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## August Civic Action

### **Announcing the 2015 All-America City Award spotlight**

National Civic League is proud to announce a spotlight on engaging and supporting vulnerable boys and young men for the 2015 All-America City Award. See our [blog post](#) for more information on this important spotlight.

The application will be available soon. If you would like to receive the application upon release sign up [here](#).

To inspire you and your community as you begin the All-America City journey [read](#) the summaries of the 2014 finalists projects spotlighting healthy communities and watch 2014 presentations of [Fort Lauderdale, Florida](#); [Cedar Rapids, Iowa](#); and [Eau Claire, Wisconsin](#).

### **Publication Release: *The Civic Index, Third Edition***

*The Civic Index* aims to answer of the question of what makes a community successful in addressing complex problems. Through NCL's long history of community work seven components have surfaced that successful communities practice including: Community Leadership; Public Participation and Civic Engagement; Diversity and Inclusiveness; Networking, Information and Communication; Decision Making and Consensus Building; Partnerships and Collaboration; and Community Vision and Pride. *The Civic Index* provides communities a tool to analyze their civic strengths and weaknesses in collective efforts to solve problems or envision a better future. NCL streamlined, simplified and updated the text with new community examples and lessons learned to create the third edition.

The third edition of *The Civic Index* is now available electronically. To order please complete the [publication order form](#).

### **National Civic Review Summer 2014 Issue Release**

The summer, 2014 issue of the [National Civic Review](#) features articles on civic engagement, community and education, leading off with an essay by David Mathews, president of the Kettering Foundation. The essay was adapted from his recent book, *The Ecology of Democracy: Finding Ways to Have a Stronger Hand in Shaping Our Future*.

The issue also includes three case studies of efforts to address fiscal challenges in Southern California cities, Los Angeles, Pasadena and Riverside. The case studies were developed as part of NCL's fiscal sustainability research, a joint project with the University of Southern California and the University of San Francisco. The research was conducted with support from the John Randolph Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation.

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