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National Grant Opportunities 2018

Support for Services Assisting People with Dementia

[Brookdale National Group Respite Program](#)

The Brookdale Foundation Group works to advance the fields of geriatrics and gerontology and to improve the lives of senior citizens. The Brookdale National Group Respite Program awards seed grants to service providers that plan to offer new, dementia-specific Group Respite or specialized Early Memory Loss (EML) programming to participants, along with support to caregivers, in order to help individuals remain in their communities. All funded programs must provide a day program for people affected by Alzheimer's disease or other dementia, which is limited to those who are cognitively impaired. Grants of \$10,000 will be provided in year one, renewable for \$5,000 for the second year, based on evaluation of first year's activities and potential for future continuity of the program. The application deadline is June 27, 2018. Visit the Brookdale Foundation Group's website to download the guidelines and application form.

Awards for Innovative Justice Programs

[Foundation for Improvement of Justice](#)

The Foundation for Improvement of Justice works to enhance local, state, and federal systems of justice by rewarding the accomplishments of innovative programs throughout the United States. Each year, awards of \$10,000 are provided to up to seven nominees for justice-related programs that have proven to be effective and can serve as models for others. The award categories include the following: legal reform, crime prevention, child protection, speeding the process, effecting restitution, crime victims' rights, alternative sentencing, reducing recidivism, lowering the cost, and other significant efforts. The program is open to all individuals, programs, and organizations within the United States. The nomination deadline is May 15, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website for nomination guidelines.

Mentoring Programs for Women with Gynecologic Cancer Funded

[Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance: Woman to Woman](#)

Woman to Woman, a program of the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance (OCRFA), seeks to improve the quality of care for gynecologic cancer patients by strengthening coping capacities through a patient-to-patient support model. Woman to Woman trains mentors, themselves survivors of gynecologic cancers, to provide emotional support and mentoring through all phases of treatment, recurrence, and recovery. Another key component of Woman to Woman is a patient

fund, which offers modest financial assistance to women undergoing treatment and their families. Each grant recipient will receive a one-year grant of either \$60,000 for a hospital-based program or \$30,000 for a community-based organization. The grant is intended to cover the cost of a part-time Program Coordinator's salary, program costs, and the patient fund. Hospitals and community-based, nonprofit organizations that serve women with gynecologic cancers are eligible to apply. The application deadline is May 18, 2018. Visit the OCRFA website to download the application guidelines.

Grants Promote Organic Agriculture Projects in K-8 Schools

[California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom: Look at Agriculture... Organically! Grants](#)

The Look at Agriculture... Organically! Grants, offered by the California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom, are designed to creatively enhance the understanding of organic agriculture for kindergarten through eighth grade students throughout the United States. Grants of up to \$1,000 are provided to educators nationwide to support the integration of organic agriculture into regular classroom instruction. A significant percentage of grant funding will go to teachers in school districts with 50 percent or more students enrolled in the free and reduced lunch program. The application deadline is May 15, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to submit an online application.

Technology Education Programs for Teens in Company Communities Supported

[Best Buy Community Grants Program](#)

The Best Buy Community Grants Program provides support to community-based organizations that are located within 25 miles of a [Best Buy facility](#). Grants focus on out-of-school time programs that create access to technology education and tools that teens will need to be successful in their future schooling and careers. Programs should include hands-on learning opportunities and engage the youth, ages 13-18, in experimenting and interacting with the latest technologies to build 21st century skills. Examples of program activities include computer programming, website design, audio 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 May 1 and May 31, 2018. Visit the Best Buy website to review the program guidelines and take the eligibility quiz.

General Operating Funds for Organizations in the Upper Midwest

[Bush Foundation: Ecosystem Grants](#)

The Bush Foundation invests in great ideas and the people who power them in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and 23 Native Nations. The Foundation's Ecosystem Grants provide general operating support to help sustain organizations that create unique and significant value for the Foundation's grantees, Fellows, and other organizations. The focus is on organizations that provide critical data and analysis, spread great ideas and build capacity, advance public awareness and policy, and build and support leadership networks. Eligible organizations should advance the goal of a Foundation program or strategic initiative. Organizations may apply to receive as much as \$200,000 over two years in general operating support. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are eligible to apply. There will be a few Ecosystem Grants available to new applicants in 2018. Organizations that meet the selection criteria and eligibility may apply between April 24 and May 24, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Ecosystem Grants opportunity.

Grants Enhance Quality of Life for Oklahomans

[Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation](#)

The Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation's grant program primarily provides support to nonprofit organizations and higher education institutions in Oklahoma. The focus is on organizations that cultivate good health, support education, and build stronger communities. Before a formal grant application will be sent to the requesting organization, the organization must submit a letter of inquiry. The Foundation will accept letters of inquiry through June 1, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website for more information.

Efforts to Build Strong Illinois Communities Supported

[Grand Victoria Foundation: Core Grants Program](#)

The Grand Victoria Foundation invests in building strong communities in Illinois by strengthening early education opportunities for young children, protecting natural lands and waterways, and promoting economic vitality through robust employment development. The Foundation's Core Grants Program provides support to nonprofit organizations that address the following categories: Employment, Land and Water Conservation, and Early Childhood Education. Statewide organizations, regional organizations that focus on the Chicago metropolitan area, as well as organizations that focus on suburban Chicago counties are eligible to apply. The 2018 deadlines for letters of inquiry are May 4 and October 5. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Core Grants Program.

Local Food Initiatives Funded

[Department of Agriculture](#)

The Local Food Promotion Program provides support to increase consumption of and access to locally and regionally produced agricultural products, and to develop new market opportunities for farm and ranch operations serving local markets. The application deadline is May 7, 2018.

Support for Citizen Education Initiatives

[The Herb Block Foundation: Encouraging Citizen Involvement](#)

The Herb Block Foundation is committed to defending the basic freedoms guaranteed all Americans, combating all forms of discrimination and prejudice, and improving the conditions of the poor and underprivileged. Through the Encouraging Citizen Involvement grant program, the Foundation seeks to ensure a responsible, responsive democratic government. The focus is on projects that promote citizen education and greater voter participation in the electoral process. All projects must be nonpartisan and may not involve lobbying for specific legislation or candidates. Nonprofit organizations throughout the United States are eligible to apply. The deadline for letters of inquiry is June 5, 2018; invited proposals must be submitted by August 8, 2018. Visit the [Foundation's website](#) to learn more about the application procedure.

Medical Student Programs to Address Mental Illness Funded

[American Psychiatric Association Foundation: Helping Hands Grant Program](#)

The American Psychiatric Association Foundation is dedicated to advancing public understanding of mental illnesses. The Foundation's Helping Hands Grant Program was established to encourage medical students to participate in community service activities, to raise awareness of mental illness and the importance of early recognition of illness, and to build medical students' interest in

psychiatry and working in underserved communities. The program provides grants of up to \$5,000 to medical schools for mental health and substance use disorder projects that are created and managed by medical students, particularly in underserved minority communities. Funded projects can be conducted in partnership with community agencies or in conjunction with ongoing medical school outreach activities. Applications must be postmarked by May 31, 2018. Application guidelines and forms are available on the Foundation's website.

Grants Enhance Services for Surrogate Parents

[Brookdale Foundation Group: Relatives as Parents Program](#)

The Brookdale Foundation Group works to advance the fields of geriatrics and gerontology and to improve the lives of senior citizens. The Foundation's Relatives as Parents Program provides support for the creation or expansion of services for grandparents and other relatives who have taken on the responsibility of surrogate parenting when the biological parents are unable to do so. Funded programs must include supportive services to relative caregivers and the children they are raising, with emphasis on families that are not in the formal foster care system. Programs must also include regular ongoing support, and educational or social groups for relative caregivers and the children in their care. Up to 15 programs will receive a seed grant of \$15,000 (\$10,000 and \$5,000 respectively), contingent on progress made during year one and potential for continuity in the future. Nonprofit organizations from throughout the country are eligible to apply. (State agencies in selected states may also apply.) The application deadline is June 13, 2018. Visit the Brookdale Foundation Group's website to download the guidelines and application forms.

Funds for Cultural Arts Education Programs in Louisiana

[The New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Foundation: Community Partnership Grant Program](#)

The New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Foundation is dedicated to promoting the music, arts, culture, and heritage of communities in Louisiana. The Foundation's Community Partnership Grant Program supports nonprofit organizations and educational institutions throughout the state in the following categories: Jazz & Heritage After-School and Summer Education Programs in Music, Arts, and Cultural Traditions; Jazz & Heritage In-School Education Programs in Music, Arts, and Cultural Traditions; Jazz & Heritage Presenting: Festivals and Concerts in Music and Performing Arts; and Jazz & Heritage Archive: Documentation and Preservation. Grants of up to \$5,000 are provided; a one-to-one match is required of all grant recipients. The application deadline is May 14, 2018.

Visit www.communitypartnershipgrants.org to learn more.

Grants Address End-of-Life Issues in New York State

[New York State Tribute Foundation](#)

The New York State Tribute Foundation is dedicated to supporting education, outreach, and research programs that advance the public's understanding of end-of-life issues. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in New York State that focus on three core principles: The Knowledge category provides consumer education and research grants to raise public awareness and advance understanding of death, dying, and bereavement. The Charity category supports organizations that enhance the understanding of death, dying, and bereavement. The Education category offers scholarships aimed at increasing the number of new funeral service professionals and to encourage previously licensed funeral directors to return to the profession. Letters of inquiry may be submitted at any time. Invited applications are due May 15 and November 15, annually. Visit the Foundation's website to download the funding guidelines.

Support for Environmental Programs Protecting the Rocky Mountain Area

[Maki Foundation](#)

The Maki Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations that promote environmental protection in Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. In particular, the Foundation is concerned with the preservation of the Rocky Mountain West's remaining wild lands, rivers, and wilderness, as well as the wildlife that depends on these lands. Grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000 are generally provided to small local and regional grassroots organizations working to protect public lands and rivers from threats such as mineral development, unconstrained off-road vehicle use, and poorly planned water projects. The application deadline is May 1, 2018. (Organizations that have not previously received Foundation support should contact the Foundation by phone or email prior to applying.) Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Foundation's priorities.

Organizations Promoting the Health of Maine's Children Funded

[Sadie and Harry Davis Foundation: Small Grants Program](#)

The Sadie and Harry Davis Foundation is dedicated to the advancement of Maine children's health. The Foundation's Small Grants Program supports nonprofit organizations that promote the health of children in Maine, with general priority given to programs that address the state's poorest and most underserved populations, e.g., low-income, rural, etc. (The Foundation is not accepting oral health proposals in this grant cycle.) Grants generally range from \$3,000 to \$15,000. Letters of interest must be submitted by May 4, 2018; invited applications are due June 20, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to submit a letter of interest and to learn more about the 2018 Small Grants Program.

Program Offers Second Chance for Former Prisoners

[Department of Justice](#)

The Second Chance Act Comprehensive Community-Based Adult Reentry Program supports efforts to help people who are reentering communities from incarceration. The application deadline is May 1, 2018.

Sports Programs for Vets with Disabilities Supported

Department of Veterans Affairs

The Grants for Adaptive Sports Programs for Veterans With Disabilities and Members of the Armed Forces Program supports adaptive sports activities for veterans within their home communities, as well as more advanced Paralympic and adaptive sports programs at the regional and national levels. The application deadline is May 2, 2018.

Ongoing Funding – NO Deadline:

Abbott Laboratories Fund

The Abbott Laboratories Fund (The Fund) is an Illinois not-for-profit, philanthropic corporation established in 1951 by Abbott Laboratories. Abbott Laboratories provides the primary financial support of the Abbott Laboratories Fund. Currently the Fund provides support through cash grants to recipients who operate in the areas of health and welfare, education, culture, art, civic and public policy. The Fund generally gives preference to requests for one-time contributions and for programmatic and operating purposes. All Grant requests are accepted on-line and require the following information: Description of your organization's mission; Confirmation of current 501 (c) (3) U.S. Internal Revenue Service; Geographic area served; Description of the project(s) / programs(s) for which support is requested; Amount of money requested; Budget information; and List of corporations and foundations supporting the organization. **Ongoing deadline.**

Actuarial Foundation

The Actuarial Foundation - through its Advancing Student Achievement Mentoring program - awards monetary grants to schools and groups throughout the United States and Canada. The basic requirement for schools or groups seeking funding is that they develop a viable mentoring program involving actuaries in the teaching of mathematics to children in private and public schools. Advancing Student Achievement is a grant program that brings together actuaries and educators in local classroom environments with the belief that interaction with real-world mentors will boost students' interest and achievement in math. The Actuarial Foundation can provide a local network of actuaries ready to participate, as well as suggestions on how to integrate math concepts from the workplace into the classroom. Groups applying for grants will be given wide latitude in designing programs that enhance learning and create a "love of math" in each student. **Ongoing deadline.**

Adidas America Inc.

Adidas corporate giving is provided selectively and focuses on the following areas of engagement: Sports within a social context; Kids and Youth; Education; Preventive Health Projects (preferably sports related); and Relief efforts. The Adidas Group supports projects which show sustainable benefits to the communities where they live and operate. Consideration is given to organizations which complement their corporate philosophy and the core values of the Adidas Group. They need to hold a recognized reputation for integrity in program implementation, financial management and project effectiveness. Corporate giving at the Adidas Group can take the form of: cash donations, donations in kind (products, equipment, services, and know-how) and corporate volunteering. **Ongoing deadline.**

AIAA Foundation Classroom Grant

This is a competitive grant program to educate students about math, science, technology, and engineering. Before submitting your proposal please consider these objectives and make sure that your grant fulfills this mission. The following guidelines must be adhered to in order to receive the AIAA Foundation Classroom Grant: 1. Teacher must be a current AIAA Educator Associate member or an AIAA Professional member actively engaged as a K-12 classroom educator prior to receiving the grant; 2. One grant per teacher will be considered under this program. An Educator Associate may apply for up to \$200 of grant funding. (NOTE: THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO LEGO GRANTS). LEGO GRANTS: Grants will be made for up to \$100 per team for participation in robotics competitions. The AIAA Foundation should be acknowledged as a team sponsor. A maximum one-time grant of up to \$200 (two Educator Associate members) will be granted to each school for participation in a robotics competition; and 3. The grant proposal must include: a full one-page synopsis of project including how the project relates to the AIAA purpose, how the funds are to be used, and itemized price list of the items proposed for purchase; 4. Failure to complete any of the required information will result in the rejection of the proposal; 5. Grants are limited to a maximum of five Educator Associates per school. Requests may not be combined to purchase a single item in excess of \$200. The purchases must be separate items (i.e. cannot be one \$1,000 item) with the following restriction: The grant proposal must be accompanied by a full one-page synopsis of how the requested funds are to be used, and a separate itemized price list of the items proposed for purchase from each teacher requesting funds; 6. Grants will be considered on a quarterly basis in January, March, June, and September. Grants must be received one month prior to be considered for the upcoming cycle. For example, grant proposals to be evaluated in January must be received by AIAA by 30 November; 7. Funds must be spent on the proposed items. The AIAA Foundation reserves the right not to reimburse items that were not on the original proposal, unless the item is no longer available and prior approval is given by the AIAA Staff Liaison; 8. Upon approval of the grant, a letter of commitment will be sent to the teacher. Reimbursement for items purchased after the grant approval will be made upon submission of receipts to AIAA Headquarters. A check will be mailed to the school within three weeks; 9. Funds must be used within six months of approval or the funds will revert back to the AIAA Foundation; and 10. Teachers are encouraged to send pictures of the purchased items in use by students as well as copies of any publicity involving the purchased items and related activities. The AIAA Foundation reserves the right to allow/disallow other items not listed above at the discretion of the Precollege Outreach Committee. **Ongoing deadline.**

Alcoa Foundation

In 2001, Alcoa Foundation will make \$21 million in grants around the world. Communities where Alcoa has a presence are the primary focus of their grant making

programs. The majority of their grants fit within one of the following areas: Conservation and Sustainability; Safe and Healthy Children and Families; Global Education in Science, Engineering, Technology, and Business; Business and Community Partnerships, and Workforce Skills Today for Tomorrow. **Ongoing deadline.**

The Allen Foundation

Grant applications are accepted for efforts affecting health and nutrition. The Allen Foundation focuses on nutritional research, education and training to improve the health of children, young adults and mothers during pregnancy and after birth. **Ongoing deadline.**

Allstate Foundation

The Allstate Foundation awards program grants focusing on personal safety and security, neighborhood revitalization and financial planning and education. Examples of funded projects include: fire safety; child safety advocacy; structured after-school programs with initiatives safeguard against gangs and delinquency; automobile passenger safety; and anti-drinking and driving programs. **Ongoing deadline.**

America Healing

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation launches a five-year, \$75 million initiative called America Healing that aims to improve life outcomes for vulnerable children and their families by promoting racial healing and eliminating barriers to opportunities. During the first phase, 119 community-based organizations receive grants totaling \$14.6 million to support efforts among racial and ethnic groups that increase opportunities for children in healthcare and other areas. **Ongoing deadline.**

American Eagle Foundation

The AE Foundation and its FREE initiative raises funds and enlists volunteers for projects that improve the quality of life where AE associates and customers live, work and play. Committed to giving back to the customers and communities who have contributed to their success, the AE Foundation funds teen and college student programs that contain one or more of the FREE values. AE supports communities in the following four ways: 1. Gift Card Donations for Events: AE donates a limited number of \$25 gift cards to college and high school sponsored drug-free events that strive to keep teens and college students safe; 2. Financial Grants: Each year, the AE Foundation will allocate a limited amount of money to nonprofit, public charities with tax exempt status under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code that fall within the scope of the mission statement; 3. Fundraising Card Programs: Schools and nonprofit organizations may use AE Gift Cards to help raise money for computer labs, school repairs, music programs, etc.; and 4. Eagle Salute Associate Volunteer Program: The American Eagle Outfitters EAGLE SALUTE Program is a global initiative designed to support their associates' volunteer efforts by providing a grant to the charitable organizations where they perform at least 25 hours of community service per calendar year. **Ongoing deadline.**

The American Family Life Insurance Company (AFLAC)

Aflac's philanthropic efforts in the community can be seen in four areas: health, education, youth, and the arts. From contributing to the John B. Amos Cancer Center to helping underwrite the creation of a new library, Aflac is a vital part of the Columbus, Georgia community. Aflac grants range from \$1,500 to \$2 million. **Ongoing deadline.**

American Honda Foundation

The American Honda Foundation reflects the basic tenets, beliefs and philosophies of the Honda companies, which are characterized by the following: Dreamful (imaginative), Creative, Youthful, Foresightful (forward-thinking), Scientific, Humanistic, and Innovative. The American Honda Foundation provides grants in the fields of youth education and scientific education to the following: Educational institutions, K-12; accredited higher education institutions (colleges and universities); community colleges and vocational or trade schools; scholarship and fellowship programs at selected colleges and/or universities or through selected non-profit organizations; other scientific and education-related, non-profit, tax-exempt organizations; gifted student programs; media concerning youth education and/or scientific education; private, non-profit scientific and/or youth education projects; other non-profit, tax-exempt, institutions in the fields of youth education and scientific education; and programs pertaining to academic or curriculum development that emphasize innovative educational methods and techniques. Since its inception, the American Honda Foundation has provided more than 401 grants for more than \$18.1 million. **Ongoing deadline.**

American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Foundation

Support may be on the way for your classroom budget. As an AIAA Educator Associate, you're invited to apply for a Classroom Grant from the AIAA Foundation. Here's how it works. Are you a K-12 teacher who develops or applies science, mathematics, and technology in your curriculum? If the answer is "yes," you may qualify for a grant of up to \$200 per individual request to supplement your learning program. Each school is limited to up to \$1,000 per calendar year. You can use your grant for classroom demonstration kits and science supplies, math and science software, graphing calculators, supplies for making flying objects (what kid can resist the chance to build and launch a rocket?), supplies for robotic programs, and other materials to help you make science, mathematics, and technology come alive in your classroom. Proposals are reviewed year round, 30 days before quarterly meetings held in January, March, June and September. **Ongoing deadline.**

AmeriDream Inc.

Through down payment assistance and community redevelopment programs, AmeriDream, Inc. expands affordable housing opportunities not only to first-time homebuyers but to all low- and moderate-income individuals and families who wish to achieve homeownership. Additionally, as a non-profit organization, AmeriDream works to promote the value of homeownership as a strong foundation that supports lasting communities and individual prosperity. **Ongoing deadlines.**

Amgen Foundation

The Amgen Foundation funds programs dedicated to providing patients, caregivers and health care practitioners with information, education and access. These programs are directed at patient empowerment and health care disparities/health inequalities. To date, the Foundation has contributed more than \$140 million to nonprofit organizations across the United States, Puerto Rico and Europe that align with the Foundation's mission. **Ongoing deadline.**

Anheuser-Busch Foundation

The Anheuser-Busch Foundation funds education, healthcare, youth/minority development, arts and environment programs in areas where the alcoholic beverage distributor operates. The foundation considers grants from \$15,000 to more than \$100,000. Anheuser owns breweries, as well as the Busch Gardens and Sea World Parks. Breweries are located in Fairfield & Los Angeles, CA; Fort Collins, CO;

Jacksonville, FL; Cartersville, GA; St. Louis; Newark, NJ; Merrimack, NH; Baldwinsville, NY; Columbus, OH; Houston; and Williamsburg, VA. Theme parks are located in San Diego; Orlando & Tampa, FL; San Antonio, TX; and Williamsburg. **Ongoing deadline.**

Annenberg Foundation

The Annenberg Foundation provides support for projects within its grant-making interest areas of education and youth, arts and culture, civic and community, and health. The Foundation only considers organizations defined as a public charity and tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Annenberg Foundation accepts letters of inquiry at all times during the year and there are no deadlines. After review of the inquiry by Foundation staff, the applicant will be contacted within 6 to 8 weeks as to the status of the request. **Ongoing deadline.**

Annie E. Casey Foundation

Since 1948, the Annie E. Casey Foundation (AECF) has worked to build better futures for disadvantaged children and their families in the United States. The primary mission of the Foundation is to foster public policies, human service reforms, and community supports that more effectively meet the needs of today's vulnerable children and families. In general, the grant making of the Annie E. Casey Foundation is limited to initiatives that have significant potential to demonstrate innovative policy, service delivery, and community supports for children and families. Most grantees have been invited by the Foundation to participate in these projects. Organizations wishing to send a proposal to the Foundation should submit a letter of no more than three typewritten pages describing the organization, its programs, the amount of funds requested, and a brief explanation of how the proposed work fits within the mission of the Annie E. Casey Foundation. **Ongoing deadline.**

A. O. Smith Foundation

The A. O. Smith Foundation, founded in 1955, is a private, nonprofit organization that contributes to qualifying charitable, educational, scientific, literary, and civic organizations located primarily in communities where A. O. Smith Corporation has facilities. Support for the Foundation comes from the profits of A. O. Smith Corporation. Since its founding, the Foundation has provided nearly \$20 million in financial support for worthwhile community programs and organizations. A. O. Smith Foundation contributions are aimed at: strengthening higher education throughout the country; promoting the civic, cultural, and social welfare of communities; and advancing medical research and improving local health services. **Ongoing deadline.**

Armstrong Foundation

In 1985, the Armstrong Foundation was formed to enhance the neighborhoods in which they live and work. Millions of dollars each year have been donated to community caring efforts. Today, the Foundation philanthropy takes many forms and is largely allocated to the causes their employees are passionate about. The primary objectives of the Armstrong Foundation Contributions Program are as follows: improve the quality of life in communities in which Armstrong employees live and work; support higher education as it relates to employees (meaning scholarships and higher education gift matching); provide emergency support to members of the Armstrong community in crises; and other appropriate initiatives as determined by the Foundation Board of Directors from time to time. **Ongoing deadline.**

Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation

The mission of the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation is to promote positive change in people's lives and to build and enhance the communities in which they live. The

Foundation has an especially strong interest in supporting innovative endeavors leading to better circumstances for low-income youth and their families. The geographic focus of the Foundation includes Arizona, Georgia, and South Carolina. **Ongoing deadline.**

AstraZeneca

AstraZeneca supports nonprofit health care organizations and programs across the US through a contributions program administered through the company's six regional business centers. In 2005, they provided almost \$780 million in monetary and product donations. Awards vary. **Ongoing deadline.**

AT&T Foundation

The AT&T Foundation provides grants to organizations and programs that enrich the quality of life, with an emphasis on improving education, advancing community development, addressing vital community needs and enhancing unique cultural assets. The AT&T Foundation funds programs designed to: enhance education by integrating new technologies and increasing learning opportunities; improve economic development through technology and local initiatives; provide vital assistance to key community-based organizations; support cultural institutions that make a community unique; and advance the goals and meet the needs of diverse populations. **Ongoing deadline.**

Autodesk, Inc.

Autodesk plays an active role in the communities where employees live and work. Their Community Relations program, established in 1989, offers assistance to local nonprofit organizations that meet program criteria. Financial assistance and product grants are their way of giving back to the communities in which Autodesk employees live and work. In Fiscal Year 2004, Autodesk granted over US\$500,000 in financial grants and over \$350,000 in software products to qualifying nonprofits (the majority of monetary donations were made to Health & Human Services). To be considered for financial grants, organizations must be registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations. The mission of the Community Relations Department is to support the communities where Autodesk employees live and work; therefore, they give preference to organizations that use grant money in communities where Autodesk has a business presence. Typical grants range from \$1,000 to \$3,000. They give all proposals equal consideration, provided they do not have strong political or religious affiliations, or have a core message or practice of discrimination. **Ongoing deadline.**

Bamford-Lahey Children's Foundation

The Bamford-Lahey Children's Foundation was established in July of 2000 for the purpose of conducting and supporting programs that will enhance the linguistic, cognitive, social, and emotional development of children. At this time, the resources of the Foundation will target projects designed to enhance the language development of children who have difficulty learning their native language. Research suggests that from seven to fourteen percent of children in this country experience language-learning problems; many of them have no history of other contributing developmental problems. Difficulty communicating with others can have devastating effects on the development of social and cognitive skills, as well as the development of self-esteem and general emotional well being. All too frequently preschool children with language-learning difficulties continue to have problems with both spoken and written language in the school years and are often described as "learning disabled." Although considerable basic research has been carried out in the effort to understand the bases of language-learning problems, less research has been done to determine how such children might be helped to learn language. The Foundation is interested in supporting programs that will have a near-term impact on the language learning of children with developmental language disorders. The Foundation will consider making one or two grants a year

through other non-profit organizations (e.g., universities, hospitals, public schools) for projects that are directly related to its immediate objectives if indirect costs are not involved. Proposals for this type of funding will only be considered for one-year projects where costs are under \$20,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Bank of America Foundation

At Bank of America, supporting educational initiatives in the communities where the company operates is as critical to the success of those communities as it is to the company. Education, more than any other cause or social service directly affects all aspects of economic prosperity and quality of life in every community. Bank of America communities, its citizens and the company all benefit from an educational system that sets high standards and outcomes in academic achievement. As a result, Bank of America supports education initiatives through the company's charitable giving arm, the Bank of America Foundation. Bank of America Foundation supports effective, broad-based, inclusive programs that serve a diverse population through local market-based educational efforts. **Ongoing deadline.**

Barnes & Noble

Barnes & Noble considers requests for local and regional support from non-profit organizations in the communities they serve. Since funding is limited, they do not contribute to grant or scholarship programs, religious organizations, sports teams or events, political organizations, or medical and health-related causes. However, they support organizations that focus on literacy, the arts or education (K - 12). Barnes & Noble assess the merit of each request on an individual basis. **Ongoing deadline.**

Baseball Tomorrow Fund

The Baseball Tomorrow Fund (BTF) is a joint initiative between Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association that was established in 1999 through a \$10 million commitment by Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association. The mission of BTF is to promote and enhance the growth of youth participation in baseball and softball throughout the world by funding programs, fields, coaches' training, and the purchase of uniforms and equipment to encourage and maintain youth participation in the game. Grants are designed to be sufficiently flexible to enable applicants to address needs unique to their communities. The funds are intended to finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment. BTF provides grants to non-profit and tax-exempt organizations in both rural and urban communities. BTF awards an average of 30 grants per year totaling more than \$1.5 million. The average grant amount is \$51,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

The Baxter International Foundation

The Baxter International Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Baxter International Inc., a global medical products and services company. Like Baxter, the foundation supports the development of better, more accessible care, delivered as economically as possible. The Baxter International Foundation funds initiatives that benefit the entire health field. These include projects that improve quality, cost-effectiveness, access or education, and may be designed as models for larger programs. **Ongoing deadline.**

Best Buy Recycling Grant

Best Buy now offers grants to help increase the recycling opportunities available in communities across the country. Grants will range from \$500 to \$1,500, depending on the size of and scope of the program hosted by nonprofit organizations, cities, counties, or public-private partnerships. Priority for funding will be given to not-for-profit groups, but any organization or group is welcome to apply. Organizations can provide reuse or

recycling events. Best Buy will offer Gift Cards, cash or a combination of both to assist organizations in providing opportunities for environmentally responsible recycling. **Ongoing deadline.**

2013 Bi-Lo & Winn-Dixie Sponsorships

These grants support nonprofit organizations and K-12 schools in communities served by the company. Focus areas include prevention of child abuse, mentoring programs, services for the disabled, art education, school readiness and the promotion of K-12 literacy. The Youth at Play (YAP) Sponsorship category supports youth athletic teams and school clubs. Eligible applicants include nonprofits and schools in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee served by the supermarkets. Funding varies, but generally ranges from \$5,000 to \$50,000 each. **Ongoing deadline.**

Blockbuster, Inc.

At Blockbuster, they are committed to supporting the communities that their members and employees call home. They do this through outreach programs and partnerships designed to deliver measurable, positive results -- on both national and local levels. Wherever possible, they incorporate cash contributions with volunteerism and in-kind donations to achieve maximum impact. At Blockbuster, their community relations activities are designed to utilize corporate and employee resources and talents to benefit the communities they serve by supporting organizations which impact children/families, reflect a film/video focus or fulfill specific company operating objectives related to diversity and employment. In order to better evaluate the many contribution requests the company receives each day, Blockbuster has established formal giving guidelines. The company will consider requests from non-profit organizations that meet one or more of the following requirements: project has film/video industry focus, project impacts children/families, project supports a particular Blockbuster business objective, i.e., employment, and project has clearly defined and measurable goals. **Ongoing deadline.**

BMW Group of North America

As one of the world's largest companies, the BMW Group believes they have a duty of social responsibility. To support this, they provide funding for charitable programs that seek to benefit society. They give highest consideration to those that focus on education, road safety and the environment. The company only makes grants to organizations that have been approved by the IRS as 501(c)(3) charities or 501(c)(9) organizations. **Ongoing deadline.**

Boeing Co.

The Boeing Company believes that the health of a community is measured by the well being of all its citizens. They recognize the importance of supporting basic needs as fundamental to the health of the community. They are further committed to helping communities move toward long-term well-being and self-sufficiency by addressing larger, underlying issues. Through focused programmatic opportunities, leadership, and collaboration, the Boeing Company will support current basic needs of the community, providing resources for nutritious food, clothing consistent with the climate, protective shelter with reasonable comfort and safety, and access to emergency medical treatment; and promote long-term well-being and self-sufficiency, supporting areas such as mentoring, economic independence, physical independence, and nutrition and fitness. The company contributions program welcomes applications in five major areas: education, health and human services, arts and culture, civic and environment. Boeing accepts applications for not only cash grants (see guidelines below for each area), but also for in-kind donations and services. Requests submitted after October each year are not considered until January of the following year. **Ongoing deadline.**

Bradley Foundation

The Bradley Foundation is a private, independent grant-making organization based in Milwaukee. Its grants support research and educational projects, programs, and other activities that effectively further the Bradley brothers' philanthropic intent and honor their legacy. Bradley does not provide support for unspecified and undetailed overhead costs. No funds will be authorized for fees payable to fundraising counsel. Funding for endowments or deficit financing will be considered only under special conditions. The Foundation will: normally award grants only to organizations and institutions exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and publicly supported under Section 509(a)(1), (2), or (3); favor projects that are not normally financed by public tax funds; consider requests from religious organizations and institutions only when the resulting impact of the project is not primarily denominational; and, consider requests for building projects on rare occasions and, in such cases, grants will be limited to only a small fraction of the total project cost. Up to four Prizes of \$250,000 each are awarded annually to innovative thinkers and practitioners whose achievements strengthen the legacy of the Bradley brothers and the ideas to which they were committed. **Ongoing deadline.**

Breaking Down Barriers to Assistive Technology Grant

Premier Assistive Technology, Inc. is committed to providing you the most effective and affordable assistive technology products available in the world today. They established this grant program in 2002 to help bridge the gap between education budgets and the need for educational organizations to deploy sufficient resources to serve the needs and requirements of special education programs. They fully appreciate the significant budget pressures that all institutions experience and this grant program will help to act as a catalyst to solidify your special education and/or assistive technology programs. Above all else, this program is meant to promote literacy everywhere in your organization, not just isolated groups or departments. In this spirit, the lowest level of grant awarded is for an entire district. (Grants to individuals, single departments or "for profit" companies are not awarded). This grant will give you the right to install the suite of software on every PC in your organization. After the grant period has expired (all or part of a school year), there will be an optional, but very nominal maintenance fee (a fraction of the total grant value) that you can pay to entitle you to future product releases, technical support, company communications, etc. **Ongoing deadline.**

Bridgestone/Firestone Trust Fund

Founded in 1952, the Bridgestone Firestone Trust Fund proudly supports a wide variety of important charities in the United States, particularly in those markets it calls home. While contributions are made to nearly a hundred organizations each year, the Trust Fund focuses on organizations with missions supporting: 1) education, 2) environment and conservation, 3) childrens programs. Including national and local charities, the Trust Fund has donated more than \$20 Million in the past 5 years. **Ongoing deadline.**

Brinker International

Giving back to the communities where they live and work is one of Brinker International's core values. With a diverse variety of local fund-raising activities and corporate giving programs, Brinker and its restaurants contribute more than \$3 million a year to a number of worthwhile charities. Brinker International's Charitable Committee must have the following information from organizations requesting donations: The exact amount requested and the specific purpose for the donation briefly summarized on 1-2 typewritten pages. The request should detail how the donations will be used; information about your organization, including proof of 501(c)(3) status and sources of funding; information, if any, concerning past or current involvement of Brinker International

employees with the organization; and they may also ask for the organization's current Board of Directors, including their business and civic affiliations, as well as the organization's recent financial statements. **Ongoing deadline.**

Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation Together on Diabetes

Together on Diabetes is a five-year, \$100 million initiative that was launched in November 2010 by the Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation to improve health outcomes of people living with type 2 diabetes in the United States by strengthening patient self-management education, community-based supportive services and broad-based community mobilization. In line with the Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation's mission to reduce health disparities, this initiative will target adult populations disproportionately affected by type 2 diabetes. **Ongoing deadline.**

Build-A-Bear Champ Children's Health and Wellness Grant Program

Build-A-Bear Workshop guests often ask for help in supporting causes of great importance to their families. In 2003 the Build-A-Bear grant program began with support to children's cancer causes and quickly grew to include juvenile diabetes and autism. The Champ children's health and wellness grant program supports these important causes and many more! Champ is a special furry friend that gives back - examples of 501(c)(3) not for profit organizations that these grants support include: childhood disease research foundations; organizations that promote child safety; and charities that serve children with special needs. Letters of inquiry may be submitted any time. The Foundation's staff will notify applicants within four weeks to discuss next steps in the grant process. **Ongoing deadline.**

Build-A-Bear Literacy and Education Grants

The mission of the Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation is to make life more bearable for children, families and pets in need of the kindness of others. Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation will make grants to qualified non-profit organizations (either 501(c)(3) organizations or registered Canadian charities) that support the health and wellness of children and families, the care and welfare of animals and the promotion of literacy and education for all. They aim to provide direct support for children in literacy and education programs such as summer reading programs, early childhood education programs and literacy programs for children with special needs. These grants are made possible through the sale of Turner the Owl - a special furry friend available in all Build A Bear Workshop stores. With the sale of each Turner the Owl, 50 cents is donated to First Book and 50 cents is donated through the Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation to other literacy programs throughout the United States and Canada. **Ongoing deadline.**

Calvert Foundation

Calvert Foundation makes loans to community development organizations that focus on affordable housing, small business, microcredit and other community development. Calvert Foundation lends to community development financial institutions (CDFI), and other organizations, including community development corporations, community loan funds, community banks and credit unions, social enterprises and micro finance institutions. **Ongoing deadline.**

Campbell's Labels for Education

For more than 30 years, Labels for Education has been awarding free educational equipment to schools in exchange for proofs of purchase from the Campbell family of brands. It's a fun, easy program where students, families and members of the community work together for a common goal. Today, over 80,000 schools and organizations are registered with Labels for Education, benefiting more than 42 million students. Over the

years, they've been able to provide more than \$100 million in merchandise to America's schools! **Ongoing deadline.**

Captain Planet Foundation

The Captain Planet Foundation will fund as many projects as its annual resources allow. All applicant organizations or sponsoring agencies must be exempt from federal taxation under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501, in order to be eligible for funding (this includes most schools and non-profit organizations). All projects must promote understanding of environmental issues; focus on hands-on involvement; involve children and young adults 6-18 (elementary through high school); promote interaction and cooperation within the group; help young people develop planning and problem solving skills; include adult supervision; and commit to follow-up communication with the Foundation (specific requirements are explained once the grant has been awarded). Generally, the range of grants awarded by the Foundation is \$250 - \$2,500. **Deadlines for submitting grant applications are June 30, September 30, December 31, and March 31, annually.**

Cardinal Health Foundation

The Cardinal Health Foundation was formed in 2001 as a focal point of Cardinal Health's community-relations efforts. The Foundation's initial funding resulted from the merger of Allegiance Corporation with Cardinal Health. Supported by the global resources of the Cardinal Health family of companies and more than 55,000 employees around the world, the Foundation's mission is to support employees' interests and to advance and fund programs that improve access to and delivery of health care services. The Foundation focuses their energy and resources on three primary program areas: employee volunteers and community involvement; healthy and livable communities; and health care partnerships. Specific themes derived from the company's values will guide Cardinal Health's support. They place greater focus on programs that fit the following criteria: improve the health, livability and vitality in communities where they have operations; utilize the core expertise of Cardinal Health, its employees and its partners to provide leadership and mobilize others; apply innovative solutions in collaboration with their businesses and/or other partners; offer opportunities for involvement by Cardinal Health employees; and demonstrate measurable results. **Ongoing deadline.**

Carls Foundation

The principal purpose and mission of the foundation is to support children's welfare efforts that emphasize healthcare facilities and programs and the prevention/ treatment of hearing impairment. The foundation was founded by Bill Carls, who created Numatics, a leading worldwide manufacturer of industrial air valves. Other focus areas include recreational, educational and welfare programs, especially for children who are disadvantaged, and preservation of natural areas, open space, historic buildings and areas having special natural beauty or significance. The Carls Foundation has no formal application for grant requests. A letter of inquiry is not required and phone calls are welcome. In the past, all grants have been made to non-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. **Ongoing deadline.**

Carnegie Corporation of New York Grants

Andrew Carnegie's charge that the Corporation dedicate itself to the "advancement and diffusion of knowledge and understanding" has led it, over nearly 100 years of work, to support efforts to improve teaching and learning that have the potential to make a lasting and long-term contribution to the field of education. That history resonates throughout their current educational work in education, which is focused on three major areas: 1) advancing literacy: reading to learn, 2) urban school reform, and 3) teacher education reform. A theme that unites these subprograms is the overall goal of increasing access to

quality education and a rich educational experience for all students that will prepare them for success in today's knowledge-based economy. Grants are usually awarded in the range of \$750 - \$250,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Cartridges 4 Kids

Cartridges 4 Kids is a recognized leader in designing award-winning and unique environmentally smart fundraising programs. In 2000, they introduced the Cartridges 4 Kids Printer Cartridge and Cell-Phone Fundraising Program. This award-winning fundraising program encourages the community to recycle their empty printer cartridges and used cell-phones through the Cartridges 4 Kids Program. This in turn helps to generate much needed funds for the benefit of Schools and Non-profit Organizations and at the same time, reduces the amount of recyclable material that enters our landfills. Participation in the C4K Program is free, and there is absolutely no selling involved. The Cartridges 4 Kids Program pays top dollar - up to \$10.00 for empty printer cartridges and up to \$25.00 for cell phones. By participating in the program, your organization can expect to earn up to \$1,500.00 in its first year alone! **Ongoing deadline.**

Centene Foundation for Quality Healthcare

The Centene Foundation for Quality Healthcare strives to support proactive and innovative strategies that improve the quality of healthcare for low-income individuals and families. This is accomplished through an inspired philanthropic giving plan that seeks to promote efforts and activities that identify and address core causes of unequal access and treatment in healthcare. The Foundation's primary functions include: creating and supporting preventive initiatives; leveraging additional resources and revenues; and expanding healthcare services to the indigent and influencing public policy through non-partisan analysis or public discussions. Currently, Centene Corporation has health plans and business interests in Arizona, Indiana, Missouri, New Jersey, Ohio, Texas, Wisconsin, Georgia, South Carolina, and Florida. Eligible applicants must be Section 501(c)(3) public charities located in states where Centene Corporation conducts business. The Foundation favors collaborations that are inclusive of target populations and key initiatives and lead applicants cannot hold a service provider contract with any Centene subsidiary. Interested organizations should submit a 2-3 page letter of inquiry. Full proposals are accepted by invitation only. **Ongoing deadline.**

Ceres Foundation

The Ceres Foundation has decided to focus on programs that aim to produce permanent improvements in peoples' lives by means of short-term interventions. Such programs address acute problems that block people's chances at critical moments in their lives. Interventions may take a few months, or even a few years, but in the end they enable beneficiaries to overcome the obstacles in their way, and to shift their lives onto promising paths. The Ceres Foundation will favor applicants who can best demonstrate a tangible, direct connection between the services their programs provide and the positive shifts that take place in individuals' lives. They will also give preference to organizations whose chances of success can be significantly increased by our support. None of these criteria are absolute, and they are still in the process of defining their niche. However, these criteria imply that they are now less likely to support programs that provide educational enrichment, services for the handicapped, or activity centers for children - all highly worthwhile endeavors, but not within their scope. In 2004, the Foundation funded 15 grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$10,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Charles Lafitte Foundation

The mission of the Charles Lafitte Foundation (CLF) is to provide for and support inventive and effective ways of helping people help themselves and others around them to lead healthy, satisfying and enriched lives. To fulfill this mission the Foundation acts

as grantmaker, innovator and volunteer for four main programs: Education, Children's Advocacy, Medical Research & Issues and The Arts. Grant sizes vary. **Ongoing deadline.**

Chatlos Foundation

The Chatlos Foundation provides grants to organizations involved with social concerns. This encompasses secular community programs which provide direct services such as child welfare, vocational training, prison alternatives, concerns for the aged and disabled, and men, women and families in crisis. Grants range in size from \$2,500 to \$10,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF)

Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) are administered by the Georgia Child Care Council through a competitive bid process. In general, these funds pay for: 1) program improvements, and programs for children with disabilities for early childhood and school-age children, and 2) technical assistance, training, and the operation of child care resource and referral agencies. These funds are not awarded to buy land, buildings, or any equipment costing over \$1,000. Approximately \$6.5 million is available each year. Funded projects target low income, working families. **Requests for Proposals (RFP) have been traditionally distributed in late winter or early spring and outline the services that will be purchased during the next federal fiscal year.**

Child Welfare Foundation

The Child Welfare Foundation accept proposals from nonprofit organizations for projects which meet one of the Foundation's two basic purposes: to contribute to the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual welfare of children through the dissemination of knowledge about new and innovative organizations and/or their programs designed to benefit youth; and to contribute to the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual welfare of children through the dissemination of knowledge already possessed by well-established organizations, to the end that such information can be more adequately used by society. The Foundations grants are awarded for one year. All grants must be completed between the period of January 1 - December 31 of the award year. In the past, grants have ranged from \$1,500 to \$70,000, and average approximately \$22,000. Grants must have the potential of helping American children in a large geographic area (more than one state). **Deadlines are ongoing.**

Chiron Corporation

The Chiron Foundation supports organizations engaged in disease prevention and treatment, patient education, health policy dialogue and advocacy on behalf of those with serious medical needs. Emphasis is given to the areas of cancer, infectious disease, vaccines and immunization services, and blood safety. Four imperatives guide our healthcare giving: Accelerating progress toward the prevention and cure or successful management of cancer through research, education, early detection and public-policy debate; Ensuring the availability and safety of the blood supply and promoting the highest standards of care for blood donors and recipients; Combating infectious disease through prevention-related programs, educational efforts, and therapeutics targeting at-risk populations, with emphasis on the special needs of children and families; and Supporting initiatives in the international medical community to provide vaccines and immunization services to protect at-risk populations, especially children, against the devastation of crippling and lethal diseases. Grants are awarded on a quarterly basis. **Ongoing deadline.**

Christopher D. Smithers Foundation

For over 58 years the Christopher D. Smithers Foundation, Inc. has concentrated its efforts on educating the public that alcoholism is a respectable, treatable disease from which people can and do recover; encouraging prevention programs and activities, with an emphasis on high risk populations; and continually fighting to reduce and eliminate the stigma that is associated with the disease of alcoholism. The grants fund prevention programs and activities, with an emphasis on high risk populations (such as at-risk youth and minority groups); and to continually fight to reduce and eliminate the stigma that is associated with alcoholism. Eligible programs include: prevention, treatment, research, public education, and creating awareness of alcoholism problems in the workforce. **Ongoing deadline.**

CHS Foundation

More than 75 years ago when the predecessors of CHS were formed, the organizations made a commitment to build a strong future for their producer-owners and communities they reached. Today the CHS Foundation continues to carry out that commitment by supporting education and leadership programs that invest in the future of agriculture, cooperative business and rural America. The CHS Foundation grants up to \$1,000 to innovative academic and leadership programs that strengthen student learning and enhance professional development. Examples include: leadership training opportunities, mentorship programs, professional development experiences and student fundraising efforts. Funds are awarded to campus-sanctioned club/organization that have an agricultural-related focus. **Ongoing deadline.**

Cigna Foundation

The Cigna Foundation believes that being a good corporate citizen means channeling their resources into programs that improve the quality of life for others. That's something they take very seriously; it's part of being "a business of caring." CIGNA and the CIGNA Foundation offer help in a number of ways... by providing grants and funds to qualified organizations, by sponsoring charitable causes and events and by simply contributing their time and energy wherever and whenever possible. The Foundation has identified four broad categories for grant consideration: Health and Human Services; Education; Community and Civic Affairs; and Culture and the Arts. **Ongoing deadline.**

Cingular Wireless

Cingular supports community-based programs and organizations that address educational, cultural, and social issues affecting the quality of life in the communities in which Cingular employees work and live. Their commitment to community is aligned with the same spirit that drives their dedication to helping customers determine which products and services best meet their needs. They try to support their communities in ways that help them enhance their unique characteristics, stimulate innovation, and provide local solutions to meet critical needs. Cingular's employees are a key element in their community relations. Cingular's heritage of community service is encouraged throughout their company as it enhances their employees' morale and strengthens their skills, as well as serves vital needs in the community. Cingular's philanthropic endeavors include: assisting victims of domestic abuse; helping in times of disaster; and offering financial support to several national organizations and many local non-profits in their communities, as well as encouraging their employees to volunteer with these organizations. **Ongoing deadline.**

Citigroup Foundation

Citigroup's and the Citigroup Foundation's giving in 2003 totaled \$88.8 million to organizations in more than 80 countries. Over the last three years, the Foundation's international grantmaking increased steadily, from \$13.1 million in 2001 to \$15.7

million in 2003. Working with a global network of colleagues and partners, the Foundation gives grants focused in three main areas: Financial Education, Educating the Next Generation, and Building Communities and Entrepreneurs. **Ongoing deadline.**

Clark Youth Incentive Program

The Victor C. Clark Youth Incentive Program was established with the objective of providing support for the development of Amateur Radio among high-school age (or younger) youth. Funded by endowment and contributor support, the Program makes mini-grants available to groups that demonstrate serious intent to promote participation in Amateur Radio by youth and enrich the experience of radio amateurs under the age of 18. Groups that qualify for mini-grants will include, but not be limited to, high school radio clubs, youth groups, and general-interest radio clubs that sponsor subgroups of young people or otherwise make a special effort to get them involved in club activities. Mini-grants, not to exceed \$1000 per grant, will be made for such projects as securing equipment for antennas for club stations, purchasing training materials, supporting local service projects that bring favorable public exposure, and similar activities. Preference will be given to projects for which matching funds are raised locally. An applicant for a mini-grant must write a brief, but complete proposal including such items as: names, call signs (if applicable), addresses and telephone numbers of sponsors; objectives of the proposed program; existing resources if relevant (e.g. status of school club station, etc.); concise, realistic statement of financial need; description of local resources (e.g. matching funds, specific financial and/or equipment/material contributions); commitment of relevant local non-ham group (e.g. school, school science coordinator and/or principle, school board); any relevant supporting documentation including letters of support, letters of intent, pledges and the like; timeframe; local evaluation process; and criteria for evaluating program effectiveness/success. **Ongoing deadline.**

Coca-Cola Foundation

The Coca-Cola Foundation aims to provide youth with the educational opportunities and support systems they need to become knowledgeable and productive citizens. Education is a fundamental means to help individuals reach their full potential. The Foundation, by committing its resources to education, can help to address society's greatest educational challenges and to provide quality learning opportunities. The Coca-Cola Foundation's focus on education continues a tradition of more than a century of corporate philanthropy. The Foundation's support of quality education is one way The Coca-Cola Company fulfills its responsibilities as a corporate citizen. The Coca-Cola Foundation encourages new solutions to countless problems that impede educational systems today, and it supports existing programs that work. Because the challenges for education are so broad, the Foundation's commitment is multifaceted. It offers support to public and private colleges and universities, elementary and secondary schools, teacher-training programs, educational programs for minority students, and global educational programs. The Coca-Cola Foundation devotes much of its efforts to partnership in three main areas: higher education, classroom teaching and learning, and global education. **Ongoing deadline.**

Colgate Youth For America

Since 1972, the Colgate Youth for America Program has recognized outstanding community service projects by local clubs and troops of six major youth organizations across the United States: Girl Scouts of the USA, Boy Scouts of America, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Girls Incorporated, Camp Fire Boys and Girls, and National 4-H Council. Winning projects have focused on such programs as environmental preservation, adult literacy, community restoration, food and clothing donation programs, foster care, senior citizen outreach and substance abuse prevention. With

more than 300 winners selected annually, over \$5.5 million has been awarded to local clubs and troops in the program's 29-year history. **Ongoing deadline.**

Comcast Foundation

Comcast provides financial support to the organizations that make their communities stronger. They're most excited by literacy, volunteerism, and youth leadership programs. They have also established the Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program for outstanding youth in their communities, recognizing them for their achievements by helping them pay for a college education, thereby enabling them to reach their full potential. Comcast is intent on finding organizations and programs that can show that they really do make a difference. (In other words: they're all about results.)

Organizations receiving support from The Comcast Foundation are proactively identified by their local Comcast systems or are part of their national programs such as Comcast Cares Day. Their primary focus is in funding diversity-oriented programs that address literacy, volunteerism and youth leadership development. Only 501(c)(3) organizations operating within Comcast communities will be considered. **Ongoing deadline.**

Commonwealth Fund

The Commonwealth Fund promotes high-performing healthcare systems that achieve improved access, quality and efficiency, particularly for society's most vulnerable individuals, including those with low-incomes, the uninsured, minority Americans, young children, people with disabilities and the elderly. The fund awards grants to tax-exempt organizations and institutions and public agencies engaged in a range of fields including: healthcare quality improvement and efficiency; patient-centered coordinated care; quality of care for frail elders; state high performance health systems; and fellowship in minority health policy. For grants in amounts less than or equal to \$50,000, the median award has been approximately \$20,000. The Commonwealth Fund encourages and accepts unsolicited requests on an ongoing basis. **Ongoing deadline.**

Community-Based Technology Centers

Microsoft believes that everyone has potential. Sometimes people just need the resources to realize it.

Confirming their belief that amazing things happen when people have the resources they need, Microsoft has seen remarkable results from their giving efforts. They're excited about the opportunities ahead and share resources, innovative technology, and ideas with organizations and individuals who work in underserved communities. Microsoft Unlimited Potential (UP) is a global initiative that focuses on improving lifelong learning for disadvantaged young people and adults by providing technology skills through community technology and learning centers (CTLCs). Microsoft believes that by providing technical skills training to disadvantaged individuals, they can partner to create social and economic opportunities that can change peoples' lives and transform communities. Microsoft seeks to remove the limits to individual potential around the world by eliminating technology illiteracy. **Ongoing deadline.**

Community Catalyst Grants

The Bank of America Foundation has three primary areas of giving: providing educational opportunities, building inclusive communities and promoting cultural outreach. It funds efforts that support issues such as: literacy, school readiness, economic education, teacher preparation, need-based and merit scholarships, work readiness, economic revitalization efforts, environmental awareness and urban planning, disaster relief, diversity and multicultural awareness, and arts education. **Ongoing deadline.**

Community Development Fund

Their mission is to promote the work of community development financial institutions (CDFIs). Nationwide, over 1000 CDFIs serve economically distressed communities by providing credit, capital and financial services that are often unavailable from mainstream financial institutions. CDFIs have loaned and invested over billions in our nation's most distressed communities. Even better, their loans and investments have leveraged billions more dollars from the private sector for development activities in low wealth communities across the nation. Fiscal Year (FY) 2006 marks the 11th round of funding awarded by the CDFI Fund. Since its inception, the Fund has made more than \$800 million in awards to community development organizations and financial institutions. **Ongoing deadline.**

Community Transportation Association

This program provides formula funding to states for the purpose of supporting public transportation in areas of less than 50,000 population. It is apportioned in proportion to each State's non-urbanized population. Funding may be used for capital, operating, State administration, and project administration expenses. Each state prepares an annual program of projects, which must provide for fair and equitable distribution of funds within the states, including Indian reservations, and must provide for maximum feasible coordination with transportation services assisted by other Federal sources. The goals of the nonurbanized formula program are: 1) to enhance the access of people in nonurbanized areas to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services, and recreation; 2) to assist in the maintenance, development, improvement, and use of public transportation systems in rural and small urban areas; 3) to encourage and facilitate the most efficient use of all Federal funds used to provide passenger transportation in nonurbanized areas through the coordination of programs and services; 4) to assist in the development and support of intercity bus transportation; and 5) to provide for the participation of private transportation providers in nonurbanized transportation to the maximum extent feasible. Funds may be used for capital, operating, and administrative assistance to state agencies, local public bodies, and nonprofit organizations (including Indian tribes and groups), and operators of public transportation services. The state must use 15 percent of its annual apportionment to support intercity bus service, unless the Governor certifies that these needs of the state are adequately met. Projects to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Clean Air Act, or bicycle access projects, may be funded at 90 percent Federal match. The maximum FTA share for operating assistance is 50 percent of the net operating costs. **Ongoing deadline.**

Computers For Learning

The CFL program places computers in our classrooms and prepares our children to contribute and compete in the 21st century. The program transfers excess Federal computer equipment to schools and educational nonprofit organizations, giving special consideration to those with the greatest need. The CFL website connects the registered needs of schools and educational nonprofit organizations with available Government computer equipment. **Ongoing registration.**

Computers for Youth Foundation

Computers for Youth (CYF) works directly with public schools to improve the home learning environments of their students. CFY begins with students in the sixth grade -- the earliest grade in middle school -- and expands to more senior grades in subsequent years. CFY uses an application and interview process to select schools with the following characteristics: strong leadership and a motivated, enthusiastic staff; commitment to connecting students' in-school and at-home learning and to increasing parent/family involvement; 75% or more students eligible for federally subsidized lunch; and resources available to support the project. CFY's Take IT Home program is designed

to improve children's learning environment at home and to strengthen the school-home connection. The program has three goals: enhance the educational resources in children's homes, improve parent-child interaction around learning at home, and help teachers contribute to and take advantage of a stronger school-home connection. **Ongoing deadline.**

ConAgra Foods Foundation

Their mission is to improve the quality of life in communities where ConAgra Foods employees work and live. They focus their resources in these areas: Arts and Culture; Civic and Community Betterment; Education; Health and Human Services; Hunger, Nutrition and Food Safety. ConAgra Foods is a multi-faceted company operating in many communities across the United States. Because of ConAgra Foods' major commitment to fighting child hunger in America, there is limited funding available for other new initiatives. Grant proposals will be accepted, however, from organizations meeting these criteria: organization must have IRS 501(c)3 tax-exempt status; organization must have been in existence for at least one year; organization or project must provide a solution for specific community needs; and organization must be well-managed, fiscally responsible and demonstrate success in meeting goals. To find out if your organization has a ConAgra Foods facility nearby, please consult your local phone directory or contact your Chamber of Commerce. Recent grants were awarded in the range of \$25 0 \$310,000, however, most awards are under \$5,000. **Proposals must be received by the last working day of January, April, July, and October.**

ConocoPhillips Co.

Since Phillips Petroleum Co., now ConocoPhillips, entered the field of educational film series in 1976, it has produced high quality educational videos and teachers' guides in the subjects of math, science and environmental topics. These videos and guides are free and easily accessible to any public school in the country, including the states that are outside of ConocoPhillips' marketing area. The programs focus on critical classroom needs and not on forwarding ConocoPhillips' interests or promoting its products. Company acknowledgement will be limited to brief visual identification at the beginning or end of each program. Please note that video supplies are limited. **Ongoing deadline.**

Corning Inc. Foundation

The Corning Incorporated Foundation, established in 1952, develops and administers projects in support of educational, cultural, community and selected national organizations. Over the years, the Foundation has contributed more than \$83,000,000 through its programs of giving. Resources are directed primarily toward initiatives, which improve the quality of life in and near locations where Corning Incorporated is an active corporate citizen. Each year, the Foundation fulfills approximately 225 grants totaling some \$2,250,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Covidien

Covidien, a healthcare device and supply company, accepts health grant requests under guidelines of its Partnership for Neighborhood Wellness. In general, requests should aim to fund local community health centers or clinics to enlarge their medical staff and add diagnostic tests and treatments or disease prevention and education initiatives; fund consumer education related to specific diseases or medical conditions; provide education and awareness, with emphasis on prevention; provide medical professionals with additional tools to address health needs; and raise money for capital campaigns for building clinics or healthcare facilities in impoverished communities. In addition, programs should directly benefit a community by increasing access to quality, affordable healthcare; benefit people suffering from a specific disease for which treatment options

are not affordable or readily available; and support development of new approaches to prevention. Grants are made bi-annually. **Ongoing deadline.**

Cristina Foundation

National Cristina Foundation (NCF) provides computer technology and solutions to give people with disabilities, students at risk and economically disadvantaged persons the opportunity, through training, to lead more independent and productive lives. NCF encourages corporations and individuals to donate surplus and used computers, software, peripherals and related business technology. NCF directs those donations to training and educational organizations. All donated equipment is distributed to these organizations FREE. **Ongoing deadline.**

CyberLearning Matching Grants

The mission of the CyberLearning Match Grant is to provide the highest quality education to all, especially the disadvantaged, at the lowest fee. They provide up to 50% matching grants to all eligible organizations including schools, colleges, non-profits, workforce development programs, banks, government agencies and corporations. Matching grants may be used to access their 1,000 plus high-quality online courses in IT (Information Technology- all levels and almost all topics), Management (Harvard ManageMentor modules) and TestPrep (Barrons SAT, TOEFL, GRE, GMAT"). In addition, they provide follow up cash grants to the grantees to assist them in implementing holistic CyberLearning or TTCM (Teacher/Mentor-Technology-Courseware-Motivation) solutions that make a difference in the lives of their target populations. Grantees can use the follow up cash grants to improve teacher/mentor training as well as to acquire computers, software, access and motivational rewards for students and teachers. **Ongoing deadline.**

CVS Caremark Community Grants

An annual philanthropic initiative of CVS Caremark, the CVS Caremark Community Grants program awards funds to nonprofit organizations working to help disabled individuals 21 and under lead full and independent lives, and to programs that help the uninsured receive quality health care. Applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis for grants in the following funding areas: 1) Children with disabilities: Support for programs that serve individuals 21 and under and address any of the following: Health and Rehabilitation Services -- programs that help ensure children with disabilities develop the skills they need to live as independently as possible, including physical and occupational therapies, speech and hearing therapies, assistive technology, and recreational therapies; and programs that provide either physical activities or play opportunities for children to address the specific needs of the population served. 2) Public schools: Support for programs designed to include children with disabilities as full participants alongside their typically developing peers. 3) Health care for the uninsured and underserved: Support for programs working to help more uninsured people receive needed care and ensure that the care received is of high quality and delivered by providers who participate in accountable community healthcare programs. There is no age limit on proposed programs that create greater access to healthcare services. Applicants must be nonprofit organizations or public schools located in states with CVS/pharmacy stores. Qualifying organizations are eligible for grants of up to \$5,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption

The Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption's primary interest is in funding projects that directly impact permanency through adoption of waiting children in the United States and Canada. Emphasis will be given to programs and projects on a national or regional basis that will help move children out of foster care and into adoptive homes. The

Foundation is especially interested in addressing the permanency needs of children who are older, medically and/or emotionally challenged, from an ethnic minority and/or sibling groups who seek to be adopted together. The Foundation welcomes grant requests from U.S. and Canadian tax-exempt organizations. Preference will be given to applications that: propose innovative recruitment and adoption awareness efforts that are easily replicated on a national basis; develop successful methods for overcoming procedural, bureaucratic or financial obstacles to adoption; clearly delineate outcome measures; are cost effective; include partnerships with other organizations, corporations or foundations; and have significant potential to demonstrate innovative service delivery to adoptive families and adopted children. **Ongoing deadline (deadlines are April 9, August 6, and November 5 annually).**

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.**

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.**

Fordham Street Foundation Grants

The Fordham Street Foundation supports efforts to close the gap in academic achievement between advantaged and disadvantaged youth. We seek to fund effective nonprofit organizations committed to giving all children access to innovative teaching strategies and experiences that lead to improved academic performance and personal success. By investing in quality education we can build a better future for all children. Eligibility includes tax-exempt organizations and Fordham is currently limiting its review and funding to grant proposals that target minority academic achievement. **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.**