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Celebrate Cesar Chavez Day with Service-Learning

The Cesar E. Chavez Foundation invites you to join tens of thousands of people across the country on and around <u>Cesar Chavez</u> <u>Day</u>, March 31, 2007, by organizing a Chavez Service-Learning March and/or Project in your community. Grade-appropriate teacher toolkits, examples of model service-learning projects, and additional resources are available free of charge from the <u>Chavez Foundation Resource Library</u>.

In honor of Cesar E. Chavez' birthday, the Cesar Chavez Campaign beginning March 31 will help K-12 students take action in their communities by utilizing service-learning experiences to connect civic action to meaningful learning in the classroom. Following the powerful example Cesar himself set through his fight for social and economic justice, students will gain historical perspective on Chavez and the Farm Worker Movement, and create service-learning projects that will continue this legacy in their communities to the farm Worker Movement, and create service-learning projects that will continue this legacy in their communities to the farm Worker Movement, and create service-learning projects that will continue the farm today.

For more information and history, visit the Cesar E. Chavez Foundation.

From The Resource Center

Project TASC Helps State Commissions "Get Things Done"

Project TASC works in numerous ways to enhance the effectiveness of State Commissions in supporting and managing AmeriCorps sub-grantees. Their <u>web resources</u> include the <u>State Commission Manual</u> and the <u>Insider's Guide to AmeriCorps</u> <u>Program Management</u>.

New Mentoring Toolkit from LEARNS

Organized in sections for mentors, prospective mentors, and mentoring program coordinators, this easy-to-use primer on youth mentoring provides tips and key resources to get the most out of mentoring. Learn about the role of a mentor, where to find mentoring opportunities, the elements of quality program design, and resources for program start-up.

Announcements

Register Now for the Strong Communities Institute

The Leadership Practice is hosting the Strong Communities Institute on March 22 and March 23, 2007, at the Intercontinental Hotel in Milwaukee, WI.

Join other nonprofit directors in the exploration and implementation of asset-based community development. Find out how to:

- . Expand the capacity of your organization
- · Create more sustainable programs
- . Increase buy-in from stakeholders
- · Gain greater volunteer participation

Participants are encouraged to attend the institute with a colleague to maximize the impact of the courses, and the Leadership Practice is offering a special rate for those who attend in pairs. Cost is \$150 per pair or \$475 for single participants.

Register online at <u>www.regonline.com/98814</u> or call Kathy at (414) 273-0533, ext. 17, for more information.

The Leadership Practice is a collaboration between Public Allies and Northwestern University's Asset-Based Community Development Institute. A national consulting network, the Leadership Practice maximizes the integration of community assets in the delivery of social services. Operating from the belief that the active involvement of citizens in the life of a community fosters the common good, staff are dedicated to designing accelerated learning environments that utilize collaborative thinking and innovative technologies—ultimately delivering creative, sustainable solutions that help organizations mobilize resources to strengthen communities.

Fast Track to Funding–All Aboard!

Grant Station The Corporation for National and Community Service has partnered with GrantStation to bring you the *GrantStation Insider*. This free e-newsletter, published weekly, provides the latest information on new funding programs, upcoming grant deadlines, conferences, and general information for grant seekers.

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