



EDUCATION □ **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** □ **CRIME PREVENTION** □ **FAMILY** □ **FINANCIAL LITERACY**

National Grant Opportunities 2016

Support for Health Equity Initiatives in the U.S. and Abroad

Cigna Foundation: World of Difference Grants

The Cigna Foundation is committed to providing opportunities for individuals everywhere to achieve the best possible health. The Foundation's World of Difference Grants focus on health equity, helping people overcome barriers to their health and well-being related to factors such as ethnicity, race, gender, age, geography, or economics. There are two different types of World of Difference Grants: Community Health Navigation grants support projects within the United States that help individuals understand the particular health equity challenges affecting them, and assist them in finding services in their communities that address those challenges. Workplace Wellness grants support projects outside the United States that help individuals understand their health challenges and learn how to make healthy choices through information and services made available to them where they work. Online requests for both grant programs may be submitted at any time. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the application process.

Community Groups Advancing Social Justice Funded

Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People

The Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People (SDOP) participates in the empowerment of economically poor, oppressed, and disadvantaged people who are seeking to change the structures that perpetuate poverty, oppression, and injustice. SDOP currently supports groups in the United States who are oppressed by poverty and social systems, want to take charge of their own lives, are organizing to do something about their own conditions, and have decided that what they are going to do will produce long-term changes in their lives or communities. Supported projects must be presented, owned, and controlled by the groups of people who will directly benefit from them. In addition, projects should utilize some combination of the [SDOP core strategies](#) to promote justice, build solidarity, advance human dignity, and advocate for economic equity. Applications may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the SDOP website to review the grant criteria.

Grants Promote Youth Baseball and Softball Programs

Baseball Tomorrow Fund

The Baseball Tomorrow Fund (BTF), a joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball

Players Association, is dedicated to promoting the growth of youth baseball and softball in the United States and throughout the world by funding programs that encourage youth participation in the game. Grants may be used to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs. Grants average around \$40,000. Grant applications are due January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1, annually. Visit the BTF website to learn more about the grant criteria and application process.

Animal Welfare Organizations Supported

Greg Biffle Foundation

The Greg Biffle Foundation supports nonprofit humane societies, spay/neuter clinics, and no-kill animal shelters throughout the United States. Grants are awarded for spay/neuter initiatives, vet care and medical supplies, pet supplies, and operating expenses. (Applying organizations must address the needs of cats and dogs; applications from equine, bird, or wildlife rescue groups are not accepted.) Grants of up to \$5,000 are provided. The application deadline is August 31, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to download the application form.

Grants Enhance Oral Health Programs in Wisconsin

Wisconsin Dental Association Foundation

The Wisconsin Dental Association Foundation is committed to improving the oral health of Wisconsin residents by providing grants to community-based, nonprofit oral health promotion programs throughout the state. The Foundation's Annual Grant Program offers support to initiatives that provide dental care to the underserved and philanthropic endeavors related to dentistry in Wisconsin. Grants of up to \$5,000 are considered for dental supplies and equipment for low-income dental clinics, dental health education programs, and other nonprofit dentistry programs. Proposals must be submitted via email by July 31, 2016. (A letter of endorsement from an officer of the local component dental society is required.) Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant guidelines.

Organizations Improving the Quality of Life in Texas Funded

The Meadows Foundation

The Meadows Foundation is dedicated to helping the people and institutions of Texas improve the quality and circumstances of life for themselves and future generations. The Foundation provides grants throughout the state of Texas, but generally allocates between one-third and one-half of its grants to organizations helping those in the Dallas area. The Foundation currently gives priority to three initiatives: improving public education, reducing mental illness, and protecting water resources and the natural environment. Additional grant making interests include programs that focus on reducing crime and recidivism, and programs that build on the human-animal connection and the positive effects animals can have on human health and development. Applications may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant strategy and application guidelines.

Program Supports Alternative Education for Youth

Department of Labor

This program supports participation in YouthBuild, which is a community-based alternative education program for youth between the ages of 16 and 24 who are high school dropouts, aging out of foster care, or are disabled or homeless, as well as other disconnected youth populations. The application deadline is July 6, 2016.

Funds Available to Develop Rural Communities

Department of Agriculture

The Rural Community Development Initiative provides support to enhance the capacity of housing and community development organizations, low-income rural communities, and federally recognized tribes to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development in rural areas. The application deadline is July 22, 2016.

Funds for California Folk Arts Projects

Alliance for California Traditional Arts: Living Cultures Grants Program

The Alliance for California Traditional Arts (ACTA) promotes ways for cultural traditions to thrive now and into the future by offering advocacy, resources, and connections for folk and traditional artists. ACTA's Living Cultures Grants Program seeks to strengthen the folk and traditional arts throughout the state by providing grants of up to \$5,000 to California-based nonprofit organizations or organizations who apply through a California-based fiscal sponsor. The focus is on pathways to nurture, sustain, and engage participation in traditional arts. A wide range of projects will be supported, including public presentations, workshops and classes, equipment and materials, etc. The Alliance also offers the [Apprenticeship Program](#), which provides contracts of \$3,000 to master artists so they can offer intensive training to qualified apprentices. Applications for both programs must be postmarked by July 15, 2016. Visit the ACTA website to download the application guidelines in both English and Spanish, or call ACTA at 559-237-9812 for more information.

Renewable Energy and Land Conservation Programs in Illinois Funded

Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation

The Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation invests in clean energy development and land preservation efforts by working with communities and citizens to improve environmental quality in Illinois. The Foundation supports projects in the following core program areas: improving energy efficiency, developing renewable energy resources, and preserving and enhancing natural areas and wildlife habitats throughout the state. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are eligible to apply. The upcoming application deadline for most of the Foundation's grant programs is July 19, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the core program areas and application procedures.

Funds for Technology Programs for Youth in Company Communities

Best Buy Community Grants Program

The Best Buy Community Grants Program provides support to community-based organizations that are located within 50 miles of a [Best Buy facility](#). Grants promote programs that offer hands-on learning opportunities for underserved teens to

engage in learning, experimenting, and interacting with the latest technologies to build 21st century skills. Eligible programs must deliver community-based youth programs for teens, ages 13-18, during out of school time, and serve a diverse population. Examples of program activities include computer programming, digital imaging, music production, robotics, and gaming and mobile app development. The average grant amount is \$5,000; grants will not exceed \$10,000. Public and nonprofit community-based organizations (e.g., community centers, schools, and libraries) are eligible to apply. Online proposals may be submitted between June 1 and July 1, 2016. Visit the [Best Buy website](#) to review the program guidelines.

Grants Promote the Quality of Life in the Washington, DC, Region

[Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation](#)

The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation is committed to improving the quality of life for residents of the Washington, DC, area. Grants are provided to nonprofit organizations in the District of Columbia, Prince George's and Montgomery counties in Maryland, and Arlington and Fairfax counties and the cities of Alexandria and Falls Church in Virginia. The Foundation's program areas include Arts and Humanities, Community Services, Education, Environment, and Health. Requests are reviewed three times per year; the upcoming deadline is July 1, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to take the eligibility quiz and submit an online application.

Support for Youth Music and Dance Programs in Oregon and Washington State

[Jubilation Foundation: Grants for Organizations](#)

The Jubilation Foundation, a fund of the Tides Foundation, supports nonprofit organizations in Oregon and Washington with an exceptional talent for helping young people feel fully alive through rhythm, as expressed in music and dance. Grants generally range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Letters of intent must be submitted by July 15, 2016; invited full proposals are due September 15, 2016. (The Foundation also provides grants to organizations in Oregon and Washington for Special Projects, as well as Fellowships for individuals nationally. These programs have a separate application process.) Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Grants for Organizations funding priorities.

Healthy Aging Initiatives in Massachusetts and Rhode Island Funded

[Tufts Health Plan Foundation](#)

The Tufts Health Plan Foundation is dedicated to improving the health and wellness of the communities the company serves throughout Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The Foundation invests in communities that promote healthy living across the life span, with an emphasis on healthy aging. The Foundation is currently accepting requests in the following two focus areas: In the Policy and Advocacy category, support is provided for efforts that advance communities toward achieving age-friendly status. Funded programs should include participation from diverse stakeholders, and offer expanded access to programs and services as well as system change or improvement. The President's Leadership Fund supports community leaders in their work with multiple stakeholders that leads to age-friendly communities and addresses barriers to success in the most vulnerable communities. The deadline for letters of inquiry in both focus areas is July 20, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the application process.

Forestry Projects Supported

Forest Service

The National Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost-Share Grant Program supports forestry projects on nonfederal public land that have a national or multi-state impact and application. Pre-proposals are due June 17, 2016. The deadline for full proposals is December 15, 2016.

Program Funds Broadband Internet in Rural Communities

Department of Agriculture

The Community Connect Grant Program offers support to provide broadband Internet service in rural, economically-challenged communities where service does not currently exist. The application deadline is June 17, 2016.

Support for Volunteer Programs Targeting Community Improvements

The Home Depot Foundation: Community Impact Grants Program

The Home Depot Foundation Community Impact Grants Program provides support to nonprofit organizations and public service agencies in the U.S. that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their communities. Proposals for the following community improvement activities will be considered: repairs, refurbishments, and modifications to low-income or transitional veteran's housing or community facilities (schools, community centers, senior centers, etc.); weatherizing or increasing energy efficiency of low-income or transitional veteran's housing or community facilities; engaging veterans as volunteers to help other veterans in their community through service projects focusing on the renovation, repair, and improvement of homes and other properties serving veterans; and planting trees or community gardens or landscaping community facilities that serve veterans. Priority will be given to projects for veterans that include housing repairs, modifications, and weatherization work. Grants of up to \$5,000 are made in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services. Requests will be accepted through December 31, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to submit an online application.

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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 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.**

Dynergy Foundation

The Dynergy 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 Dynege. 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 [Cell Phone Recycling Program](#). 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, in-depth 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.**