

This bulletin highlights the U.S. Programs' ongoing work, including upcoming events and announcements. For additional information, contact the Administrative Coordinator of the Executive Office of U.S. Programs, Michael Sosa: msosa@sorosny.org



USP Events/Reminders/Deadlines



Refer to the US Programs Calendar in OUTLOOK for a listing of Internal Events including trainings and staff meetings.


Docket Schedule for August 2011

Aug. 1st	Criminal Justice Fund (CJF), Democracy and Power (D&P), Strategic Opportunities Fund (SOF), and Special Fund for Poverty Alleviation (SFPA) submit blurbs of grant recommendations to be considered for docket, to all USP staff.
Aug. 19th	CJF, D&P, SOF, and SFPA submit draft docket write-ups to program director for review, feedback, and revision.
Aug. 29th	Equality and Opportunity Fund (EOF), Campaign for Black Male Achievement (CBMA), Transparency and Integrity Fund (TIF), and OTHER submit blurbs of grant recommendations to be considered for docket, to all USP staff.
Aug. 30th	CJF, D&P, SOF, and SFPA submit full docket write-ups to Diana for review and/or follow-up discussions.

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Public Folders  → Select **OSI-New York**  → Scroll down and Select **US Programs–Calendar**



Program News

The following are convenings, site visits, and conferences U.S. Programs is participating in or sponsoring. Please remember to submit any of the aforementioned to Michael Sosa (msosa@sorosny.org) for inclusion in the USP Bulletin and in the US Programs Calendar.

Criminal Justice Fund

August 8th

Adam Culbreath will conduct a presentation on the Soros Justice Fellowships Program at OSI-DC.

August 8-10th

Lenny Noisette and Terrance Pitts will attend a meeting at John Jay College on current debates, research agendas, and strategies to address racial disparities in police-initiated stops in the UK and US.

Democracy and Power Fund

August 18th

Bill Vandenberg and Hedy Nam will be visiting the Center for American Progress and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights in Washington, DC.

August 22-26th

Bill Vandenberg will attend the INSEAD training in Montreal, Canada.

Equality and Opportunity Fund

August 10th

Luna Yasui and Raquiba LaBrie will attend the Caring Across Generations strategy session, co-sponsored by the Ford Foundation and organized by USP grantees the National Domestic Workers Alliance, the Center for Community Change, among others.

August 18th

Solomon Greene will attend the Alliance for Stabilizing Our Communities, an alliance comprised of National Council of La Raza, National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development, and the National Urban League.

National Security and Human Rights Campaign

August 3rd

Nancy Chang will attend a meeting at the White House, hosted by the Office of Management and Budget and The National Security Staff, to discuss opportunities for building and strengthening public-private partnerships that increase community resilience.

OSI-Baltimore

August 6th

Monique Dixon will attend a community meeting of the Alliance to Stop the Youth Jail at the Park Heights Community Center.

August 11th

Jane Sundius will host a meeting of the Attendance Collaborative.

Strategic Opportunities Fund

August 22-26th

Erlin Ibreck will attend an INSEAD training in Montreal, Canada.

August 15-19th

Tim Dorsey will attend the Creative Change convening sponsored by SOF grantee Opportunity Agenda (and many other funds') in Sundance, UT.

Transparency and Integrity Fund

August 27 – 26th

Laleh Ispahani will attend the INSEAD training in Montreal, Canada .

 **KARL**
USP Central Updates

Please refer to our [U.S. Programs Central Community Wiki Page](#) on KARL for updates, program information, and docket schedules for the entire year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Tuesday, August 9th USP all-staff meeting has been **canceled**.
- Grantmaking Operations will be holding the second in a series of monthly discussions around evaluation on **Thursday, August 18, from 11AM-12PM, in conference room 3AB**; and a training on Microsoft Excel on **Monday, August 22nd, from 1PM-4PM, in room 4E**.
- [USP dockets](#) (including [blurbs](#)), [staff list](#), and [staff quick extension list](#) have now been posted on USP Central.
- Please welcome to the US Programs team: [Myisha Patterson-Gatson](#), Program Officer with the Campaign for Black Male Achievement.

If you have any questions or suggestions related to KARL, please contact Fei Chin in Grantmaking Operations: fchin@sorosny.org.