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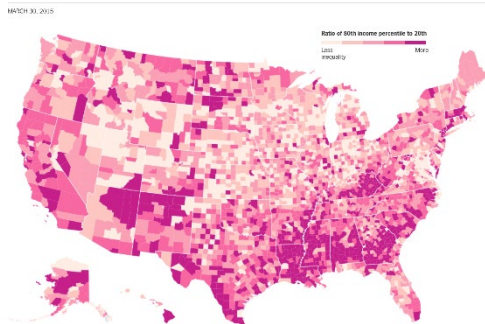
Reports & Resources

Income Inequality: It's Also Bad for Your Health

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A study from researchers at the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute examined a series of risk factors that help explain the health (or sickness) of counties in the United States. In addition to the suspects you might expect -a high smoking rate, a lot of violent crime- the researchers found that people in unequal communities were more likely to die before the age of 75 than people in more equal communities, even if the average incomes were the same.

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Two Dramas in Slow Motion

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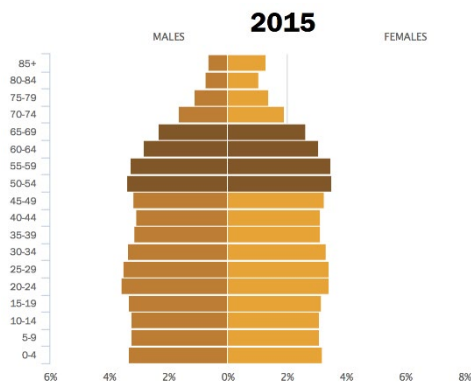
President's Corner

Registration for the 2015 NACDEP conference is now open! Be sure to [register](#) by April 17 for the early bird pricing. NACDEP has negotiated a special room rate; the deadline to [book a room](#) is April 24. MACDEP members Jesse Fulbright and Tara Mastel will be attending and presenting on their Community Foundation work; members Dan Clark and Ashley Kent will present on the MSU Local Government Center's new on-line database.

-Paul Lachapelle
MACDEP President

Upcoming Events

The fact that our population is becoming majority non-white while a record share is going grey has generated big generation gaps that will put stress on our politics, families, pocketbooks, entitlement programs and social cohesion. The Pew Research Center tracks these transformations with public opinion surveys and demographic and economic analyses. Our new book, [The Next America](#), draws on this research to paint a data-rich portrait of the many ways our nation is changing and the challenges we face in the decades ahead.



Another Reason to Promote Social Equity in U.S. Metros: Job Growth

[The Atlantic](#) | [READ STORY](#)

A recent [report](#) by the International Monetary Fund found that more equitable countries tended to have longer national economic growth spells; a new [study](#) of U.S. metros by researchers at University of California at Davis finds the same thing holds true at a city level. The study fits into [a larger body](#) of research suggesting that greater engagement between different businesses, community organizations, and racial and socio-economic groups has a positive effect on growth and equity.



Nurturing University Community Engagement: Integration, Innovation, and Impact

May 6-8, 2015
Kathmandu, Nepal
Sponsor: Nepal School of Social Work

NACDEP 2015 Conference: Building a Rock Solid Future

May 17-20, 2015
Little Rock, AR
Sponsor: NACDEP

CCNCCE 24th Annual International Conference: Authentic Leadership in Service Learning and Civic Engagement

May 19-21, 2015
Scottsdale, AZ
Sponsor: Community College National Center for Community Engagement

C2U Expo

May 26-29, 2015
Ottawa, ON
Sponsor: Carleton University

C2ER Annual Conference & LMI Institute Annual Forum

Jun 8-12, 2015
Portland, OR

Grants, Awards & Jobs

Community Economic Development Projects

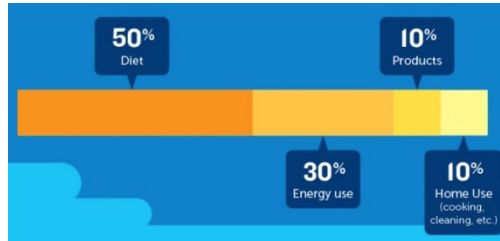
Deadline: Apr 24, 2015
Funder: Administration for Children & Families

Community Conservation Education Grants

Where's All the Water Going?

[Livestrong](#) | [READ STORY](#)

Americans consume about 100 gallons of water a day. Adding in everyday goods and services, the water footprint can reach as high as 2,000 gallons a day. This infographic illustrates typical usages of water in our society.



The Economics of California's Drought

[The Atlantic](#) | [READ STORY](#)

California has just concluded its hottest winter ever, registering average temperatures 4.4 degrees warmer than the state's 20th-century average. Given the importance of California's agriculture to the food supply of the United States, and the rest of the world, the state's drought is far from just a local concern.



Scientists Record Warmest Day Ever in Antarctica

[Weather Underground](#) | [READ STORY](#)

Two Antarctic weather stations recorded unprecedentedly high temperatures in March-offering grim evidence of accelerating climate change. A potential Antarctica record high of 63.5 degrees Fahrenheit was recorded on March 24 at the Esperanza Base, just south of the southern tip of Argentina-a

Deadline: May 1, 2015
Funder: Mountaineers Foundation

[U.S. Rural Infrastructure Opportunity Fund](#)

Deadline: Ongoing
Funder: CoBank, Capitol Peak Asset Management, USDA

[Funding for Rural Projects and Programs](#)

Deadline: Ongoing
Funder: CHS Foundation

National/International News

[Water in the Western US](#)

Mountain West News; Jan 26

[Salt Lake City becomes latest Google Fiber city](#)

Salt Lake Tribune; Mar 24

[Airspace Expansion Over Northern Plains Gets Final Approval](#)

Flathead Beacon; Mar 24

[Denver buyers up their game to be last bidder standing in real estate deals](#)

Denver Post; Mar 25

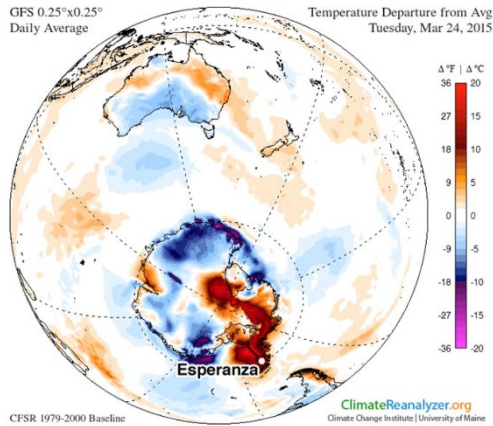
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[A thirst for development: Water availability a key issue for new subdivisions](#)

Independent Record; Mar 23

[As they enter 2nd century, national parks need \\$11.5](#)

temperature exceeding any figure yet observed on the Antarctic landmass or Peninsula, [according](#) to the Weather Underground blog.



billion in repairs

Missoulian; Mar 23

Western Cities Had Hottest March on Record

Flathead Beacon; Apr 1

Montana Farmers to Plant Less Wheat, More Legumes

Flathead Beacon; Apr 1



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