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MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION PROFESSIONALS

August 2015

## Reports & Resources

### 7 Proven Principles for Designing a Safer City

**World Resources Institute | [READ STORY](#)**

Good urban design could be an undervalued approach to making the world's roads safer. A [new publication](#) from the [EMBARQ sustainable mobility initiative](#) of [WRI Ross Center for Sustainable Cities](#) finds that seven design principles can help cities dramatically reduce road deaths.

### President's Corner

The International Association for Community Development (IACD) President, Charlie McConnell signed a [Memorandum of Understanding](#) (MoU) with Community Development Society (CDS) President, Dave Lamie, during the annual CDS conference held in Kentucky in July. IACD's next conference is to be a joint conference with CDS in Minnesota, USA in July 2016 with the theme Sustaining Community Change: building local capacity to sustain development initiatives.

-Paul Lachapelle  
MACDEP President

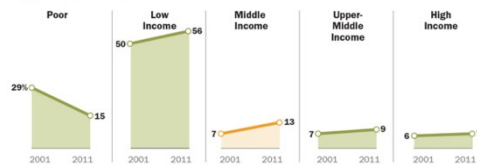
## A Global Middle Class Is More Promise than Reality

**PEW Research Center | [READ STORY](#)**

From 2001 to 2011 there was a historic reduction in global poverty. The number of people who could be considered middle income nearly doubled to 700 million people. But the emergence of a truly global middle class is still more promise than reality.

**Steep Dive in Poverty from 2001 to 2011, but Most People Are Still Either Poor or Low Income**

% of global population by income



Note: The poor live on \$2 or less daily, low income on \$2.01-10, middle income on \$10.01-20, upper-middle income on \$20.01-50, and high income on more than \$50; figures expressed in 2011 purchasing power parities in 2011 prices. People are grouped by the daily per capita income or consumption of their family, the choice of metric depending on how the source data for a country are collected.

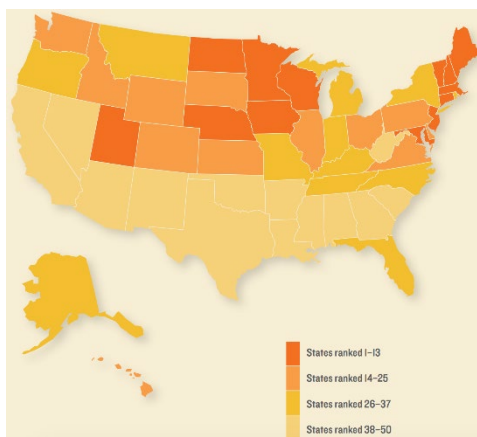
Source: Pew Research Center analysis of data from the World Bank PovcalNet database (Center for Global Development version available on the Harvard Dataverse Network) and the Luxembourg Income Study database

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## What Recovery? Report Reveals Rising Poverty for Children in America

**Annie E. Casey Foundation | [READ STORY](#)**

There are roughly three million more U.S. children living in poverty today than during the outbreak of the Great Recession in 2008, and the so-called economic recovery has bypassed children of color altogether, reveals the [2015 Data Book](#), released Tuesday by the Baltimore-based Annie E. Casey Foundation. This report evaluates information from numerous federal agencies from 2008 to 2013 to determine child well-being nationwide.



## Upcoming Events

### 7th Annual Millennium Campus Conference

August 11-15, 2015  
New York, NY  
Sponsor: Millennium Campus Network

### Foundations of Applied Economic Development Research Training

August 18-20, 2015  
Arlington, VA  
Sponsor: The Council for Community and Economic Research

### EDAC's 47th Annual Conference

September 19-22, 2015  
Whitehorse, Yukon  
Sponsor: Economic Developers Association of Canada

### NACCED's 40th Annual Educational Conference and Training

October 4-7, 2015  
Salt Lake County, UT  
Sponsor: National Association for County Community and Economic Development

### 2015 NADO Annual Training Conference

October 24-27, 2015  
New Orleans, Louisiana  
Sponsor: NACDEP

## Grants, Awards & Jobs

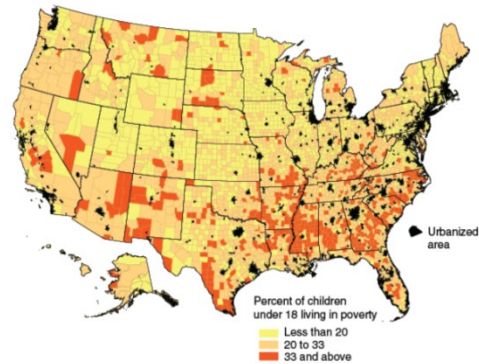
### Rural Community Development Initiative Grants

## Child Poverty Rate Climbs by One-Third

**USDA Economic Research Service | [READ STORY](#)**

One in four rural residents under the age of 18 lives in poverty, according to a new study from the USDA Economic Research Service. The figure is even higher in counties that depend on manufacturing jobs, which eroded during the Great Recession.

High child poverty was widespread in 2009/13



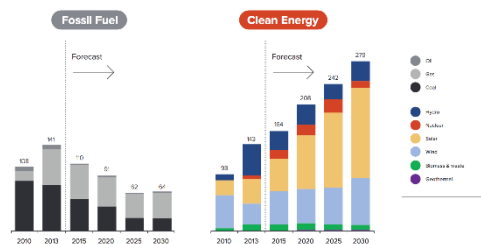
Source: USDA, Economic Research Service, based on U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year averages, 2009/13, related children.

## A Multi-Trillion Dollar Opportunity for Better Growth

**World Resources Institute | [READ STORY](#)**

Momentum is building for a low-carbon economy. Evidence shows that businesses, investors and governments are realizing that strong climate action is a major opportunity for better growth. The [Global Commission on the Economy and Climate](#) recently launched [Seizing the Global Opportunity: Partnerships for Better Growth and a Better Climate](#), which outlines strategies to achieve growth and climate action together.

Annual additions to global power generation capacity (GW)



Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance, 2015.<sup>11</sup>

Deadline: Aug 13, 2015  
Funder: USDA Rural Development

### **[Our Town Grant Program](#)**

Deadline: Sept 21, 2015  
Funder: National Endowment for the Arts

### **[Safe Places to Play Grant](#)**

Deadline: Oct 2, 2015  
Funder: US Soccer Foundation

### **[Community Facility Loans](#)**

Deadline: Ongoing  
Funder: Rural Community Assistance Corporation

### **[Developing Healthy Places](#)**

Deadline: Ongoing  
Funder: The Kresge Foundation

## National/International News

### **[Murkowski Energy Bill Avoids Hot Buttons](#)**

Alaska Public Media; Jul 22

### **[Obama: Even the Best Job on Earth Deserves a Better Minimum Wage](#)**

Outside; Jul 22

### **[Tensions rise over use of the great outdoors](#)**

Denver Post; Jul 23

### **[Where does Boise's neighborhood money go?](#)**

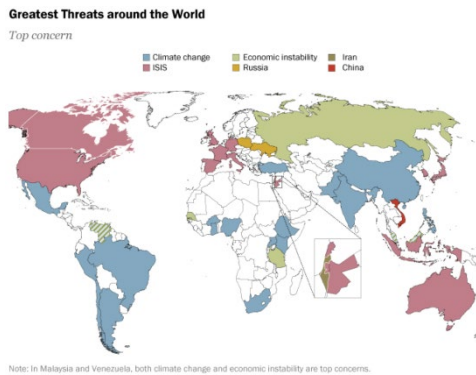
Idaho Statesman; Jul 24

### **[Scorched earth: U.S. wildfires near record level](#)**

## Climate Change Seen as Top Global Threat

**PEW Research Center | [READ STORY](#)**

In advance of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris this December, many publics around the world name global climate change as a top threat, according to a new Pew Research Center survey measuring perceptions of international challenges. This is particularly true in Latin America and Africa, where majorities in most countries say they are very concerned about this issue.



USA Today; Jul 27

### Montana News

**Wired to Fail: stimulus money trying to expand broadband coverage to rural communities**

Politico; Jul 28

**Tech student creating new technology to put unmanned boat on the Berkeley Pit**

Montana Standard; Jul 28

**A Job-Seeker's Market: more job openings than workers**

Flathead Beacon; Jul 29

**Old mines die hard: Upper Clark Fork River Superfund Complex can't address big source of pollution**

Missoula Independent; Jul 30

**Soda Butte cutties will see another day**

Jackson Hole Daily; Jul 30



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