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MT Community Development Update

There are great upcoming opportunities for conferences and professional development in our field that include the following: The 2020 [NACDEP](#) conference will be in Portsmouth, NH on May 31 to June 3. The 2020 [CDS](#) Conference will be in Fargo, ND in July 12-15. The [IACD](#) is announcing the next [World Community Development Conference](#) will take place in Nairobi, Kenya from June 29 to July 1.

-Paul Lachapelle *MSU Community Development Specialist*

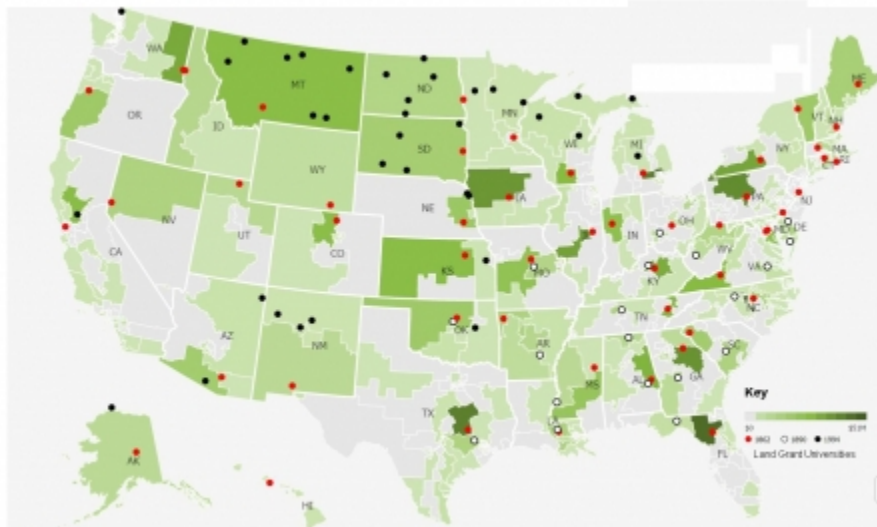
Reports & Resources

USDA Agency's Relocation Could Affect Grantmaking Abilities, Union Says

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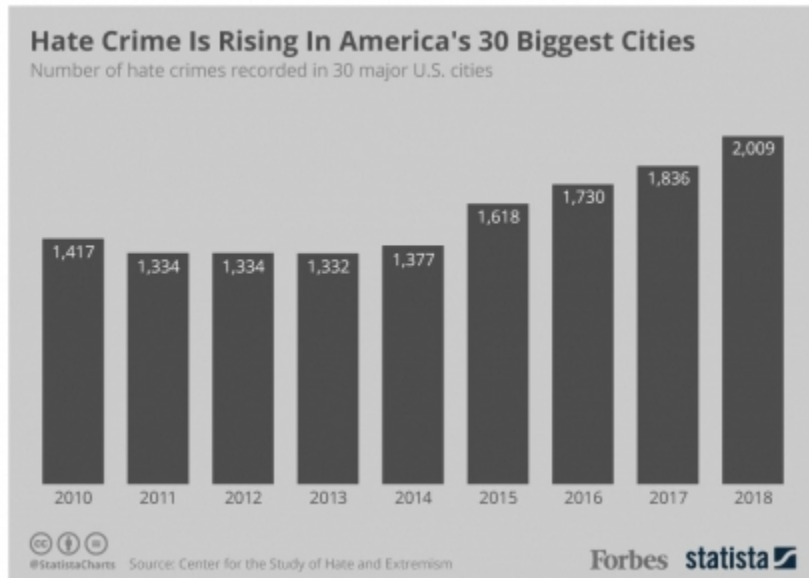
The National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) will lose so many employees in its move to Kansas City that it could affect its ability to distribute grants to land-grant universities and other institutions, according to a press release from the union that represents NIFA workers. The American Federation of Government Employees, which NIFA workers voted overwhelmingly to join last month, says that up to 70 percent of the institute's workers might quit rather than make a permanent move from Washington, D.C., to the Kansas City area.

NIFA Grant Awards by Congressional District



Hate Crime Is Rising In 30 Major American Cities **Forbes | [READ STORY](#)**

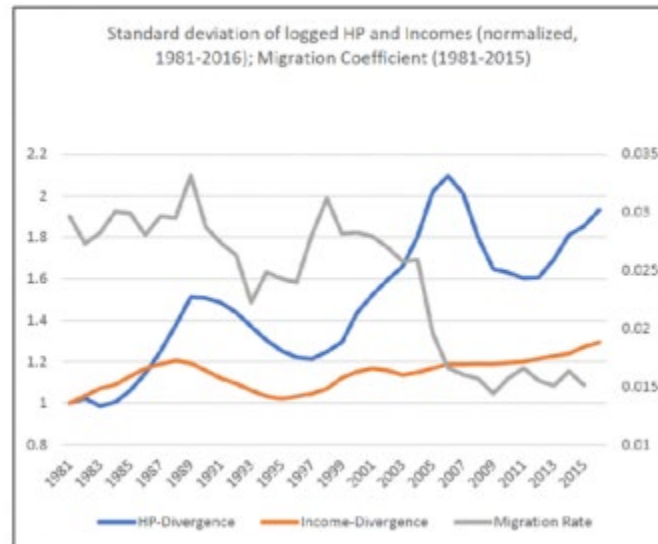
A new report from The Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism, headquartered at California State University in Santa Barbara, has found that hate crimes rose 9% in 30 major American cities in 2018. That is the steepest rise since 2015 and the total number of hate crimes has now gone up for the fifth consecutive year. That is despite overall U.S. crime rates continuing to fall across the cities included in the report.



The Double Whammy: Housing and Income Inequality *City Lab* | [READ STORY](#)

America today faces a two-headed problem: economic inequality and housing inequality. The former has soared to heights not seen since the Gilded Age. The latter, as home prices spike in coastal superstar cities and lag in much of the country's middle, has become a main feature of our divided, winner-take-all geography. The two phenomena are intertwined and mutually reinforcing. Together, they act as a brake on the performance of the economy and limit both migration and upward mobility.

Figure 3. House Price and Income Divergence Has Increased As Migration Has Slowed

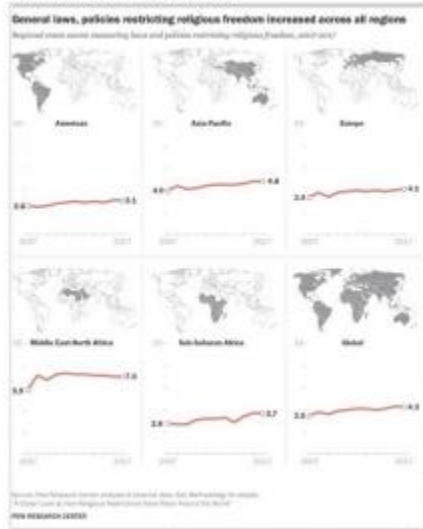


A Closer Look at How Religious Restrictions Have Risen Around the World

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Over the decade from 2007 to 2017, government restrictions on religion - laws, policies and actions by state officials that restrict religious beliefs and practices - increased markedly around the world. And social hostilities involving religion - including violence and harassment by private individuals, organizations or groups - also have risen since 2007, the year Pew Research Center began tracking the issue.

General laws, policies restricting religious freedom increased across all regions



Here's where the US government is using facial recognition technology to surveil Americans

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Across the US, government use of facial recognition technology, which critics say poses a serious threat to Americans' civil liberties, is on the rise. A new report released Thursday from digital rights advocacy group Fight for the Future visualizes how often US law enforcement agencies use this software to scan through millions of Americans' photos -- often without their knowledge or consent.



Upcoming Events

[Census 2020 and Community Action](#)

August 21, 2019
Webinar - Online
Sponsor: Community Action Partnership

[National Safety Council Congress & Expo](#)

Sept. 7-13, 2019
San Diego, CA
Sponsor: NSC

[2019 Safety and Health Summit](#)

Nov. 6, 2019
La Vista, NE
Sponsor: National Safety Council

Grants, Awards, Jobs

Main Street Foundation Grants

Deadline: Sept. 13, 2019

Funder: Main Street Foundation

National Farmworker Training Program

Deadline: Oct. 15, 2019

Funder: Environmental Protection Agency

Community Policing Development Grant

Deadline: Sept. 26, 2019

Funder: U.S. Department of Justice

National / International News

U.K. Economy Shrinks for First Time in 7 Years as Brexit Worries Mount

August 9, 2019 USA News

Interactive border wall mural tells stories of deported

August 10, 2019 Associated Press

Americans Largely Support Gun Restrictions To 'Do Something' About Gun Violence

August 10, 2019 NPR

Montana News

Another Manhattan earthquake sparks fresh concerns

August 9, 2019 KTVQ

Montana pig farms take US-China trade war on the snout

August 10, 2019 Billings Gazette

Montana Supreme Court order favors large Billings solar farm

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