



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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## Reports & Resources

### New Global Survey Reveals That Everyone Loves Green Energy - Especially the Chinese

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Now the Danish green energy company Ørsted (which used to be called Dong, back before it got out of the oil and gas business) has commissioned the largest-ever *global* survey of opinion on the subject, the Green Energy Barometer. Partnering with the research consultancy Edelman Intelligence, Ørsted surveyed a whopping 26,000 people across 13 countries in late July, ensuring that at least 2,000 demographically representative respondents were reached per country. Long story short: The whole world wants more green energy (and less coal).



### MT CD Update

We are pleased to announce our second Keynote Speaker for the [2018 World Community Development Conference](#) (June 24-27 in Kildare, Ireland); Dr. Peter Westoby is an Associate Professor in Social Science-Community Development at Queensland University of Technology, Australia who has over 28 years of experience in youth, community and organizational development work based in South Africa, Australia, Uganda and the Philippines, among others. Author of several defining books in our field including [Soul, Community & Social Change](#) and [Theory and Practice of Dialogical](#)

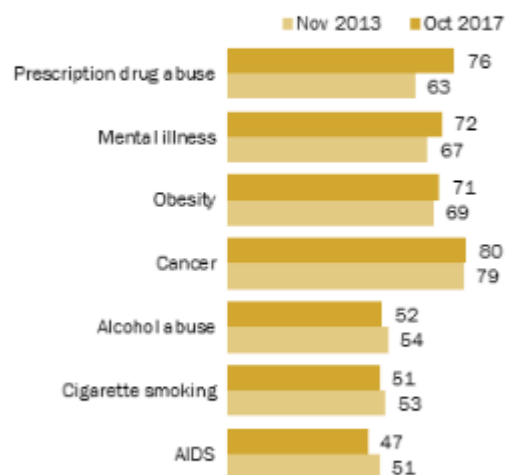
## Prescription Drug Abuse Increasingly Seen as a Major U.S. Public Health Problem

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Americans' concerns about prescription drug abuse have risen over the past four years, with some of the largest increases coming among well-educated adults. Today, 76% of the public says that prescription drug abuse is an extremely or very serious public health problem in America, compared with 63% who said the same in 2013. Just 22% regard prescription drug abuse as a somewhat serious or less serious problem, down from 34% in 2013. Concerns about mental illness are also up slightly from 2013. Currently, 72% say mental illness is an extremely or very serious public health problem, compared with 67% who said this four years ago, according to a Pew Research Center survey conducted Oct. 25-30 among 1,504 adults.

### More Americans view prescription drug abuse as serious public health problem

*% who say each is an extremely/very serious public health problem in this country*



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Oct. 25-30, 2017.

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## Sexual Harassment: How it Stands Around the Globe

### [Community Development: International Perspectives](#)

this talk and the conference will prove inspirational and insightful.

Paul Lachapelle  
*MSU Community Development Specialist*

### Upcoming Events

#### 2018 JCEP Leadership Conference

February 14-15, 2018  
Orlando, Florida  
Sponsor: JCEP

#### 2018 NACDEP Conference

June 10-13, 2018  
Cleveland, Ohio  
Sponsor: NACDEP

#### [Detroit 2018: Renaissance Of Community Annual International Conference](#)

July 22-25, 2018  
Detroit, Michigan  
Sponsor: Community Development Society

### Grants, Awards & Jobs

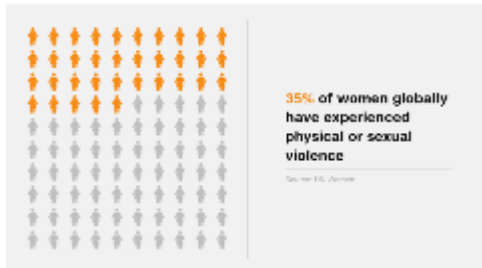
#### The American Dream Literacy Initiative

Deadline: January 2  
Funder: American Library Association

#### Funds to Assist Disadvantaged Populations & Underserved Communities

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"Rape is an extreme consequence of sexual harassment," said Rachel Jewkes, director of the What Works to Prevent Violence Against Women global program. But there is a "myriad of behaviors," she said. The fact is that sexual harassment is part and parcel of daily life, particularly in public places, Jewkes believes. "It's used to curtail a woman's freedom". In the streets of London, Mumbai, Washington or Lagos, the recent outpouring of stories from women using #MeToo and its many iterations has shown the uniformity of the problem -- irrespective of country and culture.



## Turning Point: Which Countries' GHG Emissions Have Peaked? Which Will in the Future?

*World Resources Institute* |

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The global community has coalesced around the ambitious goals of the Paris Agreement, one of which is to peak global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions as soon as possible. The longer we delay the peak—the point when global emissions switch from increasing to decreasing—the more difficult it will be to limit global warming. Yet global GHG emissions are still rising and are expected to continue to climb through 2030. The timing of when individual countries' emissions peak and then decline—especially those of major emitters like the United States and China—is critically important in determining whether we can avoid the most dangerous climate impacts.

Deadline: January 31  
Funder: MAXIMUS Foundation

### [Funding for Rescue and Care for Domestic Animals and Wildlife](#)

Deadline: February 15  
Funder: Gus Hawthorne Foundation

### [Community Facilities Programs](#)

Deadline: Ongoing  
Funder: Rural Development, USDA

### [Assistant Professor](#)

Deadline: January 9  
Mississippi State University-Agricultural Economics

## National/International News

### [Israeli Regulator: We Need to Welcome Cryptocurrency to Develop International ICO Hub](#)

Bitcoin News, December 4

### [NYACL Calls on International Community to Act on Libya Slave Trade Situation](#)

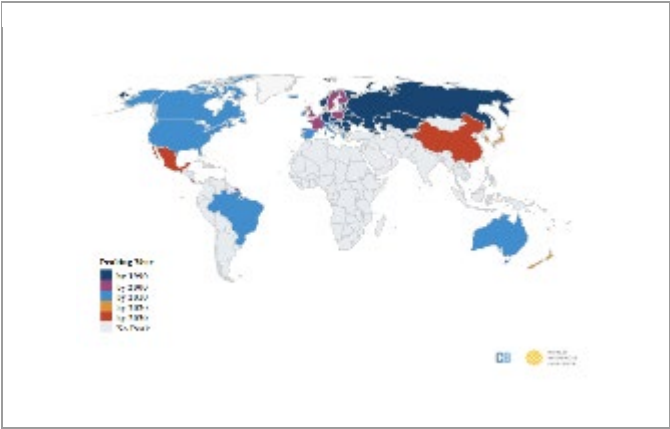
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### [Italy Arrests 'the Mistress', Suspected Mastermind of Mafia Reshuffle](#)

The Guardian, December 5

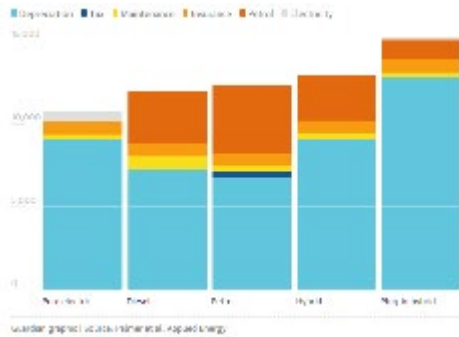
### [On the Town: Church Women Promote Tolerance at World Community Day](#)

LA Times, Dec 4



**Electric Cars Already Cheaper to Own and Run Than Petrol or Diesel**  
*The Guardian* | [READ STORY](#)

Electric cars are already cheaper to own and run than petrol or diesel cars in the UK, US, and Japan, new research shows. The lower cost is a key factor driving the rapid rise in electric car sales now underway, say the researchers. At the moment the cost is partly because of government support, but electric cars are expected to become the cheapest option without subsidies in a few years. The researchers analyzed the total cost of ownership of cars over four years, including the purchase price and depreciation, fuel, insurance, taxation, and maintenance. They were surprised to find that pure electric cars came out cheapest in all the markets they examined: UK, Japan, Texas, and California.



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**[Montana Special Olympics Cancels State Winter Games](#)**

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