GRANTS INFORMATION: FUNDERS, RESOURCES, AND GRANT WRITING TOOL

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II – Purpose

The purpose of this Hurricane Sandy Grants Information Guide is to provide New York non-profit organizations with potential grant information and other resources. The Grant Information Guide lists will give information on many programs, foundations, businesses and agencies that provide financial and other types of assistance to non-profit organizations. This guide also includes a Grant Writing Tool. Updates and verification are on-going.

The Grant Information Guide is arranged in sections based on needs and the types of funding provided.

Note: If the grant link do not open copy paste to browser. Deadlines coming before end of January 2014 are highlighted. New grants are right border marked.
III – Corporations Grants

1. **The Home Depot Foundation** – Community Grant Program Grants must support work completed by community volunteers in the U.S. Proposals for the following community improvement activities will be considered:
   • Repairs, refurbishments, and modifications to low-income and/or transitional housing or community facilities (schools, community centers, senior centers, etc.); Weatherizing or increasing energy efficiency of low-income and/or transitional housing or community facilities; Planting trees or community gardens and/or landscaping community facilities; Development and/or improvement of parks or green spaces. More competitive grant proposals will specifically identify projects for veterans and will include housing repairs, modifications, and weatherization work. Grants, up to $5,000. Grants are given in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services.
   Please do not contact your local store or The Home Depot Customer Care helpline to inquire about the status of your application. Should you have any questions about this grant program please e-mail the Foundation at [team_depot@homedepot.com](mailto:team_depot@homedepot.com). A link to the application is available on the Program web site at: [http://www.homedepotfoundation.org/page/grants](http://www.homedepotfoundation.org/page/grants)

2. **Thrivent Financial** - Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and the Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Foundation have committed up to $1 million to Hurricane Sandy relief efforts as part of a dollar-for-dollar match program [https://www.thrivent.com/foundations/guidelineslutheran/index.html](https://www.thrivent.com/foundations/guidelineslutheran/index.html)

3. **Wells Fargo** - Wells Fargo & Company donated $1 million for relief efforts in the wake of Hurricane Sandy. A portion of the funds, $250,000, will go to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund to support relief efforts the agency is directing throughout impacted areas in the region. The remaining $750,000 will go to support nonprofits conducting [https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/ny_guidelines](https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/ny_guidelines)

4. **Google Grants** - Designed for 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, Google Grants is a unique in-kind advertising program. It harnesses the power of our flagship advertising product, Google AdWords, to non-profits seeking to inform and engage their constituents online. Google Grants has awarded AdWords advertising to hundreds of non-profit groups whose missions range from animal welfare to literacy, from supporting homeless children to promoting HIV education. Organizations must have current 501(c)(3) status, as assigned by the Internal Revenue Service to be considered for a Google Grant. The Google Grants program supports organizations sharing their philosophy of community service, and with a strong mission to help the world in areas such as science and technology, education, global public health, the environment, youth advocacy, and the arts. Each organization awarded a Google Grant receives at least three months of in-kind advertising. Apply using the online application form on the Program web site. Google Grants are awarded quarterly. Google Grant Form link: [https://support.google.com/nonprofits/?hl=en&rd=1](https://support.google.com/nonprofits/?hl=en&rd=1)
5. **Walgreen Community Grant Program**-Organizations seeking funding should have a specific focus on improving: Access to health and wellness in their community; Pharmacy education programs and mentoring initiatives Civic and Community outreach; **Emergency and Disaster Relief**. Limited to nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. For grant consideration, eligible nonprofits must apply online. Telephone inquiries and faxed requests are not accepted. Application Grant link: [https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_505/Default.asp?CT=CT&SA=SNA&FID=35009&SESID=31780&RL](https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_505/Default.asp?CT=CT&SA=SNA&FID=35009&SESID=31780&RL) link: [http://www.walgreens.com/marketing/about/community/guidelines.jsp](http://www.walgreens.com/marketing/about/community/guidelines.jsp)
IV – Foundations Grants

1. **Disability Funders Network (DFN) Rapid Response Fund** The Disability Funders Network (DFN) Rapid Response Fund has been launched to help non-profit organizations meet the immediate and long-term needs of people with disabilities in the Northeast region impacted by Hurricane Sandy. The DFN Rapid Response Fund is offering mini-grants to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations to meet specific needs which include, but are not limited to transportation, shelter, medication, medical equipment and assistive technology. Grants from the DFN Rapid Response Fund will be disbursed directly to non-profit organizations with the capacity to affect the greatest need among hurricane victims and/or evacuees with disabilities. Initially, grants from the fund will focus on immediate needs of the targeted population. It is anticipated that future awards will be made to address long-term needs, as well. Grants will continue to be awarded until funds are depleted. The average amount of any one grant is $5,000. Multiple requests from a single organization are not encouraged. We encourage you to submit to khutchinson@disabilityfunders.org Please make sure that all applications have DFN Rapid Response Fund. We understand that not everyone has email capacity at this time—if this is the case, we will accept your application by regular mail.

   Send to:
   Kim Hutchinson
   President/CEO
   DFN Rapid Response Fund
   14241 Midlothian Trnpk. #151
   Midlothian, VA 23113-6500
   Phone: (703) 795-9646
   Cell: (804)405-3288

2. **CIGNA Foundation Grants** - Funding for programs that enhance the health of individuals and families and the well-being of communities. The CIGNA Foundation defines its activities in terms of four primary impact areas. Potential grantees will be expected to demonstrate how their activities positively impact one of these areas; Promoting Wellness: Building awareness, helping people manage their health challenges and making health services available and affordable for all; Expanding Opportunities: Reaching across barriers – be they based on gender, ethnicity or physical condition – to tap the talents of every person; ;Developing Leaders: Supporting the type of community service that gives talented individuals the experience to become future leaders; Embracing Communities: Connecting neighbors to create networks that will address the complex social and environmental challenges we all face. Please note that while there are no geographic restrictions, preference is given to those locations where CIGNA has a significant presence. All organizations requesting funding must be current 501(c)(3) public charities. See Program web site for Grant Disqualifiers. Although there are no restrictions on amount of funds requested, $5000 is considered a typical grant, particularly for first-time recipients. Decisions are made on an ongoing basis; there is no deadline for receipt of applications, although all funds are distributed on an annual basis by November 30th. Grant link: https://secure16.easymatch.com/cignagive/applications/agency/?Skip=LandingPage&ProgramID=2 or call Grant helpline: 1.866.865.5277

3. **Enterprise Launches the Enterprise Partner Support & Rebuilding Fund for New York and New Jersey** - At Enterprise, our hearts are with every community suffering in Superstorm Sandy’s aftermath. While the total costs of the historic storm are not yet clear, tens of thousands of people in New York and New Jersey alone have lost their homes, the foundations upon which people and neighborhoods thrive. Enterprise and our partners are strongly committed to recovery, rebuilding and resilience. Apply here for the Enterprise Partner Support & Rebuilding Fund, which Enterprise created to help our partners with the immediate recovery and rebuilding efforts. The fund consists of two parts: 1- Emergency grants that can be used to address any immediate needs resulting from the storm; 2- Immediate low-cost working capital that our for-profit and nonprofit partners can use to speed rebuilding such as bridging the gap to other resources including FEMA funding and insurance coverage. Partners can apply for the fund
by contacting Elizabeth Zeldin. Donors interested in making a contribution to the Fund may do so by designating their gift to the Enterprise Partners Support & Rebuilding Fund or by contacting Vicky Hernandez at 212.284.7121.

4. **Non-Profit Training Resource Fund Grant Guidelines** - TD Charitable Foundation Total funding of $200,000 in grants awarded to eligible organizations for employees to attend approved classes and courses that will enhance job performance. Grant awards will cover the cost of tuition for employees. Organizations must be tax-exempt under IRS Code 501(c)(3) and not be classified as a private foundation and must be located within a TD Bank, N.A. market area. Organizations must have a mission/focus that promotes one of the following: 1- Affordable housing for low- to moderate-income individuals; 2- Increased economic (small business) development; 3- Financial literacy for low- and moderate-income youth, individuals or families, or After-school or extracurricular programming for low- and moderate-income children. Questions and comments can be submitted via the "contact us" form: [http://www.tdbank.com/community/community_contacts.html](http://www.tdbank.com/community/community_contacts.html) or email CharitableGiving@TDBanknorth.com

5. **Walgreen Co.** - Grants will be awarded in the USA non-profit organizations for projects and programs that improve the quality of life in communities. Organizations seeking funding should have a specific focus on improving: Access to health and wellness in their community; Pharmacy education programs and mentoring initiatives; Civic and Community outreach; Emergency and Disaster Relief; and Health.

Health is the major area of focus, and single-Disease Agencies are also supported by this grant.

Not funded:
- Educational or travel grants for contests, pageants, trips, or conventions
- Advertising, promotional events, or sponsorship of athletic teams
- Lobbying, partisan, or denominational programs
- Endowment campaigns
- Capital campaigns
- Sponsorships for individuals participating in cause-related events; i.e., walks, runs, conferences, etc.
- Sponsorships submitted by a third party on behalf of an organization.

**Eligibility:**
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
- See RFP for full eligibility

**Ineligible:**
- United Way supported agencies
- Faith-based organizations for inherently religious purposes or to serve a limited constituency

**Pre-Application Information:**
- Please allow a minimum of 4 to 6 weeks for a response.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Walgreen Co.
200 Wilmot Road
Deerfield, IL 60015
6. FUND FOR A JUST SOCIETY

GUIDELINES

Grants are made to non-Unitarian Universalist groups in the U.S. and Canada that: Use community organizing to bring about systemic change leading to a more just society Mobilize those who have been disenfranchised and excluded from resources, power and the right to self-determination Have an active focused campaign to create systemic change.

FUNDING PRIORITIES

Priority is given to active, specific campaigns to create change in the economic, social, and political structures that affect their lives. We expect the organization’s infrastructure, including leadership, membership and systems of accountability to be developed by the time of the application. We welcome projects that are less likely to receive conventional funding because of the innovative or challenging nature of the work or the economic and social status of the constituency. Please be concrete; spell out your plans. Don’t say you will “empower people,” tell us what actions you will take to create systematic change. See Sample Grants.

RESTRICTIONS

We do not fund social services, educational programs or advocacy projects. We do not make grants for training to individuals. Grants are not given for re-granting, equipment, capital campaigns, politically partisan efforts, educational institutions, medical or scientific research, or cultural programs. Grants are not made to individuals. We consider funding films, publications, or curricula only if they are an integral part of a strategy of collective action for social change.

GRANT SIZE & TYPE OF FUNDING

The maximum grant is $15,000. Most grants are between $6,000 and $8,000. Challenge or matching grants are a possibility. Grants are given for one year. Second-year funding is possible after submitting a new proposal and a final (or interim) report. Third-year funding for the same project is unusual. We are not sustaining funders. See the complete application process.

HOW TO APPLY

To submit a proposal, please complete the Questions for Narrative found on this page. For additional information, refer to the Application Process, Materials to be Included, and application forms.

QUESTIONS FOR NARRATIVE

Use the following questions for part C of “Materials to Be Included.” Type the question number and question before each response. Use at least 12 pt. type and 1” margins on one side only of white 8.5” x 11” paper. Pages must be numbered.

In eight pages or less answer the following questions:

1. Please give a fifty word summary of the project.

2. Describe your group and its recent history.

3. Describe more fully the project for which you are applying. Describe the issue(s) your organization addresses through this project, and what specific actions you are taking to address the issues. Outline the project’s
goals, activities and timelines.

4. Describe how your organization operates and how decisions are made. Who is in your decision-making group? Who is accountable and how?

5. Who will carry out the project's plan, and what are their relevant skills and experiences?

6. Who do you define as your community? How do you reach them?

7. Describe the ways your Board and staff are representative of the communities and issues you are working with.

8. List the individuals, committees or organizations that have contributed significantly to this project through money, time or other forms of support. Please list funding sources and dollar amounts for your organization for the last two years.

9. Describe your specific evaluation plan. How will you know you have succeeded? What outcomes are you working to create? What measures will you use? See sample evaluation plan.

10. Please describe your organization's or group's social change philosophy.

11. How will your project help to bring about systemic change on the issue you are addressing?

For more information contact uufp@uua.org

7. **YOUTH GRANTS**

**Funding Source:**

The World We Want Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**

Ongoing

**Description:**

Grants to teams of young USA leaders who are supported by non-profit educational, charitable, or community based organizations to make positive social changes in their communities and around the world. These grants are intended to encourage young people to design and conduct meaningful social action projects, with the ultimate goal of helping them acquire the 21st-century skills they need to become effective leaders and engaged citizens.

Such skills may include: active learning, leadership, teamwork, critical thinking, civic engagement, and digital media communication.

**Eligibility:**

See RFP for full eligibility

Students

There are three things that you should have when you apply for support for your Social Action Project:
* A Project Team of one or more young people, Young Global Citizens. At least one Team member must be 13 years old or older and selected by the Team to serve as Team Coordinator – the contact person for the Foundation’s communications with the Team.

* A Partner Organization that supports or sponsors your Team and will work with the Foundation on matters such as distributing any funding we provide. It must be a non-profit educational, charitable, or community based organization, such as a public or private school, youth organization or club, civil society organization, or other similar organization or foundation.

* A Project Mentor to guide and advise your Team during the Project, such as a teacher, counselor, or parent, provided by and affiliated with the Partner Organization and 21 years old or older. The Mentor will be the Foundation’s other contact for communications with the Team.

Pre-Application Information:

Click here to find information on how to start your project: http://theworldwewantfoundation.org/start-your-project

FAQs: http://theworldwewantfoundation.org/faq#twwf

Access the online application at: http://theworldwewantfoundation.org/project-application.

Contact Information:

Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source’s website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.

Email: info@theworldwewantfoundation.org

URL for Full Text (RFP):

See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:


Categories:

8. **SHELL OIL GRANTS**

**Funding Source:**

Shell Oil [Foundation]

**Deadline:**

Ongoing

**Description:**

Grants will be awarded in the USA to non-profit organizations to benefit communities in the three areas of Community, Education, and Environment. Community funds are intended for projects focused on civic and human needs in the community while promoting healthy lifestyles, major and cultural arts that promote access to underserved students and communities, and disaster relief efforts.

Education funds are intended for K-12 programs that boost math and science skills, as well as university programs that aid engineering and geoscience students and departments as well as projects at vocational and technical schools where chemical and refinery operators and technicians are trained. They are especially interested in supporting educational outreach in math, science and technology to women/minority students and academic institutions with ethnically diverse enrollments.

Environment funds are intended for programs that restore critical ecosystems, address water, air quality research, preserve wetlands and sponsor wetlands initiatives as well as research projects for threatened wildlife and/or habitats.

Not funded:
- Conferences or symposia
- Endowment funds
- Conferences, workshops, or seminars not directly related to Shell business interests
- Capital campaigns
- Organizational operating expenses
- Repetitive annual grants or continuing support for organizations or programs

**Eligibility:**

See RFP for full eligibility
- Shell supports a wide range of charitable organizations that are tax-exempt in the United States, under Section 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.
- Priority consideration will be given to organizations in or near communities where Shell Oil Company or its affiliates in the United States have a major presence.
- One grant application per organization per fiscal year (September - August) will be accepted.

NOT ELIGIBLE:
- Individuals
- Private Foundations
- Non-profit organizations without a current 501(c)(3) exempt status
- Fraternal and labor organizations
Religious organizations that do not serve the general public on a non-denominational basis
- Organizations located in or benefiting nations other than U.S. and its territories

**Pre-Application Information:**

- To begin the online application process please go to
- Please allow four to six weeks for review of applications.

**Contact Information:**

Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source’s website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.

Shell Oil
P.O. Box 2463
Houston, TX 77252 (Shell Oil Company)

Shell U.S. Switchboard: 713-241-6161 (all Shell U.S. companies)

E-mail: ShellCustomerCare@shell.com

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**

[See the full text of this grant](#)

**Geographic Focus:**


**Categories:**

Aging/Seniors   Arts and Culture   Capital Funding   Children   Community Service Coordination   Conflict Resolution   Disabilities   Elementary Education   Environment   Health and Medical   Higher Education   Housing   Literacy   Mental Health   Nutrition   Other   Preservation   Research & Evaluation   Science   Secondary Education   Sports   Technology   Women   Workforce   Youth/Out-of-School Youth   Pets/Animal/Wildlife   Disaster Relief

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9. **The Hearst Foundations Grants**

**Funding Source:**
The Hearst Foundations [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants ranging up to $250,000 for nonprofit organizations addressing health, culture, education, and social service and serving a large demographic. The purpose of this funding is to support efforts to ensure that all people have the opportunity to build healthy, productive and enriched lives. Funding is provided for endowment, program support, and capital grant support.

Education grants - institutions of higher education dedicated to preparing students to succeed in a global society; undergraduate education at medium size private, liberal arts colleges and universities; compelling programmatic and capital initiatives that advance an institution’s ability to provide quality education. A limited number of grants may also be awarded to support K-12 programs and graduate level study.

Health grants - funds direct medical services that promote wellness, prevention and rehabilitation. Areas of interest include cancer, geriatrics, neonatology, perinatology, pediatrics, women's health, and the disabled. Support for advanced professional education and training is also considered in these fields.

Culture grants - fund cultural institutions that offer innovative programs in the arts and sciences, the majority of which enable access for young people. The Foundations is focused on education initiatives for students in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. In addition, the Foundations support programs that nurture artistic development.

Social Service grants - funds family support services, domestic violence and child abuse prevention, after-school programs, youth development, literacy, housing and homelessness, job training, economic development, and programs for older adults.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
$30,000 - $250,000

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
On a limited basis, the Foundations will consider requests for:
- Proposals from organizations with an operating budget under $1 million
- Start-up or seed funding
- Publishing, radio, film, television or other media-related projects
- Conferences, workshops or seminars

The Foundations will not consider requests for:
- Grants to individuals
- Grants to organizations outside of the United States, or to organizations who intend to use Hearst grant funds outside of the United States
- Advocacy and public policy research
- Special events, tickets, tables or advertising for fundraising events
- Loans, including Program Related Investments (PRI’s)

**Pre-Application Information:**
There are no deadlines. The Board of Directors meet quarterly in March, June, September and December.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Organizations located EAST of the Mississippi River should send requests to:

The Hearst Foundations
Organizations located WEST of the Mississippi River should send requests to:

The Hearst Foundations
90 New Montgomery Street
Suite 1212
San Francisco, California 94105
Telephone: 415-908-4500
Fax: 415-348-0887
hearst.sf@hearstfdn.org

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:

Categories:
Aging/Seniors Arts and Culture Capital Funding Children Community Service Coordination Disabilities Economic Development Elementary Education Financial Assistance Health and Medical Higher Education HIV/AIDS Homelessness Housing Justice & Juvenile Justice Other Preschool Domestic Violence Substance Abuse Women Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth

10. Robin Hood Foundation Grant

Funding Source:
Robin Hood Foundation [Five Boroughs of New York City]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Grants to support organizations serving low income residents of all five boroughs of New York City through funding and technical and management assistance. Programs must have a successful long-term record of providing a full range of intensive services in the areas of survival, early-childhood, jobs and financial security, and education over.

Early Childhood: Programs that work closely with the most vulnerable children and assist parents in identifying and accessing all appropriate services and organizations that provide comprehensive family support, parent education and preventative services. Of particular concern is the 60-square block area known as the Harlem Children's Zone. Programs must have a broad focus and do more than simply provide selected services. Youth programs cover foster care, juvenile justice, and healthcare.

Education: Support given to innovative schools and school-related programs that provide superior educational opportunities to disadvantaged populations. Schools tend to employ an extended day/extended year model and all have rigorous curriculums, strong leadership, and emphasis on teacher training.

After-school programs work with the same children and their families year after year, offering a combination of academic support, recreation, leadership opportunities, mentoring, health care, mental health services, job preparation, arts and parent involvement. Support also given for the long term, comprehensive teen pregnancy prevention model developed by Dr. Michael Carrera and his colleagues.

Jobs & Economic Security: Employment programs train people with severe and multiple barriers to employment such as histories of homelessness, drug abuse, criminal offenses, poor command of English or lack of child care. Job training programs must offer social services, academic assistance and counseling after placement. Support is also provided for transitional work, placement-only initiatives and programs to help workers advance in fast-growing industries, as well as micro-enterprise, economic development and financial literacy organizations and funds organizations to host and operate Single Stop and E.I.T.C. sites.

Survival: Emphasis is in identifying and supporting organizations that can reliably deliver food and meals; find and prepare safe, comfortable, and supportive housing; or intervene to ensure that individual's basic health needs are met. This includes victims of domestic violence and individuals with HIV/AIDS.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
First time grants are in the range of $100,000 to $200,000.

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
Open to all responsible sources
See RFP for full eligibility
In general, Robin Hood does not make grants to technical assistance providers, other funders, or individuals.

Robin Hood does not give grants to distribute propaganda, to attempt to influence legislation or the outcome of any public election or to engage in any activity that is not exclusively charitable, scientific or educational.

Robin Hood will not support organizations that discriminate against people seeking either services or employment based on race, sex, religion, age, sexual orientation or physical disability.

**Pre-Application Information:**
To apply for funding, download the New York Common Application Form:
http://www.philanthropynewyork.org/s_nyrag/bin.asp?CID=5494&DID=15264&DOC=FILE.PDF

After reviewing the list of Frequently Asked Questions: http://www.robinhood.org/programs/get-funding/funding-faq.aspx,
we recommend that you call and speak to the Program Officer for your specific issue area before completing an application. This will help you determine whether your organization’s mission, focus, and activities are in line with the type of work Robin Hood supports.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs. The Program Officer for each portfolio is included in our staff listing.
To contact the appropriate officer, please call 212-227-6601 or send an email to grants@robinhood.org.

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**
New York

**Categories:**
Aging/Seniors  Arts and Culture  Children  Community Service Coordination  Disabilities  Economic Development  Elementary Education  Financial Assistance  Health and Medical  HIV/AIDS  Homeless  Housing  Justice & Juvenile Justice  Literacy  Mental Health  Nutrition  Other  Preschool  Secondary Education  Domestic Violence  Special Education  Substance Abuse  Women  Workforce  Youth/Out-of-School Youth

11. **New York City Trust Grants**

**Funding Source:**
New York Community Trust [Local]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants ranging from $5,000 to $200,000 (averaging $60,000) for non-profit organizations that serve the residents of New York City's Five Boroughs by providing a wide range of programs, projects, and/or services to meet the unmet needs of underserved citizens. There is also funding available for global environmental projects.

Funding will be provided for programs that address one or more of the following focus areas:

(A) Children, Youth, and Families: Grants are available for agencies that strengthen poor and underserved families and children, improve their living and working conditions, and improve family and child welfare services. Funding is intended to be used to promote youth development; improve conditions and opportunities for disadvantaged girls and women; prevent hunger and homelessness; and prevent family violence and substance abuse. (For further details about each of these categories, see: http://www.nycommunitytrust.org/GrantSeekers/GrantmakingGuidelines/ChildrenYouthandFamilies/tabid/205/Default.aspx.)

(B) Community Development and the Environment - Grants are available for agencies that address the issues of finding affordable housing for low- or moderate-income residents, strengthening the local economy, improving employment rates, and protecting the environment (both locally and globally). (For further details about each of these categories, see: http://www.nycommunitytrust.org/GrantSeekers/GrantmakingGuidelines/CommunityDevelopmentandtheEnvironment/tabid/204/Default.aspx.)

(C) Arts, Education, Historic Preservation, and Human Justice - The Trust is concerned that public schools are not meeting the needs of children; arts organizations in NYC are financially strapped; and institutions of justice are not serving
Everyone equally. Therefore, grants are available to support projects that improve New York City's public schools; promote diversity, equity, and access in the arts; and advocate for the rights of all people. (For further details about each of these categories, see: http://www.nycommunitytrust.org/GrantSeekers/GrantmakingGuidelines/ArtsEducationandHumanJustice/tabid/206/Default.aspx.)

(D) Health and People with Special Needs - Grants are available to support projects that strengthen preventive health care, improve access to services, strengthen health service providers, and develop the skills and independence of people with special needs. (For further details about each of these categories, see: http://www.nycommunitytrust.org/GrantSeekers/GrantmakingGuidelines/HealthandPeoplewithSpecialNeeds/tabid/207/Default.aspx.)

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
Up to $200,000

**Term of Contract:**
The Trust's general practice is to make grants for one year, however, multi-year funding is sometimes awarded.

**Eligibility:**
Agency of the county or other local government
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
We make grants primarily to nonprofit organizations located in the five boroughs of New York City. The Trust's suburban divisions handle grants on Long Island and in Westchester.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Please submit all your written materials before calling to discuss your ideas. Mail applications to:

Mary Gentile
The New York Community Trust
909 Third Avenue
New York, NY 10022

See http://www.nycommunitytrust.org/GrantSeekers/HowtoApply/tabid/210/Default.aspx for more information on how to apply.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
The New York Community Trust
909 Third Avenue
22nd Floor
New York, NY 10022

Phone: (212) 686-0010
Fax: (212) 532-8528
aw@nyct-cfi.org

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**
New York
12. The Dyson Foundation

Funding Source:
The Dyson Foundation [Mid-Hudson Valley; Columbia, Dutchess, Greene, Orange, Putnam and Ulster counties.]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Emergency grants for hurricane related damages are available for nonprofit organizations operating in areas of New York State. Applications are accepted in two categories: Nonprofit organizations requiring assistance to recover from uninsured hurricane damages; and nonprofits providing aid to individuals who suffered uninsured damages or losses. The Foundation will expedite review of all storm-related applications so that needed funds will be made available to impacted nonprofits and residents as soon as possible.

Nonprofit organizations can apply for emergency funds to assist the organization to recover from Hurricane Irene incurred damages or losses with a one-page narrative describing the uninsured damages or losses and a budget and/or invoice of estimated recovery costs.

Nonprofit organizations providing direct services to residents of the Mid-Hudson Valley can apply for funds to provide emergency financial assistance to support people impacted by Hurricane Irene. Applications will be accepted from organizations with well-established emergency financial assistance programs. Organizations wishing to apply for these funds can submit a one page narrative description of the expected use of the funds and a supporting budget.

Eligibility:
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
submissions@dyson.org
845.677.0644

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:
New York

Categories:
Financial Assistance  Housing  Other
Funding Source:
mobilebeacon [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Grants are available nationwide for non-profit organizations to better enable them to fulfill the needs of those they serve. The grant is given not as a sum of money, but rather as a discount on technological services that enhance the organization's ability to work faster and more cost-effectively. The services being offered include the following:

* Unlimited usage of a 4G wireless broadband service for a subsidized service fee of $10/month paid annually in advance ($120/year per activated modem), plus the cost of the modem(s) of the applicant's choice.
* Complimentary technical support seven days a week

Through an agreement with CLEAR, a leading provider of high-speed, wireless broadband services across the U.S, services can be expanded from simply providing educational programming to including high-speed data services and Internet access for all qualified organizations in the non-profit and educational sectors.

Eligibility:
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Refer to the following link for full eligibility criteria:
http://www.mobilebeacon.org/eligibility

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
E-mail: grants@mobilebeacon.org

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant -
http://www.mobilebeacon.org/resource/MobileBeacon/pdfs/Web_Organization_Application.pdf

Geographic Focus:

Categories:
Arts and Culture Economic Development Elementary Education Environment Health and Medical Higher Education Housing Nutrition Other Secondary Education Domestic Violence Technology Veterans Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth

14. THE CISCO DONATION PROGRAM

Funding Source:
TechSoup [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing
Description:
Grants to U.S. non-profit organizations that work to provide services that support and assist economically disadvantaged populations. The purpose of these grants is to encourage organizations to continue providing health services, housing services, education and job training support, and emergency or disaster aid to those in need. Grants are intended to support proposals that address any one or more of the following categories:

Health Services: hospital auxiliaries; health clinics; rural medical facilities; blood banks; cooperative hospital services; mental health care facilities.

Housing Services: low-income housing; low- and moderate-income housing; housing for the aged; instruction and guidance on housing.

Education, Job Training, and Literacy Support: apprentice training; other instruction and training; job counseling or assistance; remedial educational services.

Emergency or Disaster Aid: aid to people in the event of a disaster; controlling the effects of a disaster; educating or preparing individuals before disasters occur.

Eligibility:
See RFP for full eligibility
Direct-service 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations that primarily serve economically disadvantaged people are eligible to receive Cisco donations.
To be eligible for a Cisco donation, an organization must have an annual budget of no more than $10 million (your organization’s most recent total revenue as reported on your IRS 990 or other tax form), and have a unique U.S. Employer Identification Number (EIN).

The following organizations are not eligible to receive Cisco donations:

* Affiliates of a national organization (such as the YMCA and the American Red Cross) that has more than 20 locations (even if those affiliates are considered separate entities and are not funded by the national organization).
* Faith-based organizations. However, organizations whose primary mission is nonreligious might be able to register with an organization type that is eligible for Cisco donations. See Serving Faith-Based Organizations with Technology Donations for more information.
* Legislative and political advocacy groups, such as Planned Parenthood organizations.
* Youth services organizations other than those listed above for education, job training, and literacy support to underserved populations.
* Radio, television, media, publishing programs, or training.
* Foundations, lending, grant-making organizations, or organizations that provide funding or loans.
* Schools and scholarships; public schools or school systems; private schools; charter schools; school foundations; booster clubs or other fundraising organizations affiliated with particular schools; colleges; universities; scholarships or stipend programs of any kind.
* Charities that offer Cisco Networking Academy training programs — even if they were previously accepted for Cisco grants — and those who instruct Networking Academy curriculum as a single or separate component of their overall mission or services.
* Referral services
* Animal care services and facilities
* Scientific research activities
* Sports activities and services
* Day care centers
* Legal aid, credit counseling, and civil rights activities
* Museums
* Art, cultural, and environmental education organizations
* Libraries
* Camps
* Zoos
* Rescue and emergency services — fire departments (including volunteer) and ambulance and helicopter services
* Hospitals and nursing homes
* Outpatient services
* Any organization that advocates, supports, or practices discrimination based upon age, ethnicity, gender, national origin, disability, race, size, religion, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic background.

**Contact Information:**

Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source’s website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.

Email: cisco@techsoup.org
Phone: (800) 659-3579, Option 2

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**

[See the full text of this grant](#)

**Geographic Focus:**


**Categories:**

Aging/Seniors  Community Service Coordination  Financial Assistance  Health and Medical  Housing  Literacy  Mental Health  Other  Workforce

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**15. Citizens Committee for NYC Grants**

**Funding Source:**
Citizens Committee for NYC [New York City]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants of up to $5,000 will be awarded in New York City, New York to volunteer-led groups providing relief to areas hit especially hard by Hurricane Sandy. Funds are intended to help increase the overall capacity of volunteer groups to provide
relief to hurricane-impacted areas and to support specific projects that address hurricane-related damage to community spaces (for example: community, school, and NYCHA gardens, public parks).

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
Up to $5,000

**Eligibility:**
See RFP for full eligibility
Applications are accepted from volunteer-led groups in all five boroughs of New York City. Groups may be long-standing, newly established or in the process of forming, and are not required to have non-profit or 501(c)(3) status. Groups without this status will need a fiscal conduit or a bank account if a grant is awarded.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Groups will be notified of our grant decision within a week of application submission. Grant checks will be issued soon thereafter.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Citizens Committee for NYC
77 Water Street, Suite 202
New York, NY 10005

Call (212) 989-0909
Fax (212) 989-0983
Email info@citizensnyc.org

For more information please contact Saleen at 212-822-9566 or sshah@citizensnyc.org

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Attached Files:**
131222_HRG_2013_Application.doc

**Geographic Focus:**
New York

**Categories:**
Community Service Coordination  Homeless  Housing  Nutrition  Other

**16. Richard Davoud Donchian Foundation Grants**

**Funding Source:**
Richard Davoud Donchian Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing
Description:
Grants generally ranging from a few thousand dollars up to $50,000 will be awarded primarily in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont to support charitable causes. The Foundation focuses its grant making in three key areas: Literacy & Education, Humanitarian Efforts, and Ethics & Personal Development.

Of particular interest to the Foundation are organizations that promote partnerships and collaborative efforts among multiple groups and organizations.

The Foundation encourages pilot initiatives that test new program models. Priority will be given to requests that show specific plans for funding beyond the present.

Not funded:
General fundraising drives; endowments

Estimated Size of Grant:
Generally ranging from a few thousand dollars up to $50,000.

Eligibility:
See RFP for full eligibility
-The majority of the Richard Donchian Foundation's grantmaking is focused in the Northeastern United States, although, occasionally, grants may be made in other regions of the country and/or abroad.

-All applicants must have tax-exempt 501(c)(3) status as a non-profit organization as defined by the Internal Revenue Service.

-The applicant must have an active board of directors with policy-making authority. The board should demonstrate competence in the sound financial management of the organization.

-Applicants, if declined, may not reapply for at least one year from the date of the application unless the nature or circumstances surrounding the request changes significantly. The subsequent application should describe these changes in full.

NOT ELIGIBLE:
-Individuals
-Government agencies
-Organizations that subsist mainly on third party funding and have demonstrated no ability or expended little effort to attract private funding

Pre-Application Information:
-Whenever possible, grant requests should be made using the Grant Application Form
https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_196/?SA=SNA&FID=35003

-If you are having trouble accessing the application form, please use the Word document version attached to this post. You can e-mail the responses from this printed form to rdd@fsllc.net.

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
17. Long-Term Recovery Grants for Superstorm Sandy

As of August 29, 2013

The American Red Cross is working with nonprofit partners to help people and communities rebuild and recover from the damage and devastation from Superstorm Sandy. The Red Cross has awarded millions of dollars in grants to a range of organizations for programs that provide vital assistance to individuals and families in need after this storm. The following is a list of grants that the Red Cross has announced to date. More grants will be announced in the weeks ahead.

Individual Casework Services and Assistance

- New York Disaster Interfaith Services—$3 million
- United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)—$2,500,000
- Lutheran Disaster Response—$1,965,000
- Catholic Charities USA—$1,600,000
- Greater New Jersey United Methodist Church—$1,500,000
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul—$1,241,000
• The Health & Welfare Council of Long Island—$1 million

• United Way of Long Island—$1 million

• National Baptist Convention USA—$506,000

• Operation Hope—$500,000

• Volunteer Center of Bergen County—$400,000

• Jewish Community Center of Rockaway Peninsula—$239,000

Housing and Community Assistance

• Local Initiatives Support Corporation—$5 million

• Rebuilding Together—$2.5 million

• Habitat for Humanity International—$2 million

• Presbyterian Disaster Assistance—$1,396,000

• Points of Light—$1,160,000

• Southern Baptist Disaster Relief—$850,000

• Mennonite Disaster Service—$800,000

• Friends of Rockaway—$722,000

• NECHAMA—Jewish Response to Disaster—$250,000

• Greater Bergen Community Action, Inc.—$200,000

Food Assistance

• Food Bank for New York City—$4,483,000

• City Harvest—$3,700,000

• Island Harvest—$3,012,000

• Feeding America—$205,000

Physical and Mental Health Services
Visiting Nurse Service of New York—$1 million

Interagency Coordination

- Visiting Nurse Service of New York—$1 million
- Brooklyn Community Foundation—$1,250,000
- Staten Island Foundation—$1 million
- National Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster—$500,000
- Church World Service—$305,000
- World Renew (formerly CRWRC)—$258,000

For more information, contact Alicia Maxey Greene, 212-875-2116, alicia.maxeygreene@redcross.org (New York) or Kate Vossen, 732-493-9100, kate.vossen@redcross.org (New Jersey)

18. **Norman Foundation Grants**

**Funding Source:**
Norman Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants to USA non-profit organizations that are working to strengthen the ability of communities to determine their own economic, environmental, and social well-being, and to help people control those forces that affect their lives. Funded efforts may: promote economic justice and development through community organizing, coalition building, and policy reform; work to prevent the disposal of toxics in communities, and to link environmental issues with economic and social justice; or link community-based economic and environmental justice organizing to national and international reform efforts.

In pursuing systemic change, the Norman Foundation hopes that:
* the proposed action may serve as a model;
* the spread of the model may create institutions that can survive on their own;
* their establishment and success may generate beneficial adaptations by other political, social and economic institutions and structures.

The Norman Foundation provides grants for general support, projects, and collaborative efforts. The Foundation also
welcomes innovative proposals designed to build the capacity of social change organizations working in the above areas of interest.

**Eligibility:**
See RFP for full eligibility
Programs seeking funding must be tax exempt and focused primarily on domestic issues. Priority is given to organizations with annual budgets of under $1 million.

**Restrictions:**
The Foundation does not make grants to individuals or universities; or to support conferences, scholarships, research, films, media, or arts projects; or to capital funding projects, fundraising drives, or direct social service programs, such as shelters or community health programs. The Foundation's grant making is restricted to USA-based organizations.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Prospective grantees should initiate the application process by sending a short two or three page letter of inquiry to the Program Director. There are no set deadlines, and letters of inquiry are reviewed throughout the year. The Foundation only accepts full proposals upon positive response to the letter of inquiry.


The Norman Foundation accepts letters of inquiry by email (PDF or Word files only) to loi@normanfdn.org, by fax to 212-230-9849, or by regular mail to the address below. Please use only ONE method; do not send duplicates.

All inquiries will be acknowledged and, if deemed promising, the Foundation will request a full proposal.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
June Makela, Program Director
Norman Foundation, Inc.
147 East 48th Street
New York, NY 10017

Tel: (212) 230-9830
Fax: (212) 230-9849
norman@normanfdn.org

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**

**Categories:**
Aging/Seniors Children Conflict Resolution Disabilities Economic Development Elementary Education Environment Health and Medical Higher Education Homeless Housing Justice & Juvenile Justice Literacy Mental Health Nutrition Other Preschool Preservation Secondary Education Domestic Violence Special Education Substance Abuse Women Youth/Out-of-School Youth
19. **Entergy's Open Grants Program**

**Funding Source:**
Entergy Corporation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants to improve communities through arts and culture, community improvement and enrichment, the environment and healthy families. Arts and culture funding supports a diverse range of locally based visual arts, theater, dance and music institutions. Community Improvement/Enrichment grants supports projects and programs that contribute to the overall improvement of the community including: neighborhood safety programs, blighted housing improvements, and civic affairs. Healthy Families funding supports programs that demonstrate a direct impact on children educationally and emotionally.

Priority is placed on proposals with programs in specific counties/parishes. The following states have eligible counties: Arkansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New York, Texas, and Vermont.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
$1,000

**Eligibility:**
See RFP for full eligibility
Non-profit organizations that are tax exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code ("Tax Code"), or schools, hospitals, governmental units and religious institutions that hold nonprofit status similar to that of 501(c)(3) organizations, which may therefore be eligible.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Applications may be submitted online:
https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_389/Default.asp?CT=CT&SA=SNA&FID=35005&SESID=133f08649e094a0fb86ba334dafa71a

Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. Please make sure to submit your application at least 3 months prior to the time the requested funds are needed.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Phone: 504-576-6980

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**
Arkansas Louisiana Massachusetts Michigan Mississippi New Hampshire New York Texas Vermont

**Categories:**
20. **Digital Community Foundation**

**Funding Source:**
Digital Community Foundation [Foundation]

** Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants of up to $5,000 are available to USA non-profit organizations for assistance in building or updating their websites. This funding opportunity is a joint effort between the grantor and a local marketing company that will provide the website services. The marketing company is available to potential applicants who would like to explore the feasibility of their working together based on the organization's goals and the options available to them.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
$500 - $5,000 - up to 20% of the cost of the website.

**Eligibility:**
See RFP for full eligibility
Applicants must be designated as a 501(c)(3) organization by the IRS. Nonprofits must submit a grant application, which will be reviewed by the Digital Community Foundation board.

The Foundation will not provide funding for direct grants to individuals, scholarships to individuals, political organizations, sectarian religious activities, capital campaigns/chair/endowments, general operating funds for single-disease health groups or goodwill advertising.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Applications are accepted on a rolling basis at www.digitalcommunityfoundation.org; the review process takes about 5 days, after which applicants receive an award letter with the status of their funding request.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Before starting your grant application, please contact Firespring, the partner marketing company, to discuss your project needs and determine the scope of your funding request.

Firespring
Julie Plyler, Nonprofit Solutions Manager
nonprofit@firespring.org
Direct: 402.437.0081
Toll free: 877.447.8941 x1081
www.firespring.org

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
www.digitalcommunityfoundation.org

**Geographic Focus:**
Alabama Alaska Arizona Arkansas California Colorado Connecticut Delaware Florida Georgia Hawaii Idaho Illinois Indiana Iowa Kansas Kentucky Louisiana Maine Maryland Massachusetts Michigan Minnesota Miss
21. The Achelis and Bodman Foundations

Funding Source:
The Achelis and Bodman Foundations [New York City and northern New Jersey, with emphasis on Newark and Monmouth County]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Grants totaling $4,000,000 are available for New York and New Jersey non-profits for organizational support, start-up support including first year expenses, and specific project support. Funding is available to New York City and Northern New Jersey organizations to promote the following areas of interest: arts and culture, education, employment, health, public policy, and youth and families. Grants have been awarded for a broad range of initiatives including education and literacy programs to benefit hospitalized children, immigrant outreach programs, culinary schools for employment training, and much more.

Most grants are made in New York City, reflecting its dynamic not-for-profit sector, large and persistent needs, and the staff's and Trustees' "local knowledge." Grants in northern New Jersey are made in recognition of its donors' ties to that state, with an emphasis on Newark and Monmouth County.

Not funded:
* Annual appeals, dinner functions, and fundraising events
* Endowments and capital campaigns
* Loans and deficit financing
* Individual day-care and after-school programs
* Housing

Estimated Total Program Funding:
$4,000,000

Number of Grants:
Over 100

Eligibility:
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Charter schools
Not eligible:
Small art, dance, music, and theater groups
Individual K-12 schools (except charter schools)
National health and mental health organizations
Government agencies or non-profit organizations significantly funded or reimbursed by government agencies

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
The Achelis and Bodman Foundations
767 Third Avenue, 4th Floor
New York, NY 10017-2023
Phone: (212) 644-0322
Fax: (212) 759-6510
Email: main@achelis-bodman-fnds.org

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**
New Jersey  New York

**Categories:**
Aging/Seniors  Arts and Culture  Children  Community Service Coordination  Disabilities  Elementary Education  Environment  Faith Based  Health and Medical  Justice & Juvenile Justice  Literacy  Mental Health  Nutrition  Other  Science  Secondary Education  Special Education  Technology  Women  Workforce  Youth/Out-of-School Youth

**22. M&T Charitable Foundation**

**Funding Source:**
The M&T Charitable Foundation [Multiple states and Toronto, Cananda]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants are available to non-profits in multiple states for support for arts and culture, education, civic, health and human services, and youth related initiatives. Funding will be provided for a variety of projects that enhance the quality of life in the communities served by the grantor's parent company. Support is available via financial grants, employee volunteers, and in-kind services.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
Open

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Ineligible:
Individuals
Organizations which lack the 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status
Political organizations, candidates or lobbying efforts
Fraternal or veterans organizations
Sports teams
National or international organizations, unless their programs have significant local impact
Religious or sectarian organizations, except when they are conducting programs secular in nature and have wide public impact

Pre-Application Information:
ARTS AND CULTURAL REQUESTS OVER $10,000:
M&T Bank is a partner in the Cultural Data Project (CDP), an online system for collecting and standardizing historical financial and organizational data. All arts and cultural organizations applying for contributions of $10,000 or more in Maryland, New York and Pennsylvania should submit a Data Profile annually through the CDP website: www.culturaldata.org (select your state from the drop-down on the left). If you are not yet registered with CDP, please log onto your state at the above site for information on how to participate.

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Buffalo, NY and Toronto, Ontario:
Debbie Pringle
716-848-3804

Rochester, NY and the Southern Tier:
Sara Cardillo
585-258-8221

New York City, NY:
Naima Oyo
212-350-2523

Central (Syracuse), NY:
Alissa Viti
315-424-4411

Hudson Valley North (Fishkill), NY:
Courtney Haydock
845-440-2952

Tarrytown, NY:
Lisa Trend
914-366-8509

Capital District (Albany), NY:
Courtney Haydock
518-464-6177

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Attached Files:
MTB_Charitable_Application.pdf

Geographic Focus:
Delaware  Maryland  New Jersey  New York  Pennsylvania  Virginia
23. **The Hearst Foundations Grants**

**Funding Source:**
The Hearst Foundations [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants ranging up to $250,000 for nonprofit organizations addressing health, culture, education, and social service and serving a large demographic. The purpose of this funding is to support efforts to ensure that all people have the opportunity to build healthy, productive and enriched lives. Funding is provided for endowment, program support, and capital grant support.

Education grants - institutions of higher education dedicated to preparing students to succeed in a global society; undergraduate education at medium size private, liberal arts colleges and universities; compelling programmatic and capital initiatives that advance an institution’s ability to provide quality education. A limited number of grants may also be awarded to support K-12 programs and graduate level study.

Health grants - funds direct medical services that promote wellness, prevention and rehabilitation. Areas of interest include cancer, geriatrics, neonatology, perinatology, pediatrics, women's health, and the disabled. Support for advanced professional education and training is also considered in these fields.

Culture grants - fund cultural institutions that offer innovative programs in the arts and sciences, the majority of which enable access for young people. The Foundations is focused on education initiatives for students in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. In addition, the Foundations support programs that nurture artistic development.

Social Service grants - funds family support services, domestic violence and child abuse prevention, after-school programs, youth development, literacy, housing and homelessness, job training, economic development, and programs for older adults.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
$30,000 - $250,000

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
On a limited basis, the Foundations will consider requests for:
•Proposals from organizations with an operating budget under $1 million
•Start-up or seed funding
•Publishing, radio, film, television or other media-related projects
•Conferences, workshops or seminars
The Foundations will not consider requests for:
• Grants to individuals
• Grants to organizations outside of the United States, or to organizations who intend to use Hearst grant funds outside of the United States
• Advocacy and public policy research
• Special events, tickets, tables or advertising for fundraising events
• Loans, including Program Related Investments (PRI’s)

Pre-Application Information:
There are no deadlines. The Board of Directors meet quarterly in March, June, September and December.

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Organizations located EAST of the Mississippi River should send requests to:

The Hearst Foundations
300 West 57th Street
26th Floor
New York, New York 10019-3741
Telephone: 212-586-5404
Fax: 212-586-1917
hearst.ny@hearstfdn.org

Organizations located WEST of the Mississippi River should send requests to:

The Hearst Foundations
90 New Montgomery Street
Suite 1212
San Francisco, California 94105
Telephone: 415-908-4500
Fax: 415-348-0887
hearst.sf@hearstfdn.org

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:

Categories:
Aging/Seniors Arts and Culture Capital Funding Children Community Service Coordination Disabilities Economic Development Elementary Education Financial Assistance Health and Medical Higher Education HIV/AIDS Homelessness Housing Justice & Juvenile Justice Other Preschool Domestic Violence Substance Abuse Women Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth
24. ENTERPRISE GREEN COMMUNITIES OFFERS CHARRETTE AND SUSTAINABILITY GRANTS FOR GREEN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS

**Deadline: Open.** An initiative of Enterprise Community Partners, Enterprise Green Communities provides funds and expertise to enable affordable housing developers to build and rehabilitate homes that are healthier, more energy efficient, and better for the environment. In addition to loans and other funding options, Green Communities offers Charrette and Sustainability grants to help cover the costs of planning and implementing green components of affordable housing developments, as well as tracking their costs and benefits. Charrette grants provide up to $5,000 per project for affordable housing developers to engage in integrative design. A Green Communities charrette involves an intense working session that brings together a diverse group of housing development professionals as well as residents, technical experts, funders, policy makers, and community stakeholders to integrate sustainable green design principles into affordable housing developments. By supporting charrettes at the schematic design phase, Enterprise seeks to help developers establish green goals as early as possible so that the most cost-effective green strategies can be incorporated in the building and site plans. Projects applying for pre-development charrette funds must be in the early stages of planning or schematic design phase of development. Sustainability Training grants (post-construction) of up to $5,000 each are provided for affordable housing developers to maximize the health, economic, and environmental benefits of green development throughout a project's life cycle. The grant program provides an opportunity to transfer the design knowledge that informed the Green Communities planning and construction process to residents as well as operations and management staff. Funding may be used to cover the cost of implementing a training program and related tools that support green resident engagement and operations. Projects must have completed construction at the time of application and be occupied prior to the grant award. For both programs, eligible applicants are nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, tribally designated housing entities, and for-profit entities participating through joint ventures with qualified organizations. Visit the Green Communities Web site for complete program information, project eligibility guidelines, and application procedures. [http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/grants/](http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/grants/)

25. Non-Profit Training Resource Fund Grant Guidelines

**Funding Source:**
TD Charitable Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Total funding of $200,000 in grants awarded to eligible organizations for employees to attend approved classes and courses that will enhance job performance. Grant awards will cover the cost of tuition for employees.

**Estimated Total Program Funding:**
$200,000

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
$1,000
Eligibility:
Companies certified with the New York City Department of Small Business Services as Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises ("M/WBE")
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Organizations must be tax-exempt under IRS Code 501(c)(3) and not be classified as a private foundation and must be located within a TD Bank, N.A. market area.

Organizations must have a mission/focus that promotes one of the following:
Affordable housing for low- to moderate-income individuals, Increased economic (small business) development, Financial literacy for low- and moderate-income youth, individuals or families, or After-school or extracurricular programming for low- and moderate-income children.

Guidelines for funds appropriation:
Classes and courses must be pertinent to the job the employee performs;
Classes and courses may be one-day classes or part of a certification program;
Attendance at a conference is not eligible under the program;
Classes and courses should not have been already completed at the time of the application; and
Classes and courses should be planned to be attended at least 30 days from the grant application submission.

Pre-Application Information:
Eligible organizations may apply for this grant program of the TD Charitable Foundation using the online Non-profit Training Resource Fund Grant Application.

The online grant application process begins with the submission of the organization's Tax Identification Number (TIN) followed by an eligibility quiz. If your organization, classes and/or courses are eligible for the Non-profit Training Resource Fund grant program, you will access the Grant Application.

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Questions and comments can be submitted via the "contact us" form:
http://www.tdbank.com/community/community_contacts.html
CharitableGiving@TDBanknorth.com

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:

Categories:
Community Service Coordination Economic Development Elementary Education Higher Education Homeless Housing Literacy Other Secondary Education Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth

26. Self Development of People Grants

Funding Source:
Presbyterian Church General Assembly Mission Council [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants to address the root causes of poverty. The overall goal of this funding initiative is to promote self-sufficiency and to create opportunity for underserved and needy populations. Through this RFP, organizations that work with and involve the beneficiaries of services in their projects are eligible to apply. A project will address long-term correction of conditions that keep people bound by poverty and oppression. The projects must be under the ownership of the people that stand to benefit from it. All projects must be environmentally sensitive.

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility

**Pre-Application Information:**
The application process takes up to six months from the time that the application is received in the SDOP office until it is validated and funded by the National Committee. Funding decisions are made in January, May and September.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Mary McAdory
(800) 728-7228, x5782

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**

**Categories:**
Community Service Coordination Economic Development Faith Based Homeless Housing Literacy Mental Health Other Domestic Violence Substance Abuse Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth

27. **Surdna Foundation Grantmaking**

**Funding Source:**
Surdna Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants are available to support non-profits that build strong local economies. The purpose of these grants is to support programs that increase access to opportunities for residents to build their wealth in a sustainable manner. Funding will support non-profits and communities that implement the Foundation's programs to create "communities of opportunity" with thriving businesses that offer good jobs within reach of diverse residents. They also incorporate sustainable and affordable transportation and development solutions, enabling all residents to easily travel from their homes to jobs, education, and amenities.
Funding will also support non-profits that implement the Foundation's "Strong Local Economies" program, which aims to create strong and sustainable local economies that include a diversity of vibrant businesses and sectors, as well as improve residents’ livelihood and access to quality jobs and training within a region.

**Term of Contract:**
Organizations are eligible for a maximum of three consecutive years of funding.

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Not eligible:
Individuals
Capital campaigns or building construction
Projects that are internationally based or focused

**Pre-Application Information:**
A different LOI is required for each focus area, and can be obtained at: http://www.surdna.org/grants/how-to-apply.html (and http://www.surdna.org/grants/how-to-apply/96.html if you have one you've already begun).

There are no formal deadlines to apply for funding. The Surdna Foundation accepts applications on an ongoing basis. However, grants are approved three times per year: in February, May and September. The Foundation needs your request three to four months in advance for staff review.

Mail materials to: Grants Administrator, Surdna Foundation, 330 Madison Ave., 30th Floor, New York, NY 10010.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Surdna Foundation
330 Madison Ave., 30th Floor
New York, NY 10017
(212) 557-0010 | questions@surdna.org

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**

**Categories:**
Children Community Service Coordination Economic Development Homeless Housing Other Secondary Education Technology Transportation Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth

**28. Charitable Giving Program**

**Funding Source:**
BNY Mellon Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants are available for non-profit organizations that develop programs or projects that either focus on providing needy people with basic necessities, or enabling people to enter the workforce as competent employees. The Foundation seeks to enhance community living by supporting needy people and by creating a capable and productive workforce. The Foundation considers basic needs to be food, clothing, energy and housing assistance to those who require immediate help. The workforce development investments are geared to improve access to employment through job training, education, mentoring and skills development.

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Email at: powering.potential@bnymellon.com

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**

**Categories:**
Economic Development Financial Assistance Health and Medical Homeless Housing Nutrition Other Technology Workforce

29. **NYFA Emergency Relief Fund**

**Funding Source:**
Emergency Relief Fund, administered by the New York Foundation for the Arts [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants ranging from $1,000 to $5,000 to artists working in any discipline in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut for financial assistance for damages and losses due to Hurricane Sandy. Damages are broadly defined and include, but are not limited to: damage to physical work; damage to homes/studios/other facilities; loss of equipment or supplies; loss of
income, and reimbursement for cancelled performances/appearances/engagements.

The Foundation anticipates that the overwhelming majority of grants will range between $1,000 and $5,000; however, there may be extraordinary circumstances in which slightly smaller or larger grants might be made.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
Generally $1,000 - $5,000

**Eligibility:**
See RFP for full eligibility
Eligible artists can be working in any discipline and reside in Connecticut, New Jersey, or New York.

**Pre-Application Information:**
To apply, please click on the link below to create a new account or to edit an existing application.

To apply:
http://relieffund.nyfa.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Member.showMemberForm&attributesEncoded=AttEnc1&WorkflowCont
actTypeID=2&msg=In%20order%20to%20continue%2C%20you%20will%20need%20log%20in

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis and grants will be issued every two weeks.

Applicants will be asked to:
1. Describe the damage sustained as a result of Hurricane Sandy. Tell the Foundation the dollar amount of the damage and your method for determining the total.

2. Tell the Foundation if they have applied to other funds or organizations to cover this loss. If so, indicate where and the status of the request (amount received, application pending, application declined).

3. Include any appropriate support materials (pay stubs, photos, receipts, contracts, etc.) as well as a current resume/bio or link to artist website.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Email: rfund@nyfa.org
Phone: 212.366.6900

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**
Connecticut   New Jersey   New York

**Categories:**
Arts and Culture   Financial Assistance   Other   Individual   Disaster Relief
**30. American Express Grants**

**Funding Source:**
American Express [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants to USA and international non-profit organizations that provide high-quality, innovative, and effective programs or projects focusing on the following: historic preservation, leadership development, and/or community service. Priorities for each of these focus areas are outlined below. Please refer to the Eligibility section below for a complete listing of eligible locations for proposed programs/services.

1. Historic Preservation: American Express supports organizations and projects that preserve or rediscover major historic sites and monuments, with the goal of providing ongoing sustainable access and enjoyment for current and future audiences. Priority will be given to projects preserving sites that represent diverse cultures.

   **Specific Goals:**
   * Restoring historic places to ensure ongoing public access and interaction with the sites.
   * Preserving historic places for future or innovative use.
   * Sustaining historic places by creating systems to manage increased visitor activities and environmental impacts.

   Please Note: Applications are accepted by invitation only under the Historic Preservation theme.

2. Developing New Leaders for Tomorrow: American Express is seeking the best methods, programs, and partners that provide current and future non-profit leaders with practical opportunities to learn and build leadership skills. The Corporation is especially interested in proposals that cultivate leadership opportunities for diverse communities within the non-profit sector or that focus on innovative leadership development programs for emerging leaders of world-class institutions.

   For this category, American Express is specifically focused on training professionals with demonstrated commitment to the non-profit sector in programs specifically targeted to the arts, environment, higher education, and social service arenas. A limited number of requests will be accepted for programs impacting emerging leaders in the public sector and requests for programs that support entrepreneurs.

   Please Note: Applications for youth leadership programs are discouraged. American Express does not support scholarships for an individual's personal leadership training.

3. Community Service: The Corporation encourages good citizenship by supporting organizations that cultivate meaningful opportunities for civic engagement by employees and members of the community, whether as volunteers, donors, voters, patrons.

   In addition, American Express supports immediate and long-term relief and recovery efforts to help victims of natural disasters. Funding also goes to support preparedness programs that allow relief agencies to be better equipped in responding to emergencies as they occur.

   More specifically, supported programs will deliver measurable outcomes that have a lasting impact on communities
through one or more of the following:
* Building the capacity of non-profits by assisting them in developing, engaging, and retaining community members as volunteers.
* Encouraging citizens to play an active role in civic processes (e.g., voting).
* Engaging community members and American Express employees in ongoing service. This may involve a variety of activities from promoting individual philanthropy, volunteerism, or participation in local civic organizations.

**Eligibility:**
See RFP for full eligibility
Eligible organizations must:
* Certify tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1), (2), or (3) of the USA Internal Revenue Code. Organizations outside the USA must be able to document non-profit status.
* Not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, creed, national origin, disability, handicap, age, sexual orientation, marital status, veteran status, or any other basis prohibited by law.

**Geographic Eligibility:**
Inside the United States
* Atlanta
* Boston
* Chicago
* Dallas
* South Florida
* Houston
* Los Angeles
* New York City
* Philadelphia
* Greater Phoenix
* Salt Lake City
* San Francisco
* Washington, D.C.

Please do not submit funding requests for:
* Individual needs, including scholarships, sponsorships, and other forms of financial aid.
* Fund-raising activities, such as galas, benefits, dinners, and sporting events.
* Goodwill advertising, souvenir journals, or dinner programs.
* Travel for individuals or groups.
* Sectarian activities of religious organizations.
* Political causes, candidates, organizations, or campaigns.
* Books, magazines, or articles in professional journals.
* Endowments or capital campaigns, except restoration projects.
* Traveling exhibitions (American Express will only consider each venue on its own).
* Sports sponsorships.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Please complete the eligibility quiz online at: https://axp.smartsimple.biz/s_signup.jsp?token=XVtQC1oGYFIrQBVQxJSSlZSZw%3D%3D. On successful completion of the quiz, you will be sent an invitation to submit your funding proposal.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
31. **Union Bank Foundation Grants**

**Funding Source:**
Union Bank Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants to California, Illinois, New York, Oregon, Texas, and Washington non-profit organizations that are working to improve the health and overall wellbeing of low- to moderate-income populations by providing programs, projects, and/or services in the following areas: affordable housing, community economic development, education, and the environment.

The Union Bank Foundation prefers program grants, but will consider requests for core operating support and/or capacity building grants to support exceptional work within its strategic funding categories. Program grants exceeding $10,000 may include an allowance to be used by the grantee to cover administrative expenses.

**Term of Contract:**
The Foundation prefers single-year funding commitments; however, it will consider multi-year grants for well-established organizations demonstrating a history of success within the Foundation’s strategic funding categories.

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
NOT ELIGIBLE:
• Individuals
• Veterans, military, fraternal, or professional organizations
• Political organizations or programs
• Service club activities
• Other intermediary foundations (i.e., foundations that, in turn, make grants to other charities)
• Churches or religious groups (except separately incorporated community development corporations)
• Educational institution operating funds
• Individual elementary or secondary level school
• Capital campaigns

**Pre-Application Information:**
Step 1: The first time you apply through the online application (see links below), you will be asked to create a new account by clicking on "I am a new online applicant." Here you will enter your email address and create a password. Write down your password for future reference.

If you have previously created an account for your application, return to the online application and click on "I am a returning applicant" and enter your email address and password. You can then review the information you previously saved and make any changes if needed.

Step 2: Review and Submit Your Online Application
At the end of the online application, you will be prompted to upload each required document. At this time you may refer to the attached checklist to make sure that you have included all necessary documents.

Once you are finished, click "Review and Submit." You will have one more opportunity to review the information that you entered before submitting your application. If any information is missing, you will be prompted to complete the relevant section before moving forward.

Please make sure you enter your email address accurately on your application. When you click "Submit," you will receive an email confirmation that Union Bank Foundation has received your application. If you do not receive an email confirmation, please email the Union Bank Foundation.

**Foundation Grant Applications:**
For requests of $1,000 or less - [https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_1006?SA=SNA&FID=35004](https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_1006?SA=SNA&FID=35004)

For requests of $1,001 to $25,000 - [https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_1006?SA=SNA&FID=35003](https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_1006?SA=SNA&FID=35003)


**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.

Questions should be directed to the appropriate area Foundation Officer as follows:

**Southern California**
JR Raines, Assistant Vice President
Union Bank, N.A.
530 B Street, Mail Code S-1450
San Diego, CA 92101
Phone: (619) 230-3105

**Northern California/Central California/Pacific Northwest**
Karen Murakami, Assistant Vice President
Union Bank, N.A.
400 California Street, Mail Code 1-001-08
San Francisco, CA 94104
Phone: (415) 765-3890

You may also email the Union Bank Foundation at charitablegiving@unionbank.com.
URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Attached Files:
136747_Foundation_Grant_Guidelines_090911.pdf
136747_Online_Application_Attachment_Checklist_90911.pdf

Geographic Focus:
California Illinois New York Oregon Texas Washington

Categories:
Community Service Coordination Conflict Resolution Economic Development Elementary Education Environment Higher Education Homeless Housing Literacy Nutrition Other Preschool Preservation Science Secondary Education Special Education Substance Abuse Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth Pets/Animal/Wildlife

32. Fluor Corporation Grants

Funding Source:
Fluor Corporation [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Grants are available to USA, Canada, and international non-profits to support operating, program, capital, or endowment expenses. The following areas of interest will be funded: education, social services, community and economic development, and the environment. Priority is given to organizations that feature employee volunteer participation.

Education: Support for higher education and university STEM programs, as well as those benefiting grades K-12 (approximately ages 6 to 18), with particular emphasis on:
* STEM teacher training and professional development
* Middle and high school (approximately ages 12 to 18) STEM programs

While Fluor generally does not provide funding directly to school clubs or events, it does fund selected universities to support engineering programs, scholarships, and student association programs.

Social Services: Support for organizations that:
* Provide food, such as food banks and meal services charities
* Shelter the homeless, abused and orphans
* Offer prevention programs and emergency services during crises, such as food, shelter and counseling

Community and Economic Development: Fluor is committed to supporting programs that:
* Build quality, affordable and energy efficient low-income housing
* Refurbish existing substandard housing and general infrastructure
* Create jobs or develop workforces by providing job training or retraining for adults
* Prepare youth to compete in today’s global economy
* Assist with rebuilding or infrastructure support in case of a natural or man-made disaster

Environment: Fluor is committed to responsible stewardship of the environment and supports organizations that protect natural resources and habits through:
* Conservation, restoration and beautification
* Environmental education
Eligibility:
Institutions of Higher Education; IHE(s)
Non-domestic (non-U.S.) Entities (Foreign Organizations)
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Foreign registered tax-exempt organization

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
http://www.fluor.com/Pages/contact_us.aspx

Torrence H. Robinson
President, Fluor Foundation
6700 Las Colinas Blvd.
Irving, TX 75039

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Attached Files:
fluor-foundation-contact-list.pdf

Geographic Focus:

Canada International Israel USA

Categories:
Capital Funding Community Service Coordination Economic Development Environment Financial Assistance Higher Education Homeless Housing International Other Preservation Science Secondary Education Technology Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth Disaster Relief

33. The National Grassroots Grant Program

Funding Source:
Ben & Jerry's Foundation [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing
Description:
Competitive grants of up to $15,000 are available to non-profit grassroots organizations nationwide and to organizations that provide technical and other assistance to these groups. Areas of interest for this opportunity are the environment, social justice, and sustainable food systems. Eligible organizations are those which address the underlying societal and environmental problems through community organization strategies. Funds will be provided for both general operating support and project support.

Criteria for organizations supported:
* The organization works to transform the consciousness of its constituents and the wider community to make them aware of the systemic nature of the issues being addressed.
* In its strategizing, planning and decision-making, the organization includes, in a meaningful way, those impacted by the injustice it seeks to address and encourages and supports their leadership development and self-empowerment efforts.
* The organization has a theory of change - an articulation of how its activities play a part in a larger movement for social justice - and has demonstrated its interest in collaboration and collective action.

Not funded:
- Discretionary or emergency requests
- Research, litigation or legal expenses
- Scholarship programs
- Capital or endowment campaigns
- Religious activities
- Direct services to individuals, families or communities

Estimated Size of Grant:
Up to $15,000

Term of Contract:
1 year

Eligibility:
Community-based Organizations; CBO(s)
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Organizations using a 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor
Applicants must be either grassroots, constituent-led organizations that are using community-organizing strategies to accomplish their goals, or organizations that provide technical support and/or resources to such groups.
Organizations with budgets over $500,000 are considered on a case-by-case basis

Ineligible:
Organizations with annual budgets over $1 million
Colleges or universities
State agencies or government-sponsored programs
Businesses or business associations
Other foundations
Organizations or programs that are focused or based outside of the United States

Pre-Application Information:
Applicants must first submit a Letter of Interest online. Letters of Interest are reviewed within 30 days of submission. Based on the Letter of Interest, an organization may be approved to submit a full proposal. Approved applicants have up to three months to submit a full proposal.

Organizations that have received funding from Ben and Jerry's within the past two (2) years may re-apply using the
RENEWAL-National Grassroots Grant Program.

Previous grantees: http://www.benandjerrysfoundation.org/grantees.html

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Dana Jeffery, Administrative and Grants Management Assistant
802-846-1500, x7484
info@benandjerrysfoundation.org

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant- http://www.benandjerrysfoundation.org/the-grassroots-organizing-for-social-change-program/

Geographic Focus:

Categories:
Aging/Seniors Children Community Service Coordination Disabilities Environment Homeless Housing Justice & Juvenile Justice Nutrition Other Preservation Refugee/Immigrant Technology Veterans Women Youth/Out-of-School Youth Pets/Animal/Wildlife

34.  Walgreens Co. Grants

Funding Source:
Walgreen Co. [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Grants will be awarded in the USA non-profit organizations for projects and programs that improve the quality of life in communities. Organizations seeking funding should have a specific focus on improving: Access to health and wellness in their community; Pharmacy education programs and mentoring initiatives; Civic and Community outreach; Emergency and Disaster Relief; and Health.

Health is the major area of focus, and single-Disease Agencies are also supported by this grant.

Not funded:
Educational or travel grants for contests, pageants, trips, or conventions
Advertising, promotional events, or sponsorship of athletic teams
Lobbying, partisan, or denominational programs
Endowment campaigns
Capital campaigns
Sponsorships for individuals participating in cause-related events; i.e., walks, runs, conferences, etc.
Sponsorships submitted by a third party on behalf of an organization.

**Number of Grants:**
not indicated

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
not indicated

**Term of Contract:**
not indicated

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Ineligible:
- United Way supported agencies
- Faith-based organizations for inherently religious purposes or to serve a limited constituency

**Pre-Application Information:**
- Please allow a minimum of 4 to 6 weeks for a response.
- To begin the application process, please see

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Walgreen Co.
200 Wilmot Road
Deerfield, IL 60015

Online Inquiries:
1-877-250-5823

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**

**Categories:**
Community Service Coordination  Faith Based  Health and Medical  Homeless  Housing  Mental Health  Nutrition  Other  Research & Evaluation

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35. **Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grant Program**
Proposal Due Date: Friday, January 31, 2014

On behalf of the Department of the Interior, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) is pleased to announce the Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grant Program which will support projects that reduce communities’ vulnerability to the growing risks from coastal storms, sea level rise, flooding, erosion and associated threats through strengthening natural ecosystems that also benefit fish and wildlife.

The Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grants Program will award more than $100 million in grants throughout the region affected by Hurricane Sandy including Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, and West Virginia—the states that officially declared a natural disaster as a result of the storm event. Grants will be awarded to projects that assess, restore, enhance or create wetlands, beaches and other natural systems to help better protect communities and to mitigate the impacts of future storms and naturally occurring events on fish and wildlife species and habitats.


PROGRAM SPONSORS

More than $100 million in funding is being provided by DOI to support the Competitive Grants Program. These funds are focused on rebuilding, restoring and researching natural defense systems in states that declared a natural disaster as a result of Hurricane Sandy.

In addition, NFWF received $2.6 million from a court-ordered community service payment out of the District Courts of Delaware and New Jersey. The funds will be used for projects that will help to conserve, preserve, or restore the coastal environment of New Jersey and Delaware, specifically the areas affected by Hurricane Sandy.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

LEVERAGING PROJECTS ON FEDERAL LANDS.

Proposals that complement or leverage projects on federal lands that were funded through Department of the Interior’s Sandy Supplemental Mitigation Funds are strongly encouraged. (Click here for information on that program and funded projects.)

Project Planning and Design. Recognizing that more technically complicated restoration and protection projects often require a phase of planning, design and permitting, applicants may request funding up to $250,000 to support this phase of project development for on-the-ground projects. Such funding may be used to support the preparation of conceptual designs, engineering plans, and detailed project budgets, to facilitate permitting processes, and to support other related tasks to position projects for
successful implementation in the future. Projects that receive grants for planning and design may be eligible for funding in future grant cycles, to the extent they occur, to seek funding for project implementation.

While project design grants are not expected to achieve environmental or conservation outputs and outcomes, proposals should demonstrate that the resulting project plan, when implemented, will address program goals related to coastal resiliency and ecosystem enhancements. Proposals should explain how key stakeholders will be involved in the design process and provide assurance that the project implementation phase will be supported by key stakeholders (i.e., local or state regulatory agencies) once planning is completed.

**Coastal Resiliency Assessments.** DOI will invest in mapping, analysis, assessments, resiliency planning, and natural resource prioritizations that advance our knowledge of the effects of climate change, sea level rise, and storm events on coastal natural ecosystems and communities. The assessments should be designed to inform future management actions, policies and practices that can help natural resource managers and communities mitigate for the impacts of future storms and other naturally occurring events. Applicants should indicate how proposed assessments will complement existing assessments being conducted by DOI bureaus, existing partnerships including Landscape Conservation Cooperatives, and activity by other agencies and organizations. Grant funding of up to $1 million will be available for projects in this category.

**YOUTH AND VETERAN ENGAGEMENT.** Projects that include a significant role for youth and veterans are strongly Encouraged. Participation of youth and veterans may include commitments such as employment opportunities or internships that are designed to educate and provide hands-on experiences that can aid youth and veterans in finding future employment in natural resource conservation, natural and cultural history and related fields. Opportunities to engage youth and veterans in volunteer activities associated with individual projects are also welcomed.

**Restoration and Resiliency Projects.** Grant requests ranging from $250,000 to $5 million will be considered for projects that restore, enhance or create naturally functioning habitats or ecological systems for the benefit of communities and fish and wildlife species. Projects should demonstrate how they protect and enhance resiliency of natural systems and help to mitigate the impacts of future storms and other naturally occurring events on communities, fish and wildlife. Projects should result in measureable and observable improvements to these systems.

Projects can be conducted on Federal, state or local government lands or private lands where there is a sufficient commitment to the protection of those lands for conservation purposes. However, given the goals of coastal resiliency, projects that consider the larger landscape and involve multiple landowners are encouraged.

Projects should describe the measurable outcomes (i.e. acres of wetlands and marsh created, miles of dunes and beaches replenished, miles of shoreline restored, number of
communities integrating resiliency into future land use planning, etc.) anticipated through project implementation and highlight how these outcomes will enhance resiliency for the benefit of communities and fish and wildlife.

Furthermore, projects should support habitat and restoration goals of the Department of the Interior and its bureaus and complement state and local conservation priorities, including State Wildlife Action Plans (SWAPs), which are consistent with the goals of this program.

Finally, applicants should have a track record of project implementation success and the technical capacity to implement projects at a large scale. Applicants should also demonstrate strong partnerships with Federal, state and local agencies, existing regional partnerships such as Landscape Conservation Cooperatives as well as communities, non-profit organizations. Applicants are strongly encouraged to include a voluntary component that allows for citizens, students and others to participate.

Examples of restoration activities that are eligible for funding through this program include, but are not limited to:

- **Sub-tidal Habitat**
  - Build or restore oyster reefs
  - Replant submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV)
- **Beaches and Dunes**
  - Restore and enhance beach, bluff and/or dunes
  - Re-vegetate native plant communities
  - Rebuild and stabilize critical nesting islands
  - Install living shorelines
  - Rebuild lower beach habitat
- **Wetlands and Marshes**
  - Clear large debris and hazardous material from habitats, including wetlands
  - Plant or replant with native vegetation
  - Restore tidal hydrology
  - If appropriate install structures to protect against erosion and habitat loss
- **Near-Coastal Freshwater Habitat**
  - Assess and repair water control structures and pumps for managed wetlands and freshwater pond areas
  - Rebuild vernal pools and restore freshwater impoundments
  - Repair channels between estuaries and ponds allowing for freshwater return
  - Restore breached dikes
- **Coastal Forests**
  - Take reasonable measures to prevent against salt water intrusion
  - Plant or replant areas suitable for forest habitat with native species
- **Inland Rivers and Streams**
  - Riparian buffer restoration and creation
  - Stream restoration
  - Dam removal
  - Culvert replacement, upgrade or repair
  - Floodplain reconnection
**Green Infrastructure.** Projects using green infrastructure techniques and approaches that provide multiple ecosystem benefits and help to provide community resiliency will be considered for funding. These projects may include rebuilding natural systems in communities, such as wetlands, floodplains and forests, or applying green/“nature-based” stormwater management techniques including projects that infiltrate, capture and reuse stormwater to maintain or restore natural hydrology and prevent overflows and flooding. By establishing new or enhancing existing green infrastructure within or nearby communities, the impacts from future storms as well as sea level rise can be mitigated and wildlife and water quality can be enhanced. Grant requests ranging from $250,000 to $1 million will be considered.

**Community Coastal Resiliency Planning.** Projects that assist local governments and community organizations to integrate environmentally-sound solutions into comprehensive planning and zoning and into capital programs for parks, schools, transportation and community redevelopment will be considered for funding. Projects should demonstrate how local governments can integrate green infrastructure restoration, protection and maintenance into existing budgets and planning processes across multiple government departments (e.g., public works, parks and recreation, emergency management, education, transportation). Grant requests ranging from $100,000 to $500,000 will be considered and projects that involve multiple communities that are committed to the implementation of these planning exercises are encouraged.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Proposals will be reviewed, evaluated and scored based on the extent to which they meet the following criteria:

- **Environmental and Community Benefits (65 points)** –Projects will increase community resiliency, such as reducing vulnerability to the growing risks from coastal storms, sea level rise, flooding, erosion and associated threats by strengthening natural ecosystems that also benefit fish and wildlife. Essentially, the ecological outcomes of any project should provide resiliency benefits for population centers or communities in proximity to the project. For example, projects should:
  - increase the resilience and capacity of ecosystems and infrastructure to withstand impacts of future storms;
  - address consequences of large-scale storms such as ecological and coastal change; flood and/or wind damage to built infrastructure; economic and commercial disruption; disruption of services
  - explain the importance of the project location to creating or enhancing coastal resiliency and why the proposed project or strategy is appropriate for addressing coastal resiliency needs in that location; describe how the project design was informed by sound science and practice; and explain how any risks associated with the project will be mitigated in order to reduce any potential for negative impacts on resiliency.
  - describe how the project benefits are substantial and measureable over a long-period of time, require minimal re-investment or operational costs after project completion, and account for projected changes in environmental stressors (e.g. climate change, sea level rise, land use/urbanization).
leverage and amplify benefits of other proposed projects or ongoing resilience efforts, particularly those that complement recent investments made through the DOI Mitigation Fund;

explain how long will it take for the expected benefits to be realized (i.e., speed to functionality) and have an positive impact on natural systems and communities; and,

if appropriate, explain how the project will advance innovative technologies and practices that have the potential to drive down the cost and accelerate adoption of resiliency and adaptation strategies.

- Collaboration and Partnerships (10 points) – Stakeholders, communities, and municipalities were actively engaged in the planning process. An appropriate partnership exists to implement the project and the project is supported by a strong local partnership that will sustain it after the life of the grant.

- Work Plan & Logistics (10 points) – Project is technically sound and feasible, and the proposal sets forth a clear, logical and achievable work plan. Project team is well qualified and factors such as risk, permits and approvals, and safety are addressed adequately.

- Budget (10 points) – The budget is cost-effective, in-line with industry standards and is generally reasonable, and leverages other financial contributions.

- Youth and/or Veteran Engagement (5 points) – Project significantly involves youth and/or veterans in the completion of the project. Provides long-term benefits beyond the life of the project to those involved.

GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS

- Projects must be implemented entirely within the states that officially declared a natural disaster as a result of the storm system: Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, and West Virginia.

- Projects that are in the planning stage may be funded in phases, where an initial grant phase may support completion of the planning and design stage of a project and a subsequent phase(s) supports on-the-ground implementation.

- Successful applicants will be required to provide sufficient documentation that the project expects to receive or has received all necessary permits and clearances to comply with any Federal, state or local requirements. Where projects involve work in the waters of the United States, NFWF strongly encourages applicants to conduct a permit pre-application meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers prior to submitting their proposal. In some cases, if a permit pre-application meeting has not been completed, NFWF may require successful applicants to complete such a meeting prior to grant award.

- All appropriate, on-the-ground projects should include a monitoring plan and generate data for future use. In these cases, applicants will be asked to develop Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPPs) as part of their grant. Applicants should budget time and resources to complete this task if appropriate.

- Eligible applicants include: non-profit 501(c) organizations (e.g., watershed organizations, homeowners associations, environmental groups, etc.), local governments and agencies (e.g., counties, townships, cities, boroughs, conservation districts, planning districts, utility districts, etc.), recognized tribes, state government agencies and academic institutions.
• Individuals are not eligible for implementation grants.
• Projects must engage all appropriate local partners to ensure the long-term sustainability of the project, as well as its integration into local programs and policies. In most cases these partners will include: local government agencies (e.g., departments of planning, zoning, public works, environment, school districts, etc.), local watershed groups, and community leaders.
• Projects must be technically sound and feasible and carried out by qualified individuals and organizations.
• Grantees must contribute non-Federal matching funds and in-kind services valued at a minimum of 25 percent of total project costs. Applicants are encouraged to show federal partner contributions as well, although these contributions may not count toward the minimum match. Match should be calculated as a percentage of the total project costs, where the grant request plus the match equals the total project costs.
• Grantees may only use grant funds for indirect costs if 1) the grantee organization has a federally-approved indirect rate; AND, indirect costs do not exceed 15 percent of the total grant request (even when the federally-approved rate is greater than 15 percent).
• Projects must be ready to begin implementation within six months of the grant award.
• Projects must be completed within 2 years of grant award.
• All applicants with active grants from NFWF must be in good standing in terms of reporting requirements, expenditure of funds, and QAPPs (if required).

Ineligible Uses of Grant Funds

• Neither grant funds nor matching contributions may be used to support political advocacy, lobbying or litigation.
• Grantees may not use grant funds to support ongoing efforts to comply with legal requirements, including permit conditions, mitigation and settlement agreements.

How To apply FOR A GRANT

1. Go to www.nfwf.org/easygrants to register in our Easygrants online system. (If you already are a registered user, use your existing login.) Enter your applicant information.

2. Select the “Apply for Funding” Tab at the top of the screen. Select the “Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grants Program 2013” from the list of options.

3. Follow the instructions in Easygrants to complete your application. Once you get started, you may save your application in progress and return another time to complete and submit it.

The application will be made available in Easygrants no later than November 12, 2013. Proposals are due on January 31st, 2014 and must be submitted through NFWF’s online application at www.nfwf.org/easygrants.
IMPORTANT DATES

NFWF will host a series of regional workshops and an information webinar for applicants to review this Request for Proposals and respond to questions.

November 18, 2013 Regional Workshop: Annapolis, MD
November 19, 2013 Regional Workshop: TBD, RI
December 9, 2013 Regional Workshop: Monmouth, NJ
December 10, 2013 Regional Workshop: Jamaica Bay, NY
December 17, 2013 Webinar for Applicants
January 31, 2014 Proposals Due
April 2014 Anticipated announcement of awards*

For additional information, please contact Mandy Chesnutt at Mandy.Chesnutt@nfwf.org or Martin McHugh at Martin.McHugh@nfwf.org.

ADDENDUM: PROJECT METRICS

Applicants will be asked to provide information on what is anticipated to be accomplished during the grant period. Applicants will be asked to track progress against these metrics and report on progress at specific project intervals and in a final report. Metrics are divided into seven strategies: “Species Outcome”, “Habitat Restoration”, “Habitat Management”, ‘Capacity, Outreach, Incentives”, “Species-specific Strategies”, “Planning, Research, Monitoring”, and “Other Outcomes”. Examples of metrics that are able to be collected include:

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<th>Strategy</th>
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<td>Population</td>
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<td>Beach habitat quality improvements</td>
<td>Miles restored</td>
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<td>Habitat Management</td>
<td>BMP implementation for stormwater runoff</td>
<td>Volume of stormwater prevented</td>
<td>Enter the volume (in gallons) of stormwater prevented from entering water body</td>
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<td>Jobs created</td>
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<td>Outreach/ Education/ Technical</td>
<td>Number of people reached</td>
<td>Enter the number of people reached by outreach, training, or technical</td>
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<td>Management or Governance Planning</td>
<td>Number of plans developed</td>
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<td>Research</td>
<td>Number of research studies completed</td>
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A complete list of metrics is included in the on-line application.

36. **The Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation Grants**

**Funding Source:**
The Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants ranging from $1,000 to $15,000 to non-profits across the U.S. and internationally that provide direct assistance and aid to vulnerable children (0-18 years old), regardless of their circumstances. The purpose of these grants is to provide financial support for small, grassroots projects that assist children who are poor, disadvantaged, ill, orphaned, physically or mentally disabled, injured, disfigured, learning disabled, physically or emotionally abused, malnourished, or have limited access to education.

The Ross Foundation makes grants in the following categories:
* Equipment/Supplies
* Emergency
* Small Construction, Renovations, Building Purchase
* Start-Up Expenses
* Specific Project Support

The Foundation will also participate in matching or challenge grants. However, the Ross Foundation is less interested in larger projects or capital campaigns that are better left to larger foundations and organizations.

**Estimated Total Program Funding:**
$576,000

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
Up to $15,000

**Term of Contract:**
One year.

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
The Ross Foundation provides financial assistance to organizations that are qualified under the laws of the United States as a charitable organization for projects that directly benefit vulnerable children.
The Foundation typically does not fund day-to-day operations, individuals, conferences, day care, or public education. Water projects are limited to schools, orphanages, and medical centers where children predominate.

Pre-Application Information:
The Foundation encourages potential applicants to submit a letter of inquiry (via mail, fax, or email) prior to submitting a complete grant proposal. Instructions may be found at:

Email your letter to Rossfoundation@frontiernet.net.

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Wayne S. Cook, Ph.D.
Foundation Executive
Phone: 585-473-6006
Fax: 585-473-6007
E-mail: Rossfoundation@frontiernet.net

THE DOROTHEA HAUS ROSS FOUNDATION
1036 Monroe Avenue
Rochester, New York 14620 USA

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant -
http://www.dhrossfoundation.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=3&catid=1

Geographic Focus:

Categories:
Arts and Culture Children Community Service Coordination Disabilities Economic Development Elementary Education Environment Financial Assistance Health and Medical Homeless Housing International Literacy Mental Health Nutrition Other Preschool Secondary Education Special Education Substance Abuse Technology Youth/Out-of-School Youth Teachers Students

37. 4imprint - One by One Charitable Giving Grants

Funding Source:
4imprint [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing

**Description:**
In-kind donations valued at $500 are available to non-profit charities, religious organizations, and accredited schools in the U.S. and Canada that are working hard to make a difference in their communities. Each business day the company will give a worthy organization $500 in promotional products to spread the word, recruit volunteers, thank donors, offer comfort to someone in need, or in some other way turn one thing into something much more.

Please note: successful applicants can select more than one product for a donation, totaling up to the value of $500. If an applicant's total amount exceeds the $500 donation, 4imprint will ask that you pay the difference.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
$500 worth of company products

**Term of Contract:**
One year.

**Eligibility:**
See RFP for full eligibility
In order to apply for a donation you must be employed by or be a member of the Board of Directors for a 501(c)3 organization, a school, a registered charity/society or a religious organization. And you must be at least 18 years of age.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Please submit your application a minimum of 2 months before you need the items. This allows the 4imprint committee enough time to review your application and get the items to you, should you be chosen for a donation.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
4care@4imprint.com
or
Contact the Coordinator via email at: http://onebyone.4imprint.com/contactus.aspx

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**

**Categories:**
Aging/Seniors  Arts and Culture  Children  Community Service Coordination  Conflict Resolution  Disabilities  Economic Development  Elementary Education  Environment  Faith Based  Financial Assistance  Health and Medical  Higher Education  HIV/AIDS  Homeless  Housing  International Justice & Juvenile Justice  Literacy  Mental Health  Nutrition  Other Preschool  Preservation  Secondary Education  Domestic Violence  Special Education  Sports  Substance Abuse  Technology  Transportation  Veterans  Women  Workforce  Youth/Out-of-School  Youth  Travel & Tourism  Pets/Animal/Wildlife
38. The Fidelity Foundation Grants

Funding Source:
The Fidelity Foundation [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Grants typically of $50,000 or more will be awarded to USA non-profit organizations to enable significant, transformative projects primarily in the areas of: Arts and culture, Community development, and social services. The second priority area is Health and Education. Proposals may be intended for regional or national impact. High-impact projects with potential to inform or influence the non-profit sector are of particular interest.
Not funded:
Operating support, sponsorships, galas or benefits, scholarships, corporate memberships, or video and film projects.

Estimated Size of Grant:
$50,000 or more

Term of Contract:
1 year

Eligibility:
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Grants are generally made only to organizations with operating budgets of $500,000 or more.

Ineligible:
Start-up, sectarian or civic organizations; public school systems; disease-specific associations; or individuals.

Pre-Application Information:
-Typically the initial review process will take between four and six weeks. Applicants will be notified about inquiry decisions. Applications are by invitation only.

-The full review process requires a three-to-six-month period, which should be factored into the applicant's funding plan.

-For letter of inquiry requirements please see http://www.fidelityfoundation.org/letterofinquiry/index.html

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Please email all correspondence, including: Letters of Inquiry; Interim Project Updates; and Post-Grant Evaluation Summary Forms to info@FidelityFoundation.org.

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:
**39. The Ralph and Eileen Swett Foundation**

**Funding Source:**
The Ralph and Eileen Swett Foundation [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
Ongoing

**Description:**
Grants to USA non-profit organizations that are working to make a positive difference in the lives of individuals, preferably non-profits that assist orphaned children and promote their adoption, and/or intervention programs geared towards troubled youth. However, funding is not restricted to the fields mentioned above, and the Foundation remains open to other areas of interest, so potential applicants with service in other areas should not be discouraged from applying or from bringing themselves to the attention of the Board.

As of the current date, the trustees of the Foundation have made a decision to give priority to projects addressing critical and immediate needs. Therefore, projects involving medical research are unlikely to be funded at this time.

**Eligibility:**
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility

**Pre-Application Information:**
If you are interested in applying for a grant on behalf of your organization, please fill out the brief on-line grant inquiry form at: [https://sites.google.com/site/ralphandeileenswettfoundation/grant-inquiries](https://sites.google.com/site/ralphandeileenswettfoundation/grant-inquiries)

In an attempt to minimize the amount of time spent on application procedures, one of the Foundation's trustees will contact your organization (with a letter for a denial for a formal application or a phone call for an official invitation to apply) within 21 days of the submission of the on-line form. If your organization is invited to participate in the formal application process, the Foundation will provide the application at this time.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Darlene Zubkus
Email: Dzubkus@swettfoundation.org

Jeffrey Swett
Email: jeffreyswett@mac.com
40. Transformative Education Grants

Funding Source:
Versal Foundation [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Grants of up to $25,000 will be awarded to USA, Canada, & international individuals, non-profits, and NGOs to develop online, impactful interactive courses that either provide individuals worldwide with core knowledge or transformative courses that teach people skills. Courses must be at least one hour in length and be made available online for free, forever.

Courses providing core knowledge must focus on the following areas: basic literacy, arithmetic, science, and related topics.

Transformative courses are those that will have a profound potential for improving people’s lives, “courses for the betterment of humankind”. An example would be teaching villagers how build a clean water system in impoverished desert regions with locally available materials.

Selection criteria include:
* Does the proposed course fit within the selected category?
* How is the applicant uniquely qualified to teach the proposed course?
* Who will benefit from learning your material?
* How long will it take you to finish creating the course?
* How long will it take a student to complete a course?
* What size grant are you requesting, and does it reflect the value of your time to create the course and its value to the audience?

Estimated Size of Grant:
$1,000 to $25,000
Eligibility:
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Single entities
Individuals, non-profit organizations and NGOs with domain expertise.

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:
Canada International Israel USA

Categories:
Arts and Culture Economic Development Environment Financial Assistance Health and Medical Housing International Literacy Nutrition Other Preservation Science Technology Women Youth/Out-of-School Youth Teachers Students Pets/Animal/Wildlife Individual

41. Nonprofit Program

Funding Source:
YouTube [Foundation]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Free services are being offered to qualified nonprofits to help them reach donors, improve operations, raise awareness, and develop resources throughout the U.S. Qualified applicants will be able to tell their organization’s story through videos on YouTube to connect with supporters, volunteers, and donors. Additionally, assistance will be given in developing premium branding capabilities and increasing uploading capacity. The services are intended to make locating information on the nonprofit quick and easy through the option to drive fundraising through a Google Checkout "Donate" button, listing on the nonprofit videos page and the ability to place a Call to Action overlay on videos to raise money or find volunteers.

Eligibility:
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Philanthropic arms of educational organizations

Not Eligible:
Governmental entities and organizations
Hospitals and health care organizations
Schools, childcare centers, academic institutions, and universities

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:

Categories:
Community Service Coordination Other Technology

42. Healthy, Sustainable Communities

Funding Source:
Qualcomm Foundation [Foundation]

Deadline:
01/06/2014

Description:
Grants to USA, Canada, and international non-profit organizations that are working to improve the lives of underserved populations by providing basic human needs, with a focus on activities that enhance the welfare of children. The Foundation will also support organizations working to protect and enhance the global environment.

Please note that there is no standard grant amount that should be requested. The amount should be based on the program's budget, existing organizational resources, and the forecast for additional funding.

Eligibility:
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
NOT ELIGIBLE:
* USA-based organizations without Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) non-profit status
* Individuals
* Sporting events without a charitable beneficiary
* Sectarian or denominational religious groups
* Faith-based schools unless the school accepts students from all religious and non-religious backgrounds and the students are not required to adhere to or convert to any religious doctrine.
* Faith-based organizations unless the programs are broadly promoted and the program's beneficiaries are not encouraged or required to learn about, adhere, or convert to any religious doctrine.
* Organizations that advocate, support or practice activities inconsistent with Qualcomm’s non-discrimination policies, whether based on race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, mental or physical disability, age, gender, gender identity and/or expression, sexual orientation, veteran status, pregnancy, medical condition, marital status or other basis protected by law.
* Primary and secondary schools
* Political contributions
Organizations that are not invited to submit a proposal may resubmit a letter of inquiry twelve months after the initial letter of inquiry was submitted.

Organizations that were invited to submit a proposal, but who did not receive funds, may resubmit a letter of inquiry twelve months after receiving a funding decision.

**Pre-Application Information:**

**Application Process:**
Step 1: Complete the Letter of Inquiry, which applies to both the Qualcomm Foundation and Qualcomm Incorporated, to provide basic information about your organization and the funding request. There are no deadlines for the Letter of Inquiry Form. This Form can be submitted at any point in time. Access the form on-line at: http://www.qualcomm.com/citizenship/global-social-responsibility/philanthropy/proposal.

Step 2: Complete the Proposal Form if your organization is invited to apply for a grant. You will be notified whether funding would come from the Qualcomm Foundation or Qualcomm Incorporated and will receive instructions for completing and submitting the proposal before your organization’s proposal deadline.

Step 3: If requested, complete and return the Grant Agreement as directed. All organizations are notified of funding decisions in writing. Funds will not be released until a signed Grant Agreement is received by the Qualcomm Foundation.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.

Email: philanthropy@qualcomm.com

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Geographic Focus:**

Ontario Quebec

Israel

Austria Australia Belgium Brazil Switzerland China Germany Egypt Spain Finland France United Kingdom Hong Kong Ireland India Italy Japan Kenya South Korea Macau Mexico Nigeria Netherlands New Zealand Philippines Poland Russian Federation Sweden Singapore Turkey Taiwan, Province of China South Africa

**Categories:**
Children Environment Health and Medical Homeless Housing International Nutrition Other Preservation Transportation Youth/Out-of-School Youth

**Funding Source:**
AmeriCorps [Federal]

**Deadline:**
01/08/2014 5:00 PM ET

**Description:**
Grants are available to USA and territories non-profits, universities, municipalities, and others for volunteer-driven programs in one of the following areas of interest: disaster services, economic opportunity, education, environment, health, and veterans and military families.

Eligible programs must demonstrate that they will engage AmeriCorps members in an evidence-based or evidence-informed approach to providing a service intervention that will result in intended solutions to community problems (e.g., based on proposed program’s performance and evaluation data or research demonstrating the effectiveness of a similar intervention).

Applicants will be awarded points for providing evidence that their proposed intervention will lead to the outcomes identified in the theory of change (logic model). Applicants shall provide evidence that the proposed intervention is effective for the proposed population and community challenge.

Focus areas are as follows:

**Disaster Services:** Grant activities will increase the preparedness of individuals, improve individuals’ readiness to respond, help individuals recover from disasters, and help individuals mitigate disasters.

**Economic Opportunity:** Grants will provide support and/or facilitate access to services and resources that contribute to the improved economic well-being and security of economically disadvantaged people.

**Education:** Grants will provide support and/or facilitate access to services and resources that contribute to improved educational outcomes for economically disadvantaged individuals, especially children.

**Environmental Stewardship:** Grants will provide support for direct services that contribute to increased energy and water efficiency, renewable energy use, or improving at-risk ecosystems.

In addition, the Administration is exploring ways to provide service, training, education, and employment opportunities for young Americans through protecting, restoring and enhancing public and tribal lands.

**Healthy Futures:** Grants will provide support for health needs within communities including access to care, aging in place, and childhood obesity.

**Veterans and Military Families:** Grants will positively impact the quality of life of veterans and improve military family strength.

**Governor and Mayor Initiative:** CNCS will accept one application per state. The application must address a pressing challenge the Governor wishes to solve in her or his state. A Governor must apply with one Mayor in his or her state and a minimum of two nonprofits. In conjunction with the Mayor, the Governor will be responsible for identifying and selecting those nonprofits that are best able to achieve a demonstrated positive impact on the problem.

Additional program models:

**Capacity Building activities:** Grants also will provide support for capacity building activities provided by national service participants. As a general rule, CNCS considers capacity building activities to be indirect services that enable CNCS-supported organizations to provide more, better, and sustained direct services in CNCS’ six focus areas.
Encore Programs: Congress set a goal that 10 percent of AmeriCorps funding should support encore service programs that engage a significant number of participants age 55 or older. CNCS seeks to meet that 10 percent target in this competition and encourages encore programs to apply.

Professional Corps: programs recruit and place qualified members in positions as teachers, health care providers, police officers, engineers, or other professionals in communities with an inadequate number of such professionals.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
The actual level of funding will be subject to the availability of annual appropriations, which have not yet been made.

**Term of Contract:**
Up to 3 years.

**Eligibility:**
Agency of the county or other local government
City or township governments
Community-based Organizations; CBO(s)
County governments
Faith-based Organizations
Indian tribal governments and organizations (American Indian/Alaskan Native/Native American)
Institutions of Higher Education; IHE(s)
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Labor organizations
Partnerships and consortia
Tribes
Intermediaries planning to subgrant awarded funds

Indian Tribes are eligible to apply to this Notice; however a separate Notice of Federal Funding Opportunity for Indian Tribes for either fully operational or planning grants will be released later in the fall with an application deadline of spring 2014.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Submission of a Notice of Intent to Apply is required to be eligible for this competition and is due Wednesday, December 11, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time by e-mail to IntentToApply@cns.gov.

Where to apply:
* Applicants that must apply through State Commissions: Organizations that are proposing a project that operates in only one state must apply to this competition through the Governor-appointed State or Territory Commissions.
* Applicants in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and the U.S. Virgin Islands apply directly to CNCS because these Territories have not established a state commission.
* Organizations that propose to operate AmeriCorps programs in more than one state or territory apply directly to CNCS.
* Tribes apply directly to CNCS.

A first-time successful applicant is required to match at 24 percent for the first three-year funding period.

Applications must include a DUNS number and an Employer Identification Number. The DUNS number does not replace an Employer Identification Number. All applicants must be registered with the Systems for Award Management (SAM). DUNS numbers may be obtained at no cost by calling the DUNS number request line at (866) 705-5711 or by applying online: http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform. The website indicates a 48-hour e-mail turnaround time on requests for DUNS numbers; however, we suggest registering at least 30 days in advance of the application due date. After obtaining a DUNS number register with SAM at https://www.sam.gov/portal/public/SAM/.
CNCS may, at its discretion, consider an application received after the deadline, but only if the applicant submits a letter to LateApplications@cns.gov explaining the extenuating circumstance that caused the delay. Communication with CNCS staff including your program officer is not a substitution for sending a letter to LateApplications@cns.gov. The letter must be received no later than one business day after the application deadline. If the applicant experiences technical difficulties with eGrants that are unresolved, the correspondence must include the eGrants help desk ticket number. CNCS determines whether or not to accept a late application for review on a case-by-case basis.

**Letter of Interest or Intent Due:**
12/11/2013

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source’s website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
National Service Hotline for problems creating an account or while preparing or submitting an application in eGrants: 800-942-2677
National Service Hotline hours are Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ET. Be prepared to provide the application ID, organization’s name, and the Notice to which your organization is applying.
TTY number for deaf or hearing impaired: 202–606-3472

For questions regarding multi-state or Indian Tribes applications submitted directly to CNCS: (202) 606-7508 americorpsgrants@cns.gov

A list of all State and Territory Commissions can be found here: http://www.nationalservice.gov/about/contact-us/state-service-commissions.

**CFDA Number:**
94.006

**URL for Full Text (RFP):**
See the full text of this grant

**Attached Files:**

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**Geographic Focus:**

American Samoa Guam (USA) Northern Mariana Islands Puerto Rico Virgin Islands (USA)

**Categories:**
Aging/Seniors Children Community Service Coordination Economic Development Elementary Education Environment Faith Based Financial Assistance Health and Medical Higher Education Housing Mental Health Nutrition Other Preschool Preservation Secondary Education Technology Veterans Workforce Disaster Relief
44. Development Innovation Ventures Annual Program Statement (APS)

Funding Source:
USAID – Agency for International Development [Federal]

Deadline:
04/15/2014

Description:
Grants are available to USA and International businesses, individuals, non-profits, and others for a broad range of innovative solutions that will address a development challenge affecting a large population. Letters of Intent are due December 16, for proposals that will primarily benefit individuals in poverty or extreme poverty, and other vulnerable groups (including but not limited to women and girls, refugee or displaced communities, minority or indigenous groups, and the disabled).

DIV is interested in innovations that are expected to lead to transformative (as opposed to incremental) improvements to development outcomes that could ultimately scale across multiple developing countries and, ideally, multiple sectors in these countries. Innovative solutions can include new technologies and new service delivery practices or novel or more cost-effective variations on existing practices. Solutions are expected to eventually scale up through the private sector, the public sector, or a combination of the two in order to reach sustainability without DIV support. To meet DIV’s requirements, most successful applicants form a coalition of partners with diverse skills.

The DIV model emphasizes testing potential solutions and rigorously evaluating impact to identify what works well and what does not. Successful solutions that scale through the public sector will have gathered evidence of impact using a rigorous evaluation methodology, such as an experimental or quasi-experimental evaluation, to obtain legitimate measurements. At scale, successful private sector solutions will demonstrate commercial viability, as well as measure improvements in social outcomes or impacts related to the solution (such as improvements in health, education, income, empowerment, etc. of people in developing countries).

DIV uses a three-tiered staged finance model to maximize cost-effectiveness and minimize the risk of testing new ideas. The applicant chooses a stage level based on how far their project is in its development and to what extent they have previously gathered evidence of its success. In other words, the stage is not defined by the level of funding needed. Many DIV projects leverage funding from other sources.

DIV seeks to test promising solutions, and uses the staged financing approach to mitigate risk. The amount and rigor of evidence required increases as more resources are requested by an applicant. Stage-specific requirements are delineated below.

Stage 1: Proof of Concept
Stage 1 funding is intended to test the real-world viability of an innovative development solution. The application must describe how the solution is clearly linked to a specific development challenge, and how the solution has the potential to produce significant impact at eventual scale.

Stage 2: Scaling and Impact Evaluation
Stage 2 funding is provided to innovative solutions that have already demonstrated success at a small scale stage, and now require support to assess if the solution can achieve larger scale development impact and can be implemented successfully at a larger scale. Applicants must demonstrate at the time of application that they have already satisfied Stage 1 criteria. This may have occurred with DIV funds or with other sources of support.

Stage 3: Transitioning Projects to Large Scale
Stage 3 funding is reserved for innovative solutions that have already established credible evidence of development impacts
at significant scale. Stage 3 projects will transition a solution from large scale implementation to widespread adoption in one country and/or replication in at least one additional country. In a country where the population is over 100 million the widespread adoption can be in a portion of the country. Applicants must have already satisfied Stage 1 and Stage 2 criteria. This may have occurred with DIV funds or with other sources of support.

Illustrative examples of innovative solutions that DIV may support include:

* New tools for more effective agriculture extension, and testing for the most effective way to reach scale
* New approaches for sanitation demand creation and sanitation marketing
* Behavior change approaches drawing on insights from psychology and behavioral economics
* Solutions that advance equality between females and males, and empower women and girls to participate fully in and benefit from the development of their societies, producing concrete improvements (e.g. a program that significantly increases women’s voting rates)
* New methods to reduce absenteeism among frontline health and education workers
* Testing proof of concept for a solar lighting system distributed by local entrepreneurs at a price/service point that induces wide adoption
* A rigorous evaluation for a larger scale innovative project that will itself be funded by other partners where the evaluation will demonstrate the magnitude of development outcomes and the cost effectiveness of the project, and such evidence will help the project reach scale

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
Stage 1 funding requests will typically not exceed $100,000 per project. Stage 2 projects will typically not exceed $1 million but are often significantly less. Stage 3 projects will typically not exceed $15 million but are often significantly less.

**Term of Contract:**
Stage 1 projects can propose activities for up to two years. Stage 2 projects can propose activities for up to five years, although they are generally shorter. Stage 3 projects can propose activities for up to five years.

**Eligibility:**
Faith-based Organizations
For profit organizations other than small businesses
Institutions of Higher Education; IHE(s)
Non-domestic (non-U.S.) Entities (Foreign Organizations)
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
Regional Organizations
See RFP for full eligibility
Single entities
Small businesses
U.S. Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)
Non-U.S. NGOs
Non-U.S. private businesses
Business and trade associations
International Organizations
Non-U.S. colleges and universities (public and private)
Civic groups
All applicants must be legally recognized organizational entities under applicable law. The participation of foreign government organizations under this APS is possible only through an approved subaward agreement with a prime recipient.

**Pre-Application Information:**
Applicants can apply at any stage without being prior recipients of DIV funding. Stages are determined by the content of the project, not by the funding required.

Interested applicants must first submit an LOI. All LOI submissions must be submitted using the LOI form posted at www.usaid.gov/div. Only invited applicants will receive the Full Application form. The Full Application form will be provided to invited applicants with submission instructions attached. The Full Application form requests additional and more in-depth information than the LOI.

**Letter of Interest or Intent Due:**
12/16/2013

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
All communications and inquiries:
DIV@usaid.gov
All applications:
DIVApplications@usaid.gov

**CFDA Number:**
98.001

**Funding or Pin Number:**
APS-OAA-13-000004

**Attached Files:**
- aps-oaa-13-000004.pdf
- amendment_1_-_div_aps.pdf

**Geographic Focus:**

Canada International Israel USA

**Categories:**
- Aging/Seniors
- Children
- Community Service Coordination
- Conflict Resolution
- Disabilities
- Economic Development
- Elementary Education
- Environment
- Faith Based
- For-Profits & Small Businesses
- Health and Medical
- Higher Education
- Housing
- International
- Literacy
- Mental Health
- Nutrition
- Other
- Preschool
- Refugee/Immigrant
- Research & Evaluation
- Science
- Secondary Education
- Domestic Violence
- Technology
- Transportation
- Women
- Workforce
- Youth/Out-of-School Youth
- Pets/Animal/Wildlife
- Individual
- Disaster Relief

**45. Social and Behavioral Research on the Elderly in Disasters**
Funding Source:
National Institutes of Health (NIH) [Federal]

Deadline:
01/25/2014

Description:
Grants are available to USA and international non-profits, businesses, government agencies, universities, and others for research relating to the health, well-being and prevention of disease and disability of older Americans during and following disasters. Research and translation efforts can help inform planning by drawing on lessons from disasters of multiple types and locations.

Specifically, this funding opportunity seeks to stimulate research in the behavioral and social sciences on the consequences of natural and man-made disasters for the health and well-being of the elderly, with an ultimate goal of preventing and mitigating harmful consequences. Research in the social and behavioral sciences can be useful both for the practical work of helping future efforts to prepare for or mitigate disasters and for the scientific understanding of aging, health, and well-being.

Disasters include severe weather-related events, including heat waves; earthquakes; tsunamis; large-scale attacks on civilian populations; technological catastrophes; and influenza pandemics. The health outcomes of greatest interest include mortality, disability, severe distress and clinically significant morbidity (as opposed to mild or transient symptoms), and economic hardship sufficient to harm health.

Examples of research topics and methods include, but are not limited to:

Characteristics of public health systems, acute care, rehabilitation and long-term care institutions affecting survival, successful evacuation or referral, and continuity of care for the frail elderly, disabled or chronically ill persons.

Behavioral and social factors that affect preparation for disasters; response to disasters, including mortality and evacuation; and the long-term health impact after disasters, including post-traumatic stress disorders (PTSD), health problems, loss of social resources, and morbidity.

The impact of neighborhood, household and family characteristics, including the built environment, social cohesion and social networks, on survival, successful evacuation and resettlement or relocation of the elderly.

Disruption and adaptation of health-systems and caregiver relationships. Of particular concern is the rise of an aging population of urban residents who live alone, with limited social networks, and who become disabled and homebound. Socially isolated elderly may be especially vulnerable to disaster-related morbidity and mortality.

Social, economic, and racial/ethnic disparities affecting access to vaccines and other preventive services; or affecting the survival, evacuation, resettlement or relocation of the elderly.

The economic impact on health of disasters, using existing studies with high-quality pre-disaster assessments of income and assets.

Cognitive and other factors affecting risk perceptions and communication, preparedness, and evacuation, relocation and resettlement decisions.

Long-term health impacts of stressful events and factors affecting resiliency and recovery, with particular concern for those managing chronic conditions and the disabled elderly.
Health risks and tradeoffs implicated in the decision to evacuate nursing homes or other congregate housing.

The role of new media and new forms of communication in preventing harms and facilitating recovery efforts.

**Number of Grants:**
The number of awards is contingent upon NIH appropriations, and the submission of a sufficient number of meritorious applications.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
Direct costs are limited to $275,000 over an R21 two-year period, with no more than $200,000 in direct costs allowed in any single year.

**Term of Contract:**
May not exceed 2 years.

**Eligibility:**
Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions
Community-based Organizations; CBO(s)
Eligible Agencies of the Federal Government
Faith-based Organizations
For profit organizations other than small businesses
Hispanic-serving Institutions
Historically Black Colleges and Universities; HBCU
Independent school districts
Indian housing authorities
Indian tribal governments and organizations (American Indian/Alaskan Native/Native American)
Indian/Native American Tribal Governments (Other than Federally Recognized)
Institutions of Higher Education; IHE(s)
Non-domestic (non-U.S.) Entities (Foreign Organizations)
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Private institutions of higher education
Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
Public housing authorities
Regional Organizations
See RFP for full eligibility
Small businesses
Special district governments
State governments
Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities (TCCUs).
U.S. Territory or Possession. State governments
Non-domestic (non-U.S.) components of U.S. Organizations

**Pre-Application Information:**
Applicant organizations may submit more than one application, provided that each application is scientifically distinct.

Applicants are encouraged to submit in advance of the deadline to ensure they have time to make any application corrections that might be necessary for successful submission.

**Contact Information:**
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Grants.gov Customer Support (Questions regarding Grants.gov registration and submission, downloading or navigating forms)
Contact Center Phone: 800-518-4726
Email: support@grants.gov
GrantsInfo (Questions regarding application instructions and process, finding NIH grant resources)
Telephone 301-435-0714
TTY 301-451-5936
Email: GrantsInfo@nih.gov

eRA Commons Help Desk (Questions regarding eRA Commons registration, tracking application status, post submission issues)
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CFDA Number: 93.866, 93.361
Funding or Pin Number: PA-11-265

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:

Canada International Israel USA

Categories:
Aging/Seniors Community Service Coordination Disabilities Faith Based For-
The Charles Bronfman Prize 2014

**Funding Source:**
The Charles Bronfman Prize [Foundation]

**Deadline:**
01/15/2014 at Close of Business

**Description:**
Grants to young Jewish leaders (under the age of 50) whose humanitarian efforts are inspired by personal Jewish values, yet are of universal benefit to all people. Past award recipients have made outstanding contributions in the fields of: genetics, the environment, medical education, humanitarian relief, the transformation of public education, and human rights.

The Charles Bronfman Prize celebrates the intersection of Jewish values and universal humanitarian endeavors. While nominees must self-identify as Jewish, their endeavors may be universal, contributing to the betterment of the world at large.

Successful nominees are those who have a vision for change that will better the world in a meaningful way, and who have created a mechanism for acting on that vision and have delivered measurable results.

**Estimated Size of Grant:**
$100,000

**Eligibility:**
See RFP for full eligibility

All nominations must be presented by a nominating team consisting of a Nominator and three References. Through their respective prisms they can present an individual and his/her work most effectively against the selection criterion. The Nominator is the point of contact between the Prize, the Nominee and the nominating team during the nomination and evaluation process.

Nominees should not have reached their 50th birthday by the closing date for nominations, January 15th, 2014.

Since the core of this award is to celebrate the unique connection between Jewish values and humanitarian endeavor, nominations will only be accepted for those who define themselves as being Jewish – however that manifests itself to the individual nominee.

**Pre-Application Information:**
The annual cycle of The Charles Bronfman Prize begins in the Fall with a ‘Call for Nominations’ for the Prize to be presented the following year. The ‘Call’ is promoted internationally through print and online media, recruitment letter, and email distribution. The evaluation process is conducted in three stages over the winter and early spring, with a recipient announced in early summer. The Prize is presented in early fall.

Nominees are brought to the attention of the Prize by a nominating team consisting of a Nominator and three References. Nominees cannot self nominate. The Nominator acts as the point of contact between the Prize and the nominee during the nomination and evaluation process.

The ‘Call’ is open from early November to mid-January to allow nominating teams to adequately prepare their nominations. As the nomination process requires a significant commitment of time and energy on your part, teams are encouraged to first review the guidelines for how to present your nominee (at: http://www.thecharlesbronfmanprize.com/nomination-process/how-to-present-your-nominee) and the nomination forms (at: http://www.thecharlesbronfmanprize.com/storage/documents/tcbp_2014_nomination_forms.doc) before proceeding.
All materials must be submitted in one complete package including original letters and forms signed by their respective authors, without exception.

It is strongly recommended that all nominations packages be sent by UPS, FedEx, or other courier with delivery notification. The Charles Bronfman Prize is not responsible for materials that are sent by regular mail without delivery notification. Nominations must be received in the office no later than c.o.b. on January 15th, 2014.

Send Nomination packages to:
The Charles Bronfman Prize
110 East 59th Street, 26th Floor
New York, NY 10022-1327
USA
Phone: 212 | 931-0127

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Email: info@thecharlesbronfmanprize.com
Phone: 212.931.0127

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant

Geographic Focus:

Israel

Categories:
Aging/Seniors Arts and Culture Children Community Service Coordination Conflict Resolution Disabilities Elementary Education Environment Faith Based Health and Medical Higher Education HIV/AIDS Homeless Housing Justice & Juvenile Justice Literacy Mental Health Nutrition Other Preschool Refugee/Immigrant Research & Evaluation Science Secondary Education Domestic Violence Special Education Technology Women Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth Individual Disaster Relief

47. The John W. Gardner Leadership Award

Funding Source:
Independent Sector [Foundation]

Deadline:
01/31/2014 11:59 PM ET
Description:
An award will be granted to honor an outstanding USA citizen who works in or with the non-profit sector and whose leadership has been transformative in improving people’s lives. The purpose of this award is to honor an individual who has raised the capacity of others to advance the common good. The chosen leader will have either had national or international impact; or, if at the regional level, have attracted wide recognition and imitation.

Gardner Award nominees, who may be of any age, may be the creators of needed institutions or may concentrate on education and advocacy that changes public opinion. Whatever means they use, their work has transformed their chosen field and has served as a role model to other fields.

Estimated Size of Grant:
Award winners receive a statuette, which is a replica of an original relief bust of John Gardner by prominent Washington, D.C. sculptor, Frederick Hart.

Eligibility:
See RFP for full eligibility
Nominee Eligibility:

* The nominee must be living and be an American citizen. He or she may be any age.

* The nominee's work must have national or international impact or, if at the regional level, has attracted wide recognition and imitation. If your nominee has local impact only, please contact your state non-profit association, local United Way, or regional volunteer center in order to get a list of local awards for which your candidate may be eligible.

* The nominee can not be on the Independent Sector Board of Directors, but can be a member of an IS committee.

* The nominee must be able to attend the award ceremony, which will be held at the 2014 Independent Sector National Conference in Seattle, Washington, November 16th-18th.

Nominator Eligibility:

* The nomination should come from someone who knows the candidate well and has the ability to recognize them as a strong leader. These can be board members or other staff within the same organization as the nominee, or, preferably, a well-respected member of an unrelated organization who is very familiar with the candidate's contributions and impact. Candidates are seldom self-nominated.

* If you submit your name as the nominator on the nomination form, the nomination letter should also be authored and signed by you. Please do not put an assistant's contact information on the nomination form.

Pre-Application Information:
Nominate a leader online at: http://www.independentsector.org/gardner_award_nomination.

Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs. Please email gardneraward@independentsector.org or call 202-467-6116 if you have any additional questions.

URL for Full Text (RFP):
See the full text of this grant
**Geographic Focus:**

**Categories:**
Aging/Seniors  Arts and Culture  Children  Community Service Coordination  Conflict Resolution  Disabilities  Economic Development  Elementary Education  Environment  Health and Medical  Higher Education  HIV/AIDS  Homeless Housing  Justice & Juvenile Justice  Literacy  Mental Health  Nutrition  Other  Preschool  Preservation  Secondary Education  Domestic Violence  Special Education  Substance Abuse  Technology  Transportation  Women  Workforce Youth/Out-of-School Youth  Individual  Disaster Relief
III – Government Grants

1. **Social Services Block Grant Program (SSBG)** - Social Services Block Grants (SSBG) enables each state or territory to meet the needs of its residents through locally relevant social services. SSBGs support programs that allow communities to achieve or maintain economic self-sufficiency to prevent, reduce or eliminate dependency on social services. Website [http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/programs/ssbg](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/programs/ssbg)

2. **National Emergency Grant**: Disaster NEGs require that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has declared a disaster area eligible for public assistance and is only available to states. The primary purpose of a disaster project is to create temporary employment to assist with clean-up activities. The initial award will restrict the clean-up period to 6 months from the date of grant award, until there is a subsequent modification (e.g., fully documented plan or other request) that justifies a longer clean-up period. A state may include in its fully documented plan, or modification request, a component for employment-related services. This component is for workers involved in the clean-up work and who will not return to their prior employment. The modification must demonstrate that the participants need employment-related assistance to return to the workforce and that other resource are not available to provide such services. The employment-related component must provide information on the number of participants that require assistance, the type of assistance and the duration and planned performance goals. The application must also include the outcomes of those who will not require employment-related assistance through the NEG project. Relevant Guidance: TEGL 16-03. National Emergency Grants are part of the U.S. Secretary of Labor's discretionary fund and are awarded based on a state's ability to meet specific guidelines. [http://www.doleta.gov/NEG/](http://www.doleta.gov/NEG/)

3. **About the Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Grant Program**

   In the past, the ROSS grant has included programs such as ROSS-Family & Homeownership and ROSS-Elderly/Persons with Disabilities. Since FY08, these programs have been combined into one ROSS-Service Coordinators program.

**ROSS-Service Coordinators**

The purpose of the ROSS Service Coordinator program is to provide funding to hire and maintain Service Coordinators who will assess the needs of residents of conventional Public Housing or Indian housing and coordinate available resources in the community to meet those needs. This program works to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate the use of assistance under the Public Housing program with public and private resources, for supportive services and resident empowerment activities. These services should enable participating families to increase earned income, reduce or eliminate the need for welfare assistance, make progress toward achieving economic independence and housing self-sufficiency, or, in the case of elderly or disabled residents, help improve living conditions and enable residents to age-in-place.

The ROSS program also funds the Public Housing Family Self-Sufficiency (PH FSS) program. This funding is provided on a competitive basis for PHAs (ONLY) to hire an FSS program coordinator for one year.

As a response to the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (the Public Housing Reform Act), ROSS is a redefined and restructured combination of programs funded in prior years: The Tenant
Eligible Applicants

ROSS grants may be made to four types of applicants:

- Public Housing Authorities (PHAs)
- Tribes/tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs)
- Resident associations (RAs) such as resident management corporations, resident councils, and intermediary resident organizations
- Nonprofit organizations supported by residents and/or PHAs

Public Housing Family Self-sufficiency (PH FSS)

Funding under this program is made only to PHAs to hire a program coordinator who links residents with training opportunities, job placement organizations, and local employers. Residents enter into a contract of participation which outlines their responsibilities towards completion of training and employment objectives over a five year period or less. The contract of participation also stipulates PHA responsibilities towards helping residents achieve their goals. For each participating family that is a recipient of welfare assistance, the PHA must establish an interim goal that the family become independent from welfare assistance and remain independent from welfare assistance at least one year prior to the expiration of the contract. During the period of participation, residents may earn an escrow credit, based on increased earned income, which they may use in a variety of ways upon successful graduation from the program.

Elderly/Disabled Service Coordinator Program

While formerly funded through ROSS, HUD now provides funding to eligible PHAs through the Public Housing Operating Fund. PHAs which were recipients of this grant in 1995 are renewed annually, provided that funding is available for this purpose through appropriations. PHAs request funding through the Operating Fund and use the grant to hire Service Coordinators who obtain supportive services for the elderly and persons with disabilities residing in public housing. The program’s objective is to help this resident population continue to live in place, independently, without having to move to more expensive assisted care environments. Grant funds may be used to pay for the Service Coordinator's salary, fringe benefits, and related administrative costs (i.e., training, office equipment, utilities). Service Coordinators are responsible for functions such as: working with community service providers to tailor services to the needs of eligible residents, establishing a system to monitor and evaluate service delivery and outcomes, and coordinating with other independent living programs. NOTE: Recipients of the EDSC funds should consult the NOFA to determine eligibility for the ROSS-SC program. If you are unsure if you are a recipient of this funding, please contact the PIH Resource Center at 1-800-955-2232.

More Information

Provided that funding is made available from congressional appropriations, grant competitions are announced annually through HUD’s SuperNOFA process. Information about how to apply and deadlines for applying may be obtained by going to the HUD Grants web site; and looking under "funds available". Be sure to look at the information on registering and applying with Grants.gov as well as consult the webcast schedule for webcasts on the logic model, grants.gov, specific programs and other NOFA information.

For more information on the ROSS program, please call 1 (800) 955-2232.
4. City Council Discretionary Funding

Funding Source:
New York City Council [State]

Deadline:
Ongoing

Description:
Grants to fund programs or projects benefiting the residents of New York City. It is strongly recommended to submit the prequalification application by March 31st. Programs should be city-wide and may include: initiatives that meet the local needs of an applicant's community, services for seniors or youth, or agency programs that benefit underserved communities or populations.

Eligibility:
Community-based Organizations; CBO(s)
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS
See RFP for full eligibility
Social service providers are also eligible to apply.

Pre-Application Information:
All organizations that wish to receive discretionary funding must submit a Council organization qualification application (OQA).

Organizations receiving funding under an initiative may not be required to submit the Council application if they have been pre-qualified for discretionary funding by the Mayor's Office of Contract Services (see below). Any organization that has received pre-qualification approval in a previous year does not need to re-apply for pre-qualification, but will be required to certify as to the accuracy of information in their original pre-qualification submission as of the date of their contract in subsequent years. Additional information and pre-qualification status is available on the MOCS website (www.nyc.gov/mocs).

There is no deadline for the Prequalification Application; the Prequalified List for City Council funding remains continuously open to all applicants. However, to expedite your inclusion on the Prequalified List prior to budget adoption and avoid delays in contract processing, it is strongly recommended that the Prequalification Application be submitted by March 31.


Contact Information:
Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.
Any questions about Prequalification can be directed to PQLHelp@dycd.nyc.gov.

Attached Files:
🔗DiscretionaryFundingPoliciesFY12.pdf

Geographic Focus:
New York

**Categories:**
- Aging/Seniors
- Capital Funding
- Other
- Refugee/Immigrant
- Women
- Youth/Out-of-School Youth

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address economic development challenges in regions impacted by a major Federally declared disaster that was designated between October 1, 2010 and September 30, 2011. Please read the FY 12 Disaster Relief Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) carefully for all of EDA's eligibility and program requirements under this announcement. The FFO is provided as an attachment to this synopsis and a link to the FFO is provided below.

**Expected Number of Awards:**

**CFDA Number(s):** 11.307 -- Economic Adjustment Assistance

**Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:** Yes

**Eligibility**

**Eligible Applicants:** Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Private institutions of higher education

City or township governments

County governments

Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

State governments

Public and State controlled institutions of higher education

Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

**Additional** Pursuant to the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965
Information on Eligibility: (PWEDA), an eligible applicant for and eligible recipient of EDA investment assistance under this announcement include a(n): (1) District Organization; (2) Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes; (3) State, city or other political subdivision of a State, including a special purpose unit of a State or local government engaged in economic or infrastructure development activities, or a consortium of political subdivisions; (4) institution of higher education or a consortium of institutions of higher education; or (5) public or private non-profit organization or association acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision of a State. See section 3 of PWEDA (42 U.S.C. § 3122) and 13 C.F.R. § 300.3. EDA is not authorized to provide grants to individuals or to for-profit entities seeking to start or expand a private business. Such requests may be referred to State or local agencies, or to non profit economic development organizations.

Additional Information
Agency Name: Economic Development Administration
Description: Through this Disaster Relief Opportunity, EDA intends to award investments in regions experiencing severe economic distress as a result of natural disasters that were declared as major Federal disasters between October 1, 2010 and September 30, 2011. Under this announcement, EDA solicits applications for Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) investments under PWEDA. The EAA program provides recipients with flexible tools to develop and implement regionally based long term economic development strategies in response to major Federally declared disasters. The EAA program provides a wide range of technical, disaster recovery, economic recovery planning, and public works assistance. It responds adaptively to pressing economic recovery issues and is well-suited to help address challenges faced by regions affected by natural disasters.

Through this program, EDA can support the development of disaster recovery strategies and recovery implementation, including infrastructure improvements and by using revolving loan funds (RLFs). EDA recognizes that urgent infrastructure rebuilding needs exist throughout disaster impacted regions. In EDA’s experience with post disaster recovery, the most effective long-term rebuilding efforts are based on long-term development or redevelopment strategies. For this reason, EDA encourages the submission of applications based on long-term, regionally oriented and collaborative economic development or redevelopment strategies that foster economic growth and resiliency. EDA will regard applications that are substantively supported by such strategies as more competitive, while applications for rebuilding damaged infrastructure that are not demonstrably supported by a long-term plan for economic growth and resilience will not be considered competitive. To be
competitive, applications must clearly incorporate principles for enhancing the resiliency (as defined in section I.C. of the FY 12 Disaster Relief FFO) of the relevant community/region or demonstrate the integration of resiliency principles into the investment itself. The incorporation of disaster resiliency is an essential aspect of mitigating the potential for future losses and adverse economic impacts for communities. The inclusion of resiliency principles in the project is a necessary step to improve the capacity of the region to recover more quickly in the future. In addition, applicants must demonstrate a clear nexus between their proposed project scope of work and disaster recovery and resiliency efforts. The strength of the nexus to the disaster is drawn from the consequences of the disaster(s) that made the community eligible and the intended project outcomes. As noted above, please read the FY 12 Disaster Relief FFO carefully for all of EDA’s eligibility and program requirements under this announcement. The FFO is provided as an attachment to this synopsis and a link to the FFO is provided below.

Link to Additional Information: FY 12 Disaster Relief FFO

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8. Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grants Program

The Department of the Interior (DOI), through the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF), is providing more than $100 million for the Hurricane Sandy Coastal Resiliency Competitive Grants Program to support projects that reduce communities’ vulnerability to the growing risks from coastal storms, sea level rise, flooding, erosion and associated threats through strengthening natural ecosystems that also benefit fish and wildlife. The program is funded by the Hurricane Sandy disaster relief appropriation.

Grant awards will be made to eligible applicants (those states that officially declared a natural disaster as a result of the storm event) throughout the region affected by Hurricane Sandy including Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Projects that assess, restore, enhance or create wetlands, beaches and other natural systems to help better protect communities and to mitigate the impacts of future storms and naturally occurring events on fish and wildlife species and habitats will be considered for funding.

Proposal Due Date: Friday, January 31, 2014

Eligible Applicants: Non-profit 501(c) organizations (e.g., watershed organizations, homeowners associations, environmental groups, etc.), local governments and agencies (e.g., counties, townships, cities, boroughs, conservation districts, planning districts, utility districts, etc.), recognized tribes,
state government agencies and academic institutions. Individuals are not eligible for implementation grants.

**Grant Award Amount:** From $100,000 - $5 million.

**Funding Eligible for:** Project Planning and Design; Coastal Resiliency Assessments; Restoration and Resiliency Projects (including, but not limited to-Sub-tidal Habitat; Beaches and Dunes; Wetlands and Marshes; Near-Coastal Freshwater Habitat; Coastal Forests; and, Inland Rivers and Streams); Green Infrastructure; Community Coastal Resiliency Planning.

**Important Dates:** A regional workshop and information webinar for applicants to review this Request for Proposals will be held at Jamaica Bay, NY on December 10, 2013. The grant program will be administered by the NFWF, which has already begun accepting proposals. The Request for Proposals is online at: [http://www.nfwf.org/hurricanesandy/Pages/2013rfp.aspx](http://www.nfwf.org/hurricanesandy/Pages/2013rfp.aspx). The DOI press release is available at: [http://www.doi.gov/news/pressreleases/secretary-jewell-launches-100-million-hurricane-sandy-competitive-grant-program.cfm](http://www.doi.gov/news/pressreleases/secretary-jewell-launches-100-million-hurricane-sandy-competitive-grant-program.cfm)

- The Forest Service’s Community Forest and Open Space Program - $4 million

**Application Due:** January 15, 2014  
**Eligible Entities:** Local governments, federally recognized tribes and Alaskan Native Corporations, and non-profits who are eligible to hold title to land for conservation purposes.

The Community Forest Program is a grant program that authorizes the Forest Service to provide financial assistance to establish community forests that provide continuing and accessible community benefits. Community forests provide many benefits such as protection of habitat, water quality, and other environmental benefits, and they can provide economic benefits through timber resources. Community Forests have also long been sites for environmental and cultural education.

For more information, visit the opportunity synopsis.

State and local officials interested in additional information about developing and implementing cost-effective climate and energy strategies that help further environmental goals and achieve public health and economic benefits may visit EPA’s [State and Local Climate and Energy Program](http://www.epa.gov/stateandlocalclimateenergy) site.
V – National Voluntary organization Active in Disaster (NVOAD)

1. **ACTS World Relief** unites, trains, and equips responders in emergency response and community service, demonstrating the compassion of God, regardless of race and religion. **Function Areas:** Training, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal.  

2. **Adventist Community Services** - is the humanitarian arm of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church of North America. ACS Disaster Response (ACS DR) is a leading in-kind donations management organization in the U.S., specializing in the handling of undesignated donated goods. **Function areas:** Training, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Serving of Meals, Warehouse Management and Unaffiliated Volunteers. ACS DR operates under agreements with FEMA, the American Red Cross, the Aidmatrix Foundation, and over 40 states.  
   Phone: 301-680-6438, Email: [acs@nad.adventist.org](mailto:acs@nad.adventist.org)

3. **All Hands Volunteers, Inc.** - provides hands-on assistance to survivors of natural disasters around the world, with maximum impact and minimum bureaucracy. By supporting volunteers with housing, meals, tools, and organized work at no charge, All Hands is able to provide free and effective response services to communities in need. Programs are directed by the needs of each community in which it works, ensuring a timely, relevant, and culturally sensitive response. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers, Muck-outs/Gutting, Debris Removal, Call Center Staffing and Database Management. Web: [http://hands.org/](http://hands.org/) - Email: [info@hands.org](mailto:info@hands.org)

4. **Alliance of Information and Referral Systems (AIRS)** - provide leadership and support to members and affiliates to advance the capacity of a standards-driven information and referral industry that brings people and services together. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Call Center Staffing and Database Management  
   Web: [http://airs.org/](http://airs.org/) Email: [info@airs.org](mailto:info@airs.org) Phone: (703) 218-AIRS (2477)

5. **American Radio Relay League, Inc.** - is the national association for amateur radio with over 157,000 members in the U.S. For 100 years, amateur radio operators have provided communications when normal means are down or overloaded. Function areas: Training Communication Services Web: [http://www.arrl.org/](http://www.arrl.org/) Email: [hq@arrl.org](mailto:hq@arrl.org) Phone: 860-594-0200

6. **The American Red Cross** is a humanitarian organization led by volunteers and guided by its Congressional charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement
that provides relief to survivors of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. **Function areas:** Training, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Damage Assessment, Case Work, Serving of Meals, Sheltering, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers, Case Management, Database Management, Financial Counseling and Financial Assistance
Web: [http://www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) Phone: 800-733-2767

7. **Billy Graham Rapid Response Team** was established following the attacks of September 11, 2001, to train qualified volunteers as crisis chaplains and deploy them to effectively meet the emotional and spiritual needs of those suffering from major disasters. **Functional areas:** Training, Mental Health & Spiritual Care and Pastoral Counseling.
Web: [http://www.billygraham.org/rrt_index.asp](http://www.billygraham.org/rrt_index.asp) Phone: (704) 401-2432

8. **Brethren Disaster Ministries** restores hope for the most vulnerable disaster survivors by engaging volunteers to repair and rebuild storm-damaged homes, and by providing grants to support the disaster recovery efforts of faith-based partners. Children Disaster Services (CDS) meets the needs of children by setting up child care centers in shelters and disaster assistance centers. Specially trained to respond to traumatized children, volunteers provide a calm, safe, and reassuring presence. CDS also educates parents and caregivers on how to help children cope. **Function areas:** Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Full Home Rebuild, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers, Debris Removal. Web: [http://www.brethren.org/bdm/](http://www.brethren.org/bdm/) Email: bdm@brethren.org Phone: 800-451-4407

9. **Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation** is an international volunteer-led charitable organization that provides humanitarian aid, spiritual care, and medical services to individuals, families, and communities locally and internationally. Tzu Chi Foundation, U.S.A. focuses on four major areas: charitable, medical, education, and humanistic cultural services. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info Training, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers. Function areas: Web: [http://www.us.tzuchi.org/us/en](http://www.us.tzuchi.org/us/en) Email: info@us.tzuchi.org Phone: 909-447-7799

10. **Catholic Charities USA** has a mission to provide services to people in need, to advocate for justice in social structures, and to call the entire church and other people of good will to do the same. CCUSA local agencies’ disaster relief and recovery services include emergency food, shelter, direct financial assistance, counseling, and support. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info Planning, Training, Case Work, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Donations Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers, Muck-outs/Gutting Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Financial Assistance. Web: [http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/) Email: info@catholiccharitiesusa.org Phone: 703-549-1390

11. **Churches of Scientology Disaster Response** provides spiritual care as well as assists with the unmet material needs of survivors, responders, and caregivers who are affected by trauma, loss, upset, stress, and confusion after a disaster. This is accomplished in a variety of ways immediately following an incident. CSDR volunteers also assist other disaster organizations in need of volunteers to carry out their tasks. **Function areas:** Pastoral Counseling, Warehouse
Management, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers Muck-outs/Gutting and Debris Removal. Web: http://www.volunteerministers.org/ Phone: (800) 435-7498

12. Church World Service Emergency Response Program has a mission to provide effective and compassionate response to the physical, psychological, and spiritual needs of persons and communities affected by natural and human-caused disasters. CWS focuses on both immediate emergency assistance and long-term support that helps survivors take ownership of the recovery process. **Function areas:** Training, Pastoral Counseling and Financial Assistance. Web: http://www.churchworldservice.org/ Email: info@churchworldservice.org Phone: 800-297-1516

13. City Team Ministries International Disaster Response began after the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake to shelter and care for survivors. City Team International is a non-denominational Christian organization. **Function areas:** Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers, Muck-outs/Gutting, Mold Remediation, Framing, Roof Repair and Repair/Rebuild Laborers. Web: http://cityteam.org/ Email: sanjose@cityteam.org Phone: (408) 232-5600

14. Convoy of Hope is a faith-based organization with a driving passion to feed the world through children’s feeding initiatives, community outreach, disaster response, and partner resourcing. As an early response organization, Convoy of Hope is capable of rapid deployment during disasters. With a fleet of tractor-trailers, Mobile Command Center, and by utilizing multiple Points of Distribution models Convoy is an active and efficient disaster relief organization. During disasters we provide resources including water, food, ice, clean up kits, hygiene, and other supplies as needed during response. Convoy of Hope also does debris removal, volunteer coordination, and works with partners to provide spiritual and emotional care to survivors. In non-disaster times we provide preparedness training for public and faith- based organizations. **Function areas:** Training, Donations Management, Pastoral Counseling, Muck-outs/Gutting, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: http://www.convoyofhope.org/ Phone: 417-823-8998

15. Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is not a disaster relief organization but responds when major disasters strike through its own resources or partner organizations. The model for its disaster response ministries is a long-term presence to help communities recover and rebuild. When gift-in-kind donations are helpful in disaster relief, the Fellowship serves as a clearinghouse, matching a donor with a need in the disaster zone. It may establish a designated fund to which churches can financially contribute for a specific disaster. When volunteers are needed, the Fellowship invites individuals and groups to apply for service opportunities. **Function areas:** Donations Management, Reception Center Management and Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers. Web: http://www.thefellowship.info/ Email: contact@thefellowship.info Phone: 800-352-8741

16. Episcopal Relief and Development is an international relief and development agency serving on behalf of the Episcopal Church of the United States. When disaster strikes, it helps: deliver life-saving supplies such as medicine, blankets, and food for emergency shelters or camps;
provide shelter along with trauma counseling and psycho-social services to survivors; repair and construct homes, schools, health clinics, roads, water systems, and community centers to replace those destroyed; residents restore the social and economic fabric of their communities by providing educational opportunities and improving access to legal services and home ownership; and train and equip local churches to prepare for and respond to disasters. **Function areas:** Training, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Case Work, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Muck-outs/Gutting, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://www.er-d.org/](http://www.er-d.org/) Email: er-d@er-d.org Phone: 855-312-HEAL (432

17. **Feeding America** has a mission to feed America’s hungry through a nationwide network of member food banks and to engage in the fight to end hunger. Feeding America collects, transports, warehouses, and distributes food and personal care items through its national network of food banks. It prepositions emergency food and personal care items at strategically designated locations throughout the country and regularly cycles the inventory to ensure freshness and safety. **Function areas:** Planning, Donations Management, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals and Warehouse Management. Web: [http://feedingamerica.org/](http://feedingamerica.org/) Phone: 800-771-2303

18. **Feed the Children** - is a Christian international nonprofit relief organization whose mission is to deliver food, medicine, clothing, and other necessities to families who lack these essentials due to famine, war, poverty, or natural disaster. **Function areas:** Donations Management, Mass Care and Database Management. Web: [http://www.feedthechildren.org/](http://www.feedthechildren.org/) Email: ftc@feedthechildren.org Phone: 800-627-4556

19. **Habitat for Humanity International** - brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope. **Function areas:** Foundation Work, Framing, Full Home Rebuild, Roof Repair and Repair/Rebuild Laborers. Web: [http://www.habitat.org/](http://www.habitat.org/) Email: disaster_response@habitat.org Phone: 1-800-HABITAT

20. **Headwaters Relief Organization** is a disaster relief collaboration of volunteers that support both the emotional and housing rehabilitation needs of families and communities ravaged by disaster. Their mission is to react with agility and compassion when disasters strike through practical aid; physical recovery assistance and mental health support to victims after the first responders have come and gone. **Function areas:** Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Muck-outs/Gutting, Volunteer Management and Debris Removal. Web: [http://headwatersrelief.org/](http://headwatersrelief.org/) Phone: 612-251-2853

21. **HOPE Animal-Assisted Crisis Response** - provides comfort and encouragement through animal-assisted support to individuals affected by crises and disasters. **Function areas:** Training, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://hopeaacr.org/](http://hopeaacr.org/) Email: info@hopeaacr.org Phone: 877-467-3597
22. **Hope Coalition America (Operation Hope)** - helps clients recover financially from natural disasters, foreclosures, and other emergencies by providing financial guidance to victims of such disasters. Operation HOPE, an organization skilled at mobilizing volunteers from the financial services industry, through its Hope Coalition America division offers highly versatile and rapidly-deployable resources to help people needing financial guidance before, during and after disasters. **Function areas:** Case Work, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Mold Remediation, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers, Debris Removal and Case Management. Web: [http://www.operationhope.org/](http://www.operationhope.org/) Phone: 213-891-2900

23. **HOPE worldwide, ltd** - is an international charity. It works with partners such as the American Red Cross to help prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies and keep hope alive, uses a large international volunteer base with centers on six continents, and takes steps to provide community-based, long term and sustainable assistance. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Case Work, Mass Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Mold Remediation, Framing, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers/Debris Removal and Case Management. Web: [http://hopeww.org/](http://hopeww.org/) Email: hope.worldwide@hopeww.org Phone: 610-254-8800

24. **Humane Society of the United States** - Emergency Services Animal Rescue Team supports local animal control and humane organizations and government agencies in the rescue, transport, and emergency sheltering of animals if invited by local authorities who have been exhausted or overwhelmed by the disaster. Using trained staff and volunteers in an ICS-structured team, the Humane Society works cooperatively with other disaster response agencies to ensure that families and animals, and animals alone, are brought from harm and given care and shelter until they can be returned to their homes. **Function areas:** Training and Animal & Pet Services. Web: [http://www.humanesociety.org/](http://www.humanesociety.org/) Email: membership@humanesociety.org Phone: 202-452-1100

25. **ICNA (Islamic Cirle of North America) Relief USA** - seeks to alleviate human suffering by providing caring, compassionate, and practical assistance to survivors of natural and man-made disasters, in the United States. They strive to accurately represent Islamic values and compassion, serving humanity regardless of race, religion, or culture. **Function areas:** Training, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers. Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://icnarelief.org/](http://icnarelief.org/) Phone: 718-658-7028

26. **Islamic Relief USA** - Since its inception, one of Islamic Relief’s primary goals has been to provide rapid relief for disaster victims. Partnerships in some three dozen countries maximize Islamic Relief’s ability to respond to urgent situations with speed and efficiency, as well as cultural sensitivity. Islamic Relief’s emergency aid efforts often include the distribution of food, water and clothing; the construction of temporary shelters; and the administration of vital medical care. **Function areas:** Training, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous, Unaffiliated Volunteers, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal.
27. **International Critical Incident Stress Foundation Inc. (ICISF)** - is dedicated to the prevention and mitigation of disabling stress through the provision of education, training, and support services for all emergency services professionals; continuing education and training in emergency mental health services for the mental health community; and consultation in the establishment of crisis and disaster response programs for varied organizations and communities worldwide. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Financial Assistance. Web: [http://www.icisf.org/](http://www.icisf.org/) Email: info@icisf.org Phone: 410-750-9600

28. **International Relief and Development** - is committed to reduce the suffering of the world’s most vulnerable groups and provide the tools and/or resources needed to increase their self-sufficiency. IRD Relief & Humanitarian Assistance teams are first responders. They respond to immediate needs and then continue support through critical recovery and rehabilitation phases. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Financial Assistance. Web: [http://www.ird.org/](http://www.ird.org/) Email: ird@ird-dc.org Phone: 703-248-0161

29. **The Jewish Federations of North America** - is an umbrella organization that mobilizes financial and social resources through its philanthropic endeavors, strategic initiatives, and international agencies to strengthen the Jewish people. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Database Management and Financial Assistance. Web: [http://www.jewishfederations.org/](http://www.jewishfederations.org/) Email: info@JewishFederations.org Phone: 212-284-6500

30. **Latter-day Saints Charities** - strive to provide immediate assistance following disasters. The Church provides food and other relief supplies as needed. **Function areas:** Health, Mental Health, & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Case Management, Repair/Rebuild, Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://www.ldr.org/](http://www.ldr.org/) Email: disaster@elca.org Phone: 800-638-3522, ext. 2748.

31. **Lutheran Disaster Response** - promotes hope, healing, and wholeness for disaster survivors. **Function areas:** Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Case Management Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://www.ldr.org/](http://www.ldr.org/) Email: disaster@elca.org Phone: 800-638-3522, ext. 2748

32. **Mennonite Disaster Service** is a volunteer network of Anabaptist churches that responds to those affected by disaster in Canada and the United States. While the main focus is on clean up, repair, and rebuilding homes, this service touches lives and nurtures hope, faith, and wholeness. **Function areas:** Foundation Work, Framing, Full Home Rebuild, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://mds.mennonite.net/](http://mds.mennonite.net/) Email: mdsus@mds.mennonite.net Phone: 717-735-3536

33. **Mercy Medical Airlift** - ensures that no needy patient is denied access to distant specialized medical evaluation, diagnosis, or treatment for lack of a means of long-distance medical air
transportation; and of urgent transportation in situations of compelling human need and homeland security emergencies. **Function areas:** Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care. Web: [http://mercymedical.org/](http://mercymedical.org/) Email: info@mercymedicalairlift.org Phone: 757-318-9174

34. **National Association of Jewish Chaplains (NAJC) -** is a professional organization of Jewish chaplains, promoting the highest standards of training, certification, and delivery of care. **Function areas:** Training, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling. Web: [http://www.najc.org/](http://www.najc.org/) Email: info@najc.org Phone: 973-929-3168

35. **National Baptist Convention USA -** seeks to lessen the impact of disasters and potential catastrophic incidents by meeting the needs of communities through preparedness and mitigation, increasing a community’s ability to respond when a disaster occurs while reducing the effects of unavoidable emergencies. **Function areas:** Training, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Warehouse Management, Full Home Rebuild, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://www.nationalbaptist.com/](http://www.nationalbaptist.com/) Phone: 615-228-6292

36. **National Organization for Victim Assistance (NOVA) -** champions dignity and compassion for victims of crime and crisis. It provides training for crime victim advocates and crisis responders in a trauma mitigation protocol as well as staffing a toll-free victim assistance telephone line and educating political leaders on policy issues. **Function areas:** Training, Health and Mental Health & Spiritual Care. Web: [http://trynova.org/](http://trynova.org/) Phone: 703-535-6682

37. **Nazarene Disaster Response** is Nazarenes mobilizing for disasters through readiness, response, and recovery. Local Nazarenes serve and remain with disaster victims in their own neighborhoods. In large-scale events the denomination can assist local efforts with the support of volunteers and donors from across the country and through partnerships with other disaster relief agencies. Nazarenes concentrate assist on the poor, elderly, and handicapped. **Function areas:** Training, Donations Management, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Warehouse Management, Muck-outs/Gutting, Mold Remediation, Repair/Rebuild Laborers, Debris Removal and Database Management. Web: [http://ncmusacan.nazarene.org/NDR/tabid/665/Default.html](http://ncmusacan.nazarene.org/NDR/tabid/665/Default.html) Phone: 913-577-0500

38. **NECHAMA - Jewish Response to Disaster** is a voluntary organization providing cleanup and recovery assistance to homes and communities affected by natural disasters. Guided by the Jewish value of Tikkum Olam (repairing the world) through acts of goodness, NECHAMA (Hebrew for comfort) offers a helping hand in the spirit of goodwill and creating mutual respect among all people. NECHAMA volunteers assess storm damage; sandbag; chain saw and remove fallen trees; pump flood water from rooms and basements; remove contaminated building materials, appliances and personal effects; sanitize and dry surfaces to prevent mold growth; and otherwise prepare homes to be re-occupied by the owners so that fix-up and reconstruction may begin. **Function areas:** Training, Volunteer Management, Muck-outs/Gutting, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://nechama.org/](http://nechama.org/) Phone: 763-732-0610
39. **Noah’s Wish** - has the singular mission to save animals during disasters with its rescue and recovery services and to mitigate the impact of disasters on animals through educational and outreach programs. **Function areas:** Training and Animal & Pet Services. Web: [http://www.noahswish.org/](http://www.noahswish.org/) Email: info@noahswish.info Phone: 916-939-9474

40. **Operation Blessing** has a mission to demonstrate God’s love by alleviating human suffering in the United States and around the world through core programs of disaster relief, medical aid, hunger relief, orphan care, water wells, and community development. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Training, Case Work, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Mold Remediation, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers, Debris Removal, Full Home Rebuild and Financial Assistance. Web: [http://www.ob.org/](http://www.ob.org/) Phone: 800-730-2537

41. **Points of Light** - Action Networks reach distinct groups with the tools and resources they need to engage people as change agents. These include: HandsOn Network, the largest network of 250 local volunteer centers across the country and around the world; generationOn, the youth service movement that ignites the power of kids to make their mark on the world; AmeriCorps Alums, the national service alumni network that activates the next generation of service leaders; and Points of Light Corporate Institute, our enterprise that enables companies to engage their employees and customers in volunteer service. **Function areas:** Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers and Financial Assistance/Grants. Web: [http://www.pointsoflight.org/](http://www.pointsoflight.org/) Email: info@handsonnetwork.org Phone: 404-979-2900

42. **Presbyterian Church in America - Mission North America** - provides support to PCA churches in disaster-affected communities through a network of staff and volunteer damage assessment teams, first response teams, site managers, and key leaders. MNA recruits and mobilizes volunteers, receives and distributes supplies and equipment, brings awareness of specific needs, channels raised recovery funds, focuses prayer, and provides spiritual encourage to PCA families and their communities. **Function areas:** Training, Mass Care, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Full Home Rebuild, Repair/Rebuild Laborers, Debris Removal, Database Management and Financial Assistance. Web: [http://pcamna.org/](http://pcamna.org/) Email: mna@pcanet.org Phone: 678-825-1200

43. **Presbyterian Church U.S.A.** - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is an emergency and refugee program focusing on the long term recovery of disaster impacted communities. Volunteer work teams help families rebuild and restore their homes or to do other disaster recovery work. **Function areas:** Training, Outreach & Info, Pastoral Counseling, Call Center Staffing, Database Management, Financial Assistance, Repair/Rebuild, Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/pda/](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/pda/) Phone: 800-728-7228

44. **Rebuilding Together** - brings volunteers and communities together to improve the homes and lives of low-income homeowners. It provides critical home repairs, extensive rehabilitation, modifications and improvements for America’s low-income homeowners. Rebuilding Together rebuilds the homes and lives of the nation’s most vulnerable homeowners and families at no
cost to those served. **Function areas:** Mold Remediation, Foundation Work, Framing, Full Home Rebuild, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild and Laborers. Web: http://rebuildingtogether.org/ Phone: 800-473-4229

45. **Samaritan’s Purse** - is a non-denominational Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. It specializes in meeting critical needs for victims of war, disaster, famine, and epidemics in the world’s most troubled regions. **Function areas:** Volunteer Management, Donation's Management, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: http://www.samaritanspurse.org Phone: 828-262-1980

46. **Save the Children** - is the leading independent organization for children. When disaster strikes around the world, Save the Children is there to save lives with food, medical care, and education, and remains to help communities rebuild through long-term recovery programs. **Function areas:** Training, Planning and Childcare/Day Care. Web: http://www.savethechildren.org Phone: 203-221-4030

47. **Society of St. Vincent DePaul** - is a Catholic organization that embraces all works of charity and justice. Vincentians seek their personal holiness through works of charity. **Function areas:** Training, Case Work, Donations Management, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Warehouse Management, Reception Center Management and Case Management. Web: http://svdpusa.org Phone: 314-576-3993

48. **Southern Baptist Convention/ North American Mission Board** - is a Christ-centered partnership serving through the local church to bring help, healing, and hope to individuals and communities affected by disaster. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Training, Communication Services, Donations Management, Mold Remediation, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Muck-outs/Gutting, Framing, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers, Debris Removal, Call Center Staffing and Database Management. Web: http://www.namb.net/dr/ Phone: 770-410-6000

49. **The Salvation Army** - is an international movement and an evangelical part of the universal Christian church. Its disaster program consists of several basic services: food service, shelter, emergency financial assistance to individuals and families through casework specialists, donations management, emotional and spiritual care, emergency communications, disaster case management, clean-up and reconstruction, and partnerships. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Training, Communication Services, Case Work, Donations Management, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Sheltering, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Warehouse Management, Volunteer Management, Database Management and Financial Assistance. Web: http://disaster.salvationarmyusa.org Phone: 202-756-2600

50. **United Church of Christ** - through its Office of National Disaster Ministries provides assistance with acute and/or long-term effects of natural or technologically-caused disasters. **Function areas:** Training, Outreach & Info, Pastoral Counseling, Case Work, Full Home Rebuild, Mold Remediation, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Financial Assistance. Web: http://www.ucc.org Phone: 216-736-2100
51. **United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)** - has as its mission to alleviate human suffering, whether caused by war, conflict, or natural disaster, with open hearts and minds to all people. UMCOR responds to natural or civil disasters of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community’s ability to recovery on its own. UMCOR offers disaster preparedness training, provides essential supplies and care – both physical and psychological – in the immediate aftermath of a disaster, and supports long-term rebuilding efforts and assists communities as they adapt. **Function areas:** Training, Case Work, Donations Management, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Warehouse Management, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Framing, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers, Debris Removal and Financial Assistance. Web: [http://www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org) Email: umcor@umcor.org Phone: 212-870-3951

52. **United Way Worldwide** - improves lives by mobilizing the caring power of communities around the world to advance the common good. United Way does not provide services directly but coordinates with United Way chapters and the 2-1-1 network. It coordinates and supports a 2-1-1 Disaster Response Team. **Function areas:** Outreach & Info, Call Center Staffing and Database Management. Web: [http://www.unitedway.org](http://www.unitedway.org) Phone: 703-836-7112

53. **World Renew (Formerly Christian Reformed World Relief Committee)** - volunteers give their time and talent to help clear debris, assess needs, and rebuild homes after a disaster strikes. CRWRC partners with NVOAD and Church World Services. **Function areas:** Training, Health, Mental Health & Spiritual Care, Pastoral Counseling, Food Preparation, Serving of Meals, Reception Center Management, Training of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers, Muck-outs/Gutting, Roof Repair, Repair/Rebuild Laborers and Debris Removal. Web: [http://crwrc.org/](http://crwrc.org/) Phone: 800-55-CRWRC (27972)
V – Other Grants and Resources

1. **ICNA Relief USA (ICNA Relief)** - provides domestic disaster relief and social services to underserved populations within the United States. Our clients consist primarily of immigrants and minorities whose access to services has been obstructed by numerous hurdles, including language barriers and cultural misconceptions. ICNA Relief is multicultural community building organization which fulfills basic human needs and provides social services to the underserved. ICNA Relief operates under the principle that all people are created equal, and when given the right tools, will thrive and bring communities. We promote justice by creating the opportunities for the less fortunate to lead healthy and productive lives. Head Quarter is located at 87-91 144th Street, Jamaica, NY 11435 with more than 14 Field offices. More than 150 volunteers. We are a Muslim organization and feel the responsibility to help and support the needy as our religious responsibility. Website: [http://icnarelief.org/site2/](http://icnarelief.org/site2/)

2. **Procipio Fundraising** - addresses an unmet need in the non-profit community: a need to ‘level the playing field’ for leaner nonprofit organizations whose staff and volunteers are already stretched to their limits. Procipio Fundraising brings professional fund development processes and the assurance of a wider experience to your competitiveness for grant funds. Motivated by a sincere desire to lighten an organization’s financial burden, we will work to help bring long-term sustainability to organizations like yours that do such important work for mankind.
   Contact information: [contact@procipiofundraising.com](mailto:contact@procipiofundraising.com) Phone 570-259-1476 website: [http://www.procipiofundraising.com/](http://www.procipiofundraising.com/)

3. **Network for Good** - Whether you are nonprofit raising money for your good cause, a corporation giving back to your communities or an individual raising funds for your favorite charity with family and friends, we can help. Network for Good powers more digital giving than any other platform. In our ten-year history, we’ve processed nearly $700 million for over 80,000 nonprofits. We are accredited by the Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance and meet all 20 of its standards for charity accountability. [http://www1.networkforgood.org/about-us](http://www1.networkforgood.org/about-us) or call us at 888.284.7978.

4. **NYDIS - AMERICAN RED CROSS AWARDS GRANT TO NEW YORK DISASTER INTERFAITH SERVICES FOR SUPERSTORM SANDY RECOVERY PROGRAMS**
   STATEN ISLAND, July 2, 2013 - The American Red Cross has awarded a $2,968,424 grant to New York Disaster Interfaith Services (NYDIS) to support long-term recovery services for people affected by Superstorm Sandy. Founded in response to 9/11, NYDIS is a faith-based federation of more than 80 service providers and charitable organizations that collaborate to provide disaster readiness, response and recovery services to New York City. NYDIS will use the grant both to administer the New York City Sandy Unmet Needs Roundtable and to distribute grant dollars through the New York City Unmet Needs Fund. The Unmet Needs Roundtable program is an established long-term recovery resource that customizes assistance for eligible Sandy clients in need. NYDIS will also use the grant to coordinate housing needs for volunteers travelling to New York City to assist in efforts to repair or rebuild homes in all five boroughs.
   "Superstorm Sandy wreaked havoc in our region and many people are still on the road to recovery," said Josh Lockwood, CEO, Red Cross Greater New York Region. "The Red Cross
partnership with NYDIS will enable these individuals impacted by Sandy to have their outstanding needs met through the Unmet Needs Roundtable program. Unmet Needs Roundtables are used nationally as a tool for long-term disaster recovery, and we are fortunate to have NYDIS and other funding partners in this effort."

The New York City Sandy Unmet Needs Roundtable was established as a resource of last resort for eligible residents impacted by Superstorm Sandy throughout New York City’s five boroughs. It will provide several forms of assistance, including emergency cash grants, sustainable recovery grants, loans and discounted, tax-free appliances, furniture and building supplies, through a partnership with Home Depot. In addition to the Red Cross grant, the United Way of New York City has provided a leadership grant to fund staff as well as cash assistance for the Unmet Needs Fund; these monies were awarded to NYDIS from the United Way Hurricane Sandy Recovery Fund. NYDIS has also received funding for the New York City Sandy Unmet Needs Fund from the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, International Orthodox Christian Charities, Islamic Relief USA, Lutheran Social Services of New York Metro Baptist Church and others. The Salvation Army has also partnered with NYDIS to directly distribute its own unmet needs funds via the New York City Sandy Unmet Needs Roundtable.

The resources of the New York City Sandy Unmet Needs Roundtable can only be accessed by a Disaster Case Manager. Impacted families with unmet needs in New York City should contact their case manager to determine eligibility or to access this program. Those in need of disaster case management services should reach out to the New York State Disaster Case Management Program by calling 311 or 1-855-258-0483.

7- NYDIS: Grants for Damaged Congregations-National Grid Tier 3 Grant - Grant Opportunity for National Grid Customers. We were informed they will give grants to churches/congregations - up to $250,000 for structural damage/equipment so long as the place is a National Grid customer. Also $30-35 million dollars grant funding from National Grid still going for businesses. Please encourage folks to apply if applicable.

See link for more information, http://www.nationalgridus.com/aboutus/a3-1_news2.asp?document=7563
V – Grants Research and Trainings

A. Foundation Center

1. The Foundation Center - is the leading source of information about philanthropy worldwide. Through data, analysis, and training, it connects people who want to change the world to the resources they need to succeed. The Center maintains the most comprehensive database on U.S. and, increasingly, global grantmakers and their grants — a robust, accessible knowledge bank for the sector. It also operates research, education, and training programs designed to advance knowledge of philanthropy at every level. Thousands of people visit the Center’s web site each day and are served in its five regional library/learning centers and its network of 470 funding information centers located in public libraries, community foundations, and educational institutions nationwide and around the world. Website: [http://foundationcenter.org/](http://foundationcenter.org/)

2. GrantWatch.com - is the only website that provides a comprehensive listing of the most current funding opportunities: Federal, Foundation grants for nonprofits, for-profits, preschools, education, community, faith based organizations, universities, small businesses and government. Professional Grants Writers, Education & Health Consultants (PGWHC, Inc.) For more information contact Libby Hikind Libby@GrantWatch.com or call 347-210-5815 Website: [http://www.grantwatch.com/](http://www.grantwatch.com/)

3. Grants.gov - is your source to FIND and APPLY for federal grants. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is proud to be the managing partner for Grants.gov, an initiative that is having an unparalleled impact on the grant community. Learn more about Grants.gov and determine if you are eligible for grant opportunities offered on this site. Contact information: ☎ Phone: 1-800-518-4726 (local toll free). For International callers, please dial 606-545-5035 to speak with a Contact Center representative. ☐ Email: support@grants.gov website: [http://www.grants.gov/](http://www.grants.gov/)

4. Rural Assistance Center - A product of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Rural Initiative, the Rural Assistance Center (RAC) was established in December 2002 as a rural health and human services “information portal.” RAC helps rural communities and other rural stakeholders access the full range of available programs, funding, and research that can enable them to provide quality health and human services to rural residents. Phone: 1-800-270-1898, Fax: 1-800-270-1913, Email: info@raonline.org [http://www.raonline.org/](http://www.raonline.org/)
This process is grounded in the conviction that a partnership should develop between the nonprofit and the donor. When you spend a great deal of your time seeking money, it is hard to remember that it can also be difficult to give money away. In fact, the dollars contributed by a foundation or corporation have no value until they are attached to solid programs in the nonprofit sector.

This truly is an ideal partnership. The nonprofits have the ideas and the capacity to solve problems, but no dollars with which to implement them. The foundations and corporations have the financial resources but not the other resources needed to create programs. Bring the two together effectively, and the result is a dynamic collaboration.

You need to follow a step-by-step process in the search for private dollars. It takes time and persistence to succeed. After you have written a proposal, it could take as long as a year to obtain the funds needed to carry it out. And even a perfectly written proposal submitted to the right prospect might be rejected for any number of reasons.

Raising funds is an investment in the future. Your aim should be to build a network of foundation and corporate funders, many of which give small gifts on a fairly steady basis and a few of which give large, periodic grants. By doggedly pursuing the various steps of the process, each year you can retain most of your regular supporters and strike a balance with the comings and goings of larger donors.

The recommended process is not a formula to be rigidly adhered to. It is a suggested approach that can be adapted to fit the needs of any nonprofit and the peculiarities of each situation. Fundraising is an art as well as a science. You must bring your own creativity to it and remain flexible.

**FINANCIAL CONTROLS AND REPORTING**

A long-term recovery organization/committee must assure its constituency of the responsible use of donated resources. Effective financial management and controls make it difficult or impossible for organizational funds to be used improperly and helps ensure regular and accurate reporting. Financial controls and systems are one of the first things a new entity should consider and implement; an identified process for receiving funds, disbursing funds, and reporting the use of funds will help guarantee donated dollars and materials. Key considerations:

1. **Money-Handling Guidelines and Policies Form the Base**
   
   The Board/council should establish guidelines and policies addressing processes for deposits, spending authorities and limits, and check writing. Recommended policies include:

   - Incoming-funds should be independently seen, recorded, banked, and accounted for by two or more persons.
   - Someone other than the person who opens mail should compare each incoming check with issued receipts and with deposit paperwork.
   - Expenditures should be approved by someone other than the person who signs checks.
   - Someone other than the person who issues checks should do the monthly bank statement reconciliation.
At least two signatures should be required on all checks. Checks should not be signed “ahead” by one or more of the signatures’.

2. Quality Reporting Supports Decision-making

- A Balance Sheet presenting the organization’s assets and liabilities should be produced at least quarterly.
- A monthly Statement of Income and Expenses, with line item detail of project/program income and expenses, should compare the current period’s fiscal performance and the year-to-date income and expense performance to the annual budget.
- In addition to demonstrating a level of leadership and vision, a simple analysis of budget variances (i.e. “why did we over- or under-spend in a particular area?”) are helpful in keeping an organization on track and for future programmatic decision-making. Financial reports should present information in the same format in each reporting period.
- A written Budget should be developed as early as possible and, depending on the duration of the recovery, updated at least annually to give meaning to revenue and expense reports. Line item budgets designating expense projections that cannot be exceeded without board approval, help assure that organizational funds are not used for purposes other than authorized, and that spending stays within projected amounts.

3. The Audit Process as a Fundamental of Financial Management

- In the organizing stages, a recovery group should look to the community for a CPA (or professional bookkeeper) willing to serve as a consultant to the Board. An unbiased, trained set of eyes reviewing financial controls and procedures on a regular basis (perhaps as often as quarterly) during the formative stages of the organization may help ensure that a solid money-handling and reporting system avoids problems. Your CPA consultant may be willing donate audit services for the annual audit.
- Audits by certified public accountants assure the Board (who has ultimate responsibility) and donors that an organization has adequate controls, but an annual audit may be too late if proper controls have not been implemented early on.

4. Reporting to Donors and Contributors

- Reporting to donors and contributors is hard work that goes beyond the “asking” to include: 1) reporting the use of donated funds and goods; 2) interpreting that use in terms of the numbers of families assisted, the nature of the assistance provided that if not provided would have deterred reasonable recovery for the recipient, and on-going identification of emerging needs.
- Some donor organizations designate funds and/or require written or electronic reports at particular stages of expenditure. These requirements should be met in a timely manner.
- All donors or their representatives should receive regular reports (i.e. updates on emerging victim/survivor needs, funding needs, and monthly financial reports).
- All financial donors of substance should receive copies of annual audits, and a comprehensive closing report of finances and assistance programs.
5. Other Tips and Controls for Consideration

- A recovery group (Interfaith, Long-Term Recovery Organization, or a Long-Term Recovery Committee) receiving large quantities of in-kind material or equipment donations for its own use or redistribution should develop and implement a system of secure files for legal documents proving ownership and inventory.
- Train board members and staff on the financial management system in order to assure their understanding of the financial reports. The judiciary liability belongs to the Board!
- Staff may be able to better manage program budgets and project their casework needs if there is a transparent sharing of financial reports.
- Establish polices on retention of financial records in keeping with IRS and grantor’s requirements.

This guide sheet is developed by Church World Service from commonly held practices. It is available for use and duplication by all denominations, disaster recovery groups, and long-term recovery mentors.


ELEMENTS/HIGHLIGHTS OF ADMINISTRATION AS A NONPROFIT

Any organization that solicits funds much be registered with the Secretary of State. If they anticipate raising several thousand dollars in goods, services or contributions in a calendar year, they must pay a fee to the Business Incorporation division of the Secretary of State and a fee to the Charities Division. What you should know about this is:

- You may not have to be a tax-exempt organization to solicit funds in certain states. Tax exempt is a federal tax opportunity for individuals and corporations who donate goods, services and money.
- The Secretary of State’s Office may choose to expedite requests to form organizations addressing disaster related issues.
- There may be a required financial audit if you receive more than $100,000 in contributed income in a year. Check with your State to make sure you budget for this.

If you are not a 501©(3) as registered with the Internal Revenue Service, it will be very difficult to get grants to support your strategic vision. One way to address this is to work with another similar organization that is a tax-exempt group. This is called a fiscal agent relationship. Make sure it’s an organization with a similar focus or mission. You should know that:

- Foundations typically require a tax-exempt 501©(3) letter from the IRS
- The IRS may expedite disaster related requests to form a nonprofit organization.
- There may be no financial audit requirement when filing your 990 forms (the end of year “tax information” form filed by any nonprofit whose budget exceeds $25,000) again check with your State.

Keep track of all time sheets for paid and, if not too onerous, volunteer workers: save all receipts to show that what you spent money on can be tracked every month, put internal controls into place to prevent fraud and capture stories about your efforts in writing and pictures. You need to show that the
contributed money you received agrees with what you told the group/person who gave you the money you would spend it on.

Internal controls are systems that prevent one person from having all control over the income and expenditures. One tip to address this is that the bank statements are sent to the treasurer’s house/work address and he or she can sign the checks. The board president can sign checks but not write them. A staff person or designated board member can write the checks and reconcile the bank statements but cannot sign checks. Make sure that the person who is gathering money, writing checks, paying bills, reconciling bank statements and creating reports is not all the same person.

The board of an organization is ultimately responsible for all operations of that organization. Make sure you have good reporting systems in place that inform them in terms of financial information (budget at the beginning of the year, balance sheet each meeting and budgeted items vs. actual items), activities for a particular period (in report forms) and minutes from any board meetings.

**DISASTER GRANTS & TOOLS**

**GRANT PROPOSAL PROCESS**

*Create you Need/Case Statement.* The Need Statement (also known as the Case Statement) is the who, what, when, where and why of your funding proposal. Be prepared to discuss your community in demographic terms (race, gender, age, geographic place), your organization (descriptions about staff and their ability and the board of directors and who they represent), your constituents (those that you serve directly…especially in terms of what you are requesting the money to do), the needs of your constituents and why this need is important enough for someone to give you lots of money to create strategies to address this need. The needs assessment analyzes the extent of the problem and the conditions you wish to change. The statement of the problem or need is a representation of the reason for your proposal.

*Establish Goals and Objectives.* That Support the Need. Goals and Objectives support the Need or Case Statement and provide the guide to reach the mission of your organization. Goals are broad statements that look at the desired changes you want to see happen. It is recommended that you state just one or two goals in your application. Objectives take the goals and break them down into smaller parts that tell the person giving you money what you will do in terms of dates and measurable items. Program objectives specify the outcomes of your project the end product and can be evaluated. Process objectives are also measurable and are written to assure that the program objectives are carried out.

*Develop Methods of Achieving Your Obstacles.* This is something like a checklist that comes from looking at your objectives. For example, if your goal is to increase rental and home-owner properties an objective might be to build 500 home by September, 2012. Some of the methods to do this might include hiring a contractor to design homes, purchase or get donated materials, recruit volunteers to build the homes. Activities (methods) in a section of your application which will explain in detail how you are going to achieve the outcomes.

*Evaluate Your Success.* This is simply taking the objectives and examining them to see whether you did what you set out to do. If you are going to build 500 homes, how will you know you did it? Well, in this case, by keeping track on paper of the homes built. It gives you the opportunity to say yes or no to the objectives.
Create the Budget. It is important that you present a detailed budget which will express the objectives and methods in financial terms. So if you need to hire the contractor, how much will he cost? If you purchase materials, what do they cost? Are there costs associated with volunteers building the homes?

Having a good quality Strategic and/or Action plan is VERY helpful in writing grant proposals. It tells the funder that you have a vision and that this request will support that vision. It gives credibility to your organization and provides a road map so that when funding opportunities come up, you are prepared to match the money needs with the needs of the people who you are trying to serve.

GATHERING BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The first thing you will need to do in writing the master proposal is to gather the documentation for it. You will require background documentation in three areas: concept, program, and expenses. If all of this information is not readily available to you, determine who will help you gather each type of information. If you are part of a small nonprofit with no staff, a knowledgeable board member will be the logical choice. If you are in a larger agency, there should be program and financial support staff who can help you. Once you know with whom to talk, identify the questions to ask. This data-gathering process makes the actual writing much easier. And by involving other stakeholders in the process, it also helps key people within your agency seriously consider the project’s value to the organization.

Concept

It is important that you have a good sense of how the project fits into the philosophy and mission of your agency. The need that the proposal is addressing must also be documented. These concepts must be well-articulated in the proposal. Funders want to know that a project reinforces the overall direction of an organization, and they may need to be convinced that the case for the project is compelling. You should collect background data on your organization and on the need to be addressed so that your arguments are well-documented.

Program

Here is a check list of the program information you require:

- the nature of the project and how it will be conducted;
- the timetable for the project;
- the anticipated outcomes and how best to evaluate the results; and
- staffing and volunteer needs, including deployment of existing staff and new hires.

Expenses

You will not be able to pin down all the expenses associated with the project until the program details and timing have been worked out. Thus, the main financial data gathering takes place after the narrative part of the master proposal has been written. However, at this stage you do need to sketch out the broad outlines of the budget to be sure that the costs are in reasonable proportion to the outcomes you anticipate. If it appears that the costs will be prohibitive, even with a foundation grant, you should then scale back your plans or adjust them to remove the least cost-effective expenditures.
COMPONENTS OF A PROPOSAL

Executive Summary: umbrella statement of your case and summary of the entire proposal 1 page

Statement of Need: why this project is necessary 2 pages

Project Description: nuts and bolts of how the project will be implemented and evaluated 3 pages

Budget: financial description of the project plus explanatory notes 1 page

Organization Information: history and governing structure of the nonprofit; its primary activities, audiences, and services 1 page

Conclusion: summary of the proposal’s main points 2 paragraphs

THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This first page of the proposal is the most important section of the entire document. Here you will provide the reader with a snapshot of what is to follow. Specifically, it summarizes all of the key
information and is a sales document designed to convince the reader that this project should be considered for support. Be certain to include:

**Problem** — a brief statement of the problem or need your agency has recognized and is prepared to address (one or two paragraphs);

**Solution** — a short description of the project, including what will take place and how many people will benefit from the program, how and where it will operate, for how long, and who will staff it (one or two paragraphs);

**Funding requirements** — an explanation of the amount of grant money required for the project and what your plans are for funding it in the future (one paragraph); and

**Organization and its expertise** — a brief statement of the name, history, purpose, and activities of your agency, emphasizing its capacity to carry out this proposal (one paragraph).

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**THE STATEMENT OF NEED**

If the funder reads beyond the executive summary, you have successfully piqued his or her interest. Your next task is to build on this initial interest in your project by enabling the funder to understand the problem that the project will remedy.

The statement of need will enable the reader to learn more about the issues. It presents the facts and evidence that support the need for the project and establishes that your nonprofit understands the problems and therefore can reasonably address them. The information used to support the case can come from authorities in the field, as well as from your agency's own experience.

You want the need section to be succinct, yet persuasive. Like a good debater, you must assemble all the arguments. Then present them in a logical sequence that will readily convince the reader of their importance. As you marshal your arguments, consider the following six points.

**First, decide which facts or statistics best support the project.** Be sure the data you present are accurate. There are few things more embarrassing than to have the funder tell you that your information is out of date or incorrect. Information that is too generic or broad will not help you develop a winning argument for your project. Information that does not relate to your organization or the project you are presenting will cause the funder to question the entire proposal. There also should be a balance between the information presented and the scale of the program.

**Second, give the reader hope.** The picture you paint should not be so grim that the solution appears hopeless. The funder will wonder whether an investment in a solution will be worthwhile. Here's an
example of a solid statement of need: "Breast cancer kills. But statistics prove that regular check-ups catch most breast cancer in the early stages, reducing the likelihood of death. Hence, a program to encourage preventive check-ups will reduce the risk of death due to breast cancer." Avoid overstatement and overly emotional appeals.

Third, decide if you want to put your project forward as a model. This could expand the base of potential funders, but serving as a model works only for certain types of projects. Don't try to make this argument if it doesn't really fit. Funders may well expect your agency to follow through with a replication plan if you present your project as a model.

If the decision about a model is affirmative, you should document how the problem you are addressing occurs in other communities. Be sure to explain how your solution could be a solution for others as well.

Fourth, determine whether it is reasonable to portray the need as acute. You are asking the funder to pay more attention to your proposal because either the problem you address is worse than others or the solution you propose makes more sense than others. Here is an example of a balanced but weighty statement: "Drug abuse is a national problem. Each day, children all over the country die from drug overdose. In the South Bronx the problem is worse. More children die here than any place else. It is an epidemic. Hence, our drug prevention program is needed more in the South Bronx than in any other part of the city."

Fifth, decide whether you can demonstrate that your program addresses the need differently or better than other projects that preceded it. It is often difficult to describe the need for your project without being critical of the competition. But you must be careful not to do so. Being critical of other nonprofits will not be well received by the funder. It may cause the funder to look more carefully at your own project to see why you felt you had to build your case by demeaning others. The funder may have invested in these other projects or may begin to consider them, now that you have brought them to their attention.

If possible, you should make it clear that you are cognizant of, and on good terms with, others doing work in your field. Keep in mind that today’s funders are very interested in collaboration. They may even ask why you are not collaborating with those you view as key competitors. So at the least you need to describe how your work complements, but does not duplicate, the work of others.

Sixth, avoid circular reasoning. In circular reasoning, you present the absence of your solution as the actual problem. Then your solution is offered as the way to solve the problem. For example, the circular reasoning for building a community swimming pool might go like this: "The problem is that we have no pool in our community. Building a pool will solve the problem." A more persuasive case would cite what a pool has meant to a neighboring community, permitting it to offer recreation,
exercise, and physical therapy programs. The statement might refer to a survey that underscores the target audience's planned usage of the facility and conclude with the connection between the proposed usage and potential benefits to enhance life in the community.

The statement of need does not have to be long and involved. Short, concise information captures the reader's attention.

This section of your proposal should have five subsections: objectives, methods, staffing/administration, evaluation, and sustainability. Together, objectives and methods dictate staffing and administrative requirements. They then become the focus of the evaluation to assess the results of the project. The project's sustainability flows directly from its success, hence its ability to attract other support. Taken together, the five subsections present an interlocking picture of the total project.

**Objectives**

Objectives are the measurable outcomes of the program. They define your methods. Your objectives must be tangible, specific, concrete, measurable, and achievable in a specified time period. Grantseekers often confuse objectives with goals, which are conceptual and more abstract. For the purpose of illustration, here is the goal of a project with a subsidiary objective:

**Goal:** Our after-school program will help children read better.

**Objective:** Our after-school remedial education program will assist 50 children in improving their reading scores by one grade level as demonstrated on standardized reading tests administered after participating in the program for six months.

The goal in this case is abstract: improving reading, while the objective is much more specific. It is achievable in the short term (six months) and measurable (improving 50 children's reading scores by one grade level). With competition for dollars so great, well-articulated objectives are increasingly critical to a proposal's success.

Using a different example, there are at least four types of objectives:

1. **Behavioral** — A human action is anticipated. **Example:** Fifty of the 70 children participating will learn to swim.
2. **Performance** — A specific time frame within which a behavior will occur, at an expected proficiency level, is expected. **Example:** Fifty of the 70 children will learn to swim within six months and will pass a basic swimming proficiency test administered by a Red Cross-certified lifeguard.
3. **Process** — the manner in which something occurs is an end in itself. **Example:** We will document the teaching methods utilized, identifying those with the greatest success.
4. **Product** — A tangible item results. **Example:** A manual will be created to be used in teaching swimming to this age and proficiency group in the future.

In any given proposal, you will find yourself setting forth one or more of these types of
objectives, depending on the nature of your project. Be certain to present the objectives very clearly. Make sure that they do not become lost in verbiage and that they stand out on the page. You might, for example, use numbers, bullets, or indentations to denote the objectives in the text. Above all, be realistic in setting objectives. Don’t promise what you can’t deliver. Remember, the funder will want to be told in the final report that the project actually accomplished these objectives.

Methods

By means of the objectives, you have explained to the funder what will be achieved by the project. The methods section describes the specific activities that will take place to achieve the objectives. It might be helpful to divide our discussion of methods into the following: how, when, and why.

How: This is the detailed description of what will occur from the time the project begins until it is completed. Your methods should match the previously stated objectives.

When: The methods section should present the order and timing for the tasks. It might make sense to provide a timetable so that the reader does not have to map out the sequencing on his or her own....The timetable tells the reader "when" and provides another summary of the project that supports the rest of the methods section.

Why: You may need to defend your chosen methods, especially if they are new or unorthodox. Why will the planned work lead to the outcomes you anticipate? You can answer this question in a number of ways, including using expert testimony and examples of other projects that work.

The methods section enables the reader to visualize the implementation of the project. It should convince the reader that your agency knows what it is doing, thereby establishing its credibility.

Staffing/Administration

In describing the methods, you will have mentioned staffing for the project. You now need to devote a few sentences to discussing the number of staff, their qualifications, and specific assignments. Details about individual staff members involved in the project can be included either as part of this section or in the appendix, depending on the length and importance of this information.

"Staffing" may refer to volunteers or to consultants, as well as to paid staff. Most proposal writers do not develop staffing sections for projects that are primarily volunteer run. Describing tasks that volunteers will undertake, however, can be most helpful to the proposal reader. Such information underscores the value added by the volunteers as well as the cost-effectiveness of the project.

For a project with paid staff, be certain to describe which staff will work full time and which will work part time on the project. Identify staff already employed by your nonprofit and those to be recruited specifically for the project. How will you free up the time of an already fully
deployed individual?

Salary and project costs are affected by the qualifications of the staff. Delineate the practical experience you require for key staff, as well as level of expertise and educational background. If an individual has already been selected to direct the program, summarize his or her credentials and include a brief biographical sketch in the appendix. A strong project director can help influence a grant decision.

Describe for the reader your plans for administering the project. This is especially important in a large operation, if more than one agency is collaborating on the project, or if you are using a fiscal agent. It needs to be crystal clear who is responsible for financial management, project outcomes, and reporting.

Evaluation

An evaluation plan should not be considered only after the project is over; it should be built into the project. Including an evaluation plan in your proposal indicates that you take your objectives seriously and want to know how well you have achieved them. Evaluation is also a sound management tool. Like strategic planning, it helps a nonprofit refine and improve its program. An evaluation can often be the best means for others to learn from your experience in conducting the project.

There are two types of formal evaluation. One measures the product; the other analyzes the process. Either or both might be appropriate to your project. The approach you choose will depend on the nature of the project and its objectives. For either type, you will need to describe the manner in which evaluation information will be collected and how the data will be analyzed. You should present your plan for how the evaluation and its results will be reported and the audience to which it will be directed. For example, it might be used internally or be shared with the funder, or it might deserve a wider audience. A funder might even have an opinion about the scope of this dissemination.

Sustainability

A clear message from grantmakers today is that grantseekers will be expected to demonstrate in very concrete ways the long-term financial viability of the project to be funded and of the nonprofit organization itself.

It stands to reason that most grantmakers will not want to take on a permanent funding commitment to a particular agency. Rather, funders will want you to prove either that your project is finite (with start-up and ending dates); or that it is capacity-building (that it will contribute to the future self-sufficiency of your agency and/or enable it to expand services that might be revenue generating); or that it will make your organization attractive to other funders in the future. With the new trend toward adopting some of the investment principles of venture capital groups to the practice of philanthropy, evidence of fiscal sustainability becomes a highly sought-after characteristic of the successful grant proposal.
It behooves you to be very specific about current and projected funding streams, both earned income and fundraised, and about the base of financial support for your nonprofit. Here is an area where it is important to have backup figures and prognostications at the ready, in case a prospective funder asks for these, even though you are unlikely to include this information in the actual grant proposal. Some grantmakers, of course, will want to know who else will be receiving a copy of this same proposal. You should not be shy about sharing this information with the funder.

THE BUDGET

The budget for your proposal may be as simple as a one-page statement of projected expenses. Or your proposal may require a more complex presentation, perhaps including a page on projected support and revenue and notes explaining various items of expense or of revenue.

Expense Budget
As you prepare to assemble the budget, go back through the proposal narrative and make a list of all personnel and non-personnel items related to the operation of the project. Be sure that you list not only new costs that will be incurred if the project is funded but also any ongoing expenses for items that will be allocated to the project. Then get the relevant costs from the person in your agency that is responsible for keeping the books. You may need to estimate the proportions of your agency’s ongoing expenses that should be charged to the project and any new costs, such as salaries for project personnel not yet hired. Put the costs you have identified next to each item on your list.

Your list of budget items and the calculations you have done to arrive at a dollar figure for each item should be summarized on worksheets. You should keep these to remind yourself how the numbers were developed. These worksheets can be useful as you continue to develop the proposal and discuss it with funders; they are also a valuable tool for monitoring the project once it is under way and for reporting after completion of the grant.

A portion of a worksheet for a year-long project might look like this:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Cost</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Executive director</td>
<td>Supervision</td>
<td>10% of salary = $10,000</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>25% benefits = $ 2,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Project director</td>
<td>Hired in month one</td>
<td>11 months at $35,000 = $32,083</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>25% benefits = $ 8,025</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tutors</td>
<td>12 working 10 hours per week for three months</td>
<td>12 x 10 x 13 x $ 4.50 = $ 7,020</td>
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</table>
With your worksheets in hand, you are ready to prepare the expense budget. For most projects, costs should be grouped into subcategories, selected to reflect the critical areas of expense. All significant costs should be broken out within the subcategories, but small ones can be combined on one line. You might divide your expense budget into personnel and non-personnel costs; your personnel subcategories might include salaries, benefits, and consultants. Subcategories under non-personnel costs might include travel, equipment, and printing, for example, with a dollar figure attached to each line.

**Support and Revenue and Statement**

For the typical project, no support and revenue statement is necessary. The expense budget represents the amount of grant support required. But if grant support has already been awarded to the project, or if you expect project activities to generate income, a support and revenue statement is the place to provide this information.

In itemizing grant support, make note of any earmarked grants; this will suggest how new grants may be allocated. The total grant support already committed should then be deducted from the “Total Expenses” line on the expense budget to give you the “Amount to Be Raised” or the “Balance Requested.”

Any earned income anticipated should be estimated on the support and revenue statement. For instance, if you expect 50 people to attend your performance on each of the four nights, it is given at $10 a ticket, and if you hope that 20 of them will buy the $5 souvenir book each night, you would show two lines of income, “Ticket Sales” at $2,000 and “Souvenir Book Sales” at $400. As with the expense budget, you should keep backup worksheets for the support and revenue statement to remind yourself of the assumptions you have made.

**Budget Narrative**

A narrative portion of the budget is used to explain any unusual line items in the budget and is not always needed. If costs are straightforward and the numbers tell the story clearly, explanations are redundant. If you decide a budget narrative is needed, you can structure it in one of two ways. You can create "Notes to the Budget," with footnote-style numbers on the line items in the budget key to numbered explanations. If an extensive or more general explanation is required, you can structure the budget narrative as straight text. Remember though, the basic narrative about the project and your organization belongs elsewhere in the proposal, not in the budget narrative.
ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION AND CONCLUSION

Organizational Information

Normally a resume of your nonprofit organization should come at the end of your proposal. Your natural inclination may be to put this information up front in the document. But it is usually better to sell the need for your project and then your agency’s ability to carry it out.

It is not necessary to overwhelm the reader with facts about your organization. This information can be conveyed easily by attaching a brochure or other prepared statement. In two pages or less, tell the reader when your nonprofit came into existence; state its mission, being certain to demonstrate how the subject of the proposal fits within or extends that mission; and describe the organization’s structure, programs, and special expertise.

Discuss the size of the board, how board members are recruited, and their level of participation. Give the reader a feel for the makeup of the board. (You should include the full board list in an appendix.) If your agency is composed of volunteers or has an active volunteer group, describe the function that the volunteers fill. Provide details on the staff, including the numbers of full and part-time staff, and their levels of expertise.

Describe the kinds of activities in which your staff engage. Explain briefly the assistance you provide. Describe the audience you serve, any special or unusual needs they face, and why they rely on your agency. Cite the number of people who are reached through your programs.

Tying all of the information about your nonprofit together, cite your agency’s expertise, especially as it relates to the subject of your proposal.

LETTER PROPOSAL

Sometimes the scale of the project might suggest a small-scale letter format proposal, or the type of request might not require all of the proposal components or the components in the sequence recommended here. The guidelines and policies of individual funders will be your ultimate guide. Many funders today state that they prefer a brief letter proposal; others require that you complete an application form. In any case, you will want to refer to the basic proposal components as provided here to be sure that you have not omitted an element that will support your case. As noted, the scale of the project will often determine whether it requires a letter or the longer proposal format. For example, a request to purchase a $1,000 fax machine for your agency simply does not lend itself to a lengthy narrative. A small contribution to your agency’s annual operating budget, particularly if it is a renewal of past support, might also warrant a letter rather than a full-scale proposal.

What are the elements of a letter request? For the most part, they should follow the format of a full proposal, except with regard to length. The letter should be no more than three pages. You will need to call upon your writing skills because it can be very hard to get all of the necessary
details into a concise, well-articulated letter.

As to the flow of information, follow these steps while keeping in mind that you are writing a letter to someone. It should not be as formal in style as a longer proposal would be. It may be necessary to change the sequence of the text to achieve the correct tone and the right flow of information.

Here are the components of a good letter proposal:

- **Ask for the gift:** The letter should begin with a reference to your prior contact with the funder, if any. State why you are writing and how much funding is required from the particular foundation.
- **Describe the need:** In a much abbreviated manner, tells the funder why there is a need for this project, piece of equipment, etc.
- **Explain what you will do:** Just as you would in a fuller proposal, provide enough detail to pique the funder’s interest. Describe precisely what will take place as a result of the grant.
- **Provide agency data:** Help the funder know a bit more about your organization by including your mission statement, brief description of programs offered, number of people served, and staff, volunteer, and board data, if appropriate.
- **Include appropriate budget data:** Even a letter request may have a budget that is a half-page long. Decide if this information should be incorporated into the letter or in a separate attachment. Whichever course you choose, be sure to indicate the total cost of the project. Discuss future funding only if the absence of this information will raise questions.
- **Close:** As with the longer proposal, a letter proposal needs a strong concluding statement.
- **Attach any additional information required:** The funder may need much of the same information to back up a small request as a large one: a board list, a copy of your IRS determination letter, financial documentation, and brief resumes of key staff.

It may take as much thought and data gathering to write a good letter request as it does to prepare a full proposal (and sometimes even more). Don’t assume that because it is only a letter, it isn’t a time-consuming and challenging task. Every document you put in front of a funder says something about your agency. Each step you take with a funder should build a relationship for the future.

### CONCLUSION

Every proposal should have a concluding paragraph or two. This is a good place to call attention to the future, after the grant is completed. If appropriate, you should outline some of the follow-up activities that might be undertaken to begin to prepare your funders for your next request. Alternatively, you should state how the project might carry on without further grant support.

This section is also the place to make a final appeal for your project. Briefly reiterate what your
nonprofit wants to do and why it is important. Underscore why your agency needs funding to accomplish it. Don't be afraid at this stage to use a bit of emotion to solidify your case.

What Happens Next?

Submitting your proposal is nowhere near the end of your involvement in the grantmaking process. Grant review procedures vary widely, and the decision-making process can take anywhere from a few weeks to six months or more. During the review process, the funder may ask for additional information either directly from you or from outside consultants or professional references. Invariably, this is a difficult time for the grantseeker. You need to be patient but persistent. Some grantmakers outline their review procedures in annual reports or application guidelines. If you are unclear about the process, don't hesitate to ask.

If your hard work results in a grant, take a few moments to acknowledge the funder's support with a letter of thanks. You also need to find out whether the funder has specific forms, procedures, and deadlines for reporting the progress of your project. Clarifying your responsibilities as a grantee at the outset, particularly with respect to financial reporting, will prevent misunderstandings and more serious problems later.

Nor is rejection necessarily the end of the process. If you're unsure why your proposal was rejected, ask. Did the funder need additional information? Would they be interested in considering the proposal at a future date? Now might also be the time to begin cultivation of a prospective funder. Put them on your mailing list so that they can become further acquainted with your organization. Remember, there's always next year.

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