

Screening for Heritable Disorders in Children: Efficacy from a Family/Consumer Perspective. This program will address the need to maintain and/or enhance the involvement of parents and families in genetic screening and newborn screening as the number of screenable conditions expands. Increased knowledge of family perspectives will assist genetic and newborn screening programs in planning for and supporting the constant involvement of parents and families. It is expected that the grants will rigorously address the current knowledge gap in this area and propose models of practices that will promote positive family adaptation and interaction within the newborn screening system. Potential topics of studies include: measurement of parental behavior after receiving false positive screening results; assessment of potential "harm" on children and their families with notification of false positive screening results; assessment of the impact of carrier identification; determination of the information that would be necessary for parental decision making about screening for conditions that may not have a medically proven treatment; and determination of changes in parental attitudes and responses with increased education and knowledge about newborn screening. Approximately \$700,000 is available annually to fund two projects, each lasting for three years.

Letters of intent are due December 1, 2006. Applications are due January 23, 2006.

The program announcement is at: <https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID=35C5D136-8429-4C1A-A856-6877E0DEF3B1>

Alcohol Use Disorders: Treatment, Services Research, and Recovery. These projects will conduct research on behavioral and pharmacological treatment for alcohol use disorders; organizational, financial, and management factors that facilitate or inhibit the delivery of services for alcohol use disorders; and phenomenon of recovery from alcohol use disorders.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-066.html>

Ancillary Studies of Kidney Disease Accessing Information from Clinical Trials, Epidemiological Studies, and Databases. This program will support investigator-initiated research project applications for ancillary studies to ongoing or completed clinical trials and epidemiological studies of kidney disease as well as clinical trials and epidemiological studies for other diseases or populations that lend themselves to the study of kidney disease. These studies may range from new analyses of existing datasets of completed studies to additional collection of data and biological specimens in ongoing investigations. The goal of these studies should be to extend our understanding of the risk factors for developing kidney disease and their associated co-morbid illnesses such as malnutrition and cardiovascular disease, factors associated with rapid decline in kidney function among persons with chronic kidney disease, and the impact of these diseases on quality of life and mental and physical functioning.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-050.html>

Ancillary Studies to Major Ongoing National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) and National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) Clinical Research Studies. These projects will conduct ancillary studies of selected ongoing major clinical research studies, including clinical trials, epidemiological studies and disease databases. The objective is to introduce NIDDK-oriented ancillary studies into either NIDDK or NHLBI-funded parent studies, or NHLBI-oriented ancillary studies into NIDDK-funded parent studies.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-07-024.html>.

Animal Models of National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Relevant Diseases. This program will provide support for the development and validation of new animal models of NIDDK-relevant diseases where animal models are either inadequate or lacking. New and/or improved animal models should be designed to facilitate preclinical testing of diagnostic, preventive or therapeutic interventions. Five or six awards will be funded.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-012.html>.

Basic and Clinical Studies of Congenital Urinary Tract Obstruction. This program will address the numerous scientific and clinical uncertainties related to the development, treatment and prognosis of congenital obstructive uropathy, by encouraging and facilitating research in diverse areas. These areas include: the development of objective prognostic markers; the genetic determinants of this congenital disorder; the development of reliable animal models of the disorder; and evaluation of the long-term effectiveness of various treatment strategies.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-059.html>.

Basic and Preclinical Research on Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM). These projects will do basic, mechanistic, and/or preclinical research in all domains of CAM in order to elucidate the underlying mechanisms of action of CAM therapies and to provide a stronger foundation for ongoing and planned clinical studies.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-007.html>.

Basic and Translational Research in Emotion. This program will advance the study of emotion across a broad range of physiological, psychological, social, cognitive, and developmental phenomena. Central and peripheral nervous system (CNS, PNS) activity in the origins, expression, regulation and modulation of emotion are important objects of study, as is the contribution of emotional and motivational systems to cognitive faculties such as perception, attention, learning, memory, and motor control. The study of emotion includes investigations of overt behaviors, interpersonal relationships, communication and decision making, and the environmental circumstances and experiences that shape and elicit emotions. Emotion research can also include the study of licit and illicit psychoactive substances that alter mood states, and conversely, the study of how emotional and mood states can predispose to, or modulate the effects of, pain or alcohol and psychoactive substances.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-083.html>.

Basic Research in the Bladder and Lower Urinary Tract. This program will focus on basic cellular, molecular, genetic, and developmental mechanisms of the normal and abnormal function of the bladder and lower urinary tract. An important goal of this program is to attract new and established investigators from a variety of basic science research areas to apply their knowledge, skills, and tools to studies of the bladder and lower urinary tract.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-023.html>.

Biobehavioral Methods to Improve Outcomes Research. This program will foster biobehavioral research and develop innovative research designs, methods of measurement, and data analysis techniques. Designs and methods that examine the impact of biologic and behavioral variables on individuals' health outcomes and quality of life are encouraged. Scientists are encouraged to increase the interface of biobehavioral research and clinical practice in existing core and exploratory centers and training programs by sharing findings and designing collaborative research projects.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-072.html>.

Calcium Oxalate Stone Diseases. These projects will conduct research into the genetics and heritability of oxalate regulation and the oxalate stone diseases, and to develop new treatments for the disorder. This program solicits research as well as pilot and feasibility studies that utilize new and innovative approaches to study the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of these disorders.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-051.html>.

Development of Assays for High Throughput Drug Screening. These projects will provide new insight into important targets. For example, assays may involve targets indirectly related to disease, but which might provide insight into the biology of relevant diseases. Other targets might be

associated with rare diseases. One important criterion for this program is novelty, so the proposed assays should avoid focus on areas and approaches that have been extensively targeted in other settings. Assays should be relevant to the scope of research for at least one of the sponsoring NIH Institutes, focusing on specific diseases or on relevant basic physiology, cell biology, or developmental processes. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-054.html>.

Development of Disease Biomarkers. These projects will validate candidate biomarkers (indicators of a disease process) for well-defined human diseases of liver, kidney, urological tract, digestive and hematologic systems, and endocrine and metabolic disorders, diabetes and its complications, and obesity, for which there are no or very few biomarkers, or for which standard biomarkers are currently prohibitively invasive or expensive. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-052.html>.

Developmental Biology and Regeneration of the Liver. This program is based on the scientific recommendations proposed by the working group on developmental biology and regeneration of the liver in the recently approved trans-NIH Action Plan for Liver Disease Research. The purpose of this program is to invite qualified scientific investigators to submit applications on liver development and regeneration to fully define the molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying these processes in health and disease and to apply these findings to developing improved therapies for liver disease. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-026.html>.

Developmental Psychopharmacology. These projects will examine the neurobiological impact of psychotherapeutic medications upon the immature brain, with particular emphasis upon mapping the precise developmental profile of physiological response to psychotropic agents used in the treatment of mental disorders in children. Responsive research includes studies in model systems, including animals, and in human populations. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-084.html>.

Dissemination and Implementation Research in Health. This program will identify, develop, and refine effective and efficient methods, structures, and strategies that test models to disseminate and implement research-tested health behavior change interventions and evidence-based prevention, early detection, diagnostic, treatment, and quality of life improvement services into public health and clinical practice settings.

Letters of intent are due April 24, 2007. Applications are due May 24, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-086.html>.

Effectiveness, Practice, and Implementation in the Center for Mental Health Services' Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services Program for Children and their Families Service Sites. These projects will study the effectiveness of interventions delivered at these sites, the nature and impact of routine prevention or clinical practice, and factors related to successful implementation of preventive or treatment interventions. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-091.html>.

Erythroid Lineage Molecular Toolbox. This program will conduct research in erythroid cells. The aim of this program is to contribute to a complete description of expressed erythroid molecular biological components and to create reagents useful for study of the erythroid cell lineages. Components include genes that are expressed in erythroid cells, either during development or during differentiation, and the proteins that are translated in erythroid cells, potentially with post-translational modifications or subcellular localizations that are unique to erythroid cells. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-011.html>.

Extinction and Pharmacotherapies for Drug Addiction. This program will conduct research on the mechanisms underlying extinction in order to guide the development of interventions for enhancing extinction of drug-seeking behavior. It is expected that research supported under this program will ultimately be used to guide and implement combined behavioral and pharmacological/molecular interventions for the treatment of drug abuse relapse.

A total of \$2 million is available to fund between six and eight projects.

Letters of intent are due January 26, 2007. Applications are due February 26, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-07-010.html>.

Focal Cognitive Deficits in Central Nervous System (CNS) Disorders. These projects will expand basic and translational research, including intervention research, on the types, nature, and functional consequences of focal or specific cognitive deficits experienced by persons with central nervous system disorders.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-033.html>.

Functional Links between the Immune System, Brain Function and Behavior. These projects will identify research opportunities that may help to bridge the gap in understanding how immune cells and their mediators affect brain development, function and behaviors related to cognition and mood. This includes studies of the effects of immune molecules and cells on molecular and cellular neural processes, neuronal signaling, glial-neural interactions, neural activation, and objective behavioral endpoints of relevance to mood, cognition, and motivation. Studies examining immune effects on neurodevelopment and across the lifespan as well as studies comparing effects in males and females are also encouraged.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-088.html>.

Health Disparities in National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases. This program will conduct research to understand and mitigate issues of health disparities in high priority diseases within its scope, including diabetes, obesity, nutrition-related disorders, hepatitis C, gallbladder disease, H. Pylori infection, sickle cell disease, kidney diseases, and metabolic, gastrointestinal, hepatic, and renal complications from infection with HIV.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-027.html>.

Heterogeneity of Fat Depots: Underlying Basis and Association with Morbidity. This program will investigate the life cycle of adipocytes and other cell types present in various fat depots, such as macrophages, neurons, and endothelial cells. The goal of this program is to increase our understanding of the interactions among the cell populations in order to identify biomarkers of changes in cellular physiology and metabolism brought on by the obese state, which are truly associated with the development of co-morbidities such as diabetes, atherosclerosis, and hypertension. The long term goal of this initiative is to identify markers of obesity associated with disease risk that could yield new targets for therapeutics to disrupt this link.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-057.html>.

HIV Infection of the Central Nervous System. These projects will determine the pathogenic mechanisms involved in Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)-1 associated neurobehavioral and neurological dysfunction in domestic and international settings. The objective of this program is to foster investigations that will provide the foundation for the rapid development of therapeutic interventions to prevent and treat the effects of HIV-1 on the central nervous system (CNS). Applications ranging from basic research to clinical diagnosis and treatment are of interest.

Applications are due January 2, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-089.html>.

HIV/AIDS, Severe Mental Illness and Homelessness. This program will focus on persons with severe mental illness, either before or after HIV infection, and the expansion of HIV-related research to include homeless persons. The program solicits studies on the development, implementation, evaluation, and dissemination of effective HIV-prevention interventions, and studies related to the epidemiology of HIV infection in the target populations. Multidisciplinary research teams and collaborative alliances are encouraged.

Applications are due January 2, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-090.html>.

Insulin Signaling and Receptor Cross-Talk. This program will stimulate novel and innovative research into the fundamental mechanism(s) of action of the insulin receptor in target tissues in the context of other cellular receptors and signaling pathways, and to broaden our understanding of how insulin signals act to regulate coordinated responses between and among insulin responsive tissues. Of particular interest is how such signaling interactions may affect the development and/or progression of diabetes and its complications.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-058.html>.

Intestinal Failure, Short Gut Syndrome and Small Bowel Transplantation. There are many causes of intestinal failure, each of which has varying degrees of information regarding etiology and pathogenesis. Intestinal failure can be due to intrinsic diseases of the gastrointestinal tract or result from major loss or resection of the intestine (short gut syndrome).

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-010.html>.

Long-Term Weight Maintenance: Basic and Clinical Studies. This program will investigate basic and clinical aspects of long-term weight maintenance. Applications investigating mechanisms underlying weight stability and/or weight regain after intentional weight loss, as well as clinical studies investigating the role of behavioral, nutritional, exercise, or other interventions in enhancing long-term weight maintenance will be supported. Collaborations between basic and clinical researchers are particularly encouraged.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-053.html>.

Mechanisms of Alcohol and Drug-Induced Pancreatitis. This program will investigate the underlying molecular, biochemical, and cellular mechanisms by which long-term alcohol ingestion and drugs lead to the development of pancreatitis. Research is also encouraged to understand the role of various predisposing factors, including substance abuse, that make the pancreas susceptible to alcoholic injury. Understanding the mechanisms as well as the role of predisposing factors may help in developing strategies for the prevention or treatment of the disease.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-067.html>.

Mechanisms of Alcohol-Associated Cancers. These projects will employ an integrative approach using state-of-the-art technologies to gain insight into the molecular and biochemical mechanisms by which chronic alcohol consumption leads to the development of cancers of various organs such as oral cavity, pharynx, larynx, esophagus, stomach, large intestine, liver, and breast. This includes investigating roles of various factors such as acetaldehyde, cytochrome P450 2E1 (CYP2E1), vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF), impaired immune function, and alcohol-induced impaired metabolism of s-adenosylmethionine (SAME), folate, betaine, iron, and vitamin A.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-069.html>.

Mechanisms of Alcohol-Induced Tissue Injury. This program will study the cellular and molecular mechanisms of tissue injury caused by ethanol consumption. Projects that bring together and integrate the work of investigators in diverse scientific disciplines are encouraged. Projects that foster collaborations between investigators in the clinical and basic sciences and/or focus on translational research are especially encouraged. Examples of scientific disciplines include microbiology, immunology, biochemistry, pathology, systems biology, molecular genetics, bioengineering, imaging technology, and mathematical modeling.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-065.html>.

Mechanisms of Alcoholic and Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver (Steatosis). These projects will use state-of-the-art technologies to gain insight into the molecular and biochemical mechanisms of alcoholic and nonalcoholic fatty liver. This program addresses several areas considered to be high priority for liver disease research as delineated in the recently published Trans-NIH Action Plan for Liver Disease Research, specifically in the area of fatty liver disease. The areas of focus include investigations of mechanisms by which alcohol and nonalcoholic physiologic processes: accelerate import of free fatty acids into hepatocytes; impair mitochondrial β -oxidation of fatty acids; impede the entry of free fatty acids into mitochondria; promote de novo fatty acid synthesis; promote esterification of free fatty acids into triglycerides; and disrupt export of triglycerides from hepatocytes. Research to develop non-invasive biomarkers for fatty liver using genomics, proteomics, and metabolomics, is also encouraged.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-068.html>.

Mechanisms of Drug Abuse Interactions with HIV Neuropathogenesis. This program will conduct creative, innovative studies that will increase collaboration among researchers in areas such as drug abuse, virology, neurology, neurobiology, immunology, and/or neuroinflammation, in ways that will: define biological interactions between exposure to addictive substances with viral replication and entry into the CNS, HIV-associated neuropathogenesis, glial activation and inflammation, subsequent neuronal dysfunction and damage, and the functional, structural, and neurochemical consequences of these neuronal perturbations; identify viral or host factors or signaling pathways in humans or animals that prevent or exacerbate neurological consequences of HIV/SIV infection, and address how the effects of various substances, separately or combined, might modulate these processes; utilize existing resources in novel ways to address interactions between drug abuse and HIV infection; and advance the understanding of basic mechanisms of HIV-associated neurological disease progression and CNS degeneration and dysfunction in HIV-infected persons who use or abuse various substances.

A total of \$3 million is available during the next year to fund five to ten awards under this and another, parallel program.

Letters of intent are due February 21, 2007. Applications are due March 21, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-07-002.html>.

Methodology and Measurement in the Behavioral and Social Sciences. These projects will aim at improving and developing methodology and measurement in the behavioral and social sciences through innovations in research design, data collection techniques, measurement, and data analysis techniques. Research that addresses methodology and measurement issues in diverse populations, issues in studying sensitive behaviors, issues of ethics in research, issues related to confidential data and the protection of research subjects, and issues in developing interdisciplinary, multimethod, and multilevel approaches to behavioral and social science research is particularly encouraged, as are approaches that integrate behavioral and social science research with biological, physical, or computational science research or engineering.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-060.html>.

Methods of Analysis of Gene-Environment Interactions in Complex Diseases: The Genes and Environment Initiative. This program will develop and test innovative, informative, and cost-effective methods and analytical strategies for identifying gene-environment interactions in genome-wide association studies, sequencing studies, linkage analyses, or candidate gene approaches with broad applicability in complex diseases.

A total of \$6 million is available to fund five awards, with each receiving up to \$400,000 annually.

Letters of intent are due December 29, 2006. Applications are due January 29, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-07-010.html>.

Molecular Genetics of Drug Addiction and Related Co-Morbidities. This program will identify chromosomal loci and/or genetic variation in genes and haplotypes that are associated with either increased or decreased vulnerability to, dependence on, and/or treatment response for addiction to stimulants, narcotics, nicotine, benzodiazepines, barbiturates, cannabis, hallucinogens, and/or multiple drugs of abuse and/or their associated mental co-morbidities in human beings or animal models. Similarly, there is interest in chromosomal loci and/or genetic variation in genes and haplotypes that are associated with differences in responses to treatment for addiction to drugs of abuse, and treatments for co-morbid disorders. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-073.html>.

Neurologic Motor Speech Disorders and Speech Motor Control. These projects will conduct research aimed at understanding how age-related changes, both normal and pathologic, affect the function of the motor system, including motor speech disorders. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-055.html>.

Non-Invasive Methods for Diagnosis and Progression of Diabetes, Kidney, Urological, Hematological and Digestive Diseases. This program is a call for the application of imaging and other non- or minimally-invasive technologies to detect, characterize, diagnose, identify persons with predisposition to preventable diseases or disease complications, or monitor treatment of diseases of interest to the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health. Also needed are new, robust surrogate markers for clinical trial endpoints, and new ways to characterize normal and pathological tissues in vivo. Diseases of interest include type 1 and 2 diabetes, obesity, and kidney, liver, urologic, hematologic, digestive, endocrine, and metabolic diseases and their complications. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-025.html>.

Pancreatic Development and Regeneration: Toward Cellular Therapies for Diabetes. These projects will study how endogenous pancreatic beta cells are made by studying pancreatic development, with the goal of making pancreatic islets in culture, to explore the potential of animal or human stem/progenitor cells as a source for making pancreatic islets, and to determine the basic mechanisms underlying beta cell regeneration in the adult as a basis for producing new cellular therapies for diabetes. This program is intended to stimulate the application of advances made in developmental biology, stem cell biology, and diabetes to develop new strategies for diabetes therapy, either through cell replacement or regeneration. This program is intended to intensify investigator-initiated research, to attract new investigators to the field, and to encourage interdisciplinary approaches to research in this area. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-056.html>.

Parenting Capacities and Health Outcomes in Youths and Adolescents. This program is aimed at increasing the parenting skills and capacities of parents and caregivers to improve the health outcomes of their young and adolescent children. Proposals must target two or more ineffective parenting practices or behaviors and two or more youth/adolescent high-risk behaviors. Interventions that target the reduction of a broad range of family risk factors and simultaneously build upon protective factors are highly encouraged. Parents and similarly situated caregivers of children 10-to-18 years of age are the targets of this initiative. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-061.html>.

Pathophysiology and Treatment Response in Late-Life Mood and Anxiety Disorders. These projects will conduct research on the pathophysiological aspects of late-life mood and anxiety disorders and on the utility of findings in this research area for developing new treatments or predicting older adults' response to existing mental health treatments, and to attract new investigators into interdisciplinary studies of these issues. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-077.html>.

Proteomics: Diabetes, Obesity, And Endocrine, Digestive, Kidney, Urologic, and Hematologic Diseases. This program will identify and quantify protein expression patterns, post-translational modification of proteins, and protein-protein interactions on cells, tissues, organ systems relevant to diabetes, obesity, endocrine and metabolic diseases, nutritional function and diseases of the alimentary tract, exocrine pancreas, liver, kidney, bladder and prostate and normal biological processes related to the function of these systems. The development and improvement of innovative proteomic technologies is also encouraged through their application to relevant biological questions related to the pathophysiology of endocrine glands, gastrointestinal tract, liver and kidney, bladder and prostate. The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-016.html>.

Recent HIV Infection: New Prevention Challenges and Opportunities. This program will conduct innovative basic or applied research applications that will advance prevention opportunities to reduce transmission risk or minimize neuro-cognitive impairment in persons with recent HIV infection (i.e., 0 – 6 months post-exposure). Project Directors/Principal Investigators are urged to develop new research that extends knowledge of the basic biological processes of acute and early HIV disease to address the specific prevention needs of highly infectious, newly infected persons who may account for a disproportionate share of secondary HIV transmissions.

Applications are due January 2, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-087.html>.

Studies of Hepatitis C in the Setting of Renal Disease. These projects will pursue basic and clinical investigations in order to better understand the pathogenesis, natural history, therapy, and prevention of hepatitis C in the setting of renal disease or renal transplantation. It is anticipated that applications submitted in response to this announcement could address a number of different aspects concerning the pathogenesis, natural history, therapy or prevention of hepatitis C in the setting of renal disease.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-015.html>.

Adherence to Interventions for Mental Disorders. These projects will conduct research to further understand the potent and modifiable factors associated with treatment adherence in those with mental disorders and to develop and evaluate strategies to improve adherence to efficacious interventions for mental disorders.

Applications are due February 1, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-076.html>.

Alcohol and HIV/AIDS (R01, R03 and R21). This program will conduct multidisciplinary, interdisciplinary, and collaborative studies that focus on a range of epidemiologic and intervention issues within HIV and alcohol. Relevant objectives include: characterize the relative importance of alcohol and drug use in the acquisition and subsequent transmission of HIV in order to identify and apply appropriate alcohol and drug use interventions as public health measures; and investigate the social and environmental factors that contribute to HIV infection, behaviors after infection, and co-occurring conditions, including the causes and implications of stigma.

R03 award amounts are contingent on the availability of funds. R03 projects may receive up to \$50,000 annually over a two-year period. Each R21 project may receive up to \$275,000 over a two-year period.

Applications for all three types of grants are due January 2, 2007.

The R01 program announcement is at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-028.html>.

The R03 program announcement is at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-064.html>.

The R21 program announcement is at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-063.html>.

Autism and Autism Spectrum Disorders. This program will support research designed to elucidate the diagnosis, epidemiology, etiology, genetics, treatment, and optimal means of service delivery in relation to Autistic Disorder ("autism") and autism spectrum disorders (Rett's Disorder, Childhood Disintegrative Disorder, Asperger's Disorder, Pervasive Developmental Disorder-Not Otherwise Specified, or "Atypical Autism"). Basic, clinical and applied studies are encouraged.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-085.html>.

Chronic Insomnia Disorder. Recommended areas for research include genetic and neurobiologic mechanisms of insomnia, longitudinal studies of incidence and course of insomnia, improved measures of daytime functioning and quality of life resulting from insomnia, studies of insomnia in special populations, the impact of insomnia on the development of other disorders including depression, drug abuse, and chronic diseases, and the development and evaluation of treatment approaches and their dissemination. Research that translates basic science findings into novel clinical approaches is particularly encouraged.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-047.html>.

Clinical Decision Making in Life-Threatening Illness. These projects will conduct research on the decision-making processes made by persons faced with life-threatening illness. These illnesses are ones that almost always lead to death in a fairly short period of time if left untreated, but may be chronic – or even cured – if dealt with early in the disease process. Decision-making can occur from the point of adopting preventive behaviors through the end of life.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-062.html>.

Improving Health Care for Obese Patients. These projects will address two major scientific themes: breaking the link between obesity and its associated health conditions; and health disparities – addressing the needs of specific populations. This program encourages research to determine the barriers to optimal health care for obese patients, and to test innovations or modifications in care delivery to improve health outcomes for obese patients.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-013.html>.

Mild and/or Unilateral Hearing Loss. This program will further our understanding of mild and unilateral hearing loss in infants and young children. This includes research on prevention, better diagnostic methods, and treatments for these forms of hearing loss that are often overlooked or minimized. Children with milder forms of hearing loss in one or both ears or any degree of hearing loss in one ear can experience difficulties in the areas of speech, language, behavior, academic, and other aspects of development.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-038.html>.

Reduction and Prevention of Suicidality. For this program, mental disorders, along with alcohol use disorders and substance use disorders and their respective trajectories, are of particular interest as they pertain to risk and protective factors and treatment efficacy and effectiveness for suicidality. The intent of the funding opportunity announcement is to intensify investigator-initiated research on this topic, to attract new investigators to the field, and increase interdisciplinary approaches to developing effective strategies to reduce suicidality.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-079.html>.

Research Project Grant. The Research Project Grant is an award made to an institution/organization to support a discrete, specified, circumscribed project to be performed by the named investigator(s) in areas representing the specific interests and competencies of the investigator(s). The R01 research plan proposed by the applicant institution/organization must be related to the stated program interests of one or more of the NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs) based on descriptions of their programs. All research project grant applications described in this announcement will be assigned to NIH ICs according to standard Public Health Service referral guidelines and specific program interests.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-070.html>.

Retirement Economics. This program's objectives include: the determinants of retirement behavior; the variation in work patterns in later life; the evolution of health and economic circumstances of individuals through retirement and into later life; time use and life satisfaction before and during retirement; the implications of retirement trends; retirement expectations; international comparisons of retirement; and the development of innovative retirement modeling techniques.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-075.html>.

Right Heart Function in Health and Chronic Lung Diseases. This program will support research that focuses on the interaction or relationship between the right ventricle and the lungs in both health and disease, and to stimulate research that will provide a more complete and clear picture of the mechanisms of right heart failure associated with chronic lung diseases. NIH encourages research which concentrates on building a foundation of basic knowledge of right ventricle physiology and the basic cellular, molecular and biomechanical factors contributing to right ventricular dysfunction associated with pulmonary diseases. This program will promote both basic and translational research. Applications in response to this announcement may use a variety of approaches, such as animal models, animal tissue, human tissue and plasma samples, and clinical outcomes.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-043.html>.

Risk Factors for Psychopathology Using Existing Data Sets. These projects will involve extensive and innovative use of existing data sets to study the development of psychopathology, including alcohol and drug abuse, in order to guide the development of preventive and treatment intervention strategies. This program encourages research using focused and coordinated analyses of mental health and substance abuse research data that are in public use format or that are privately held by a Project Director/Principal Investigator.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-082.html>.

Secondary Analysis of Existing Alcohol Epidemiology Data. This program will fully utilize currently available data sets to increase our understanding of the incidence, prevalence and etiology of alcohol-related problems and disorders in the population, as well as the risk and protective factors associated with them. Data used in secondary analyses may be obtained from current or past investigator-initiated research activities or from other public or private sources. Research that employs analytic techniques which demonstrate or promote methodological advances in alcohol-related epidemiologic research is also of interest.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-071.html>.

Structural Interventions, Alcohol Use, and Risk of HIV/AIDS. This program will investigate the effectiveness of structural interventions that reduce the risk of HIV/AIDS transmission by changing the environment of alcohol use. Although a variety of structural and environmental interventions have been employed successfully to reduce other drinking-related problems, there has been little research that extends such efforts into the realm of HIV/AIDS risk reduction.

Applications are due January 2, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-036.html>.

Symptom Clusters in Cancer and Immune Disorders. This program will build a body of science in symptom cluster identification and intervention in cancer and in immune disorders (acquired or autoimmune). This program will identify and assess biobehavioral characteristics of symptom clusters; or design and test interventions that lead to clear outcomes. A rationale for the choice of a symptom cluster is needed, not just co-occurrence of two or more symptoms. Studies at any point in the disease trajectory, or during the survivorship period are encouraged.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-074.html>.

Transmission of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) in Semen. This program will increase the basic and clinical knowledge of the biology of HIV in semen. Direct exposure to semen of HIV seropositive men is a major route for transmission of HIV type I. This program focuses on studies that will elucidate the factors that determine HIV shedding in the male genital tract. This includes studies that elucidate the infectivity of HIV in semen fractions, the effect of antiretroviral therapy on HIV infectivity in semen fractions, the relationship between the immunobiology of the male genital tract and HIV replication and infectivity, and factors such as genital tract inflammation which influence HIV transmission through semen. Of particular interest are studies of the anatomic sites of virus infected cells and virus production in the male genital tract.

Applications are due January 2, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-044.html>.

Treatment-Emergent Adverse Effects of Psychotropic Medication. This program will examine the adverse effects of psychopharmacological medications across the lifespan (including pediatric, adult and geriatric populations). Applications responsive to this program should focus on clinical models of the pathophysiology of psychotropic medication adverse effects; genomic, proteomic or clinical-epidemiological approaches to the identification of high risk populations; the creation of theory-based psychosocial treatments to modify behavioral risk factors for adverse effects such as weight gain; and the development and testing of novel pharmacological approaches to the prevention or mitigation of treatment-emergent side effects.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-078.html>.

Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy. The ultimate goal of this program is to encourage empirical research on health literacy concepts, theory and interventions as these relate to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' public health priorities that are outlined in its Healthier US and Healthy People 2010 initiatives. Health literacy is defined as the degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, process, and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions.

Letters of intent are due April 24, 2007. Applications are due May 24, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-07-020.html>.

Women's Mental Health in Pregnancy and the Postpartum Period. This program will conduct research on perinatal mood and other mental disorders in four areas: clinical course, epidemiology and risk factors; basic and clinical neuroscience; interventions; and services. Research is encouraged both on perinatal non-psychotic mood disorders and on psychotic disorders. Studies exploring the effects of current or lifetime drug abuse, including treatment status and comorbid conditions, on onset and course of mental disorders during the perinatal period are also encouraged.

The program announcement is at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-081.html>.

Criminal Justice Technology Evaluation. NIJ is specifically interested in evaluations that determine if the application of existing or newly developed technologies works to improve outcomes. Evaluations should focus on technologies that are fully functional and readily applicable in operational settings. Additionally, outcome evaluations must have well-defined, measurable indicators of success; proposals that focus on the measurable impact of technologies on reduction in crime will be given priority. Additional outcome measures may include better monitoring, tracking, or identification and apprehension of criminal suspects; effective tracking and recovery of stolen property; reduced criminal opportunities; and reduced injuries to officers, suspects, and/or bystanders.

Up to \$1 million is available to fund two awards.

Applications are due January 30, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl000781.pdf>.

Social Science Research on Emerging Issues in Forensic Science. This program will focus on the evaluation of a single technology or management practice in one or multiple sites. Where prudent, final decisions regarding the selection of evaluation sites may be made after the grant is awarded, in collaboration with NIJ. For evaluation research, funding priority will be given to applications proposing randomized experimental designs, regression discontinuity, propensity scores, or other enhanced quasi-experimental designs that maximize the validity and reliability of research results.

Up to \$2 million is available to fund awards.

Applications are due January 23, 2007.

The program announcement is at: <http://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl000784.pdf>.

National Association of Service and Conservation Corps (NASCC) – Martin Luther King Day of Service Mini-Grant

On January 15, 2007, Americans across the country will celebrate and honor the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Together, they will honor King's legacy of tolerance, peace, and equality by meeting community needs and making the holiday "A day On, not a day Off." NASCC, in cooperation with the Corporation for National and Community Service, is now offering mini-grants to support service projects carried out by NASCC members and other organizations. These mini-grants support service activities designed to alleviate conditions of poverty in communities and engage disadvantaged youth.

NASCC will fund organizations that mobilize volunteers, especially disadvantaged youth, to undertake service activities to benefit impoverished communities. NASCC encourages its members and outside organizations to apply for a mini-grant.

DUE DATE: December 8, 2006

AWARD AMOUNT: NASCC will provide grants between \$1,000 and \$5,000. Grants can be used to plan and carry out service activities directly related to the proposed project. Grants will not provide support for events or entertainment. Programs are required to provide a 70% non-federal in-kind or cash match to the NASCC grants.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Matt Ferris, National Association of Service and Conservation Corps, 66611th Street NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20001, 202-737-7272. E-mail: mferris@nascc.org. Web: <http://www.nascc.org/MLKServiceDay.htm>

Staples Foundation for Learning

The mission of Staples Foundation for Learning is to provide funding to programs that support or provide job skills and/or education for all people, with a special emphasis on disadvantaged youth. The foundation considers educational funding to be an investment in the future of our communities. Its goal is to help local groups, many of which include its customers and associates, with programs and services that will positively impact their community every day.

The criteria listed below will be used to evaluate potential funding. The organization must: have a nonprofit tax-exempt classification under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; align with Staples Foundation for Learning's mission and focus on job skills and education.

DUE DATE: December 15, 2006

AWARD AMOUNT: The requested amount of each grant can be up to \$25,000. Most grants awarded by the foundation are in the \$5,000-\$25,000 range.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Staples Foundation for Learning, 500 Staples Drive, 4 West, Framingham, MA 01702.

E-mail: foundationinfo@staples.com Web: <http://www.staplesfoundation.org/foundapplication.html>

American Psychiatric Foundation

The foundation is making up to \$750,000 in grant funds available over the course of three years (2005-2007) to fund public education, information, and outreach initiatives that promote the early recognition and treatment of mental illness. Grants from the foundation can support a wide variety of public education activities in this arena.

Organizations that have been in existence for at least two years and currently maintain a 501 (c) 3 charitable status. American Psychiatric Association District Branches and subsidiaries. Organizations need not be mental health programs. Grants may be sought for new initiatives or expansion of current programs. Requests must be for educational, informational or outreach efforts. Efforts may focus on a specific mental disorder, mental illness in general, or target a specific population.

DUE DATE: December 22, 2006, and August 1, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: There is no minimum or maximum amount -- average grants are in the \$50,000 range.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

E-mail: apf@psych.org Web: <http://www.psychfoundation.org/>

The Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries

The goal of the Laura Bush Foundation is to provide books to the school libraries and students that most need them.

All Laura Bush Foundation grants are made to individual schools rather than to school districts, foundations, or other entities. Only one application per school is allowed.

DUE DATE: December 30, 2006

AWARD AMOUNT: The Laura Bush Foundation will make grants in amounts up to \$5,000 to school libraries; funds are to be used to update, extend, and diversify the book collections of those libraries.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Laura Bush Foundation For America's Libraries, c/o Community Foundation for the National Capital Region, 1201 15th Street NW, Suite 420, Washington, DC 20005, (202) 955-5890.

E-mail: laurabushfoundation@cfncr.org or areid@cfncr.org Web: <http://www.laurabushfoundation.org/web2/index.htm>

Allen Foundation

Grants are limited under the terms of the foundation's charter to projects that primarily benefit programs for human nutrition in the areas of health, education, training, and research.

Nonprofit organizations.

DUE DATE: December 31, 2006

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Allen Foundation Inc., P.O. Box 1606, Midland, MI 48641-1606.

Web: <http://www.allenfoundation.org/aboutus.asp>

Brookdale Foundation Group's Relatives as Parents Program

This program encourages the creation and expansion of services for grandparents and other relatives who serve as surrogate parents when biological parents are unwilling or unable to care for their children.

Organizations classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

DUE DATE: January 11, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Grants of \$10,000 each will be awarded over a two-year period and must be matched by cash or in-kind support.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Melinda Perez- Porter, BFG, 950 Third Avenue, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10022, 212-308-7355. Email:

mpp@brookdalefoundation.org. Website <http://www.brookdalefoundation.org>

National Center for Family Literacy (NCFL) -- Verizon Tech Savvy Awards

The Verizon Tech Savvy Awards recognize programs that demystify technology for families and enable parents to better guide their children in the use of technology for the purpose of learning. This awards program is designed to assist grass-roots, community-based nonprofit organizations, libraries, and schools to incorporate information communications technology literacy as a component and enhancement of literacy.

501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, including community-based nonprofits, libraries, and schools. Religious or sectarian organizations may apply only if the program(s) offered serve a broad cross-section of the community.

DUE DATE: January 12, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Four regional awards of \$5,000 each and one national award of \$25,000 will be presented annually. In addition, award winners will receive a scholarship to attend NCFL's annual conference, the National Conference on Family Literacy, and to participate in the awards presentation at the conference. The scholarship includes conference registration fees and a travel stipend of \$2,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: National Center for Family Literacy, 325 West Main Street, Suite 300, Louisville, KY 40202-4237, (502) 584-1133.

Website: http://www.familit.org/site/c.gtJWJdMQIsE/b.2180327/k.5E33/Verizon_Tech_Savvy_Awards.htm

Pay It Forward Foundation -- Pay It Forward Mini-Grants

Pay It Forward Mini-Grants are designed to fund one-time-only service-oriented projects identified by youth as activities they would like to perform to benefit their school, neighborhood, or greater community. Projects must contain a "pay it forward" focus -- that is, they must be based on the concept of one person doing a favor for others, who in turn do favors for others, with the results growing exponentially -- to be considered in the grant making process.

Schools, churches, and community youth groups (with an adult sponsor) may apply for funding. Youths or adults may write the application. Groups whose members are all over the age of 18 must include work with youth under the age of 18 as part of their projects.

DUE DATE: Application deadlines are **January 15, April 15, and October 15** of each year.

AWARD AMOUNT: Mini-grants of up to \$500 are available for projects on a one-time-only basis.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Pay It Forward Foundation, P.O. Box 552, Cambria, CA 93428,
E-mail: info@payitforwardfoundation.org Web: <http://payitforwardfoundation.org/educators/grant.html>

Wells Fargo Housing Foundation

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.

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: Application deadlines are **February 1, 2007; May 1, 2007 and August 1, 2007**. Applications postmarked by the deadline will be decided within 90 days.

CONTACT 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>

The Lawrence Foundation

The Lawrence Foundation is a private charitable foundation focused on making charitable contributions and grants to support educational, environmental, health, and other causes.

Nonprofit organizations that qualify for public charity status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or other similar organizations are eligible for contributions or grants from The Lawrence Foundation.

DUE DATE: **February 1, 2007 and August 1, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available

CONTACT INFORMATION: The Lawrence Foundation, 530 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 207, Santa Monica, CA 90401, (310) 451-1567 or (970) 870-9456.

E-mail: info@thelawrencefoundation.org Web: <http://www.thelawrencefoundation.org/grants/index.shtml>

Break-Through Awards

Nominations for the 2007 Break-Through Awards, administered by Civic Ventures with support from the MetLife Foundation. Awards will recognize nonprofit groups and public sector agencies that employ people over 50 in careers that focus on social issues.

Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are eligible to apply.

DUE DATE: **February 1, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available

CONTACT INFORMATION: Emily Gillingham, Civic Ventures, 139 Townsend Street, Suite 505, San Francisco, CA 94107, 415-222-7484.

Email: egillingham@civicventures.org website <http://www.civicventures.org/breakthrough>

Research Fellowships—Harry Ransom Center at the University of Texas at Austin

Approximately 40 fellowships will support research projects in the humanities, particularly projects pertaining to war, that require on-site use of the center's collection of art, literary manuscripts, photography, and rare books.

All applicants, except those applying for dissertation fellowships, must have a Ph.D., an equivalent terminal degree, or a record of scholarly achievement. Citizens of other countries are welcome to apply.

DUE DATE: **February 1, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: Most fellowships last one month and carry an award of \$3,000 each, although some may last two to four months and provide \$3,000 per month. Applicants with projects lasting less than a month can apply for travel stipends of up to \$1,500 each. Graduate students can apply for dissertation fellowships of \$1,200 each.

CONTACT INFORMATION: HRC, UTA, P.O. Box 7219, Austin, TX 78713, 512-471-8944.

Website <http://www.hrc.utexas.edu/about/fellowships/application>

2007 Purpose Prize

Nominations for the 2007 Purpose Prize, administered by Civic Ventures with support from Atlantic Philanthropies and the John Templeton Foundation, to recognize leaders of organizations in the US who are age 60 and older.

United States residents who are at least 60 years of age. Nominees must be working in a leadership role at any public, private, nonprofit, or for-profit organization that focuses on a major social issue in the US. Elected officials are not eligible. Self-nominations are welcome.

DUE DATE: **February 1, 2007**

AWARD AMOUNT: Five awards of \$100,000 each and 10 awards of \$10,000 each.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Lauren Patti, Civic Ventures, 139 Townsend Street, Suite 505, San Francisco, CA 94107, 415-222-7486. Email lpatti@civicventures.org, website <http://www.leadwithexperience.org/prize>

Bikes Belong Coalition

The Bikes Belong Coalition is sponsored by members of the American Bicycle Industry. The coalition's mission is to put more people on bicycles more often. The grants program was the first major ongoing initiative undertaken by the Bikes Belong Coalition. The mandate of the grants program includes education and capacity projects, in addition to bicycle facility projects. The coalition welcomes grant applications from organizations and agencies within the United States that are committed to putting more people on bicycles more often. The Bikes Belong Grants Program funds projects in three categories: facility, education, and capacity building. For the education and facility categories, Bikes Belong will accept applications from nonprofit organizations and from public agencies and departments at the national, state, regional, and local levels. For the capacity-building category, Bikes Belong will only fund organizations whose mission is expressly related to bicycle advocacy.

DUE DATE: **February 26, 2007; May 30, 2007; August 27, 2007 and November 26, 2007.**

AWARD AMOUNT: Applicants can request up to \$10,000. In very limited cases, Bikes Belong will consider amounts over \$10,000. Requests of over \$10,000 will generally be viewed unfavorably unless the applicant has an extremely compelling case with a proposal of unique and/or national importance.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Elizabeth Train, Grants & Research Director, Bikes Belong Coalition, 1920 13th Street, Suite A, Boulder, CO 80302, (303) 449-4893.

E-mail: elizabeth@bikesbelong.org Web: <http://bikesbelong.org/site/page.cfm?PageID=21>

Teammates for Kids Foundation

The Teammates for Kids Foundation accepts proposals for grants from nonprofit organizations that specialize in working with children. Grants from the Foundation support the on-going work of operating organizations that help needy children in the areas of health, education, and innercity services.

To qualify for a grant from the Teammates for Kids Foundation, an organization must: Be a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization in good standing with the Internal Revenue Service; Have a record of outstanding service in effectively and efficiently delivering programs and services that improve the lives of needy children; Serve children's needs in the areas of health, education, or providing inner-city services; Deliver services which impact the lives of children, both short- and long-term; Ensure that 100% of grant monies received from the Teammates for Kids Foundation are used for the exclusive benefit of children.

DUE DATE: Applications accepted between December 1, 2006, and February 1, 2007.

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Kids Foundation, 7851 S. Elati St., Suite 200, Littleton, CO 80120.

Web: http://www.teammates4kids.com/apply_for_grant/apply_grant.htm

Maximizing Protective Factors for Youth Violence

CDC's Procurement and Grants Office has published a program announcement entitled, "Maximizing Protective Factors for Youth Violence." \$400,000 [this amount is an estimate, and subject to the availability of funds] will be available in fiscal year 2007 to fund approximately two awards. The purpose of the announcement is to solicit (U49) research applications to conduct secondary analyses of existing data to identify potentially modifiable protective factors for youth violence. This research will inform the development of youth violence prevention programs and policies by identifying promising protective factors that reduce the likelihood of violence in the lives of young people. For complete program details, please see the full announcement on the CDC website at <http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/CE07-003.htm>. The estimated funding date is August 31, 2007.

Faith-based and community organizations are eligible to apply.

DUE DATE: February 28, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: 2 awards totaling \$400,000

CONTACT INFORMATION: Rebecca Leeb, (770) 488-1156 email rleeb@cdc.gov.

Web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/CE07-003.htm>

Ludwick Family Foundation

Ludwick Family Foundation is a philanthropic organization committed to assisting a broad array of groups that are working to make a positive difference in the world. Ludwick Family Foundation varies from many other foundations in that it tends to provide grants for tangible types of items that assist a program or project, rather than funding the program itself.

Applicants must be tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, known as nonprofit public charities, and not be a private foundation under 509 (a) of the code.

DUE DATE: Initial requests are only accepted during these times: January 1 to March 1 and July 1 to September 1.

AWARD AMOUNT: The foundation is only able to make grant awards to approximately 20-25 organizations each year. Grants range from \$5,000 to \$50,000. Grants are made for a single year.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Deanna Monaghan, Program Officer, Ludwick Family Foundation, P.O. Box 1796, Glendora, CA 91740, (626) 852-0092

E-mail: ludwickfndn@ludwick.org.

Web: <http://www.ludwick.org/guide.html>

Avon Foundation -- Helping Children of Domestic Violence

The Avon Foundation is seeking proposals from nonprofit organizations and agencies that provide programs that assist children who have been exposed to domestic violence. Programs sought include: coordinated response models between domestic-violence agencies and child-abuse agencies; counseling and mentoring programs for child witnesses and victims of domestic violence. All program models must have the capacity to be replicated in other communities and cities. It is advantageous if nonprofit organizations and agencies already have in place plans and contacts to replicate their program models in other communities and cities.

The Avon Foundation makes grants only to organizations having tax-exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

DUE DATE: Letters of inquiry are not required. However, if your organization is uncertain of its eligibility, letters of inquiry may be sent to ascertain whether the Avon Foundation will have an interest in the program. Letters of inquiry must be submitted prior to March 10. If you are confident that your organization meets the purpose of the program, please submit only the proposal. The deadline date for proposals is April 1 annually.

AWARD AMOUNT: Grant amounts range from \$10,000-\$50,000 depending on the size, scope, and impact of the program proposed.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Denise Yap, Avon Foundation, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10105-0196, (866) 505-AVON (2866).

E-mail: info@avonfoundation.org.

Web: http://www.avoncompany.com/women/speakout/dv_helping_children.pdf

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Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation

Grants are available to support advocacy, art, or educational programs for disabled people.

Organizations classified as tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code that serve or are led by individuals with disabilities.

DUE DATE: March 15, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Up to \$5,000

CONTACT INFORMATION: Deborah Lewis, ELAF, 2460 North Lake Avenue, PMB 128, Altadena, CA 91001, 626-398-8840.

Email executivedirector@ela.org,

website <http://www.ela.org>

Charles M. and Mary D. Grant Foundation

The foundation provides funding for community and economic development, health and human services, education, and literacy.

Organizations must be classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service tax code. The foundation focuses its resources in the southeastern United States.

DUE DATE: Proposals are due April 30 each year, and grants are made in September.

AWARD AMOUNT: Grants range from \$10,000 to \$50,000. The average grant size is \$30,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: The Charles M. and Mary D. Grant Foundation, c/o Jacqueline Elias, Vice President, JPMorgan Private Bank, Philanthropic Services NY1-N040, 345 Park Avenue, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10154.

Web: <http://fdncenter.org/grantmaker/grant/>

The Actuarial Foundation – Advancing Student Achievement

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.

All schools and groups willing to undertake a math mentoring program that involves local actuaries as volunteers are eligible. However, in order for a program to be viable, there must be a sufficient population of volunteer actuaries within easy traveling distance to make a regular program possible. To see the number of registered actuaries available by state, see the foundation's Web site.

DUE DATE: There is no application deadline, but if applicants plan to start their program at the beginning of a semester, they should have the application completed at least one or two months prior to that date.

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

CONTACT INFORMATION: The Actuarial Foundation, 475 North Martingale, Suite 600, Schaumburg, IL 60173, (847) 706-3535, Fax: (847) 706-3599. Email: ASA@ActFnd.org, Web: <http://www.actuarialfoundation.org/grant/index.html>

SAS Institute Inc. -- SAS Corporate Citizenship Program

Support is directed towards sustainable programs that help students excel in the classroom and graduate from high school. Organizations will be considered if they can show that their efforts have a long-term impact and affect significant numbers of people, regardless of race, national origin, gender, age, disability, religious beliefs, or income levels.

SAS will consider financial and in-kind requests from organizations and institutions that: have nonprofit

tax-exempt status under Internal Revenue Service code 501(c)(3); have a responsible board of directors serving without compensation; show financial stability as evidenced by annual financial statements; employ ethical methods of publicity, promotion, and solicitation of funds; raise funds without payment of commissions, street solicitations, or mailing of unordered tickets; operate from a detailed annual budget; request funds for programs or operations with a minimal portion applied to overhead; use in-kind donation to benefit organizational members or constituents.

DUE DATE: Ongoing

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Corporate Citizenship, SAS Campus Drive, Cary, NC 27513.

Email: corporatcitizenship@sas.com Web: <http://www.sas.com/corporate/community/donationguidelines.html>

The William and Charlotte Parks Foundation -- Project Grants, General Operating Funds, Capital Grants

The foundation was established to improve the status of animals worldwide. Awards may be made for specific projects that benefit animals, for construction of shelters, or for general operating costs.

Grants and awards will only be made to organizations that already have 501(c)(3) tax status.

DUE DATE: May 1, 2007

AWARD AMOUNT: Project Grants: Not usually more than \$10,000 per annum. General Operating Funds: Generally not more than \$5,000 per annum.

Capital Grants: Generally up to \$5,000 on a one-for-three matching basis

CONTACT INFORMATION: Ms. Donna Pease, Grants Administrator, 700 Professional Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20879, Fax: (301) 548-7726.

E-mail: info@parksfoundation.org Web: <http://www.parksfoundation.org/index.html>

U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service -- Rural Fire Assistance (RFA)

The RFA program provides funds for rural fire departments that: protect rural, wild land urban interface communities; play a substantial cooperative role in the protection of federal lands; are cooperators with Department of the Interior (DOI) managed lands through cooperative agreements with the DOI, or their respective state, tribe, or equivalent; serve populations of less than 10,000.

Departments must meet the following a rural/volunteer fire department must have an agreement through its state forester, or a mutual aid agreement/cooperative fire agreement with the local DOI agency; the funding request must be for training, equipment, or fire-prevention materials or activities related to wild land fire; the rural/ volunteer fire department must serve a community of less than 10,000 people near federal land (wildland-urban interface).

DUE DATE: Application deadlines may vary throughout the United States. It is best to contact the local DOI agency to determine the specific deadline.

AWARD AMOUNT: The maximum award is \$20,000.

CONTACT INFORMATION: See <http://www.nifc.gov/rfa/contacts.html> for list of local contacts. Web: <http://www.nifc.gov/rfa/>

National Endowment for the Arts -- Grants for Arts Projects

The National Endowment for the Arts is a public agency dedicated to supporting excellence in the arts -- both new and established -- bringing the arts to all Americans, and providing leadership in arts education. The endowment is interested in projects, regardless of the size or type of applicant organization, that are of national, regional, or field wide significance; that tour in several states; or that provide an unusual or especially valuable contribution because of geographic location. This includes local projects that can have significant effects within communities or that are likely to serve as models for a field.

Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S. organizations; units of state or local government; or federally recognized tribal communities or tribes may apply. Applicants may be arts organizations, local arts agencies, arts service organizations, school districts, and other organizations that can help advance the endowment's goals. In addition, an organization must have at least a three-year history of programming by the application deadline to be eligible.

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

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

CONTACT INFORMATION: National Endowment for the Arts, Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506-0001, (202) 682-5496.

Web: <http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/index.html>

The Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation

"The Melody Program" is designed to provide musical instruments and instrument repairs to existing K-12 school music programs that have no other source of financing to purchase additional musical instruments and materials. "The Special Projects Program" targets community schools of the arts, after school programs and youth orchestras in need of assistance.

Applicants whose music programs lack institutional financial support and whose students qualify for financial assistance will receive greater consideration. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed or returned. The applicant school must have an ongoing music program that is at least three years old, and must offer a well-balanced musical instruction program with budgets or monies that are made available annually to cover the costs of additional expenses (i.e. uniforms, repairs, insurance, etc). Applications must be typed.

DUE DATE: Information not available at this time. Check the website sometime after the middle of December (per MHOF).

AWARD AMOUNT: MHOF does not make cash awards. Grants of instruments and instrument repairs range between \$500 and \$5,000. Awarded instruments may be both new and refurbished.

CONTACT INFORMATION: MHOF, Attention Grant committee, 15125 Ventura Blvd, Suite 204, Sherman Oaks, CA 91403. Completed applications can be emailed to tricia@mhopus.org or faxed to 818-784-6788. Website <http://www.mhopus.org>

Educational Foundation of America (EFA)

EFA exists to improve individuals' lives and their surroundings through education and awareness, in hopes of bettering humanity and the world we inhabit. 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.

EFA makes grants to qualifying nonprofit 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.

DUE DATE: Ongoing, submit a letter of inquiry first.

AWARD AMOUNT: Information not available

CONTACT INFORMATION: Diane M. Allison, Executive Director, The Educational Foundation of America, 35 Church Lane, Westport, CT 06880- 3515, (203) 226-6498.

Email: loi@efaw.org . Web: <http://www.efaw.org/Inquiry%20Guidelines.htm>

The Enterprise Foundation -- Green Communities Initiative (GCI)

The Green Communities Initiative offers grants to help cover the costs of planning and implementing green components of affordable housing projects, as well as tracking their costs and benefits.

The grant is open to 501(c)(3) nonprofits, public housing authorities, and tribally designated housing entities; for-profit entities may participate through joint ventures with qualified organizations. The applicant and the development team must demonstrate their qualifications to successfully carry out the proposed project.

DUE DATE: Ongoing

AWARD AMOUNT: A minimum of \$1 million in grant funds is available to participants in the Green Communities Initiative. Individual grants are expected to be awarded in the range of \$15,000 to \$50,000. In general, grant amounts will not exceed \$1,000 times the number of low-income units in a project, plus \$3,000 as an allowance toward the costs of reporting project data that will help this initiative and the affordable housing industry learn more about the implementation of the Green Communities criteria.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Letters of inquiry should be sent to: Coordinator, Green Communities Initiative, The Enterprise Foundation, 10227 Wincopin Circle, Suite 500, Columbia, MD 21044, (410) 715-7433.

Email: green@enterprisefoundation.org Web: <http://www.enterprisefoundation.org/resources/green/index.asp>