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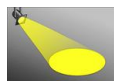


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SPOTLIGHT ON EPA GRANTS

Environmental Education Local Grants (\$2,730,000): EPA is requesting proposals for local environmental education projects. Each EPA regional office expects to award three grants, for a total of 30 nationwide. For more information, visit <http://go.usa.gov/h9ZG>.

DEADLINE: Friday, March 6, 2015. Apply online at <http://go.usa.gov/h94e>. The Funding Opportunity Number is EPA-EE-14-02. For more information, visit <http://go.usa.gov/h9Zk>.

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MORE GOVERNMENT GRANTS

WaterSMART Grants (\$1,300,000): The U.S. Department of the Interior is awarding grants for communities to develop programs to determine the feasibility of water recycling and reuse. The program focuses on improving water conservation and sustainability, and helping reclamation and water resource managers make sound decisions about water use. For more information on water reclamation and reuse, visit <http://go.usa.gov/h9Ak>.

DEADLINE: Tuesday, March 3, 2015. Apply online at <http://go.usa.gov/h97H>. The Funding Opportunity Number is R15AS00015.

CONTACT: Shaun Wilken, (303) 445-3697 or swilken@usbr.gov.



WEBINARS

Managing Household Waste. EPA is hosting a webinar on tribal household hazardous waste management. You'll get information on successful household hazardous waste collection programs and learn about the best management practices for safely storing household hazardous waste before recycling or disposal.

WHEN: Wednesday, February 25, 2015, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

REGISTER: Visit <http://ow.ly/ILQRZ>.



TRAININGS & MEETINGS

Waste not, want not. Curious about the types and the quantities of waste generated in your community? Find out all about waste and more at an assessment training in Arizona this month. You'll learn how to better evaluate waste management options and identify ways of saving money. This training is hosted by EPA Region 9, the Ak-Chin Indian Community and the Inter- Tribal Council of Arizona.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 24, 2012.

REGISTER: Contact Shannon Davis, davis.shannon@epa.gov.



ODDS & ENDS

EPA Office Spotlights Its Achievements. EPA's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) has issued its 2013 Tribal Program Report. The report presents the office's tribal accomplishments and details activities supporting the office's tribal strategy for that year. Highlights include the following:

- providing financial and technical assistance to tribal governments to build capacity in OSWER programs;
- funding more than 140 cooperative agreements with tribes to build capacity in OSWER programs;
- funding tribal-specific training on solid and hazardous waste, emergency preparedness, tribal response programs, and underground storage tank prevention and cleanup;
- continuing OSWER's partnership with the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals to promote information exchange and stronger partnerships with tribes and EPA.

OSWER provides, on average, between \$18 million and \$22 million a year in grants for tribal program development and site cleanup work in Indian Country. The agency funds cooperative agreements with tribes in the hazardous waste, solid waste, Superfund, underground storage tank and brownfields programs.

To read the report, visit <http://go.usa.gov/3qZkx>.

