



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 National Service programs, i.e. AmeriCorps, Citizen Corps, etc. throughout the State of 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



Teaching American History Grant Program

SUMMARY: Office of Innovation and Improvement; Teaching American History Grant Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2007
Purpose of Program: Teaching American History grants support projects to raise student achievement by improving teachers' knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of traditional American history. Grant awards assist LEAs, in partnership with entities that have extensive content expertise, to develop, document, evaluate, and disseminate innovative, cohesive models of professional development. By helping teachers to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of traditional American history as a separate subject within the core curriculum, these programs improve instruction and raise student achievement.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Local educational agencies (LEAs), including charter schools that are considered LEAs under State law and regulations, that must work in partnership with one or more of the following entities: An institution of higher education. A non-profit history or humanities organization. A library or museum.

DUE DATE: Notice of Intent due February 7, 2007.
Closing date for applications is March 9, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Expected number of awards, 120.
Estimated program funding, \$50,000,000. Award Ceiling, \$2,000,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Program Managers: Alex Stein or Emily Fitzpatrick, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 4W206, Washington, DC 20202-6200. Telephone: Alex Stein (202) 205-9085 or Emily Fitzpatrick (202) 260-1498.
Email: TeachingAmericanHistory@ed.gov
Website: <http://www.grants.gov/>
Funding Opportunity # ED-GRANTS-010807-001.

Staples “That Was Easy” Competition

SUMMARY: This is a national competition for Youth Venture Teams from the USA who are making life easier for others in society.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: This competition is open to all current Youth Venturers that have a currently active organization, club, or business that has received a seed grant as a Youth Venture team in the Unites States.

DUE DATE: February 7, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,000 seed funding to launch a social venture and a chance to win a trip to the Staples headquarters, \$1000 additional cash, and a \$5000 Staples shopping spree.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

E-mail thatwaseasy@youthventure.org
 Website <http://proxied.changemakers.net/journal/thatwaseasy/index.cfm>

American Library Association (ALA)

SUMMARY: The ALA provides over 50 awards and grants, most on an annual basis. Most awards are for ALA members, librarians, authors, archivists, publishers, or others who have provided some contribution to library science or library programs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Varies by program. See Web site for details.

DUE DATE: Varies by program. See Web site for details.

AWARD AMOUNT: Varies by program. See Web site for details.

CONTACT INFORMATION: American Library Association, 50 E. Huron, Chicago, IL 60611, (800) 545-2433.
 Web: <http://www.ala.org/Template.cfm?Section=awards>

U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) -- Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Program

SUMMARY: The Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program provides an opportunity for communities to support the supervised visitation and safe exchange of children in situations involving domestic violence, dating violence, child abuse, sexual assault, or stalking. Studies have shown that the risk of violence is often greater for victims of domestic violence and their children after separation from an abusive situation. Even after separation, batterers often use visitation and exchange of children as an opportunity to inflict additional emotional, physical, and/or psychological abuse on victims and their children. Visitation and exchange services provided through this program should reflect a clear understanding of the dynamics of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; the impact of domestic violence on children; and the importance of holding offenders accountable for their actions.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applicants are limited to states, Indian tribal governments, and units of local government.

DUE DATE: February 13, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Funds for FY 2007 will be awarded based on the following guidelines: up to \$400,000 for a three-year (36-month) development project; up to \$250,000 for the first two years (24 months) of a five-year local or tribal continuation project; up to \$200,000 for a standard two-year (24-month) local or tribal continuation project; from \$200,000 to \$750,000 for a standard two-year (24-month) state continuation project, depending upon the number of jurisdictions in which supervised visitation centers are being proposed.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Office on Violence Against Women, (202) 307-6026. Web: http://www.usdoj.gov/ovw/docs/safe_havens122106.pdf

U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention -- Family Drug Courts Program

SUMMARY: The goal of the Family Drug Courts Program is to build the capacity of states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and Indian tribal governments to develop and establish drug courts for substance-abusing adults who are involved with the family court due to child abuse and neglect issues.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applicants are limited to states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and Indian tribal governments, acting directly or through agreement with other public or private entities.

DUE DATE: February 14, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Requests for funding for family drug court grants may not exceed \$450,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Jennifer H. Yeh, Program Manager, 202-616-9135. E-mail: Jennifer.Yeh2@usdoj.gov
 Web: <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2007/familydrugcts.pdf>



Indiana R.E.S.P.E.C.T.

SUMMARY: The Indiana State Department of Health, Maternal and Children’s Special Health Care Services (ISDH MCSHC) announces the availability of Federal Indiana R.E.S.P.E.C.T. (Reducing Early Sex and Pregnancy by Educating Children and Teens) Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Initiative Community Grant Program. These grant funds: stress sexual abstinence until marriage; do not provide instruction regarding family planning, contraception, or disease risk-reduction methods; do not provide medical services/supplies; do not promote religion or provide religious instruction.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: The amount of matching funds (local match) that federal applicants must contribute is 75%. All applicants will be required to participate in program monitoring and evaluation by the ISDH staff or contract staff designated by ISDH.

DUE DATE: February 15, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$30,000 per year.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Stephanie Woodcox, maternal and Children’s Special Health Services, Indiana State Department of Health, 2 N. Meridian Street, 8C, Indianapolis, IN 46204, 317-233-1374. Email: swoodcox@isdh.in.gov
 Website: <http://www.in.gov/isdh/programs/mch/respect/index.htm>



U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) -- Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Child Abuse Enforcement Assistance Program

SUMMARY: The primary purpose of this program is to enhance the safety of victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and child victimization by supporting projects uniquely designed to address and prevent these crimes in rural jurisdictions. OVW welcomes applications that propose innovative solutions for achieving this goal. The program challenges victim advocates, law-enforcement officers, pre-trial service personnel, prosecutors, judges and other court personnel, probation and parole officers, and faith- and/or community-based leaders to collaborate to overcome the problems of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and child victimization, and to ensure that victim safety is paramount in providing services to victims and their children.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applicants are limited to states; Indian tribes; local governments; and nonprofit, public, or private entities, including tribal nonprofit organizations, to carry out programs serving rural areas or rural communities.

DUE DATE: February 15, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Local and state agencies and tribal governments serving fewer than 5 rural counties will be eligible to receive up to \$500,000. Multi-jurisdiction, multi-state, and tribal consortium projects will be eligible to receive up to \$900,000. (Multi-jurisdictional projects are those that propose to serve 5 or more rural counties.)

CONTACT INFORMATION: Sandy Thurston, Program Specialist, (202) 307-6026.
E-mail: ovw.rural@usdoj.gov
Web: http://www.usdoj.gov/ovw/docs/rural_2007.pdf

Planet Dog Foundation

SUMMARY: The Planet Dog Foundation strives to support worthy organizations through a grant-making program designed to financially support not-for-profit partners nationwide. The goals of our grant program are to fund new and proven initiatives that bring people and pets together for mutual benefit and support. We are seeking those programs in which dogs help to give back to people in need through canine service initiatives. Funding will be allocated nationwide to promote and financially support service-oriented canine activities which may include: service dogs; therapy dogs; animal assisted therapy; search and rescue dogs; police, fire, military dogs; other innovative canine service programs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Organizations in the US classified as tax-exempt under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Reveune Code. The foundation does not support individuals, political groups, religious groups, scholarship programs, spaying and neutering programs, or any program linked to animal cruelty or testing. Grants will also not support general operations for animal shelters or rescue groups.

DUE DATE: February 15, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$5,000

CONTACT INFORMATION: PDF, 322 Fore Street, Portland, ME 04101, 207-761-1515. Email, pdf@planetdog.com.
Web: <http://www.planetdogfoundation.org/grantmaking.asp>



Lowe's Toolbox for Education

SUMMARY: It's almost that easy when you take advantage of Lowe's Toolbox for Education grant program. Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation (LCEF) knows how hard you work for your kids and your community and we're dedicated to helping your parent-teacher group achieve even more for your school. Apply for our Toolbox for Education Grant now and build on your already impressive parent group success with Lowe's.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Any individual non-profit K-12 school (including charter, parochial, private, etc) or parent group (associated with a non-profit K-12 school) that has a group tax ID # and official 501c (3) status from the IRS. If you do not have 501c(3) status, please apply through your school. Pre-schools are not eligible at this time. The school must be more than 2 years old. Please note the grant money cannot be used to pay for stipends, salaries, scholarships, or third party funding.

DUE DATE: February 15, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$5,000 per school is available. Lowe's will donate \$5 million to schools and school parent teacher groups at more than 1,000 different schools in 2006 and 2007.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Website: <http://www.toolboxforeducation.com/>



Charter School Program

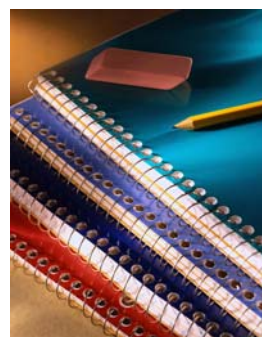
SUMMARY: Office of Innovation and Improvement; Charter School Program (CSP); Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 Purpose of Program: The purpose of the CSP is to increase national understanding of the charter school model and to expand the number of high-quality charter 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. The Secretary awards grants to SEAs to enable them to conduct charter school programs in their States. SEAs use their CSP funds to award subgrants to non-SEA eligible applicants for planning, program design, and initial implementation of a charter school, and to support the dissemination of information about, including information on successful practices in, charter schools.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: State educational agencies (SEAs) in States with a State statute specifically authorizing the establishment of charter schools. Note: Non-SEA eligible applicants in states in which the SEA elects not to participate in or does not have an application approved under the CSP may apply for funding directly from the Department. The Department plans to hold a separate competition for non-SEA eligible applicants under CFDA Nos. 84.282B and 84.282C.

DUE DATE: February 16, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Expected number of awards, 10. Estimated program funding, \$72,000,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Program Manager, Dean Kern, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., FB6, room 4W227, Washington, DC 20202-5970, Telephone: (202) 260-1882 Email: dean.kern@ed.gov Website: www.grants.gov/ Funding Opportunity: ED-GRANTS-122106-001



Early Reading First Program Grant

SUMMARY: Qualified faith-based and other organizations may apply for the *Early Reading First Program*. This program supports local efforts to enhance the oral language, cognitive, and early reading skills of preschool age children especially those from low-income families, through strategies, materials, and professional development that are grounded in scientifically based reading research. The specific activities for which recipients must use grant funds are identified in the program statute, which is included in the application package.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: The Secretary is especially interested in preschool programs that operate full-time, full-year early childhood educational programs, at a minimum of 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, 46 weeks per year, and that serve children for the two consecutive years prior to their entry into kindergarten. For applicants serving children with limited English proficiency, the Secretary is especially interested in applications that include a specific plan for the development of English language proficiency for these children from the start of their preschool experience.

DUE DATE: Pre-applications due February 21, 2007. Full applications are due May 29, 2007.

AWARD AMOUNT: Approximately \$102,087,000 is available to fund between 23 and 68 grants during this year. The average award will be \$3 million.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Rebecca Haynes, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3C138, Washington, DC 20202-6132, 202-260-0968. Email, Rebecca.Haynes@ed.gov. Web: www.grants.gov/ Funding Opportunity # ED-GRANTS-012207-001

Wal-Mart -- Teacher of the Year Awards

SUMMARY: Know a teacher who deserves an A+? Wal-Mart and Sam's Club customers can recognize local teachers through the company's upcoming twelfth annual Teacher of the Year program. The Local Teacher of the Year honor is awarded by each Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, Neighborhood Market, and DC location to an outstanding teacher in their area during National Teacher Appreciation Week in May.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: The winners for both the state and national awards are selected through a partnership between Wal-Mart and the Phi Delta Kappa international professional education association.

DUE DATE: February 23, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Each winning teacher will receive a \$1,000 educational grant from the Wal-Mart Sam's Club Foundation to benefit their local school, plus an honorary Wal-Mart polo shirt. Winning teachers also have the opportunity to apply for state and national Teacher of the Year honors. State winners will receive an additional \$10,000 educational grant. The state winners will automatically be entered in the national competition. The national winner will receive an additional \$25,000 educational grant for a total of \$36,000 to his or her school.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Contact your local Wal-Mart or Sam's Club store. Web: <http://www.walmartfoundation.org/wmstore/goodworks/scripts/index.jsp>

Youth As Resources Grant

SUMMARY: Youth as Resources (YAR), a program of the United Way of Central Indiana, has grants available for youth with FitCity-inspired service projects. FitCity educates residents in Central Indiana about obesity and its problems and encourages people to move more and eat less. It is in collaboration with the Health Foundation of Greater Indianapolis, United Way of Central Indiana, Connect2Help and more than 100 program partners from across Central Indiana.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Non-profits such as churches, schools or community agencies that sponsor youth projects may apply for funds to cover project expenses. Groups of youth are encouraged to apply for grants for projects that educate and support their peers in stopping trends of excessive weight gain, as well as losing excess weight, adopting healthy eating habits and lifestyles, and becoming as fit as they can be.

DUE DATE: All groups interested in applying must attend the workshop on Saturday, 2/24/07, from 10 AM to 1 PM at the United Way of Central Indiana, 3902 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis.

AWARD AMOUNT: A total of \$20,000 is available for youth in Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Marion and Morgan Counties.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Annie Smith, 317-920-2565. Email: annie.smith@uwci.org. Website: http://www.uwci.org/upload/documents/uwci_release_11807.pdf



Field Refurbishment Challenge Grant Program

SUMMARY: The Home Depot and KaBOOM! are partnering on a grant program that will provide 225 grants to communities across the United States and Canada. This grant program demonstrates The Home Depot and KaBOOM!'s commitment to empowering communities with the tools, knowledge and inspiration necessary to create great places to play for the children in their communities. In 2005, The Home Depot and KaBOOM! provided grants, technical assistance, and training scholarships to 35 organizations in the United States and Canada for playground and field refurbishment projects. The Home Depot and KaBOOM! are proud to conclude the 2006 Challenge Grant program and head into 2007. In 2006, fifty deserving communities across North America were awarded grants and nearly half have created great new places to play. In 2007, we look forward to guiding the remaining grantees in completing their playspaces and are excited to offer another 140 communities with the opportunity to participate in this Challenge Grant program!

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Non-profit organizations or groups fiscally sponsored by one, and government agencies. Groups must be located in the US, Canada, or Mexico, and have commercial and general-liability insurance.

DUE DATE: February 28, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$4,500 each, as well as a \$500 Home Depot gift card and a KaBoom training scholarship.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Sandhya Deshetty, KaBoom, 4455 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite B100, Washington, DC 20008, 202-464-6170. Email sdeshetty@kaboom.org. Web <http://www.kaboom.org/>

Tony Hawk Foundation

SUMMARY: The primary mission of the Tony Hawk Foundation is to promote high-quality, public skateparks in low-income areas throughout the United States.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must be public charities, organized under IRC Section 501(c)(3), and qualified under IRC Section 170(B)(1)(A), or state or local agencies, including public school systems and public projects. For organizations that are not municipalities or state or local agencies, proof of federal tax-exempt status is required with the grant application.

DUE DATE: **March 1, 2007 (for awards announced in April 2007) and October 1, 2007 (for awards announced in December 2007)**

AWARD AMOUNT: Minimum grant: \$1,000, Maximum grant: \$25,000

CONTACT INFORMATION: Tony Hawk Foundation, 1611-A South Melrose Drive #360, Vista, CA 92081, (760) 477-2479.
E-mail: contact@tonyhawkfoundation.org
Web: http://www.tonyhawkfoundation.org/grant_application.asp



Red, White and Green Climate Change Grants

SUMMARY: Youth Service America and the Civil Society Institute are excited to announce the second round of the Red, White & Green Climate Change Grant. Applicants are expected to develop and implement a service-learning project about climate change that engages their community, policy-makers and candidates running for election in 2007 and 2008. They welcome projects where youth work in partnership with adults (parents, coaches, teachers, youth leaders, etc): but the projects should be youth-led, and must take place between May 1 and October 31, 2007.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Young people between the ages of 15-25 and organizations that engage youths ages 15-25.

DUE DATE: **March 9, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: \$500

CONTACT INFORMATION: Web: <http://www.redwhiteandgreen.org/> or <http://www.YSA.org/awards>

The Janus Foundation

SUMMARY: While the foundation recognizes that there are many diverse nonprofit organizations providing invaluable services to the community, the Janus Foundation has elected to focus on the three following giving areas: reaching at-risk youth through education; community service and volunteerism; cultural institutions in the Denver metro area.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: The Janus Foundation accepts grant applications from nonprofit organizations throughout the U.S. for the first two giving areas. The third giving area only applies to cultural institutions that operate in the Denver, CO, metro area.

DUE DATE: **None**

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

CONTACT INFORMATION: 151 Detroit Street, Denver, CO 80206, (303) 333-3863.
Email: janusfoundation@janus.com
Web: <https://ww4.janus.com/Janus/Retail/StaticPage?jsp=jsp/Janushome/JanusFoundation.jsp>

The NEA Foundation -- Drop Everything And Read (DEAR) Bookshelf Awards

SUMMARY: In celebration of National Drop Everything And Read (DEAR) Day, The NEA Foundation and the NEA offer the DEAR Bookshelf Awards. These awards are made possible in part with support from HarperCollins Children's Books as part of the NEA's commitment to promote children's literacy and motivate readers of all ages. This program will make awards to public schools for the purchase of books and reading materials that will entice students to drop everything and read!

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: The applicant must be a practicing preK-12 teacher, school librarian, or education support professional in a U.S. public school, and must agree to serve as the contact person for the award and all related public-relations activities.

DUE DATE: **March 12, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: 100 awards of \$500 each.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Anita Merina, (202) 822-7289. E-mail: dearawards@nea.org. Web: <http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/DEAR%200607.htm>



RadioShack's StreetSenz Community Grant Program

SUMMARY: The *RadioShack StreetSenz Community Grant* program is designed to offer answers – answers that bring community impact through programs or projects conducted by local nonprofit organizations. Our program currently focuses on two areas: prevention of family violence/abuse and/or child abduction.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Be a tax exempt nonprofit designated as a 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service, (NOTE: Municipalities, including local police departments, also qualify for consideration.); offer solutions to help prevent family violence/abuse and/or child abduction; directly impact or benefit, through programs and/or services, a RadioShack community.

DUE DATE: **March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: \$500

CONTACT INFORMATION: RadioShack, 100 Throckmorton Street, Suite 700B, Fort Worth, TX 76102. Web: <http://www.radioshackcorporation.com/cc/contributions.html>

Saucony -- Run for Good Program

SUMMARY: The Saucony Run for Good Program, a grant program to encourage active and healthy lifestyles in children, is now accepting applications. The grants are open to communities and nonprofit organizations that initiate and support running and fitness programs for kids -- which in turn will help them live longer, healthier lives.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Program participants must be 18 years of age or younger. All proposals must demonstrate that the grantee will conduct programs that increase participation in running in order to positively impact the lives of participants. Organizations must provide proof of 501(c)(3) status.

DUE DATE: **March 30, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: Six grants will be awarded this cycle. The grant maximum is \$10,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Saucony Run for Good, Run for Good Grant Program, 191 Spring Street, Mail Drop 318S, Lexington, MA 02420-9191
E-mail: info@sauconyrunforgood.com
Web: <http://www.sauconyrunforgood.com/application.pdf>

U.S. Department of Homeland Security -- FY 2007 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)

SUMMARY: The Homeland Security Grant Program is comprised of five interconnected grant programs: State Homeland Security Program; Urban Areas Security Initiative; Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program; Metropolitan Medical Response System; Citizen Corps Program. The HSGP is one tool among a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the administration to help strengthen the nation against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: See Web site for each program's eligibility requirements.

DUE DATE: **April 5, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: The 2007 HSGP will award more than \$1.6 billion to enhance the ability of states, territories, and urban areas to prepare for, prevent, and respond to terrorist attacks and other major disasters.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk Office of Grants and Training, Tel: (800) 368-6498.

E-mail: askcsid@dhs.gov

Web: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/odp/grants_hsgp2007.htm

Grants.gov: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=12154&mode=VIEW>

Tu Voz My Venture Grant

SUMMARY: Youth Venture, in partnership with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and MTV Tr3s Voces, invite teams of two or more who are between 13- 20 years old to participate in the Tu Voz My Venture challenge. Teams that submit great ideas on how to help their peers graduate from high school and prepare for college will receive grants of up to \$1,000 to create their ventures - an organization, business or club to help young Latinos stay in school and prepare for college and careers. But that's not all; five of the launched youth venture teams with the best proposed ideas will also get a chance to win up to \$5000 in scholarship funds.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: "MTV Tr3s and Youth Venture Present the Tu Voz My Venture Contest (the "Contest") is open to groups of two or more individuals (collectively, a "Team" and individually, a "Team Member") who are legal residents of the United States (and the District of Columbia) and who are at least 13 years of age or older at time of entry; however, a Team leader must be between 13 and 20 years of age. Any entrant that is a minor in his/her jurisdiction of primary residence must obtain a signature of a parent or legal guardian on his/her application and on all legal documents submitted in connection with this Contest. This Contest is void wherever restricted or prohibited by law. Employees (and the immediate members of their families and households) of MTV Networks, a division of Viacom International, Inc. ("MTVN"), Youth Venture ("Youth Venture" and together with MTVN, the "Sponsors"), as well as each of their respective parent, subsidiary and affiliated companies, advertising agencies or any person who has won an MTVN Contest or "Sweepstakes" in the twelve month period preceding the start of this Contest are not eligible. Any individual or Team who has previously won the "MTV Think Ventures" contest or a grant from Youth Venture is ineligible.

DUE DATE: **June 29, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$1,000 and a possibility of winning \$5,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Web http://www.mtv3voces.com/dp/Youth_Ventures

Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC)

SUMMARY: By supporting global or national non-profit organizations that help children read, provide nutritious after-school meals, offer life-changing surgeries, or help prevent life-threatening disease, Ronald McDonald House Charities reaches into communities around the world to address the most urgent needs of children. For programs or projects that focus on one specific community or geographic area, grant requests should be sent to the network of local RMHC Chapters for consideration. To find contact information for a local RMHC chapter, please see the RMHC Web site.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: To be considered for funding, an applicant must be designated as a not-for-profit, tax-exempt charitable organization. U.S.-based charities must have a current 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status letter on file with the Internal Revenue Service. Ronald McDonald House Charities Board of Trustees is most interested in national and/or international organizations that have a specific program related to children's health and well-being.

DUE DATE: Letters of inquiry are due August 31, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Varies

CONTACT INFORMATION: Ronald McDonald House Charities, Attn: Grants Department, One Kroc Drive, Oak Brook, IL 60523, (630) 623-7048. Web: <http://www.rmhc.org/rmhc/index/grants.html>



National Anti-Vivisection Society's Sanctuary Fund

SUMMARY: The NAVS Sanctuary Fund is an emergency assistance program designed to serve animals in dire situations where immediate intervention is necessary. Through the NAVS Sanctuary Fund, we are able to provide the money necessary to finance a rescue effort without having to go through the time and expense of sending out an appeal to our members. In every case, the fund's money is used to help ensure permanent, lifetime care for all the animals involved. NAVS Sanctuary Fund grants have helped rebuild shelters destroyed in hurricanes, tornadoes and other natural disasters, rescued animals from abusive situations, conducted wildlife rehabilitation efforts, and supported innovative spay/neuter programs. Since it was established in 1998, the NAVS Sanctuary Fund has become one of our most popular and successful programs.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Organizations classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Groups must rescue animals legally, and their permanent housing and care must be paid for before applying for a grant.

DUE DATE: Ongoing

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$5,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Jamie Aitchison, NAVS, 53 West Jackson Boulevard, suite 1552, Chicago, IL 60604, 800-888-4287 or 312-427-6065 ext. 221. Email: jaitchison@navs.org. Web: http://www.navs.org/site/PageServer?pagename=sanctuary_fund

Maddie's Fund

SUMMARY: The goal of Maddie's Fund is to help build a no-kill nation where all healthy and treatable (underage, sick, injured, and poorly behaved) shelter dogs and cats find loving new homes. When the nation reaches the point where all of its healthy animals can be guaranteed a home, Maddie's Fund will then focus its resources on funding programs to rehabilitate sick, injured, and poorly behaved animals, knowing that when they are whole again, there will be a loving home waiting for them. Maddie's Fund is striving to reach the no-kill nation goal by awarding grants to community collaborations (coalitions of rescue groups, animal-control agencies, traditional shelters, and private-practice veterinarians), veterinary medical associations, and colleges of veterinary medicine.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: See Web site for details on individual programs

DUE DATE: See Web site for details on individual programs.

AWARD AMOUNT: Varies

CONTACT INFORMATION: Maddie's Fund, 2223 Santa Clara Avenue #B, Alameda, CA 94501, (510) 337-8989.
 Email: info@maddiesfund.org
 Web: <http://www.maddies.org/index.html>

The Ralph and Eileen Swett Foundation

SUMMARY: The Ralph and Eileen Swett Foundation's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of individuals.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: By making grants to other charitable organizations (designated as IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations), the foundation seeks to fund programs that directly impact the lives of individuals. The foundation has identified the following as special areas of interest: funding programs that assist orphaned children and promote their adoption; intervention in the lives of troubled youths. However, funding is by no means restricted to the above-mentioned areas.

DUE DATE: Ongoing

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

CONTACT INFORMATION: The Ralph & Eileen Swett Foundation, 1114 Lost Creek Boulevard, Suite 200, Austin, TX 78746. Web: <http://www.swettfoundation.org/index.htm>

**National Association for Amateur Radio -
 - The Victor C. Clarke Youth Incentive Program**

SUMMARY: The program makes minigrants available to groups that demonstrate serious intent to promote youth participation in amateur radio and enrich the experience of radio amateurs under the age of 18.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Groups that qualify for minigrants include, but are not 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.

DUE DATE: Ongoing

AWARD AMOUNT: Minigrants, not to exceed \$1,000 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.

CONTACT INFORMATION: The VICIYIP Program, The ARRL Foundation, Inc., 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111. Web: <http://www.arrl.org/arrlf/vicyip.html>

