detailed

guidance on how to submit a successful grant application. To preregister, please contact Deborah Anderson or Gayle Buckner at (202) 720-0800 or email: [Deborah.Anderson@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:Deborah.Anderson@wdc.usda.gov) and [Gayle.Buckner@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:Gayle.Buckner@wdc.usda.gov)

### **Strengthening Tribal Laws to Protect Native Women and Families**

Participants will walk away with specific strategies and resource tools for developing tribal laws supporting victim safety and batterer accountability. Participants will receive copies of the three updated tribal code development resources on Sexual Assault and Stalking; Domestic Violence; and exercising increased tribal authority under TLOA/VAWA.

Dates: February 29 – March 1, 2016

Location: Double Tree Suites, Santa Monica, CA

Contact: Tribal Law and Policy Institute, <http://www.home.tlpi.org>

### **Incorporating Indigenous Traditions and Practice in Our Work with Victim/Survivors**

Participants will walk away with specific strategies and resource tools for incorporating Indigenous Traditions and Practices and will be provided with copies of the Video and Video Guidebook for Listen to Our Grandmothers: Utilizing Cultural Traditions in Our Response to Violence Against Indian Women.

Dates: February 29 – March 1, 2016

Location: Double Tree Suites, Santa Monica, CA

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## **Youth and Educational Opportunities**

### **Dakota Corps Scholarship Program**

Offers scholarships to South Dakota students who plan to remain in the state upon completion of their education, including students who are pursuing careers as registered nurses.

Geographic coverage: South Dakota

Application Deadline: February 1, 2016

Sponsor: South Dakota Board of Regents

### **Lowe's Toolbox for Education Program**

Provides grants for school improvement projects, including school gardens, physical fitness areas, and walking trails.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: February 12, 2016

Sponsor: Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation

### **NURSE Corps Loan Repayment Program**

Offers loan repayment assistance to registered nurses, nurse practitioners, advanced practice nurses, and nursing school faculty who agree to work in underserved areas.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: February 25, 2016

Sponsor: Bureau of Health Workforce

### **Indian Health Service Preparatory Scholarship**

Provides scholarships for American Indian and Alaska Native students who are enrolled in undergraduate or preparatory courses in preparation for entry to health profession schools.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: March 28, 2016

Sponsor: Indian Health Service

### **Indian Health Service Health Professions Scholarship Program**

Provides scholarships for American Indian and Alaska Native students enrolled in a health professions program.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: March 28, 2016

Sponsor: Indian Health Service

### **Indian Health Service Pregraduate Scholarship Program**

Provides scholarships for American Indian and Alaska Native students to enroll in courses leading to a bachelor's degree in pre-medicine, pre-dentistry, pre-podiatry or pre-optometry.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: March 28, 2016

Sponsor: Indian Health Service

## **Other Opportunities**

### **Wellstone Fellowship for Social Justice**

Offers a fellowship to foster the advancement of social justice through participation in healthcare advocacy work that focuses on the unique challenges facing many communities of color.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application Deadline: February 12, 2016

Sponsor: Families USA

### **NCAI Executive Council Winter Session**

The Executive Council Winter Session is where members convene for in-depth conversations about policy, legislation, and the future of Indian Country. • High level discussions • 18th Annual Leadership Awards Banquet • Capitol Hill visits • Important Sessions for Indian Country.

Conference Dates: February 22-25, 2016 in Washington, DC

Sponsor: National Congress of American Indians

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*If you you have any questions or would like to have your opportunities included in future publications, please contact Jennifer Irving at (605)455-2700 or by email [jennifer@thundervalley.org](mailto:jennifer@thundervalley.org).*