Funding & Technical Assistance

Funding Opportunities through Climax Molybdenum
The Climax-Area Community Investment Fund letter of interest window is open through October 1. Mini-Grants for Education deadline is August 30. Women's Development Initiative Grants Program deadline is September 30. Click here for more information.

Scholarships for Entrepreneurial Events
Startup Colorado has a scholarship for the CampSight innovation and marketing "unconference" in Breckenridge on September 22. This mini one-day camp experience features coffee meetups, mountain biking and hiking, talks, panel discussions and a campfire gathering. The focus is on Creating for Good and will include speakers like Joanna Garner of Meow Wolf, National Geographic Adventurer Shannon Galpin, and more. Click here to apply. Deadline is 9/9.

Garden Grant Program: Whole Kids Foundation
The Whole Kids Foundation is dedicated to supporting schools and inspiring families to improve children's nutrition and wellness. The Foundation's Garden Grant Program provides funds for edible gardens at K-12 schools. These grants of $2,000 are awarded to schools and nonprofit organizations. Applications will be accepted from September 1 through October 15, 2019. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more.

Grants Promote Excellence in Latino Arts
National Association of Latino Arts and Cultures: Fund for the Arts
The NALAC Fund for the Arts provides a variety of grants to assist Latino artists and arts organizations in the development, creation, presentation, and sustainability of artistic excellence, as well as the opportunity to participate in activities that contribute to professional and organizational growth. The Fund is open to U.S.-based Latino working artists, ensembles, and Latino arts organizations that demonstrate artistic excellence in pursuit of social justice through the arts. The application deadline is September 25, 2019. Visit the NALAC website for more information.

Advancing Informal STEM Efforts Grants
National Science Foundation. The Advancing Informal STEM Learning program seeks to advance new approaches to and evidence-based understanding of the design and development of STEM learning opportunities for the public in informal environments; provide multiple pathways for broadening access to and engagement in STEM learning experiences; advance innovative research on and assessment of STEM learning; and engage the public of all ages in learning STEM. The application deadline is November 6, 2019.

Laura Jane Musser Fund Grant Programs
- **Rural Initiative** - encourages collaborative and participatory efforts among residents in rural communities that will help to strengthen their towns and regions. The applicant community must have a population of 10,000 or fewer. Program planning grants up to $5,000 and program implementation grants up to $25,000 will be considered. Applications will be accepted online through the Fund’s website from September 3 - October 3, 2019.
- **Intercultural Harmony Initiative** - supports projects that promote mutual understanding and cooperation between groups of community members of different cultural backgrounds. Project planning grants up to $5,000 or implementation grants up to $25,000 will be considered. Applications will be accepted online through the Fund’s website from September 16 - October 16, 2019.
- **Environmental Initiative** - Building a community-based approach to solving environmental problems and encouraging environmental stewardship. 3/18/2020.

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**Training, Workshops, & Events**

**Startup to Scaleup**
Early bird Registration ends TODAY! [Register here](#)
September 13 & 14 in Vail, Colorado
Offered by the Northwest Colorado Small Business Development Center. Taught by award-winning faculty from the Leeds School of Business at CU Boulder. StartUp to ScaleUp focuses on growing small businesses and organizations, specifically those looking to shift out of the startup phase and into "what's next." Taking learned outcomes from the University of Colorado's Demystifying Entrepreneurship course, this course shifts from developing a successful startup toward organizational growth and advancement. Course objectives will focus on: Viability, readiness and evaluation of your business idea; Development of growth and marketing strategies; The process of scaleup finance and funding; Small business infrastructure. [More info and Register HERE!](#)

**Drive, Lead, Succeed Conference - Economic Development Council of Colorado**
October 9 - 11 at Cheyenne Mountain Resort, Colorado Springs CO - [more info here](#)
This annual conference aims to provide the knowledge, tools, and connections that are vital to foster a growing Colorado economy: Gather the industry's top influencers and thought leaders together to share knowledge and answer questions that no one else can; offer new and vital tools and solutions to pressing economic issues facing Colorado's professional economic development community; Facilitate quality collaboration and opportunity to exchange fresh, new ideas among Colorado's leading Economic Development professionals, business and non-profit leaders, government officials and more.

**CampSight Breck - Creating Good: How to Create Stories + Use Creative Marketing to "Nudge the Universe in a Positive Direction"**
Sept. 22 in Breckenridge - Early bird registration ends Sept. 2 - [Register here](#)
An innovation and marketing unconference for outdoor industry brands, adventurous visionaries and bold storytellers. CampSight is back with a completely new format this fall.
It will be a one-day "Day Camp" -- on Sunday, Sept. 22 with the Breck Film Fest + Breck Create. More info and register here.

**Deal Making with Urban Renewal: Western Slope Redevelopment & Reinvestment Symposium**

September 16 & 17 in Montrose, Colorado

Offered by Downtown Colorado, Inc. This workshop in the series will focus on strategies to make successful deals with urban renewal. Join us to continue the conversation and build on URA topics. We will focus on project proforma, closing the funding gap, successful negotiating, among other redevelopment topics. Agenda will be released soon. Register here.

**Emerging Leaders in Food & Ag**

November 4-5 in Denver

Join the premier group of upcoming leaders who are building innovative solutions to the global challenges facing agriculture and transforming the food system. Emerging Leaders in Food & Ag is designed to build a stronger future for our food and agriculture sector by bringing young and emerging leaders from across the agriculture and food supply chain together for hands-on industry relevant training and leadership development. Accepting nominations: We need your help in identifying the best of the best in food and ag! These are the next generation of top-tier leaders who are paving the way for a healthy, productive food system through their innovation, thought-leadership, and work ethic. Nomination period will run from now through September 13, 2019. You may nominate your emerging leader(s) once per day. We're looking for a brief description of why they're a great leader in food or ag, their name, and a photo, if you have one. Nominate here. More info on the 2-day event here.

**The 2019 CML Annual Seminar on Municipal Law**

Sept. 27-28 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Greeley at Lincoln Park.

This seminar provides expert Colorado-specific information relevant to the daily practice of municipal attorneys in the state, as well as opportunities to network with peers. CML has contracted special lodging rates, and online reservations and registration are now open. For more details, visit bit.ly/2XIvUXG.

**American Planning Association Colorado Conference**

Elevated Planning: Balancing Place and Change!

Sept. 18-20 in Snowmass Village, CO - more info and register here

Check out the preliminary program and register online at http://www.apacolorado.org/2019-conference.

**Grand County Economic Summit**

September 12 at the Headwaters Center in Winter Park

Come join for the afternoon to hear about: Colorado Demographer - State and Grand County projections; Northwest Regional Workforce Center - cost of living and employee wages; WorkInGrand.com updates and work station. More info and register here.

**Housing Colorado Now Annual Conference**

Oct. 8 - 11 - Keystone, CO

In 2019, the Housing Colorado Now Annual Conference will celebrate 31 years as Housing Colorado's signature event, which gathers affordable housing professionals for creative, inspiring, and thought-provoking education. We will continue to build from our past successes to shape Colorado's future-a future of more affordable options and excellent, safe housing for all. The time for solutions and collaboration is now! Come join us as we tackle the big issues together and find ways to develop and preserve our state's housing.

**Sustainable Tourism Training Program**

October 28-29 in Vail, Colorado
Offered by Walking Mountains Sustainability and Actively Green. 
Gain practical insights and effective steps to improve your sustainability practices Learn best practices and standards for sustainability in tourism and hospitality Earn a certificate in Sustainable Tourism. Register at: walkingmountains.org/sttp.

**2019 Community Building Colorado-Style Conference**
**Squeezed Out: Challenges of Dislocation, Diversity and Affordability in Fast-Growing Colorado Communities**
Oct. 25 at University of Colorado Boulder - more info here.
Join planners, city officials, community activists, scholars, and students in discussing the challenges of dislocation, affordability, and diversity in Colorado's fast-growing communities with a full day of workshops, roundtables, discussions, and keynotes.

**State Demography Summit**
**November 1st** at Arapaho Community College
Save the date for the 37th Annual State Demography Summit. This one-day summit will present updates to SDO population estimates and forecasts, and provide up-to-date information for county and municipal planners, data analysts, economic development professionals, and others. This year’s summit will offer continuing education credits for real estate appraisers, real estate brokers and members of the American Institute for City Planners (AICP). Registration will open September 2, 2019.

**Land Use Law Annual Conference**
**December 5 & 6 in Denver**
Now in its 25th year, Tom Ragonetti’s Annual Conference on land use law takes place Dec. 5-6, in Denver. This conference gathers the top experts and land use professionals from across the state to discuss the most important topics in land use law. In just two days, this conference gives new and veteran practitioners the opportunity to discuss critical current issues presented from a wide range of perspectives. To register, visit bit.ly/326YqAV.

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**Resources**

**Creating a disaster recovery plan makes good business sense**
Twenty-five percent of businesses that close because of a natural disaster never reopen. Small businesses can improve their chances of successful recovery by assessing their risks and developing a preparedness plan, and the U.S. Small Business Administration can help. Following a declared disaster, the SBA assists in the rebuilding and economic recovery of a community by providing affordable, timely, direct loans to businesses of all sizes, nonprofits, homeowners and renters to cover uninsured losses. The SBA works with its federal partners to ensure all people are aware of the options available to them after declared disasters. Developing an effective and workable disaster recovery plan is critical for all small business owners. For more information on how to create a disaster recovery plan, please visit https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance.