

WHAT'S NEW WITH KIDS?

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AECF/KIDS COUNT

Most of you have been on the Nevada KIDS COUNT mailing list since its inception, so you know that the project is funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation (AECF), whose mission is to strengthen families and serve disadvantaged kids. Below is a list of questions about the organization. The answers are on the second page.

1. Who was the founder of the AECF?
a. Annie Casey b. Jim Casey c. Annie Oakley d. Annie Evaston
2. Where was the founder of the AECF born?
a. Pickhandle Gulch, Nevada b. Seattle, Washington
c. Baltimore, Maryland d. Bismarck, North Dakota
3. The founder of the AECF helped start which of the following businesses?
a. American Express b. Federal Express c. United Parcel Service (UPS) d. McDonalds
4. Where is the AECF headquarters?
a. Seattle, Washington b. San Francisco, California
c. Minneapolis, Minnesota d. Baltimore, Maryland
5. Which state(s) was the first to receive a KIDS COUNT grant?
a. Nevada b. North Dakota c. 8 states received the grant at the same time d. Alaska
6. Which state was the last to receive a KIDS COUNT grant?
a. Nevada b. North Dakota c. Washington d. Alaska
7. Besides KIDS COUNT, Nevada is also the recipient of one of the other nine AECF grants (initiatives). Which is it?
a. Casey Strategic Consulting b. Civic Sites c. Family Economic Success
d. Family to Family e. Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative f. Leadership Development
g. Making Connections h. Plain Talk
8. The AECF national interactive database, which contains a wealth of data on children and youth, is called?
a. CLIKS b. Data Center for Children/Youth
c. KIDS COUNT Data Center d. AECF Data Center

Answers

1. b. The private, charitable foundation was established in 1948 by James (Jim) E. Casey and his siblings. The foundation was named after Jim's mother, Annie.
2. a. Jim Casey was born in Pickhandle Gulch, Nevada, now a ghost town (for a digital view of the Gulch see <http://digital.library.unlv.edu/boomtown/dm.php/snv/5990>).
3. c. Jim Casey was one of the founders of United Parcel Service (UPS). For more information on Jim Casey and the AECF I recommend the 23-minute video titled: *A Forever Family: The Legacy of Jim Casey*, available at: <http://www.kidscount.org/kidscount/video/forever5.html>.
4. d. Baltimore, Maryland.
5. c. Arizona, Iowa, Kentucky, Mississippi, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, and South Carolina I had to ask Dr. Bill O'Hare, AECF, for the answer.
6. a. Nevada, in 1996, was the last state to receive a KIDS COUNT grant.
7. e. Besides KIDS COUNT, Nevada is also the recipient of the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative, housed in Washoe County (Department of Juvenile Services) and in Clark County (Department of Juvenile Justice Services).
8. c. This was a trick question. The database used to be called Community Level Information on Kids (CLIKS), but the new name is the KIDS COUNT Data Center. See <http://datacenter.kidscount.org>.

I hope you had fun doing this.

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