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News & Resources

Gender-Based Pricing is Unlawful in Vermont

The Vermont Attorney General and the Vermont Human Rights Commission organizations <u>issued guidance</u> for employers and consumers and <u>warned that</u> <u>gender-based pricing</u>, the practice of charging difference prices for goods or services based on the consumer's gender, is unlawful in Vermont. They cited a 2015 study produced by the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs which found that because of gender-based pricing, women pay approximately \$2,191 more than men each year.

Vermont Energy Investment Corp co-founder Bech Sachs received the 2016 Leadership & Achievement Award from the Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships.

"We recognize Beth Sachs with honor and appreciation for being an influential champion, leader, and innovator," <u>said Sue Coakley, NEEP Executive Director</u>.

Become a Youth Thrive Trainer today!

<u>Youth Thrive</u> is coming to Vermont and needs your help! They are looking for experienced educators and facilitators who have a passion for and

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commitment to adolescent youth development to become certified Youth Thrive trainers. As a trainer, you will use the knowledge and curriculum you receive to train direct service staff, practitioners, supervisors, program operators and managers on Youth Thrive principles and practices throughout the state. There are limited slots available for this substantive and unique training opportunity, so please apply early! Learn more about Youth Thrive and the Protective and Promotive Factors for healthy development and well-being. Individuals with various experience and youth are especially encouraged to apply. Applications are due by August 15th. If you have any questions please contact Dana Marchitelli by e-mail or at 802-229-9151.

1000 Girls, 1000 Futures is accepting applications to become online mentors in an innovative, yearlong program growing the STEM pipeline.

When you volunteer to mentor with 1000 Girls, 1000 Futures, you are not only devoting time to help further the future of STEM by encouraging a young woman to pursue her passion within the field, but you are also able to connect to a global network of like-minded female STEM professionals with whom to share experiences and resources. Plus, with their flexible online training program, you can develop your own skills as a mentor, too. <u>Learn more and apply here</u>.

CLASP's annual <u>Head Start By the Numbers</u> for each of the 50 states are just in.

Representative Peter Welch is sponsoring an amendment to increase the number of private breast-feeding stations on Capitol Hill from 12 to more than 40.

Jobs for Independence by CVOEO in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin and Grand Isle Counties

If you do not receive Reach Up, but get 3SquaresVT, you may be eligible for <u>Jobs for Independence (JFI)</u> a free job readiness and training program available, even if you lack stable housing, have mental health issue(s), are struggling with substance abuse, or have criminal records. The program can help resolve issues that may be keeping you from work (e.g., criminal record, mental health, substance abuse, or unstable housing), find a new or better job, gain work skills and knowledge, pay for things you need to work like car repairs and work clothes, earn the <u>Governor's Career Ready Certificate at the Community College of Vermont (CCV)</u>, achieve industry-recognized certification (e.g., CDL or IT Software)

Apply by calling:

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(802) 863-6248 (Chittenden County)

(802) 527-7392 (Franklin & Grand Isle County)

Employment Opportunities

The Vermont Center for Crime Victim Services is hiring an **Executive Director.**

Read the complete job description and send your Resume and Cover letter to hiring@ccvs@vermont.gov no later than August 1, 2016.

WISE of the Upper Valley is hiring a three-quarter time **Finance and Administration** Director.

Learn more and send your Resume and Cover Letter to Executive Director Peggy O'Neil.

The Parental Leave Project is hiring a part-time **Development Executive.**

E-mail Bridget for more information.

Funding Opportunities

AAUW Fellowships & Grants

The American Association of University Women is offering a number of fellowships and grants for women pursuing education and for non-profit organizations. Applications accepted beginning August 1st. Learn more and apply online.

Nonprofit Capacity Building Grants

The Vermont Community Foundation is accepting applications for capacity building grants. This program helps nonprofits to do strategic planning, develop fundraising plans, or merge with another entity. Deadline: September 30. Learn more and apply online.

Upcoming Events

League of Women Voters Candidate Forums

Candidate Forum for Vermont House District 5 (East Montpelier/Middlesex) <u>Today</u>, Tuesday, July 12 at 5:30~p.m. at the Kellogg-Hubbard Library, Montpelier

Candidate Forum for Vermont House District 2 (Barre Town)

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Thursday, July 14th at 7:00 p.m., at the CVTV Studio, 386 N. Main, Barre

Candidate Forum for Vermont Lt. Governor

Thursday, July 21st at 7:00 p.m. at the Kellogg-Hubbard Library, Montpelier

Women in Wind SUP (stand up paddle boarding) Yoga

Thursday, July 14th and Thursday August 4th from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Community Sailing Center, Burlington

Ease into Stand up Paddle Boarding and SUP Yoga at the Community Sailing Center. Class begins with basic SUP and paddle stroke instruction on land, followed by a guided paddling warm up, and finally out to a water "studio" best suited to the weather conditions of the day. Here students embark on a series of yoga postures designed to bring awareness to balance and alignment. Participants practice strengthening and stretching postures while experiencing a deep connection to the natural world. SUP Yoga is guaranteed to invigorate, relieve stress, and leave you feeling empowered and centered. Cost: \$45/session

Intermediate HTML and CSS by Girl Develop It

Mondays and Wednesdays July 18th - July 27th from 6:00p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Dealer.com, Burlington

Through the course of this <u>4-session class</u>, you'll get a thorough introduction to HTML5 and CSS3 to build on your previous knowledge. You'll get hands-on experience working with HTML5 elements like headers and footers, and you'll learn new CSS3 properties and abilities including transformations, transitions, and animation. Finally, you'll dig into responsive design and browser compatibility. You'll leave with readily-applicable skills and we'll be there to answer any questions you may have along the way! Scholarships available!

Seizing New Policy Options to Help Low-Income Mothers with Depression Webinar

Wednesday, July 20th from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., online

Following up on CLASP's recently released brief, <u>Seizing New Policy Opportunities to Help Low-Income Mothers with Depression: Current Landscape, Innovations, and Next Steps</u>, this webinar will feature expert panelists discussing next steps for state and federal stakeholders to advance access to mental health services for depressed mothers.

Blue Ribbon Commission on Financing High Quality, Affordable Child Care (BRC) Public Forums

Monday, July 25 and Tuesday, July 26th at <u>various locations statewide</u>.

The Blue Ribbon Commission wants to hear from the public on the following questions. What would help you the most with respect to accessing high-quality child care? What are the responsibilities of Vermont to help ensure all Vermonters have access to high-quality child care? What should we do to make accessible, high-quality child care more affordable in Vermont?

Girls Summer Inventors Camp for Middle School Girls

Monday, August 1st - Friday, August 5th at Norwich University, Northfield

Norwich University is offering a <u>day camp for motivated Middle School girls</u> interested in making and learning from Norwich faculty on constructing habitable structures; garment design; design engineering; coding & cryptography; and digital electronic musical instruments. A free GMTA bus is available to and from campus from Montpelier, with stops at Shaw's and People's Bank. Cost to participate is \$75 for a three-day session and \$100 for the five-day session. Scholarships are available.

Girls Rock the Boat Camp (Ages 11-15)

Monday, August 1 – Friday August 5th from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Community Sailing Center, Burlington

This <u>week long</u>, all female camp incorporates fun challenges on the water and off. Through the sports of climbing and sailing, our female campers will get the chance to challenge themselves in the dynamic environments and develop confidence and leadership skills. Campers will explore Petra Cliffs climbing center, ropes courses and other activities in addition to learning and improving on the fundamental skills of sailing small boats on Lake Champlain. Additionally, students will spend a full day sailing on Thursday at the CSC and a full day climbing on Friday in Bolton.

Gubernatorial Candidate Forum on Women's Issues

Wednesday, September 14th from 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Statehouse

The Vermont Commission on Women, the League of Women Voters of Vermont, and Vermont Business and Professional Women will present a <u>gubernatorial candidate</u> <u>forum on women's issues</u> on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at noon in the State House. The moderator will be Anne Galloway of VTDigger.org. What issues for women and girls would influence your vote for or against a candidate? We invite your questions!

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The Vermont Commission on Women (VCW) is a non-partisan state agency advancing rights and opportunities for women and girls. Sixteen volunteer commissioners, along with representatives from organizations concerned with women's issues, guide VCW's public education, coalition building, and advocacy efforts. For more information, please visit us at http://women.vermont.gov.

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