



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

A Service Provided by the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives
Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr., Governor Paula Parker-Sawyers, Executive Director

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Greetings,

This *Funding Opportunities* listing is provided to you by the Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives (OFBCI). The OFBCI was established by Governor Mitch Daniels with Executive Order 05-16. Our office is responsible for the management of the AmeriCorps*State program in Indiana. Additionally, this office will reach out to faith-based organizations to familiarize them with state and federal opportunities for grants and programs and provide training and technical assistance where appropriate for both community and faith based organizations.

We believe that another important part of our mission is to share with organizations throughout the state information regarding various funding opportunities that may address a specific need. Monthly, a listing of funding opportunities will be sent to you electronically which represents notices this office has received within the last 30 days. The listing is organized chronologically so that you can review funding opportunities based on the published deadline. We will make every effort to only publish available grants whose deadline is two weeks or more in the future, recognizing that it takes substantial staff time to develop successful grants. We hope that you will use this listing to further your mission and will let us know if you are successful in securing additional resources.

Paula Parker-Sawyers
Executive Director
Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives



Minority Business Opportunity Center

SUMMARY: MBDA currently funds a network of eight (8) MBOC projects located across the U.S. MBDA will compete in the following geographical service areas: Alabama MBOC, Chicago MBOC, Florida MBOC, Gary, Indiana MBOC, Los Angeles, California MBOC, Washington, DC MBOC, Wisconsin MBOC. MBOC projects provide technical assistance and brokering services to eligible minority business enterprises (MBEs) with an emphasis on firms with \$500,000 or more in annual revenues or firms with “rapid growth potential” (collectively, the Strategic Growth Initiative” or “SGI” firms). In addition, MBOCs provide access to procurement and financing opportunities within the public and private sectors. MBOC operators and executive directors should have experience in and knowledge of the local minority business sector and demonstrated ability to access key decision makers. MBOCs are supported by a volunteer advisory committee that assists the MBOC in implementing program requirements and providing contract and financing opportunities to MBEs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; individuals; private institutions of higher education; special district governments; county governments; for profit organizations other than small businesses; state governments; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; small businesses; Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments); Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized); nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; City or township governments.

DUE DATE: **January 18, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: Estimated total program funding, \$1,750,000; expected number of awards, 8.

INFORMATION: Web: <http://www.mbda.gov>

Disney Minnie Grants for Global Youth Service Day 2008

SUMMARY: The Walt Disney Company and Youth Service America are excited to announce grants of up to \$500 to support youth-led service projects. These grants support youth (ages 5-14) in planning and implementing service projects in their community. Teachers, older youth (15-25), and youth-serving organizations are also eligible to apply, if they engage younger youth (5-14) in planning and implementing the project. A significant part of the service must take place on GYSD 2008, April 25-27. We encourage youth to address important issues such as climate change, malaria or other diseases, human rights, literacy, or others.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applications are welcome from all countries. While grant information will be available in: Español (Spanish), Français (French), Russian, Chinese, and Hindi, applications will be accepted in English only (an online translation tool is available at the YSA website). Applicants from China, India, and Russia are especially encouraged to apply. Past Disney Minnie Grantees are also eligible to apply.

DUE DATE: January 21, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$500

INFORMATION: E-mail: MinnieGrant@ysa.org
 Website: <http://ysa.org/AwardsGrants/tabid/58/Default.aspx>



Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Ashoka's Changemakers -- Young Men at Risk: Transforming the Power of a Generation

SUMMARY: Young Men at Risk: Transforming the Power of a Generation, an online, open source competition co-sponsored by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Vulnerable Populations Portfolio and Changemakers, looks to identify the most innovative approaches to helping young men ages 15 to 25 fulfill their potential and become healthy, successful adults.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: The competition will be open to all types of organizations (charitable organizations, private companies, or public entities) from all countries.

DUE DATE: January 23, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Three competition winners will each receive \$5,000 from Changemakers.

INFORMATION:
 E-mail: menatrisk@changemakers.net Web:
<http://www.changemakers.net/en-us/competition/men>



**National Endowment for the Humanities -
- We the People Bookshelf Program**

SUMMARY: The We the People Bookshelf is a set of classic books for young readers from kindergarten through high school. Each year, the National Endowment for the Humanities identifies a theme important to the nation's heritage and selects books that embody that theme. This collection of theme-related books is the bookshelf. In addition to introducing young readers to good literature, the bookshelf promotes understanding of abstract or general ideas through the power of particular stories. This year's theme is "Created Equal."

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Any U.S. public library or K-12 school library in the United States and its territories. School libraries include public, private, parochial, and charter schools. Libraries with collections that circulate to the general public and offer reading-based programs for the general public are eligible to apply. A library system or school district may apply on behalf of its member schools or branches.

DUE DATE: **January 25, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: The program will award 3,000 libraries a set of classic books.

INFORMATION: Tel: (800) 545-2433, ext. 5045
E-mail: publicprograms@ala.org
Web: <http://www.wethepeople.gov/bookshelf/createdEqual.html>



**Inspiration--Technology Scholarships for
Educators**

SUMMARY: Inspired Teacher Scholarships for Visual Learning, a program of Inspiration Software, offers support for professional development activities for educators in K-12 schools, colleges, and universities who champion the integration of visual learning into the curriculum. Visual learning is a proven method in which ideas, concepts, and data are associated with images and represented graphically.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Visit the website for program details and application guidelines.

DUE DATE: **January 25, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: Eight scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded in each of three categories: Inspiration, InspireData, and Kidspiration. In addition, one entry will be selected as Best Overall Visual Learning Project and receive an additional \$1,000 bonus. Scholarships must be used either to purchase classroom technology or to participate in professional development activities that focus on visual learning and technology.

INFORMATION:
[http://www.inspiration.com/prodev/index.cfm?
fuseaction=scholarship&CFID=31974429&CFTOKEN=4414691](http://www.inspiration.com/prodev/index.cfm?fuseaction=scholarship&CFID=31974429&CFTOKEN=4414691)



U.S. Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools -- Integration of Schools and Mental Health Systems

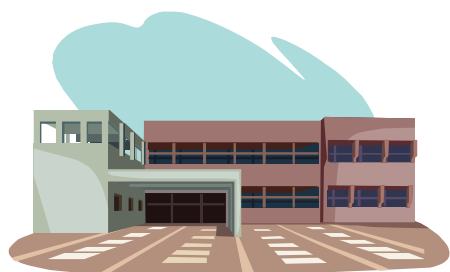
SUMMARY: Grants for the Integration of Schools and Mental Health Systems will provide funds to increase student access to high-quality mental health care by developing innovative approaches that link school systems with the local mental-health system.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: State educational agencies; local educational agencies (LEAs), including charter schools that are considered LEAs under state law; and Indian tribes. (See program announcement for additional eligibility requirements.)

DUE DATE: **January 30, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: Estimated range of awards: \$150,000-\$350,000; Estimated average size of awards: \$250,000; Estimated number of awards: 19.

INFORMATION: Dana Carr, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 3E332, FB6, Washington, DC 20202, 202-260-0823. E-mail: dana.carr@ed.gov
 Web: www.grants.gov (Funding Opportunity # ED-Grants-120707-001)



Exemplary Cultural Programs for Children Recognized

SUMMARY: The Coming Up Taller Awards, administered by the President’s Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, recognize and reward excellence in after-school and out-of-school arts and humanities programs for underserved children and youth.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Programs initiated by museums, libraries, performing arts organizations, universities, arts centers, community service organizations, schools, and government entities are encouraged to apply. To be eligible, programs must have been in operation for a minimum of five years.

DUE DATE: **January 31, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: Fifteen programs are selected annually to receive a \$10,000 award, a Coming Up Taller Awards plaque, and an invitation to attend the annual Coming Up Taller Leadership Enhancement Conference.

INFORMATION: <http://www.cominguptaller.org/>

Wells Fargo Housing Foundation

SUMMARY: The primary focus of the Wells Fargo Housing Foundation is to increase low-income homeownership through the development of affordable housing, and to provide shelter and supportive services for homeless and disabled adult populations.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Established nonprofit housing organizations (organizations with at least two complete audit cycles) meeting these needs in communities where Wells Fargo provides products and services may apply. To be eligible, an organization must be tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3).

DUE DATE: **February 1, 2008; May 1, 2008; August 1, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: Average grant is \$7,000.

INFORMATION: Kimberly Jackson, Executive Director, Wells Fargo Housing Foundation, MAC N9305-192, 90 South 7th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55479, (612) 667-2146. Web: <http://www.wellsfargo.com/about/wfhf/guidelines.jhtml>

U.S. Department of Education, Office of Innovation and Improvement -- Charter School Program (CSP)

SUMMARY: The purpose of the CSP is to increase national understanding of the charter school model and to expand the number of high-quality charter schools available to students across the nation by providing financial assistance for the planning, program design, and initial implementation of charter schools, and to evaluate the effects of charter schools, including their effects on students, student academic achievement, staff, and parents.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: State educational agencies in states with a state statute specifically authorizing the establishment of charter schools.

DUE DATE: **February 1, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: Estimated range of awards: \$500,000-\$10,000,000 per year. Estimated average size of awards: \$5,000,000 per year. Estimated number of awards: 8-10.

INFORMATION: Dean Kern, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 4W227, Washington, DC 20202-5961, (202) 260-1882. E-mail: dean.kern@ed.gov
 Web: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-23390.htm>

State Implementation Grants for Integrated Community Systems for CSHCN

SUMMARY: The purpose of this initiative is to support statewide implementation of the HRSA component of the Presidents New Freedom Initiative to create inclusive community based systems of services for children and youth with special health care needs. Under this initiative HRSA's Maternal and Child Health Bureau has the lead in developing and implementing a plan to achieve appropriate community based service systems, as defined by the following components family professional partnership comprehensive health care through a medical home access to adequate health insurance early and continuous screening organization of community services for easy use by families and transition to adult health care work and independence. Applicants must be or work closely with the State Title V Program for Children with Special Health Care Needs, have a complete and current statewide needs assessment that addresses the States status in each of the 6 systems components, work with partners to develop and implement a statewide plan to achieve a community based system of services for CYSHCN using evidenced based and best practices models recommended by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau, integrate the plan into the Title V Block Grant and other public private programs serving CYSHCN and their families, define a comprehensive evaluation plan using national state and community data and demonstrate the capacity to gather and report on systems outcomes related to system outcomes for CYSHCN, identify, recruit and lead teams which will participate in learning collaboratives designed to improve access to a medical home and demonstrate the capability to sustain the project beyond Federal funding.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Faith-based and community organizations are eligible to apply.

DUE DATE: **February 1, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: 11 awards totaling \$3,300,000.

INFORMATION: CallCenter@HRSA.GOV 1-877-464-4772 or 301-998-7373. Web: <https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID=1679C4C3-EFCF-4B54-90EC-B01911292DB5>

Learning Opportunities for Urban Youth Funded

SUMMARY: The mission of the Tiger Woods Foundation is to empower young people to reach their highest potential by initiating and supporting community-based programs that promote the health, education, and welfare of America's children. The Foundation currently provides grants to nonprofit organizations that focus on underserved youth, ages 5-17, living in urban American cities. Specific areas of interest include programs that enhance the learning process for youth as well as year-round mentoring and tutoring programs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Visit their website to fill out the eligibility worksheet.

DUE DATE: February 1, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Between \$2,500 and \$25,000

INFORMATION: Web: <http://www.tigerwoodsfoundation.org/grants/default.sps?itype=7609>

CHOICES--Grants Encourage Campus Alcohol Education Programs

SUMMARY: The National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) assists in educating student athletes and creating an environment that promotes healthy choices about alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use. The CHOICES program provides funding for NCAA member institutions and conferences to integrate athletics into efforts to reduce alcohol abuse on college campuses. Support is provided for the development, implementation, and evaluation of effective campus-wide alcohol education and prevention programs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: CHOICES projects must be collaborative efforts that include athletics and other campus organizations.

DUE DATE: February 15, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

INFORMATION: http://www1.ncaa.org/membership/ed_outreach/health-safety/drug_ed_progs/ncaachoice.pdf

Enhanced Training and Services to End Violence and Abuse of Women Later in Life Program

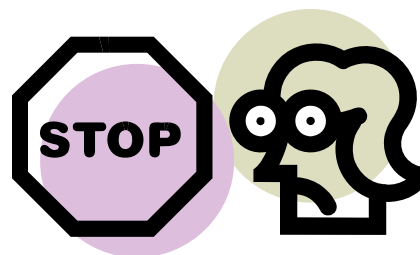
SUMMARY: The Enhanced Training and Services to End Violence Against and Abuse of Women Later in Life Program will fund projects that will implement a comprehensive approach to addressing elder abuse in their communities. This comprehensive approach will encompass providing training to criminal justice professionals, governmental agencies and victim assistants to enhance their ability to address elder abuse, neglect and exploitation in their communities; providing cross training opportunities to professionals working with older victims; developing or enhancing a community coordinated responses to elder abuse; and providing or enhancing services for victims who are 50 years of age or older.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: State governments; county governments; city or township governments; special district governments; Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized); Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments); nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education.

DUE DATE: February 7, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: \$500,000

INFORMATION: Web: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/currentsolicitations.htm>



National Endowment for the Arts -- The Big Read

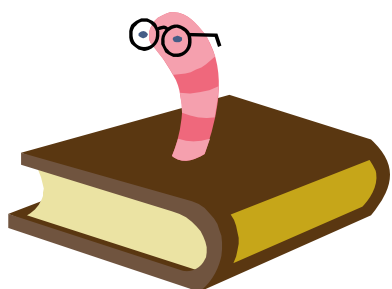
SUMMARY: The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts, in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture and bring the transformative power of literature into the lives of its citizens. Created by the National Endowment for the Arts in cooperation with Arts Midwest, The Big Read brings together partners across the country to encourage citizens to read for pleasure and enlightenment.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applicant organizations must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization or a division of state, local, or tribal government. Eligible applicants include such organizations as literary centers, libraries, museums, colleges and universities, art centers, historical societies, arts councils, tribal governments, humanities councils, literary festivals, and arts organizations. Applicant organizations must partner with a library (if the applicant organization itself is not a library). K-12 schools and school districts, whether public or private, may not be the lead applicant, but are encouraged to partner with libraries, literary centers, museums, and other eligible applicants.

DUE DATE: February 12, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Applicants may apply for grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000.

INFORMATION: The Big Read, Arts Midwest, 2908 Hennepin Avenue, Suite 200, Minneapolis, MN 55408, (612) 341-0755. E-mail: TheBigRead@artsmidwest.org
Web: <http://www.neabigread.org/guidelines.php>



Hewlett-Packard (HP) -- HP Technology for Teaching Grant Initiative

SUMMARY: The HP Technology for Teaching Grant Initiative is designed to support innovative and effective uses of technology in the classroom setting. In 2008, HP will grant awards to K-12 public schools that are using a collaborative, team-based approach to implementing technology integration projects. The activities of the project must be focused on using technology to teach, rather than on teaching students to use technology.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: To receive the HP Technology for Teaching Grant for K-12 schools, schools must: be a K-12 public school in the United States (including Puerto Rico); have been open and operating as a school beginning no later than the 2005-06 school year; have the physical and technical infrastructure at the school to support use of the Internet in classroom instruction. Requirements include: (1) local area network installed in the school, with at least one network data port and two electrical outlets available in each classroom where a teacher on the project team will be teaching (2) technical support in the building or in the district available to provide support and maintenance of granted products; certify administrative support for implementation of the proposed grant project; form a team composed of five full-time, certified teachers (or teachers working under an emergency credential) who are employees of a single school and spend the majority of their time during the school day leading class instruction directly with students (not one-on-one or tutorial interaction).

DUE DATE: Proposals must be completed in an online grant application system accessible after Tuesday, January 8, 2008, via the HP Technology for Teaching Web site and submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. Pacific time on Thursday, February 14, 2008.

AWARD AMOUNT: HP will select teams of five teachers from approximately 110 schools to receive the equipment and professional development support they need to effectively integrate technology into their instruction. The value of the grant award to each school is approximately \$40,000.

INFORMATION: For further information visit the HP Technology for Teaching Grant Web site. If your questions are not addressed in the Frequently Asked Questions area, you are welcome to submit your own question through the online form available on that page. Web: <http://www.hp.com/go/hpteach>
Program information:
http://www.hp.com/hpinfo/grants/us/programs/tech_teaching/2008_tech_for_teaching_rfp_k12.pdf

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service -- Food Stamp Outreach Competition

SUMMARY: The purpose of these grants is to implement and study effective strategies to inform and educate potentially eligible low-income people not currently participating in the Food Stamp Program (FSP) about the nutrition benefits of the FSP, eligibility rules, and how to apply.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Entities eligible for these outreach grants are private nonprofit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations, and public entities with the exception of state and local FSP agencies.

DUE DATE: February 19, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: At least \$1,000,000, contingent upon availability, is available for grant awards under this competition. The maximum grant award is \$75,000.

INFORMATION: Leslie Byrd, Grants Officer, 703-305-2867. E-mail: leslie.byrd@fns.usda.gov . Web: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/outreach/grants/2008/default.htm>

Nancy R. Gelman Foundation -- 2008 Seed Grant Program

SUMMARY: The Nancy R. Gelman Foundation announces its 2008 Seed Grant Program. The foundation is extremely pleased to fund projects aimed at improving outcomes for women with breast cancer.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Projects for which a seed grant may be awarded must: demonstrate a need for start-up, interim, or supplemental funding within the period of April 1, 2007, to April 1, 2008; not already be funded by other sources. (Projects that represent a clear new initiative extending beyond the scope of a currently funded project are permissible.); prospectively state an objective outcome measure that will be used to gauge project success.

DUE DATE: February 20, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Seed grant amounts will not exceed \$3,000 to any one recipient.

INFORMATION: E-mail: grants@nrgf.org. Web: <http://www.nrgf.org/grants.html>

U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) -- HIV/AIDS Prevention Grants Program 2008

SUMMARY: The United States Conference of Mayors (USCM), in cooperation with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, is issuing a request for proposals for the HIV/AIDS Prevention Grants Program to strengthen local capacities to carry out effective HIV/AIDS prevention activities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Local health departments; Community-based organizations (CBOs); Federally recognized Indian tribes; Existing agencies/consortia that have formed collaborative efforts between multiple groups or agencies; Any CBO applying under this program must have been certified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) organization prior to February 25, 2008, or be certified by the state as a nonprofit agency.

DUE DATE: February 25, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: USCM plans to award grants totaling approximately \$420,000 to local health departments, nonprofit community-based organizations, and Native American tribes for implementation of HIV/AIDS prevention projects for high-risk women of color. Funding will be divided into six grants of approximately \$70,000 each. (Note: in some years, extra funds have become available, and additional grants have been made from the same pool of applicants. Prospects for this year are unknown.)

INFORMATION: Ms. Lillie Brown, HIV/AIDS Program, Collaborative Grants Program, The United States Conference of Mayors, 1620 Eye Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 293-7330. E-mail: lbrown@usmayors.org Web: <http://usmayors.org/hivprevention/rfp08.pdf>

Action For Nature's International Young Eco-Hero Awards

SUMMARY: Action For Nature, a nonprofit organization that encourages young people around the world to carry out individual environmental action projects, presents the International Young Eco-Hero Awards to recognize the individual accomplishments of young people (ages 8-16) whose personal actions have significantly improved the environment. Action For Nature will award cash prizes of up to \$500 each to young Eco-Heroes for their outstanding accomplishments in environmental advocacy, environmental health, research, or protection of the natural world.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: The applications will be judged according to several criteria, including but not limited to originality, difficulty, organization, length of time devoted to the project, influencing/educating others, use of outside resources (e.g., library, experts, media, community leaders), degree of success in reaching goals, and the impact on the environment.

DUE DATE: February 28, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$500.

INFORMATION: <http://www.actionfornature.org/>

Meacham Foundation Memorial Grant

SUMMARY: Every year the American Humane Association provides support for local animal shelter expansion or improvements through the Meacham Foundation Memorial Grant. Funded organizations should have or plan to have a structure within which animals are sheltered; work with an animal population primarily comprising dogs, cats, and/or horses; and place animals in private homes by means of an adoption program. The grants can only be used for animal environment enrichment, construction, physical improvements, or equipment that directly impacts the welfare of animals in the shelter.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applying organizations and agencies must be current members of the American Humane Association.

DUE DATE: February 29, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

INFORMATION: http://www.americanhumane.org/site/PageServer?pagename=pa_shelter_services_grants_meacham

Home Depot Foundation -- Affordable Housing Built Responsibly

SUMMARY: The Home Depot Foundation makes grants to 501(c)(3) tax-exempt public charities in the United States and to charitable organizations in Canada. Support is given to programs and projects that align with the foundation's mission and grant criteria. Preference is given to proposals that include community engagement; that result in the production, preservation, or financing of housing units for low- to moderate-income families; and that address as many of the following considerations as possible: resource efficiency in design, construction, and operations; minimization of the depletion of natural resources, including timber and water; inclusion of landscaping features such as trees and shrubs that minimize demand for water and synthetic chemicals and reduce heat island effect; utilization of innovative and durable materials to reduce cost; the use of more environmentally friendly building materials; site planning with minimal environmental impact; energy-efficiency and renewable energy use; indoor air quality improvement, including moisture control and proper ventilation; smart site planning and land use.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: The Home Depot Foundation will only fund nonprofit organizations that are designated as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code in the United States or that have a notification of registration and confirmation of registration from the Canadian Customs and Revenue Agency Charities Division in Canada.

DUE DATE: March 1, 2008 and July 1, 2008

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

INFORMATION: The Home Depot Foundation, 2455 Paces Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA 30339, Tel: (770) 384-3889 or (866) 593-7019 (toll free). Fax: (770) 384-3908 or (866) 593-7027. E-mail: hd_foundation@homedepot.com Web: http://www.homedepotfoundation.org/support_housing_apply.html



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U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Community Services -- Assets for Independence Demonstration Program

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families, Office of Community Services, will accept applications for grants to establish and administer Assets for Independence (AFI) projects. Grantees provide an array of supports and services to enable individuals and families with low incomes to become economically self-sufficient for the long term. A primary feature of each AFI project is that project participants are given access to special matched savings accounts called Individual Development Accounts, in which participants save earned income for the purchase of a home, for business capitalization, or to attend higher education or training. Grantees also ensure that participants have access to financial literacy education and coaching, including training on money management and consumer issues.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: State, county, local, city, township, or special district governments; Regional organizations; Independent school districts; Public and state-controlled institutions of higher education; Private institutions of higher education; Historically Black colleges and universities; Tribally controlled colleges and universities; Alaska-Native and Native-Hawaiian-serving institutions; Hispanic-serving institutions; Indian/Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); Indian/Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized); Indian/Native American tribally designated organizations; Public/Indian housing authorities; Nonprofits with 501(c)(3) IRS status (other than institutions of higher education); Nonprofit entities that do not have 501(c)(3) status may only apply as a joint applicant with an entity that is so certified. State, tribal, county, or local governments; school districts; public housing authorities; and other governments or agencies are eligible only as joint applicants with a nonprofit organization that has 501(c)(3) status.

DUE DATE: **March 25, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: Anticipated total priority area funding: \$19,000,000. Anticipated number of awards: 55 to 65. Average projected award amount: \$350,000 per project period.

INFORMATION: James Gatz, Manager, Assets for Independence Program, Office of Community Services, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW, Suite 500 West, Washington, DC 20008, (202) 401-4626. E-mail: afiprogram@acf.hhs.gov
 Web: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2008-ACF-OCS-EI-0053.html>

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) -- Digital Humanities Start-up Grants

SUMMARY: NEH invites proposals for the planning or initial stages of digital initiatives in all areas of the humanities. Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants may involve: research that brings new digital approaches to the study of the humanities or that examines the implications of the use of emerging technologies for humanities scholarship; new digital modes of publication facilitating the dissemination of humanities scholarship in advanced academic as well as informal or formal educational settings at all academic levels; exploration of digital methods or approaches to preserve, archive, and make accessible traditional (i.e., analogue) and "new media" resources in the humanities; planning new digital tools for preserving, analyzing, and making accessible humanities data; programs addressing the innovative use of emerging digital technologies in formal and informal educational settings, including public forums such as museums, libraries, historic sites, and broadcast media, and K-12 schools and post-secondary institutions.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: U.S. nonprofit organizations or institutions; State and local governmental agencies and Native American tribal organizations; U.S. citizens or foreign nationals who have been living in the U.S. or its jurisdictions for at least the three years immediately prior to the application deadline.

DUE DATE: **April 2, 2008**

AWARD AMOUNT: Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants can comprise up to \$30,000 in outright funds. The grant period may extend to eighteen months.

INFORMATION: Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants, c/o Digital Humanities Initiative-OIRM, National Endowment for the Humanities, RM 203, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20506, Fax: (202) 606-8216.
 E-mail: DHI@neh.gov.
 Web: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/digitalhumanitiesstartup.html>