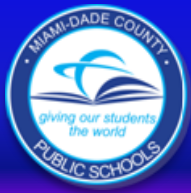


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Campus Kitchens Launch Grant

The Campus Kitchens project has numerous funding options and grant opportunities available for schools across the country to help with the planning and implementation of a Campus Kitchen. The Campus Kitchens Project is a national non-profit that empowers student leaders to create innovative and sustainable solutions to hunger. If hunger and food insecurity are issues in your community and you want to make an impact on both the community need and the students on campus, consider starting a Campus Kitchen chapter at your school. Campus Kitchen students rescue food that would have gone to waste from their on-campus dining hall cafeterias and use that food to prepare and serve balanced nutritious meals to food insecure residents in their communities.

Award: \$5,000

Deadline: February 1, 2015

<http://www.campuskitchens.org/grant-opportunities/>



White House Student Film Festival

Submissions are open for the second White House Student Film Festival. The theme of this year's festival is The Impact of Giving Back, and it's open to U.S. students, grades K-12. So tell a story about paying it forward, about community service, or what making a difference looks like in your eyes and through your lens. It can be a fictional story or a short documentary, so break out the lights, write a script, get the camera ready, and show us your passion for service and giving back. We can't wait to see what you will make this year! For inspiration, take a look at the official selections from last year's White House Student Film Festival, when the theme was the power of technology in education. Films can be short – in fact, they must be 3 minutes tops. The official selections will be featured on the White House website, and shared across the world on White House sites and official social media accounts. If selected, you may have a chance to attend the film fest yourself at the White House.

Award: Finalists will have their short films shown at the White House, have an opportunity to be invited to attend the screening at the White House, be featured on the White House website, and will be presented with a certificate celebrating their achievement.

Deadline: February 2, 2015

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/FilmFestival>



2015 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards

The President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Institute of Museum and Library Services, is inviting applications for the 2015 National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards. The twelve award-winning programs will receive \$10,000 and an invitation to accept their award from the President's Committee's Honorary Chairman, First Lady Michelle Obama at a ceremony at the White House. In addition, winners will receive an award plaque, the opportunity to attend the Annual Awardee Conference in Washington, DC in the summer of 2015, and will be featured on the National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Award website.

Award: \$10,000

Deadline: February 2, 2015

<http://www.nahyp.org/how-to-apply/>



Christopher Columbus Awards

This is a national community-based STEM contest for middle school students. The program challenges students in grades six to eight working in teams of three to four with an adult coach to identify a problem in their community and apply the scientific method to create an innovative solution to that problem. The program can be implemented in science or social studies classes, for cross-curricular use in team teaching or block-scheduled classes, or as an afterschool program. Eight finalist teams and their coaches will receive an all-expense-paid trip to Walt Disney World to attend the program's National Championship Week and compete for cash prizes as well as development grants of \$200 to further refine their ideas. Two gold medal-winning teams will receive \$2,000 per team member as well as a medal for each team member.



Award: \$2,000

Deadline: February 2, 2015

<http://www.christophercolumbusawards.com/awards.php>

Kick Butts Day Grant

The Kick Butts Day team is happy to announce that you can apply for a grant of \$150, \$250 or \$500 to cover the cost of your Kick Butts Day event. Event registration is now open! Kick Butts Day is a day of activism that empowers youth to stand out, speak up and seize control against Big Tobacco at more than 1,000 events planned by independent organizers across the United States and around the world. We have made great strides in the fight against tobacco. But every day, more than 3,000 kids under 18 try smoking for the first time and 700 kids become new regular, daily smokers. Tobacco use is still the leading cause of preventable death in the U.S., killing more than 480,000 people every year. By getting involved in Kick Butts Day and other activities, America's youth can raise awareness about the tobacco problem, encourage peers to be tobacco-free and support effective solutions to reduce tobacco use. You can organize a Kick Butts Day event or activity for youth to mobilize them and raise awareness about the problems of tobacco use in your school or community. Note: in order to have your event officially counted as part of Kick Butts Day, be sure to register it. This year, Kick Butts Day is on March 18, 2015.



Award: \$150, \$250 or \$500 to cover the cost of your Kick Butts Day event

Deadline: February 6, 2015

http://www.kickbuttsday.org/get_started/step_3/grant/

2015 Colin Higgins Courage Awards

Each year, the Colin Higgins Foundation salutes and celebrates courage in the face of adversity and discrimination by awarding \$10,000 individual grants to: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Two Spirit, Queer and Questioning youth activists (through age 20) who have transformed their experiences with bigotry and discrimination into opportunities to inspire others by taking action, rallying support, building community, and working to change the systems and institutions that impact their lives. Colin Higgins Youth Courage Award winners receive: an individual grant of \$10,000; a trip to Los Angeles for an honorary celebration with special guests; and an all expenses-paid trip to attend the National Conference on LGBT Equality: Creating Change presented by the National Gay and Lesbian Taskforce in 2016.



Award: \$10,000, a trip to Los Angeles for an honorary celebration with special guests, and an all expenses-paid trip to attend the National Conference on LGBT Equality: Creating Change

Deadline: February 6, 2015

<http://www.colinhiggins.org/process-timeline/>



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GRO1000 Grants

Grassroots Grants from The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company are awarded to local communities to help bring edible gardens, flower gardens and public green spaces to neighborhoods across the United States. Any non-profit organization that is helping to foster community spirit and public service is eligible to apply for up to \$1,500 for community gardens and green spaces. Launched in 2011 by The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company, GRO1000 is a community outreach initiative dedicated to bringing the benefits of gardens and green spaces to more neighborhoods, schools and communities—particularly to those in need. Because we believe in the power of gardens and gardening to transform people and places, we're committed to creating at least 1,000 community gardens and green spaces across America.

Award: \$500

Deadline: February 13, 2015

<http://scottsmiraclegro.com/corporate-responsibility/gro1000/>



Humane Society of the United States 2015 National Kind Teacher Award

Each year since 1981, the Humane Society of the United States Foundation has recognized an outstanding pre-K-12 teacher who consistently incorporates humane education into his or her curriculum and/or motivates students to get involved in community service for animals. The winner will receive a framed certificate and a scholarship to Humane Society University's Certified Humane Education Specialist program. To be eligible, nominees must be a pre-K-12 classroom teacher who includes humane lessons in the curriculum or inspires students to act on behalf of animals. Self-nominations are accepted.

Award: Framed certificate and a scholarship to Humane Society University's Certified Humane Education Specialist program

Deadline: February 15, 2015

http://www.humanesociety.org/parents_educators/award/national_kind_teacher_award.html



The Bezos Scholars Program

Every spring, 30 top high school juniors and exceptional educators from across the U.S. and Africa are selected to participate in this year-long leadership development program. The program kicks off with an all-expenses-paid scholarship to attend the acclaimed Aspen Ideas Festival (AIF), a remarkable gathering of thinkers and change agents from around the world. Throughout the academic year, Scholars participate in virtual Bezos Scholars Program trainings and are invited to apply for a \$1,000 seed grant to design and implement their Local Ideas Festival.

Award: \$1,000

Deadline: February 17, 2015

<http://www.bezosfamilyfoundation.org/application>



Disney Friends for Change Grants

Disney Friends for Change Grants offer young change-makers \$500 to gather their friends and turn their creative ideas to help their communities into projects taking place on or around Global Youth Service Day, April 17-19, 2015. Whether protecting the planet, providing food to hungry people, helping other kids learn, or promoting healthy behaviors, Friends for Change help make their communities greener, safer, smarter, healthier, cleaner, and fairer. We are looking for projects that harness the creativity and commitment of young people to use their skills, interests, and talents to meet the needs of others. We want to show that when youth find their voice and take action together, they can make a lasting, positive change in the world. Youth ages 5-18 located in all 50 states and the District of Columbia are eligible to apply. Apply by February 18, 2015 to turn your idea from a dream into reality!

Award: \$500

Deadline: February 18, 2015

<http://citizenship.disney.com/friends-for-change>



NEA Art Works

The NEA's Office of Research & Analysis will make awards to support research that investigates the value and/or impact of the arts, either as individual components within the U.S. arts ecology or as they interact with each other and/or with other domains of American life. Grants generally will range from



\$10,000 to \$100,000. No grants will be made below \$10,000. Grants of \$100,000 or more will be made only in rare instances and only for projects that the Arts Endowment determines will demonstrate exceptional national or regional significance and impact. In the past few years, well over half of the agency's grants have been for amounts less than \$25,000.

Award: \$10,000 to \$100,000

Deadline: February 19, 2015

<http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/art-works/grant-program-description>

Knight Arts Challenge South Florida 2015

The John S. and James L. Knight Foundation is seeking innovative ideas in the arts from individuals, collectives, nonprofits, and companies in South Florida. The contest has three simple rules: The idea must be about the arts, must take place in or benefit South Florida, and find other funding to match the Knight Foundation grant. In 2012, Knight Foundation decided to extend the Knight Arts Challenge through 2015, committing an additional \$9 million to the local arts through the community-wide contest. Support is offered through challenge grants, meaning winners must match Knight funding.



Award: Varies based on project cost

Deadline: February 23, 2015

<http://www.knightarts.org/community/miami/kacm-miami/knight-arts-challenge-south-florida-opens-for-entries>

Lemelson-MIT Program 2014 InvenTeam Initiative

The InvenTeam initiative provides opportunities for high school students to cultivate their creativity, curiosity, and problem-solving abilities and apply lessons from science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) subjects to invent technological solutions to real-world problems. InvenTeams comprised of high school students, teachers, and mentors receive grants to invent technological solutions to a problem of their choice. Projects can range from assistive devices to environmental technologies and consumer goods. Funds may be allocated for project-related research, materials, and learning experiences. STEM educators at high schools and nonprofit educational organizations who have not received an InvenTeam grant within the past three years are eligible to apply.



Award: Up to \$10,000

Deadline: February 27, 2015

<http://lemelson.mit.edu/>

Opal Apple Youth Make a Difference initiative

The Opal Apple Youth Make a Difference will award funding to youth-based initiatives serving their communities in the U.S. where youth, ages 6 – 25, take leadership roles in the initiative. We are looking for organizations seeking grant dollars in the range of \$5,000 - \$20,000. The initiatives chosen will address one or more issues of food security, nutrition, agriculture, food politics, and education. FirstFruits Marketing will distribute up to a total of \$150,000 in grant funding in 2015, distributed as multiple grants with amounts determined by need of project. Applicants must be nonprofits operating in one of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia, and must submit proof of 501(c)(3) status, or affiliated with school entities, in good standing. Individuals who wish to seek funding for their initiatives are encouraged to find and work directly with a local nonprofit or school entity. Organization must have an operating budget of less than \$2MM.



Award: \$5,000 - \$20,000

Deadline: February 28, 2015

<http://www.opalapples.com/cause.aspx>

John Cotton Dana Award

The Library Leadership and Management Association, a division of the American Library Association, is accepting submissions for the John Cotton Dana Award, an annual program that honors outstanding library public relations initiatives. The award is named for John Cotton Dana, who is credited with helping transition libraries from reading rooms to community centers. Established in 1946, the awards program considers strategic library communication campaigns from all sizes and types of libraries, including rebranding efforts, the promotion of unique archives, awareness campaigns, and community partnerships. Libraries are encouraged to submit samples of their processes, research, media releases, media coverage, or other results, as well as evaluation of the results and other



documentation and supporting materials that show the scope and effectiveness of the strategic communication effort. Eight awards of \$10,000 are granted each year. Entries may be submitted by any library, library friends group, consulting agency, or service provider, excluding libraries represented by prize committee members.

Award: \$10,000

Deadline: February 28, 2015

<https://johncottodana.nonprofitcms.org/a>

March 2015

Closing the Gap Awards

College For Every Student is accepting applications from low-income middle and high schools for its Closing the Gap Awards. Through the annual program, CFES will award grants to five schools to implement programs that help prepare low-income students for college and a career. The award will fully support two schools for three years. Three additional schools will receive grants covering half of their program costs (i.e., \$12,500 a year for three years); schools in this category will be asked to find matching support from other sources. The CFES program provides a framework that allows schools to customize the implementation of three core practices — mentoring, leadership through service, and pathways to college. Volunteers, educators, and other partners who work with CFES Scholars receive ongoing professional development to help them build the program at their school as they become part of a supportive global network. To be eligible, applicants must be a middle or high school in the United States in which at least 50 percent of the student population comes from low-income households.

Award: \$12,500 a year for three years

Deadline: March 1, 2015

<http://www.collegefes.org/one-million-more.php>

NEW!

FEMA Youth Preparedness Council

FEMA is looking for youth leaders who are dedicated to public service, who are making a difference in their communities, and who want to expand their impact as national advocates for youth disaster preparedness. Any individual between the ages of 13 and 17 who is engaged in individual and community preparedness, or who has experienced a disaster that has motivated him or her to make a positive difference in his or her community, may apply to serve on the Youth Preparedness Council.

Award: Serve as a council member for one (1) year

Deadline: March 2, 2015

<http://www.ready.gov/youth-preparedness-council>

NEW!



Ezra Jack Keats Foundation Mini-Grant Applications

Established by children's book author and illustrator Ezra Jack Keats, the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation is accepting applications to its mini-grants program from public schools and public libraries anywhere in the United States and its territories. The mini-grants program supports projects that foster creative expression, collaboration, and interaction with a diverse community. To that end, the program will award grants of up to \$500 to educators interested in creating special activities outside the standard curriculum. Projects funded in the past include murals, pen pal groups, quilts, theater productions, newspapers and other publications, intergenerational activities, and programs that bring disparate communities together. Starting in 2015, the program also will fund activities that support the Common Core Standards. Public schools, public libraries, and preschool Head Start programs are eligible to apply. Private and parochial schools and charter schools are not eligible. Applicants must be located in the U.S. or one of its commonwealths or territories, including Puerto Rico and Guam. Only one application from each library or school will be considered.

Award: Up to \$500

Deadline: March 15, 2015

<http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/minigrant-program/>

FAFSA Completion Commencement Video Challenge

With "FAFSA season" just around the corner, First Lady Michelle Obama is calling on every high school senior in America to complete their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) starting on January 1st, and for students, principals, teachers, school counselors, and administrators to show how their school is taking action to get more students to fill out their forms. Create a three to five minute video that highlights how your school is stepping up. Not only will you be making a big difference for your school and your students, but the First



NEW!

Lady could be sending your school a special video message or speak at your commencement ceremony next spring. Submissions for the FAFSA Completion Commencement Video Challenge will be accepted until March 16, 2015. Videos must be uploaded to YouTube or Vimeo to be submitted. School principal (or designee) must complete the entry form and submit a link to your video. Winning videos will be chosen based on creativity and a school's FAFSA completion growth rate as of March 16, 2015 over a school's 2014 FAFSA completion growth rate, as reported by the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Federal Student Aid. <http://www.whitehouse.gov/reach-higher/fafsa-commencement>.

Award: The First Lady could be sending your school a special video message or speak at your commencement ceremony next spring

Deadline: March 16, 2015

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/reach-higher/fafsa-commencement>

April 2015

World of Children 2015 Award Program

The World of Children Award program was created to recognize individuals who make a difference in the lives of children in the United States and across the globe, regardless of political, religious, or geographical boundaries. The program makes grants in support of the proven, high-impact programs these individuals have created for children and to ensure that more children's lives will be touched, improved, and changed forever. The program honors individuals in four categories: Education, Humanitarian, Health, and Youth.



Award: Up to \$25,000-\$50,000

Deadline: April 1, 2015

<http://www.worldofchildren.org/theaward/awards-we-give/>

NEA Challenge America Grant Program

The Challenge America category offers support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations -- those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Age alone (e.g., youth, seniors) does not qualify a group as underserved; at least one of the underserved characteristics noted above also must be present. Grants are available for professional arts programming and for projects that emphasize the potential of the arts in community development. This category encourages and supports the following two objectives:



Engagement: Engaging the public with diverse and excellent art. **Livability:** The strengthening of communities through the arts. You will be asked to select the objective that is most relevant to your project. When making selections, you should identify the objective(s) that reflect the results expected to be achieved by your project. If you receive a grant, you also will be asked to provide evidence of those results. Challenge America grants: Extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations.



Partnerships can be valuable to the success of these projects. While not required, applicants are encouraged to consider partnerships among organizations, both in and outside of the arts, as appropriate to their project.

Award: \$10,000 and require a minimum \$10,000 match

Deadline: April 16, 2015

<http://arts.gov/grants-organizations/challenge-america/grant-program-description>

ING Unsung Heroes 2015 Class Project Awards

ING Unsung Heroes helps turn the great ideas of educators into reality for students. All awards must be used to further teacher projects within the school or school system. All K-12 education professionals, whether or not they are clients of ING, are eligible. Applicants must be employed by an accredited K-12 public or private school located in the U.S. and be a full-time educator, teacher, principal, paraprofessional, or classified staff member. Each of the 100 finalists will receive an award of \$2,000. Additional awards will be made to three finalists: \$25,000 (1st Place Prize); \$10,000 (2nd Place Prize); and \$5,000 (3rd Place Prize).

Award: \$2,000-\$25,000

Deadline: April 30, 2015

<https://unsungheroes.scholarshipamerica.org/>

Lawrence Foundation Environmental, Education, and Human Services Projects

The Lawrence Foundation awards grants in support of the environment, education, human services, disaster relief, and other causes. Applications are accepted twice a year. The foundation awards both program and operating grants with no

geographic restrictions to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, as well as public schools and libraries. Grants are awarded twice a year. Award ceiling not specified.

Award: Not specified.

Deadline: April 30, 2015

<http://www.thelawrencefoundation.org/grants/guidelines.php/>

May 2015

The Paradigm Challenge

The Paradigm Challenge is an annual competition developed by Project Paradigm and the American Red Cross to inspire youth aged 7 to 18 to affect positive change in the world. The first annual challenge aims to generate new ideas to prevent injuries and fatalities from home fires - America's #1 disaster threat. They invite youth aged 7 to 18 (as of May 1, 2015) to accept The Challenge, build a team, become problem solvers, learn about home fires, and help save lives. Project Paradigm will award cash prizes of up to \$100,000 to the top 100 teams.

Award: Up to \$100,000

Deadline: May 1, 2015

<http://www.projectparadigm.org/>

School In-Service Training Grants for Grades Pre-K-5 Teachers

The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics is accepting applications for its 2015 School In-Service Training grants, which are designed to support the professional development and pedagogical content knowledge of pre-K-5 math teachers. For 2015–16, grants of up to \$4,000 will be awarded to individual elementary schools to cover costs such as honoraria and consultant fees, materials, substitute time, and conference or workshop registrations. Funds may not be used for staff travel or equipment. While the program does not fund the purchase of technology, proposals including professional development involving the use of technology to enhance student learning are encouraged. Only schools with a current (on or before April 24, 2015) NCTM pre-K–8 school membership are eligible to apply.



Award: Up to \$4,000

Deadline: May 4, 2015

<http://www.nctm.org/resources/content.aspx?id=206>

School In-Service Training Grants for Grades 9–12 Teachers

The National Association of Teachers of Mathematics is accepting applications for its School In-Service Training grants, which support the professional development and pedagogical content knowledge of math teachers in grades 9–12, as well as their knowledge of students as learners of mathematics. For 2015–16, grants of up to \$4,000 will be awarded to elementary schools. Costs covered by the grants may include honoraria and expenses for consultants, materials, substitute time, and conference or workshop registrations. No funds may be used for staff travel or equipment. While the program does not fund the purchase of technology, proposals that include professional development involving the use of technology to enhance student learning are encouraged. Only schools with a current (on or before April 24, 2015) individual NCTM membership are eligible to apply.



Award: Up to \$4,000

Deadline: May 4, 2015

<http://www.nctm.org/resources/content.aspx?id=2942>

June 2015

Champion Creatively Alive Children Creative Leadership Grants 2015

Crayola, in partnership with the National Association of Elementary School Principals, is accepting applications for the 2015 Creative Leadership grant program. The program will award up to twenty grants of \$2,500 in support of creative leadership team-building programs in elementary schools in the United States and Canada. In addition, each program will receive an in-kind grant of Crayola products valued at \$1,000. Creative leadership projects might involve building a creativity professional development plan that includes a series of workshops delivered by teachers, for teachers; bringing in an arts organization that has expertise in integrating art across the curriculum and having a series of training workshops followed up by co-teaching sessions so the



information gets embedded into classroom practices; and/or organizing grade level creativity teams who have monthly collaboration meetings where they design lessons and coach each other on the implementation of art-infused, cross-curricular lessons.

Award: Cash grants of \$2,500 and in-kind grants of Crayola products valued at \$1,000

Deadline: June 22, 2015

<http://www.crayola.com/for-educators/ccac-landing/grant-program.aspx>

Rolling Opportunities

Macy's Foundation - My Macy's District Grants

My Macy's District Grants support nonprofit organizations and initiatives that are important to our individual local communities from coast to coast and that fall within the Macy's focus areas - arts and culture, education, the environment, HIV/AIDS, and women's issues. All organizations funded by the Macy's Foundation or the Bloomingdale's Fund of the Macy's Foundation must have a current 501(c)(3) tax exempt status as determined by the Internal Revenue Service. Additionally, the organization must not be classified as a 509(a)(3) or as a private foundation. Take the online eligibility quiz prior to applying.



Award ceiling: Not specified.

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.macysinc.com/community/grant-information/overview/default.aspx>

Karma for Cara Foundation Mirco-Grants

The Karma for Cara Foundation is encouraging kids 18 and under to apply for funds between \$250 and \$1,000 to complete service projects in their communities. Whether it is turning a vacant lot into a community garden, rebuilding a school playground or helping senior citizens get their homes ready for winter, they want to hear what project you're passionate about. Karma for Cara Foundation is a non-profit founded by 21-year-old Cara Becker and her family while she was being treated for leukemia at Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center in October of 2012.

Award: Up to \$1,000

Deadline: Rolling

http://www.ysa.org/karma_for_cara_foundation

Kinder Morgan Foundation

The Kinder Morgan Foundation, the charitable arm of energy company Kinder Morgan, works to help today's science, math, and music students become the engineers, educators, and musicians who will support their diverse communities for years to come. The foundation supports K-12 programs that promote the academic and artistic interests of young people in cities and towns across North America where Kinder Morgan operates. Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded for academic programs including: tutoring; arts education programs; and environmental education programs that work with local schools and meets curriculum standards.



Award: \$5,000

Deadline: The tenth of every other month

http://www.kindermorgan.com/community/km_foundation_guidelines.cfm

Seed Grants for Social Entrepreneurs

The Pollination Project is accepting applications from individuals working to make their community and the world a better place in the areas of arts and culture, community health and wellness, the environment, and justice. Seed grants of up to \$1,000 will be awarded to social entrepreneurs for projects in the early stages of development, including those that promote compassion toward all life (people, planet, and animals), environmental sustainability, justice in all its forms, community health and wellness, and social change-oriented arts and culture. To be eligible, applicants must be passionate, committed individuals with a social change vision that fits within one or more of the above-mentioned categories. Established nonprofit organizations with paid staff will not be considered.

Award: \$1,000

Deadline: Rolling

<http://thepollinationproject.org/funding-guidelines/>

Chatlos Foundation, Inc. Grants

The Chatlos Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in the United States under the following areas of interests: Bible Colleges/Seminaries; Religious Causes; Medical Concerns; Liberal Arts Colleges and Social Concerns. Award ceiling: \$25,000 (varies by funding category). On an initial basis, the Foundation tends to fund requests for amounts less than \$10,000. There are no deadlines for submission of a request. All requests are responded to in writing. Only those nonprofit organizations based in the United States and recognized as tax exempt by the IRS may apply for a grant.

Award: \$10,000 to \$25,000 maximum

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.chatlos.org/giving.htm>

Family Literacy – Wish You Well Foundation

The Wish You Well Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations that promote family literacy in the United States. The focus of the Foundation's grant-making is on the development and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs. Grants generally range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Requests may be submitted at any time and are reviewed four times per year. Visit the website to download the Donation Request Form.

Award: Up to \$10,000

Deadline: Rolling

<http://wishyouwellfoundation.org>

Walmart Foundation - Community Giving Grant Programs

The Walmart Foundation offers grants in four key areas of focus: Hunger Relief & Healthy Eating; Sustainability; Women's Economic Empowerment; and Career Opportunity. Eligible applicants: Organizations with current tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3), (4), (6), or (19); Recognized government entities; K-12 Public Schools/Districts; Charter Schools; Community/Junior Colleges; State Colleges and Universities; and Private schools with current tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Four different giving programs are offered: National, State, Local and Northwest Arkansas.



Award: Ceilings vary according to giving program

Deadline: Rolling

<http://foundation.walmart.com/apply-for-grants/>

Surdna Foundation Thriving Cultures Program: Artistic Communities

This program honors and celebrates the artistic impulse as part of community behavior and as a way to strengthen community identity and cohesion. Grants are provided to nonprofit organizations that address the following three lines of work: (1) Teens' Artistic Advancement; (2) Artists Engaging in Social Change; and (3) Community Driven Design. Online letters of inquiry that focus on these areas are accepted throughout the year. Applications are accepted from nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations that are based in the United States with U.S. based projects.

Award: \$35,000 to \$80,000 annually

Deadline: Various deadlines – see website, ongoing up to December 3, 2023

<http://www.surdna.org/what-we-fund/thriving-cultures/80.html>

Do Something Seed Grants

Are you working to start a community action project or program with your friends? Do you need money to put your ideas into action? A \$500 Do Something Seed Grant is given out every week to help young people just like YOU! These grants can be used towards project ideas and programs that are just getting started, or to jump-start your program and realize your ideas for the first time. These grants can also be used towards projects that are already developed and sustainable, towards the next steps of your project and organization to help you as you look to expand your project and grow your impact.

Award: \$500

Deadline: Rolling

<https://www.dosomething.org/grants/database/do-something-1>

Coral Gables Community Foundation

The mission of the Coral Gables Community Foundation is to foster program and initiatives that enhance the quality of life for people living and working in "The City Beautiful" Coral Gables. Grants are awarded in the Foundation's areas of interests which include: education; arts and culture; health services; historical preservation; and social services (for

elderly, youth and disabled). Eligible applicants are 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations. Those wishing to apply for funding should write a letter stating the specific need for funding and attaching a copy of the organization's 501(c)(3) status.

Award: Various – ceiling not specified

Deadline: Grants are reviewed on a quarterly basis ongoing to October 30, 2023

<http://www.gablesfoundation.org/charitable-giving/grants>

Fender Music Foundation Guitar Donation Program

The Fender Music Foundation provides instruments and equipment for eligible nonprofit music instruction programs. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. Awarded items are lightly used, blemished, or otherwise imperfect and have been collected by the foundation from manufacturers and retailers. The foundation is currently awarding acoustic guitars, electric guitars, acoustic-electric guitars, bass guitars, and the equipment necessary to play them. However, other traditional music instruments, including string, woodwind, brass, and percussion instruments, as well as keyboards, are sometimes available. The foundation awards instruments only to music instruction programs offered by public schools or 501(c)3 tax-exempt organizations. Eligible programs must involve either in-school music classes in which students make music; afterschool music programs that are not run by the school; community music programs that offer music instruction to community members; or music therapy programs in which the participants actively make music.



Award: Used musical instruments, as available

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.fendermusicfoundation.org/>

Community Improvement and Public Education

The Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation Community Grants range from \$5,000 to \$25,000 and are provided for community improvement initiatives and K-12 public education projects. Funding priorities for community improvement initiatives include park, neighborhood, and community facility enhancements; outdoor learning programs; and community clean-ups. Requests may be submitted at any time.

Award: \$5,000 to \$25,000

Deadline: Rolling

http://www.lowes.com/cd_Corporate+Citizenship_674540029

JP Morgan Chase Community Giving Program

The JPMorgan Chase Foundation directs the majority of its time, attention, and investment toward specific neighborhoods in cities where they have major operations. These neighborhoods are typically among the most challenged areas of major urban centers, defined by unacceptably high rates of poverty and historic disinvestment. The firm's philanthropic investments are directed toward three primary focus areas: Community Development; Education; and Arts and Culture. To be considered for support, a potential grantee must first submit an online Letter of Inquiry. Grant applications may be submitted throughout the year.



Award: Eligibility and award ceiling not specified

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.jpmorganchase.com/corporate/Corporate-Responsibility/grant-programs.htm>

Kaboom! Let's Play Joint Use Grants for Previously Unavailable Playgrounds

Grant applications are accepted from communities working to establish joint use agreements to re-open playground and recreational facilities previously unavailable due to safety and upkeep concerns. Let's Play Joint Use grants will support creation of joint-use agreements between local governments and school districts that address cost concerns related to safety, vandalism, maintenance, and liability issues to re-open previously unavailable playgrounds and recreational facilities. Grants can be used for training and technical assistance, utilities and other building related to the extra use of the facility, legal fees, contract security services, and marketing campaigns related to the joint-use agreement. Grant recipients must commit to opening the playgrounds within twelve months of the grant decision.

Award: \$30,000

Deadline: Rolling

http://kaboom.org/joint_use

Easton Sports Development Foundation, Inc., Grants for Archery or Bow Hunting

Each year, this foundation gives grants that benefit archery and bow hunting programs. Requests for less than \$25,000 are accepted at any time. Grant requests that exceed \$25,000 may also receive funding if submitted before March 1 or

September 1 of each year. Applications may be submitted by schools and qualified 501(c)3 organizations. Applicants that are not qualified 501(c)3 organizations may also receive funding but may be required to submit additional information for the Grant Committee to review before making its decision.

Award: Amount not specified

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.esdf.org/apply-for-grant/>

National Inclusion Project Grants

Through this funder, financial assistance can be provided for a child to participate in approved inclusive programs. Any funding dispensed will be given to the approved program or organization. Families with a combined household income of less than \$75,000 are eligible to apply. Upon submission, a National Inclusion Project representative will contact the desired program to determine if the program will successfully include the child in order to designate them as an approved program. Recipients will be eligible for support for a maximum of two years. Applications are accepted year-round.

Award: \$1,000 for one year

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.inclusionproject.org/for-programs/how-to-partner-with-us/>

World We Want Foundation - Youth for Social Change Projects

The World We Want Foundation is accepting applications from organizations that represent youth making positive social change in their communities and around the world. Grants will be awarded to youth between the ages of 13 and 25 who want to make a difference through a range of social action activities, including community service projects, service-learning projects, and social ventures. Qualified applications must have a project team of one or more youths, a partner organization that supports and sponsors the team, and a project mentor to guide and advise the team.



Award: \$5,000

Deadline: Rolling

<http://theworldwewantfoundation.org/start-your-project>

Waste Management Charitable Giving

Waste Management supports causes that promote civic pride, economic development and revitalization. Focus areas include: Environment (help provide renewable resources to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels and to conserving and maintaining wetlands, wildlife habitats and green spaces for people's enjoyment); Environmental Education (Support environmental education programs targeted at middle and high school students); and Causes important to the areas where we operate (programs that help make them cleaner and better places to live as identified by Local Waste Management facilities). Waste Management prefers to support environmental education programs targeted at middle and high school students. This includes environmental and science related projects, science fairs, Earth Day projects and others.

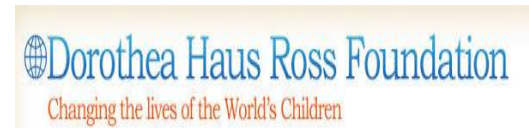
Award: Unspecified

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.wm.com/about/community/charitable-giving.jsp>

Vulnerable Children's Programs

The Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation supports nonprofits that serve vulnerable children in the United States and around the world. Grants offer direct aid to children in need, including those who are ill, orphaned, disabled, injured, abused, or malnourished as well as children who have limited access to education. Most grants are one-time awards in the range of \$1,000 to \$15,000. Letters of inquiry are accepted throughout the year. Visit their website to review the funding priorities and guidelines.



Award: \$1,000 to \$15,000

Deadline: On-going

www.dhrossfoundation.org

Alcoholism Awareness and Prevention

The Christopher D. Smithers Foundation seeks to inform the public that alcoholism is a treatable disease from which people can and do recover and encourages prevention programs and activities. Grants support a range of issues related

to alcoholism, including prevention, treatment, research, public education, and creating awareness of alcoholism problems in the work world. While a number of grants go to national organizations, regional and local organizations across the country are also eligible to receive funds.

Award: Various

Deadline: On-going

www.smithersfoundation.org

Pathway to Financial Success Grants for High School Financial Education

Pathway to Financial Success, a charitable program administered by Discover Financial Services, aims to arm parents and children with the skills they need to succeed, preparing them for a brighter, more responsible financial future. The program is accepting applications from public high schools in the United States that are planning to implement a financial education program into the curriculum. Eligibility: applications must be submitted by a public high school planning to implement a financial education curriculum; that have a measurement tool to assess participation in and comprehension of the financial education curriculum; and that agree to share the results of the tool's pre- and post-curriculum testing with Discover upon programs completion.

Award: Grant amounts will be assessed on a program-by-program basis.

Deadline: On-going

<http://www.pathwaytofinancialsuccess.org/get-a-grant>

Enterprise Holdings Foundation Grants

The Foundation was established to allow the company to give back to the communities in which their customers and employees live and work. The Foundation provides charitable support to worthwhile, non-profit initiatives that are actively supported by the company's employees, their spouses and loyal customers in the thousands of local communities where they operate. The Foundation also provides more sizable special grants to non-profit groups or causes of significant strategic or social importance to the company and its employees.



Award: \$2,500 to \$5,000

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.enterpriseholdings.com/about-us/corporate-citizenship/grant-faqs/>

Kresge Foundation Arts and Culture Program Harvesting Leading Practices

The Kresge Foundation's Arts and Culture Program has opened a new grant opportunity for organizations integrating arts and culture into specific community revitalization work. The program will accept proposals for activities in traditionally disinvested communities that integrate arts and culture in: 1) Public green and civic spaces; and 2) Transit-oriented development projects. Examples include transit networks, "complete streets," sustainable landscapes, and other similar projects. Nonprofit and public entities are eligible to apply. Preliminary applications are accepted on an ongoing basis.

Award: Various

Deadline: Rolling

<http://kresge.org/programs/arts-culture/harvesting-leading-practice>

First Book National Book Bank Offers Free Books

The First Book National Book Bank distributes large quantities of publisher-donated brand-new books to programs serving children from low-income families. Books are free to organizations that are able to pick them up or just \$0.85 per book to have them shipped. Eligible organizations must register with First Book and be a nonprofit organization serving at least 80% of children from low-income families, a Title I school, or a specially designated government institution.

Award: Brand-new books

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.firstbook.org/first-book-story/innovation-in-publishing/national-book-bank>

Facilities Assistance Services and Grants

The United States Tennis Association (USTA) provides support for the construction and renovation of tennis courts and facilities. Eligible applicants include elementary, middle, and high schools, as well as institutions of higher education and community organizations. Grants are intended to have a major impact on those served by the organization.

Award: Varies based on need

Deadline: Rolling

http://www.usta.com/Facilities/facility_services/

Free Supplies at the OBCEM Warehouse

Full-time teachers and current year PTA/PTSA Presidents in Miami-Dade County Public Schools are eligible to visit the Ocean Bank Center for Educational Materials warehouse. Teachers and PTA / PTSA presidents are entitled to one visit every six months. If you have never visited the Ocean Bank Center, you may visit at any time. You may request a pass two months prior to the six-month period. To shop for free supplies at the Ocean Bank Center for Educational Materials warehouse, you may choose one of the following three options: 1) complete a pass application online 2) send a written request available at the link on the right 3) fax in a request, available at the link on the right, to 305-892-5096, attn: Ocean Bank Center Pass. Once you receive your pass, you may: visit the Ocean Bank Center on the pass day and fill a shopping cart with 100 points worth of supplies, complete a one-page report detailing how the supplies were used, and request another pass every six months. For more information, please contact: Stacey de la Grana, Program Director sdelagrana@educationfund.org.



Award: Free educational materials

Deadline: Rolling

<http://www.educationfund.org/foreducators/freesupplieswarehouse/>



Upcoming Webinars

Official launch dates will be announced on our website www.dadegetsgrants.net

Recorded Webinars:

- Webinar 1: M-DCPS Grant Writing Policies and Protocol
- Webinar 2: "Post-Award Training - We're Here To Help You"
- Webinar 3: Building a Grant Writing Team
- Webinar 4: Understanding the Circular 87 (C-87)
- Webinar 5: Searching for Funding
- Webinar 6: Understanding the Main Components of a Grant Proposal

Live Webinars:

- Live Webinar 1: Elementary School Teachers
- Live Webinar 2: Secondary School Teachers

Recently Received a Grant?

We want to hear about it!

Send us an email (msears@dadeschools.net)

including the following:

- ✓ Name of school
- ✓ Grant program
- ✓ Purpose
- ✓ Awarded amount

Your school could be featured in our next newsletter.

Grant Trainings 2014-2015 For M-DCPS Teachers & Administrators



Workshop	Date
Basics of Grant Writing	February 17, 2015
Intermediate Grant Writing*	April 3, 2015

***Pre-requisite Required:** Basics of Grant Writing training or approval by Grants Administration.

***Grant Trainings are from 8 AM-3 PM, location TBD**

Post Award FRU Grant Training 2014-2015 For M-DCPS Program Managers

Date
February 26, 2015
March 19, 2015
April 30, 2015
May 28, 2015

***Attendance is mandatory for grant program managers who have not attended in the past fiscal year**

***All Financial Training Workshops will be held from 1-4 PM at the School Board Administration Building Auditorium (1450 N.E. 2nd Ave, Miami, FL 33132).**

Register for a workshop please follow the link provided: <http://calendar.dadeschools.net/cal/calendar.nsf>