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Omega Announces Annual Nonprofit Retreat Grant Opportunity Aimed at Strengthening Community

Omega Service Week: Nonprofit Working Retreat Grant Application Available Online, Deadline February 9, 2015 – Apply Now!

RHINEBECK, NY – Omega today announced it is accepting applications from nonprofits for its annual Service Week program. [Omega Service Week](#) provides fellow nonprofits working across the spectrum of social, economic, and environmental issues with 2-day 2-night self-led working retreats on Omega’s Rhinebeck, New York campus. Service Week is comprised of two sessions this year: a Strengthening Communities Summit (May 25– 27, 2015), and the Women Serving Women Summit (May 27– 29, 2015). The [retreat grant application](#) is now available on Omega’s website with a **deadline of February 9, 2015**.

“Omega started Service Week more than a decade ago as a way to help support our nonprofit peers and to strengthen the safety-net that so many people in our extended community depend upon. We are thrilled with the success of the program, which has directly touched more than 300 nonprofits and 4,000 dedicated people over the years and has an aggregate ripple effect in the millions,” said Carla Goldstein, chief external affairs officer at Omega.

For 11 years, organizations—large and small—working in the region, across the country, and around the world have brought their teams of staff and board members to Omega to work and to rest so they can return to their efforts replenished and invigorated. Organizations use their retreat time in a variety of ways, from developing strategies, cultivating leadership, and deepening connections to discussing challenges, generating ideas, and identifying solutions.

The self-led working retreat grant includes: simple accommodations, meals, meeting space, access to campus amenities, and the opportunity to participate in the Organizational Development Clinic, a free one-hour consultation with Omega’s Service Week partner, the New York Council of Nonprofits (NYCON). Organizations can meet with NYCON for support in any aspect of nonprofit health—from financial to managerial, motivational to administrative.

Nonprofit organizations choose to apply to one of two sessions during Service Week, depending on their area of focus. The **Strengthening Communities Summit** (May 25–27, 2015) brings together organizations that enhance community life and focus on a variety of social, economic, and environmental issues. The **Women Serving Women Summit** (May 27–29, 2015) is sponsored by the [Omega Women’s Leadership Center \(OWLC\)](#) and focuses on groups that are working in particular to serve the interests and needs of women.

About Omega Institute for Holistic Studies

Founded in 1977, Omega Institute for Holistic Studies is the nation’s most trusted source for wellness and personal growth. As a nonprofit organization, Omega offers diverse and innovative



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educational experiences that inspire an integrated approach to personal and social change.

Located on 200 acres in the beautiful Hudson Valley, Omega welcomes more than 23,000 people to its workshops, conferences, and retreats in Rhinebeck, New York, and at exceptional locations around the world. eOmega.org

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