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National Grant Opportunities for August 2015

Support for K-12 Enhancement Projects

Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant Program

The Toolbox for Education Grant Program, offered by Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation, provides grants of \$2,000 to \$5,000 to public K-12 schools as well as school parent-teacher groups associated with public schools throughout the U.S. that develop projects to encourage parent involvement and build stronger community spirit. Preference is given to funding requests that have a permanent impact such as facility enhancement (both indoor and outdoor) and landscaping or cleanup projects. The fall 2015 application deadline is October 16; however, if 1,500 applications are received before the application deadline, the application process may close. Visit the program's website to submit an online application.

Awards Honor Organizations Serving Alzheimer's Caregivers

Rosalinde Gilbert Innovations in Alzheimer's Disease Caregiving Legacy Awards

The Rosalinde Gilbert Innovations in Alzheimer's Disease Caregiving Legacy Awards, administered by the Family Caregiver Alliance, promote innovation in the field of Alzheimer's caregiving by recognizing efforts which lead the way in addressing the needs of Alzheimer's caregivers. Three awards of \$20,000 each will be presented to nonprofit organizations, government agencies, or universities in the following categories: The Creative Expression award encourages programs that use imaginative approaches in supporting family/informal caregivers or persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. The Diverse/Multicultural Communities award recognizes outreach programs to family/informal caregivers in ethnic, rural, low-income, LGBT, and other diverse communities. The Policy and Advocacy award promotes programs that advocate for systems change for the benefit of family/informal caregivers or care recipients with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. The application deadline is September 18, 2015. Visit the Family Caregiver Alliance website to submit an online application.

Grants Enhance Youth Running Programs

Road Runners Club of America: Kids Run the Nation Fund

The Road Runners Club of America (RRCA) is dedicated to supporting the growth of grassroots running clubs, training programs, and running events while promoting the common interests of runners throughout the United States. The Kids Run the Nation Fund, an initiative of the RRCA, supports nonprofit organizations and schools in the U.S. that are interested in implementing or currently have a youth running program. Grants of \$500 to \$1,000 are provided to running clubs and other nonprofit organizations such as parent booster clubs, PTAs, etc. Elementary and middle schools that provide organized after-

school running programs are also eligible to apply. Since the goal of the grant program is to have kids running at least once a week for multiple weeks, funded running programs should offer more than just one-time events. The application deadline is October 1, 2015. Visit the RRCA website to submit an online application.

Environmental Initiatives in Alabama and South Florida Supported

The Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation

The Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation primarily provides support for the conservation of natural resources in North America and the Caribbean Basin, with emphasis on the United States. The Foundation's major program areas that are open for application include the following: marine resource conservation and management with a particular interest in fisheries; South Florida ecosystems (Treasure Coast, Everglades, Biscayne Bay, Florida Bay, and Florida Keys); and Alabama environmental issues. Site specific grants are limited to South Florida and Alabama. The Foundation's grants, averaging \$15,000 to \$25,000, require a one-to-one match. The final 2015 deadline for letters of inquiry is September 11. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about each program area.

Funds for Improving Breastfeeding Rates in Kansas

Impact Funding Team: Breastfeeding Grant Program

The Impact Funding Team's Breastfeeding Grant Program, an initiative of the United Methodist Health Ministry Fund, supports nonprofit organizations and government agencies in Kansas that promote activities that will improve exclusive breastfeeding rates - initiation, duration, or both. Funded programs must work exclusively in Kansas to benefit Kansans. Geographical diversity will be considered in awarding funds to ensure that several Kansas communities have expanded breastfeeding work and resources. The maximum award is \$3,000. Applications must be submitted online by September 14, 2015. Visit the Impact Funding Team's website to learn more about the program.

Grants Promote STEM Projects in MD, NJ, OH, PA, and WV

FirstEnergy STEM Classroom Grants

FirstEnergy STEM Classroom Grants provide support to educators at pre-K-12 schools and youth groups in communities served by the company in Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Grants of up to \$1,000 are available for creative classroom projects in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Resources requested should be integral components of a well-planned classroom project/lesson plan, and important to its success. Grants may be used to compensate experts who come to work with students, but not to pay teachers or staff. The application deadline is September 18, 2015. Visit the FirstEnergy website to download the application form.

Arizona Oral Health Programs for Children and Pregnant Women Supported

Delta Dental of Arizona Foundation

The mission of the Delta Dental of Arizona Foundation is to improve oral health for communities and residents of Arizona, with emphasis on the underserved. The Foundation's Community Grants Program supports nonprofit organizations throughout the

state that focus on oral health promotion and dental disease prevention programs serving pregnant women and children through 18 years of age. Organizations can apply for grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$25,000 for programs providing direct prevention services, oral hygiene instruction, screenings, exams, education, and/or training. Grants are also provided to address staffing and other costs for local, collaborative groups/coalitions offering oral health community activities. The application deadline is September 3, 2015. Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant guidelines and download the application form.

Program Supports Veterans in Court

Legal Services Corporation

The Veterans Pro Bono Program provides support to offer legal or other assistance, without charge, to veterans and other persons who are unable to afford the cost of legal representation in the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. Notices of intent to compete must be submitted by August 28, 2015.

Program Revitalizes Towns Using the Arts

National Endowment for the Arts

The Our Town program supports creative placemaking projects that help to transform communities into lively, beautiful, and resilient places with the arts at their core. Creative placemaking is when artists, arts organizations, and community development practitioners deliberately integrate arts and culture into community revitalization work, combining art with land-use, transportation, economic development, education, housing, infrastructure, and public safety strategies. The application deadline is September 21, 2015.

Support for Grassroots Organizations Nationwide

Tom's of Maine 50 States for Good

The Tom's of Maine 50 States for Good initiative supports grassroots organizations throughout the country working to do good in their communities. In 2015, the program will provide grants of \$20,000 each to a grassroots nonprofit organization in every state and the District of Columbia. Any individual 18 years of age or older is eligible to nominate a nonprofit organization for consideration. Eligible organizations must be valid 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organizations in good standing that are community-based. (National organizations are not eligible.) The deadline for submitting online nominations is August 26, 2015. Visit the 50 States for Good website to review the official rules and to submit a nomination via the website, Twitter, or Instagram.

Environmental Partnerships in the U.S., Canada, and Mexico Funded

Commission for Environmental Cooperation: North American Partnership for Environmental Community Action

The Commission for Environmental Cooperation (CEC) facilitates collaboration and public participation to foster conservation, protection, and enhancement of the North American environment. The North American Partnership for Environmental Community Action (NAPECA), an initiative of CEC, provides grants to nonprofit organizations and non-governmental organizations in the United States, Canada, and Mexico that focus on sustainable communities and urban initiatives at the grassroots level. Strategic priority areas include the following: climate change mitigation and adaptation, green growth, and sustainable communities and ecosystems. Proposals must be submitted by August 26, 2015. Visit the CEC website to download the Call for Proposals.

Travel Grants Promote International Performing Arts Collaborations

Association of Performing Arts Presenters: Cultural Exchange Fund

The Cultural Exchange Fund, an initiative of the Association of Performing Arts Presenters, is a travel subsidy program that assists U.S.-based presenters in building partnerships with international touring artists, companies, and their collaborators. The focus of the program is on increasing presenters' knowledge of international performing artists based outside the U.S. and the cultural context for these artists' work. In promoting cross-cultural arts programming, travel to Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East is strongly encouraged. The maximum amount awarded per individual organization or artist is \$2,000. Group travel subsidies of three or more presenters are also available, with a maximum award of \$10,000. All applicants must be members of the Association of Performing Arts Presenters. The application deadlines for the 2015-2017 funding cycle are August 28 and October 30, 2015, and April 29 and October 28, 2016. Applications must be submitted online through the Association of Performing Arts Presenters website.

Community Autism Services Supported Throughout the U.S.

Autism Speaks Family Services Local Grants

The goal of Autism Speaks is to change the future for all who struggle with autism spectrum disorders. The focus of Autism Speaks Family Services Local Grants is three-fold: to promote local services that enhance the lives of those affected by autism, to expand the capacity to effectively serve this growing community, and to increase the field of service providers across the country. Local Grants of up to \$5,000 are provided to service providers throughout the United States addressing the areas of education and training, recreation and community activities, and young adult/adult services and technology. Both nonprofit and for-profit organizations are eligible to apply. Local Grants are divided into Chapter, Regional, and Neighborhood Grants, depending on the location of the service providers. The application deadline for all Local Grants is September 28, 2015. Visit the Autism Speaks website to learn more about the application process.

Funds for Charitable Organizations in Eight States

BBVA Compass Foundation

The BBVA Compass Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that are making a positive impact in the communities the bank serves in Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, New Mexico, New York, and Texas. The Foundation gives priority to requests that best reflect the following focus areas: community development/financial literacy, education, health and human services, arts and culture, environment and natural resources, and diversity and inclusion. Online applications are due September 30, 2015. (Prior to submitting a grant request, organizations interested in applying are invited to join one of the Charitable Contributions Process Conference Calls/Webinar Presentations to be held on July 24, August 21, and September 11.) Visit the bank's website to learn more about the Foundation's guidelines and application process.

Grants for Direct Health Services in Georgia

Healthcare Georgia Foundation

The mission of the Healthcare Georgia Foundation is to advance the health of all Georgians and to expand access to affordable, quality healthcare for underserved individuals and communities. The Foundation's current grantmaking priority areas include the following: Addressing Health Disparities, Promoting Health and Preventing Disease, Expanding Access to Affordable Quality Care Services, and Strengthening and Sustaining Health Nonprofit Organizations. The Foundation's Direct Services Grant

Program will be accepting applications until 3 p.m. EST on August 27, 2015. Visit the Foundation's website to review the application materials and submit an online application.

Support for Upper Midwest Organizations Addressing LGBT Issues

Philanthrofund Foundation

Philanthrofund Foundation (PFund) is dedicated to building communities in the Upper Midwest states of Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin where lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) people are celebrated and live free from discrimination, violence, invisibility, and isolation. PFund provides grants to nonprofit organizations in the Upper Midwest that address the following pillars of social justice: Achieving Equal Rights; Ensuring Access, Safety, and Security; and Creating Power Through Community. Grants of up to \$10,000 are provided, with most grants falling in the \$3,000 to \$5,000 range. The application deadline is September 1, 2015. Visit the PFund website to download the grant guidelines and application form.

Oral Health Programs for Illinois Children Funded

Delta Dental of Illinois Foundation

The Delta Dental of Illinois Foundation works to improve the oral health of the residents of Illinois. The Foundation's Community Grants Program supports nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and public schools that offer programs that address the oral health of children. Preference is given to programs that focus on the following two key priority areas: oral health education and awareness, and access to oral health, with emphasis on programs that also educate and inform. Grants range from \$1,000 to \$10,000. Applications may be submitted between August 3 and September 8, 2015. Visit the Delta Dental of Illinois website to review the Community Grants Program Philosophy and Guidelines.

Downtown Housing Projects Supported

Department of Housing and Urban Development

The HOPE VI Main Street Grant Program provides support to small communities to assist in the renovation of historic or traditional central business districts or "Main Street" areas by replacing unused commercial spaces in buildings with affordable housing units. The application deadline is August 27, 2015.

Program Helps Housing Residents Achieve Self Sufficiency

Department of Housing and Urban Development

The Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Service Coordinators program assists residents of public and Indian housing in making progress towards economic and housing self-sufficiency. The program provides support to hire Service Coordinators to assess the needs of housing residents and link them to supportive services that enable participants to increase earned income, reduce or eliminate the need for welfare assistance, and make progress toward achieving economic independence and housing self-sufficiency. The application deadline is August 31, 2015.

Learning Tree GreenWorks! Grants

Project Learning Tree® (PLT), an award-winning national environmental education program for educators and students in grades PreK-12, has GreenWorks! grants of up to \$1,000 available to schools and youth organizations for environmental service-learning projects. Students "learn by doing" through community action projects they design and implement to improve an aspect of their school or neighborhood's environment. These environmental action projects blend community service with academic curriculum to link classroom learning to the real world. Since 1992, PLT has helped fund more than 1,000 GreenWorks! projects across the country. From North Pole, Alaska to Key West, Florida, students have planted trees, restored habitats, improved streams, constructed trails, and more. PLT also provides grants to schools to implement recycling programs, conserve water and energy, or establish school gardens or outdoor classrooms — and integrate these projects into the curriculum. The program is open to any PLT-trained educator in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. To be eligible, applicants must have attended a PLT workshop online or inperson. The deadline for this grant is September 30, 2015.

Green Thumb Challenge Grant

It's that time of year again! Green Education Foundation and Gardener's Supply Company have teamed up on an exciting funding opportunity for established youth garden projects nationwide! The organizations are calling on schools and youth groups to submit chronicles of their garden projects in a race to win a \$250 prize. The award is designed to support the continued sustainability of an exceptional youth garden program that has demonstrated success, and has impacted the lives of kids and their community. Eligible contestants will have existing garden programs involving children currently in grades K-12, from schools and youth groups nationwide. Please note that this grant is not for gardens that have not yet been started. **The deadline for this grant is September 30, 2015.**

Target Field Trip Grants

It's become increasingly difficult for schools to fund learning opportunities outside the classroom. To help them out, we launched Field Trip Grants in 2007. Since then, we've made it possible for millions of students to go on a field trip. As part of the program, Target stores award Field Trip Grants to K-12 schools nationwide. Each grant is valued up to \$700. We accept grant applications between noon CST Aug. 1 and noon CST Sept. 30. **The deadline for this grant is September 30, 2015.**

Donald Samull Classroom Herb Garden Grant

The Herb Society of America, as a recipient of a bequest from the estate of Donald Samull, has established two herb garden grants for teachers in grades 3 through 6. Mr. Samull was an elementary school teacher who used his love of herbs in the classroom with his 3rd-6th grade students. These grants will ensure that his tradition of using herbs with students will continue for years to come. Public and/or private 3rd through 6th grade teachers, with classes of a minimum of 15 students may apply for an indoor or an outdoor herb garden grant. The Herb Society of America will award indoor window sill herb gardens to four (4) schools each year. The classrooms selected will receive three (3) windowsill herb garden kits including pots, soil, seeds and educational materials to use in the classroom. The Herb Society of America will provide the educational materials. The Herb Society of America will select five (5) schools/classrooms to receive \$200 "Seed Money" to establish an outdoor herb garden. The funds may be used for supplies such as soil, plant trays, containers, child or youth sized tools, etc. The school may need to seek additional funding and support from other sources. The Herb Society of America will provide the educational materials and herb seeds. **The**

deadline for this grant is October 1, 2015.

2014-2015 Community Education Center Community Grants

Do you have a creative classroom project that needs funding? Are you affiliated with a school or organization working with young people between the ages of 7 and 18? The American Immigration Council's Community Education Center is here to help! In an effort to support educators and community organizers in engaging their students and communities in thoughtful dialogues centered on the issue of immigration and multiculturalism, the Center awards bi-annual grants for immigration-themed classroom and community-based projects. The American Immigration Council will award grants nationwide, in the amount of \$100 to \$500, to fund a limited number of projects that provide education about immigrants and immigration. The American Immigration Council's Community Education Center seeks to fund activities that are innovative and supportive of The Council's mission of promoting the benefits of immigrants to our nation. Applications are limited to educators teaching in public or private primary, intermediate and secondary level schools—as well as extension educators and community leaders. Proposals that are classroom-based will receive strong consideration, and the Council encourages projects that can be replicated in other classrooms and communities across the nation. Funds for field-trips will NOT be granted. Grants are non-renewable. The deadline for this grant is October 29, 2015.

Delta Air Lines Foundation

Delta supports programs that promote youth in three key areas: wellness, leadership development and cultural advocacy. Through financial means and support from their work force volunteers, Delta is preparing youth from many backgrounds and cultures to lead and enjoy the unprecedented opportunities of the 21st century. In the area of wellness, Delta funds programs that promote the health and well-being of youth. They aim to ensure a healthy start in life by supporting organizations that address some of society's most formidable youth and childhood diseases; in leadership development, Delta supports programs that help young people develop strong character, leadership skills and positive self-esteem, as well as programs teaching personal development, conflict resolution and team building; and in cultural advocacy, they promote organizations and programs that help us embrace our differences and enrich our understanding of diverse peoples and cultures. This entails a broad range of interests. They support developing country initiatives, diversity education, and cultural arts. To accomplish their mission, Delta commits over \$16 million annually to four Signature Partners and other worthy organizations. Also, Delta supports and promotes employee volunteer efforts through their Community Partners program. With their contributions of time, talent and funding, they contribute to the well-being of the more than 300 communities they serve. In 2002, Delta awarded more than \$3 million to various organizations, ranging from \$2,000 to \$1 million each. Ongoing deadline.

DENSO North America Foundation

The DENSO North America Foundation serves to extend DENSO Corporation's leadership in corporate citizenship by contributing to the development of a skilled and knowledgeable workforce. The Foundation is dedicated to the advancement of higher education in engineering and related business programs through grant making to colleges and universities serving the North American educational community. The DENSO North America Foundation acts exclusively for charitable purposes on a centralized basis throughout North America by providing grants to institutions of higher learning for educational and/or scientific purposes, with an emphasis on engineering and technology. Funding is focused in two areas: Capital Campaigns for building campaigns including new projects, expansions and major maintenance, permanent installations and exhibits. Also includes purchase of equipment, classroom / lab sponsorships, including development of electronic

educational / training systems. Project must be related to business or engineering support. Exclusions: contribution for leased buildings or equipment, administrative / startup costs, product development and patents; and Student Projects which provide support for university-sanctioned student competitions. Projects must be related to the advancement or understanding of business or engineering principles. Must represent a team effort. The foundation also provides grants through the Red Cross to aid persons and communities in distress due to the impact of natural disasters in North American locations where DENSO Corporation operates. Current assets are nearly \$7 million. **Ongoing deadline.**

Digital Wish

Nonprofit Digital Wish, supported by organizations such as the Draper Richards Foundation and Flip Video, sponsors a classroom grants program designed to strengthen education through digital imaging and the power of visual learning. Digital Wish works with a variety of institutions to set up technology grant programs for local schools, and then matches every donation with an extra 2%-10% in funding. Digital Wish has set up a 30,000-member online community which has funded technology improvements to over 8,000 classrooms this year, impacting nearly 250,000 students nationwide. Applicants need to submit a description of the intended project and a budget. All teachers who submit a technology-based lesson plan on Digital Wish will be automatically entered to win as many as 43 different technology grants. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dircks Foundation

The Robert and Joan Dircks Foundation focuses on programs and projects that provide opportunities to children and individuals who are physically, mentally or economically disadvantaged. The Foundation concentrates on small non-profit organizations that provide programs and projects that prevent or solve problems, rather than meet basic needs. Grants are awarded for one year only and typically range from \$1,000 to \$15,000. Recipients are required to report on the program that was funded and evaluate the effectiveness of the program. Grants are only awarded to organizations that are tax exempt under section 501(C)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. **Ongoing deadline.**

DiscounTech-Cisco Networking Program

The DiscounTech-Cisco Networking Program allows nonprofit organizations to obtain Cisco's Internet Starter Kit Networking Bundles and other networking equipment. Your organization may be eligible to receive all equipment and hardware necessary to create a functioning network (only additional wiring may be required) and a 1-year technical support contract with Cisco's authorized technical support organization, SMARTNet. SMARTNet includes: major and minor maintenance releases of Cisco IOS�½Ã�²-¿½ Software via Cisco.com or media (upon request), registered access to Cisco.com, 24x7 access to Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) via phone, email or through Cisco.com, and SMARTnet 8x5xNext Business Day - Delivery of hardware replacement parts the next business day, provided that the request is received before 3 p.m. local time. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dollar General Community Initiatives

Dollar General's mission is "supporting literacy and youth development initiatives that promote self sufficiency" in their 25 state territory. Common areas of support include: adult education (adult literacy, GED, etc), mentoring, youth education programs, youth literacy programs and youth self-esteem programs. Potential applicants can submit a proposal by mail or online. The typical grant does not exceed \$20,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation

For more than 30 years, the Foundation has funded carefully selected grant requests that assist vulnerable children in the United States and across the globe. The Ross Foundation has compassion

for all children, regardless of their circumstances. However, the Foundation is most concerned with a young child who is vulnerable through no fault of his or her own. The Foundation has a special interest in helping: the ill; physically disabled; injured; disfigured; mentally disabled; emotionally disturbed; little or no access to education; learning disabled; orphaned; vulnerable as a result of natural disaster or conflict; physically abused and neglected; poor-disadvantaged; or malnourished child. The Ross Foundation makes grants in the following categories: Equipment/Supplies; Emergency; Small Construction, Renovations, Building Purchase; Start-Up Expenses; and Specific Project Support. Sending a letter of inquiry through the foundation's website is the recommended first step. After reading each letter and determining that a project may be considered for funding, the foundation helps applicants file necessary information and supplies a general format for use in creating a full proposal. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc.

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream, has built a successful business on the principles that one person can make a difference and that excellent people produce excellent results. In 1987, the company established the Dreyer's Foundation to give young people a better chance to achieve their potential. The mission of the Dreyer's Foundation is to promote family, school and community environments that build skills and foster talents in young people. Priority is given to programs/projects that: affect a significant number of young people, foster the concept that it is better to teach young people how to learn than to simply give them answers to their problems, and are unique and creative. The company's small grants program provided up to \$1,000 and donates ice cream and gift certificates. **Ongoing deadline.**

DuPont

DuPont supports programs and organizations that address social progress, economic success, and environmental excellence "all vital components of community sustainability. Specifically, in the area of social progress, DuPont supports programs that: increase access to opportunity; help children, youth, and families; and foster understanding among community members. In the area of economic success, DuPont is interested in programs that revitalize neighborhoods, help individuals achieve self-sufficiency, and enhance individuals' quality of life. Most corporate grants involve programs in the DuPont headquarters community of Wilmington, Del., and other communities where the company has a major presence. The committee reviews requests in the spring and fall (usually May and September). **Ongoing deadline.**

Dynegy Foundation

The Dynegy Foundation has created a new approach to fund children's charities and organizations. They have developed a line of products that provide children with value-oriented instruction while generating funds for children's charities. Projects in the areas of children's health, safety, or social, educational, and recreational needs are funded by Dynegy. All nonprofit children's charities are eligible. **Ongoing deadline.**

The Eaton Corporation

The company supports programs that reduce the physical, economic and psychological barriers to self-sufficiency for low-income individuals, families and communities. Funding is targeted to social and physical needs for life sustenance (food, clothing, and shelter) and empowerment (education, employment, etc.) Eaton supports K - 12 programs, particularly math and science programs. **Deadline is ongoing.**

Educational Foundation of America

Areas of interest include, but are not limited to, the environment, the crisis of human overpopulation and reproductive freedom, Native Americans, arts, education, medicine, and human services.

Important characteristics considered by Educational Foundation of America (EFA) are an organization's record of achievement, intended broad impact, sound financial practices, increasing independence, and correspondence with EFA objectives. The Educational Foundation of America makes grants to qualifying non-profit organizations that have tax-exempt status and those that are not private foundations as defined in the Internal Revenue Code. EFA provides grants for specific projects. It does not provide funds for endowment or endowed faculty chairs, building/capital programs, religious purposes, grants to individuals, annual fund-raising campaigns, indirect costs, overhead or general support. The Foundation prefers not to fund projects located outside the United States. Current funding is approximately \$4 million per year with the average grant in the range of \$5,000 to \$50,000. **Ongoing deadlines.**

EDS Foundation

The EDS Foundation, philanthropic effort of the information technology company, provides grants from \$5,000 to \$50,000, with a focus on bridging the digital divide. Other endeavors, however, will be considered, including arts/culture, education and health/human services. In total, the foundation provides about 25 grants each year totaling more than \$500,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Eli Lilly Foundation

Eli Lilly and Company Foundation, organized in 1968, is a nonprofit corporation made possible by the profits of Eli Lilly and Company. It is the major source of the company's financial support for nonprofit organizations. The foundation is funded annually by the company based upon an average of consolidated income before taxes over the previous three years. The formula is designed to annually place Lilly among the top 10 most generous companies in the world. Eli Lilly and Company and its foundation direct the company's philanthropic efforts through product donations, matching gifts and discretionary gifts. Cash contributions from the Eli Lilly and Company Foundation are strategically focused within two broad categories. Sixty percent of funds allocated for discretionary giving are directed to not-for-profit groups aligned with company interests. The remaining 40 percent is allocated for discretionary gifts in Indianapolis and several other communities where Lilly has a significant employee base. Requests for support are accepted throughout the year. Requests that fit within the areas of interest are reviewed two times a year. The qualifying requests received between January 1 and June 30 are reviewed in the third quarter and those that best meet the criteria are selected for payments that are made in the fourth quarter. Qualifying requests received between July 1 and December 31 are reviewed in the first quarter of the following year and those selected will receive payment in the second quarter. Ongoing deadline.

Elton John AIDS Foundation

The Elton John AIDS Foundation (EJAF) focuses on supporting community-based prevention programs, harm reduction programs, public education to reduce the stigma of HIV/AIDS, advocacy to improve AIDS-related public policy, and direct services to persons living with HIV/AIDS, especially populations with special needs. Direct services include HIV/AIDS-related medical and mental health treatment, testing and counseling, food distribution, assisted living, social service coordination, and legal aid. EJAF grants are provided three times per year to projects and partnerships that fit within EJAF's targeted grant-making priority areas. EJAF accepts unsolicited grant proposals for consideration during its third grantmaking round of the year which occurs in the fall. Any charitable (not-for-profit) organization located in the U.S., Canada, the Caribbean, and Central and South America may apply. Only organizations within these geographical regions can be considered for funding. To apply, organizations must complete an online application that requests a summary description of the proposed program, proof of charitable status, and audited financial statements. The foundation awards grants three times a year--in February, July, and October. **Ongoing deadline.**

Everyday Young Hero

The Everyday Young Hero program highlights one outstanding youth a week that are making extraordinary contributions and commitments to service. Nominations must come from a parent, teacher, or other adult mentor; supporting material is recommended. The Everyday Young Hero award is open to those between the ages of 5-25. Winners receive an announcement in YSA's weekly National Serving e-Briefing, a certificate and letter from YSA's President and CEO, a customized press release, local market media coverage, and publicity on the YSA's website, Twitter and Facebook accounts. **Ongoing deadline.**

F.B. Heron Foundation

The F.B. Heron Foundation is a private, grant making institution dedicated to supporting organizations with a track record of building wealth within low-income communities. The Foundation was created in 1992 with the mission of helping people and communities to help themselves. Towards this end, the Foundation provides grants to and investments in organizations that promote the following five wealth creation strategies for low-income families in urban and rural communities in the U.S.: advancing home ownership; supporting enterprise development; reducing the barriers to full participation in the economy by providing quality child care; employing comprehensive community development approaches with a strong focus on the wealth-creation strategies; and increasing access to capital. Believing that successful efforts reflect the needs and strengths of the people that they serve, the Foundation prefers to support community-based organizations that demonstrate tangible results. Most grants range from \$25,000 to \$50,000. There is no deadline for a 2 - 3 page letter of inquiry. If interested, the Foundation will contact organizations for a full proposal.

FedEx Child Pedestrian Safety

FedEx is interested in supporting organizations that help keep child pedestrians safe through increasing awareness and knowledge of pedestrian safety as an issue, helping change unsafe child pedestrian behaviors, and/or creating environmental improvements to keep child pedestrians safe in local communities. Safety is a core value of the company and the first consideration in all operations. FedEx works closely with global organizations to help prevent pedestrian-related injury and death and educate the public about road safety. Every day, more than 75,000 FedEx vehicles are on the road sharing the streets with pedestrians. At FedEx, they are dedicated to pedestrian safety and sharing the lessons of safe driving they have learned over the past 35 years. **Ongoing deadline.**

FedEx Global Community Relations Program

The mission of the FedEx Global Community Relations department is to actively support the communities they serve and strengthen their global reputation through strategic investment of their people, resources and network. Corporate resources include financial contributions, in-kind shipping services and volunteer services of employees. Written requests are accepted year-round and are generally reviewed within three weeks of receipt. FedEx prefers to contribute for specific program needs rather than for special events or capital campaigns. Core giving areas include emergency and disaster relief, pedestrian and child safety, critical community needs, education, health, and human services. **Ongoing deadline.**

Fender Music Foundation

The Fender Music Foundation makes the gift of music available to people across the country by providing resources for music education programs. The grants are awarded to schools, local music programs and national music programs across the United States. The intent of the proposed program must be music instruction, not music appreciation or entertainment. Participants/students cannot be professional or career musicians. The organization awards acoustic guitars, electric guitars, acoustic-electric guitars, bass guitars and the equipment necessary to play these instruments. However, other

traditional music instruments are sometimes available. Traditional instruments include string instruments, woodwind instruments, brass instruments, percussion instruments and keyboards. No cash grants are awarded. **Ongoing deadline.**

Finish Line Youth Foundation

Established in October of 1998, the Finish Line Youth Foundation encourages Sport. Life. Style in America's youth. Finish Line believes providing funding and assistance for education, sports and exercise will consistently propel kids in the right direction. These athletic and wellness programs place importance on living a healthy lifestyle, bolstering their confidence and leadership skills, and teaching them the importance of teamwork. Finish Line Youth Foundation strives to enrich the communities in which it operates. Organizations interested in applying must meet the following standards: registered as a 501 (c) (3) tax status; primary focus on assisting children and young adults 18 and under; concentration on athletics or wellness; and benefit communities from which the donations were generated or be located in the areas Finish Line serves. Requests for support must be submitted in writing on organization letterhead. **Ongoing deadline.**

First Responder Institute " Tums Grant-in-Aid Program

The mission of the GSK/Tums Grant Program is to assist fire departments-in-need secure essential equipment. Through the generous donation of GSK/Tums and partnerships with Firefighter Combat Challenge sponsors and their "Combat Cash" program, qualifying fire departments are able to acquire needed equipment through matching grants. To qualify, the applying organization must be a bona fide fire department with 501 (c)(3) status, show a legitimate need for the requested equipment, and a documented inability to purchase requested equipment because of funding shortfalls. Further, the organization must establish the ability to obtain additional funding to match or exceed the amount requested as a requirement of obtaining grant money. Applications will NOT be considered without matching funds that at least equal the amount requested. Grant awards will not exceed \$10,000. **Ongoing deadlines.**

Food Lion Charitable Foundation

The Food Lion Charitable Foundation provides financial support for programs and organizations dedicated to improving the communities in which Food Lion operates. Preference for funding is given to organizations or programs that involve Food Lion associates and are located in Food Lion's marketing territory. The Foundation considers requests from organizations that fall into three general categories: primary and secondary education; feeding the hungry; and local, charitable organizations. Contributions are considered for public charities with 501(c)(3) designations who: 1) have an active and responsible board of trustees; 2) exhibit ethical publicity methods and solicitation of funds; 3) provide for an appropriate audit to reveal income and disbursements in reasonable detail, and 4) can demonstrate long-term financial viability. **Ongoing deadline.**

Ford Motor Company Fund Grants

Shortly after Henry Ford began his enterprise in 1903, he said, "A business that makes nothing but money is a poor business." He was referring to the obligation of companies, not only to create good products for their customers, but also to share good works and goodwill. That is precisely the goal of Ford Motor Company Fund and Community Services - to support initiatives and institutions that enhance and improve opportunities for those who live in the communities where Ford Motor Company operates. The Ford Motor Company Fund awards grants in six areas: education, environment, public policy, health and social programs, civic affairs and community development, and arts and humanities. **Ongoing deadline.**

Ford Foundation's JustFilms Grant Program

These grants support documentary film projects that address urgent social issues. The foundation's

goal is to expand the community of emerging and established filmmakers who often lack funding, and help them to realize their visions and reach audiences. JustFilms focuses on film, video and digital works that show courageous people confronting difficult issues and actively pursuing a more just, secure and sustainable world. Initiative funds will be distributed through three distinct paths: partnerships with major organizations such as the Sundance Institute, the Independent Television Service and the Tribeca Film Institute; collaboration with other Ford Foundation grant-making programs; and an ongoing open-application process that will help JustFilms stay attuned to fresh ideas. Through its grant making, the foundation supports innovative thinkers, leaders and organizations that are working to reduce poverty and injustice and to promote democratic values, free expression and human achievement. When making grants, the foundation thinks about long-term strategies, knowing that lasting social change requires decades of effort. And because its mission is broad and resources are limited, the foundation carefully targets support so it can be used most effectively and leverage the greatest amount of impact. The foundation has set aside \$10 million a year over five years for the project. **Ongoing deadline.**

Fujifilm

The Products for Learning program is Fujifilm's way of rewarding individual educators who understand the value of integrating imaging and information technology into everyday classroom lessons. Fujifilm's Products for Learning Web site provides lesson plans that teachers may integrate into curriculum to inspire students to reach new levels of creative expression and communication. Teachers are encouraged to modify the lesson plans so they more closely align with curriculum, standards, and learning objectives. They may adapt the lesson plans for grade level, discipline, and diverse populations. Teachers also have the option of submitting an original lesson plan. Fujifilm is looking for lesson plans that have educational merit and clearly demonstrate the creative integration of imaging and information technology into teaching and learning. To apply for a product donation, teachers must submit an online application outlining why they should receive a product donation. Product donations are determined by creativity demonstrated by teachers in their response to the application question that pertains to the learning objectives, product availability, and need. **Ongoing deadline.**

The FundingFactory

Since 1997, the FundingFactory" has pioneered and leads the way in Fundraising Through Recycling. The FundingFactory has launched a unique <u>Cell Phone Recycling Program</u>. Collect and recycle empty printer cartridges to earn technology, sports and recreation equipment or even cash. This provides you with another way to capitalize on the fundraising-through-recycling concept. Simply collect used cell phones from parents and local business and you will earn points just like the printer cartridge program. **Ongoing deadline.**

GameStop Youth Grants

Do Something and GameStop are putting the fun back in funding by giving you the big bucks (\$500) to get things going in your neighborhood. GameStop youth grants are available for anyone in the U.S. or Canada, 25 or under, who has a great idea for a community action project. They could fund your bright idea! GameStop grants are given out weekly. Check out some of the 2006 winners and then take that inspiration and think up your own incredible project. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gardenburger Event Sponsorship

Gardenburger is built on the idea of good corporate citizenship. They make meatless products that are good for people and the environment, and they regularly look for ways to help good causes. If you'd like them to support your event or organization, please download their application from their website and send it to them with a cover letter on your organization's letterhead. Your cover letter should provide additional information about your organization, its mission and work, the event that

you plan to hold, and how you would like Gardenburger to help. They make their decisions based on the fit between your organization/event and their company's values and prefer to help with product donations, coupons, or Gardenburger signs and logos. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gardener's Supply Company

Gardener's Supply Company gives cash or products to gardening, sustainable agriculture, food, environmental and hunger-related causes. They require that all requests be in writing on the letterhead of your organization. Please limit your letter to just one page, and include your project or organization's mission and the specific donation request. **Ongoing deadline.**

GE Foundation

Committed to building a world where all children have the opportunity to learn and thrive, the GE Foundation focuses on improving access, equity and quality of education in targeted GE communities. The GE Foundation has launched the next phase of College Bound, the College Bound District Program, which focuses on systemic change and increased student achievement in targeted U.S. school districts. The program seeks to increase the number of college-ready students through a rigorous math and science curriculum, professional development for teachers and administrators, indepth evaluation, strengthening of a district's management functions and the collaborative engagement of various district and community stakeholders. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gerber Foundation

The Foundation's mission focuses on infants and young children. Accordingly, priority is given to projects that improve infant and young children nutrition, care and development from the first year before birth to three years of age. Programs should support a specific nutrition or health intervention and have defined outcome parameters. Generally, competitive requests will be focused on particular projects in furtherance of the Foundation's mission and goal of supporting nutrition or health-related interventions to improve infant health and development. Foundation grants are not typically ongoing. Supported projects should have beginnings and endings, reasonable periods during which measurable progress or outcomes are accomplished. The impact of Foundation funding should be detailed, so that the infusion of new or outside funding can be seen to have some positive influence on the progress or outcome of the Project. Grants are limited to three years in length. While there is no policy affecting the dollar amounts of Foundation grants, there are some practical considerations. Projects requiring small grants (generally under \$50,000) are typically local in scope and impact, and therefore may not be within the scope of national funding initiatives. Large requests (greater than \$1 million) may exceed available Foundation resources. Grant awards are approved in May and November. Initial letters of inquiry are accepted at any time but should be submitted no later than 5 months prior to these award dates. For the May round submit letters prior to December 1; for the November round submit letters prior to June 1. Ongoing deadline.

Georgia-Pacific

Georgia-Pacific believes that strong communities are good for business. Their core philosophy is anchored in a belief that for a business to survive and prosper, it must develop and use its capabilities to create sustainable value for both its customers and society. The purpose of the Georgia-Pacific Foundation is to help create and fund those programs and initiatives that add value to, and measurably improve, the quality of life within the communities where Georgia-Pacific employees live and work. They believe that self-reliance and economic fortitude are indispensable components of vibrant communities. The Foundation primarily invests their resources in four key areas that are essential to creating and sustaining strong communities: Education, Environment, Community Enrichment, and Entrepreneurship. Georgia-Pacific leverages these four key areas ("The Four Es") to impact communities. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gifts In Kind International

Join the Gifts In Kind International network of more than 350 affiliates gain instant access to more than \$600 million in products and services including office equipment and supplies, technology products and services, educational materials and sports equipment, building materials, emergency relief products, and a range of other products and services that help improve communities. Join the Gifts In Kind International network of more than 350 affiliates gain instant access to more than \$600 million in products and services including office equipment and supplies, technology products and services, educational materials and sports equipment, building materials, emergency relief products, and a range of other products and services that help improve communities. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gilead Foundation

Gilead considers grant requests from a broad range of organizations. Gilead provides grants primarily to non-profit organizations for activities related to the therapeutic areas in which Gilead has expertise - cystic fibrosis, hepatitis, HIV/AIDS, Influenza, pulmonary arterial hypertension and chronic angina. Grants are available to support various types of initiatives such as continuing education programs for healthcare professionals, scientific conferences, patient education programs, the development of health education materials and community activities. **Ongoing deadline.**

Good Sports

Good Sports helps to lay the foundation for healthy, active lifestyles by providing athletic equipment, footwear, and apparel to disadvantaged young people nationwide. By partnering with sporting goods manufacturers, Good Sports is able to provide equipment, apparel, and footwear to programs in need. This lowers their costs which helps them keep fees affordable, create more scholarships, enhance the quality of their activities, and introduce new sports into their schools or organizations. **Ongoing deadline.**

Google Grants

Google Grants provides eligible organizations with in-kind keyword advertising using Google AdWords so you can connect directly with your target audience. Through simple, short text ads that run on Google.com, thousands (or even millions) of people can learn about your organization online as they are searching for related information. When someone enters keywords (short phrases specifying a particular search query) into Google.com, ads targeted to those keywords appear alongside the search results. If your organization is a recognized 501(c)(3) whose mission and programs fit their eligibility requirements, they encourage you to apply. Your application is more likely to be successful if you have a basic understanding of the Google AdWords Program and the Google Grants program guidelines. You'll be asked to provide sample keywords, ad copy, and a brief statement about how your organization will benefit from participating in the Google Grants program. Google selects Google Grants recipients every quarter. You will know within six months or less whether or not you will receive a Google Grant award. **Ongoing deadline.**

The Goodrich Foundation, Inc.

The Goodrich Corporation Foundation was formed in 1988. The Foundation's principal was established through a contribution by Goodrich Corporation. The Foundation provides support to charitable organizations serving the needs of the public in Goodrich Corporation's United States headquarters and plant communities, to selected educational institutions, and to selected national groups. The Foundation makes charitable grants in four categories: Education; Arts and Culture; Civic and Community; Health and Human Services/United Way. Charitable contributions are made only to organizations defined as "tax exempt" under Section 501 (c)(3) by the Internal Revenue

Service. The Foundation will generally allocate its annual charitable giving according to the following percentages: Education: 30% - 40%; Arts and Culture: 15% - 25%; Civic and Community: 15% - 25%; and Health and Human Services/United Way: 20% - 30%. Preference shall be accorded requests for projects or programs in areas having a significant number of employees, employees serving on boards of charitable organizations or other noticeable Goodrich Corporation presence. **Ongoing deadline.**