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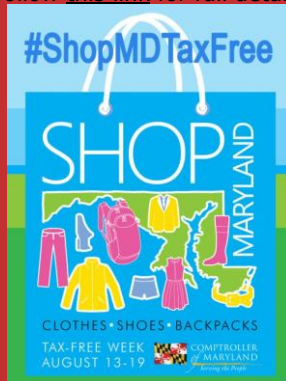
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Dates to Remember

**Sunday, August 13
through Saturday,
August 19, 2017
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Tax Free Week**

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Registration Open for Technology at the Gap Leading the Charge '17

**Tuesday, October 24, 2017
Rocky Gap Casino Resort
8:30am - 4:30pm**

Technology at the Gap is a one-day conference for web developers, system admins, network and security specialists, managers, and others in, or around, the IT industry. Hear from engaging and informative speakers and spend time sharing ideas as you enjoy a little bit of fall in Western Maryland.

Network with other professionals and vendors as you learn about the latest tools and processes in the industry and how you can apply them at your company.

**Early Bird Registration Now Available
Only \$100 until September 24, 2017**

Follow [this link](#) for Event Schedule, Speakers, Registration, and complete details.

TECH AT THE GAP
Leading the Charge '17

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Notice of Funding Availability

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation

Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grants is offering grants through the Foundation's Community Partners grant program to nonprofit organizations and local municipalities undertaking high-need projects such as building renovations and upgrades, grounds improvements, technology upgrades and safety improvements. Grants range from \$2,001 to \$100,000. Applications for the fall funding cycle will be accepted from 7/3/2017 to 8/25/2017.

Application Period Opens for More than \$250 Million in FEMA Grants

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recently announced that the application period for more than \$250 million in grants is now open. Eligible applicants including state, local, tribal and territorial governments may apply for the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) and Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) grants through **3:00 p.m. on November 14, 2017**, at <https://portal.fema.gov>.

Flood Mitigation Assistance grants are available to implement measures to reduce or eliminate risk of flood damage to structures insured by the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). For fiscal 2017, \$160 million is available, including \$70 million for community flood mitigation activities that address flooding on a neighborhood level, such as floodwater diversion and localized flood-control measures. The remainder of funds will be used for mitigating planning, technical assistance and mitigating Severe Repetitive Loss and Repetitive Loss structures, which include elevation, acquisition, and relocation projects.

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