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CHILDREN

Mattel Children's Foundation Domestic Grantmaking Program

- Program:** The Mattel Children's Foundation has announced another round of its Domestic Grantmaking Program. Through this effort, the foundation will provide funds to organizations working to benefit children in need. Applicant organizations must have a mission that focuses on direct service to children up to 12 years old. The foundation will give priority to organizations or programs that use creative or innovative methods to address a locally defined need directly impacting children and that align with Mattel's philanthropic priorities, which include learning, health, and girl empowerment. Mattel will consider funding for specific programs as well as for core operating support, such as support for administrative and operating costs that help organizations to sustain their programs.
- Funds:** Total funds available: approximately \$400,000
Average grant size: \$10,000
Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$25,000
- Deadline:** April 7, 2006
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with an annual operating budget of less than \$1 million
- Information:** Mattel Children's Foundation, 333 Continental Boulevard, Mail Stop: M1-1418, El Segundo, CA 90245, Telephone: (310) 252-2908, E-mail: foundation@mattel.com, Link: www.mattel.com/about_us/philanthropy

Gerber Foundation Grants to Support Infants and Young Children

- Program:** The mission of the Gerber Foundation is to enhance the quality of life of infants and young children in nutrition, care, and development. The foundation gives priority to projects that improve infant and young children nutrition, care, and development from the first year before birth to three years of age. Programs should support a specific nutrition intervention and have defined outcome parameters.
- Funds:** Grant size: up to \$500,000
- Deadline:** June 1, 2006.
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations
- Information:** Catherine A. Obits, Program Manager, The Gerber Foundation, 4747 West 48th Street, Suite 153, Fremont, MI 49412-8119, Telephone: (231) 924-3175, Fax: (231) 924-7906, E-mail: Cobits@ncresa.org, Link: www.gerberfoundation.org

COMMUNITY

The Hyams Foundation

Community Grants

Program: The mission of the Hyams Foundation is “to increase economic and social justice and power within low-income communities in Boston and Chelsea, Massachusetts.” The foundation’s current grant making guidelines seek to draw together the foundation’s work in a more comprehensive way by focusing on the following four community priorities or outcomes:

- Increased civic engagement, with a special focus on immigrant communities;
- More affordable housing, especially for very low-income families;
- Increased family economic self-sufficiency; and
- Enhanced opportunities for low-income teens.

The foundation will make operating, program and project, technical assistance, and a limited number of capital grants to community-based organizations. The Hyams Foundation also will continue to promote organizational diversity throughout all of its grant making areas. The foundation believes that well-functioning organizations that also have diverse boards and staff are more effective in serving and empowering Boston and Chelsea’s diverse communities. It also believes that identifying issues of racial and ethnic discrimination and disadvantage, and drawing increased attention to them, will increase the extent to which they are addressed by public officials, private funders, and other decision-makers. The foundation will continue to use board and staff diversity as an important funding criterion and will look for other opportunities to promote diversity within the broader community. The Hyams Foundation accepts the Associated Grant Makers common proposal format.

Funds: Range of grants: \$20,000 to \$50,000

Deadline: March 1, 2006

Eligible: Nonprofit, community-based organizations located in Boston or Chelsea and serving residents of those communities.

Information: Susan Perry, Administrative Manager, The Hyams Foundation, Inc., 175 Federal Street, 14th Floor, Boston, MA 02110, Telephone: (617) 426-5600, Fax: (617) 426-5696, E-mail: sperry@hyamsfoundation.org, Link: www.hyamsfoundation.org

DISABILITIES

Christopher Reeve Foundation

Quality of Life Grants Program

Program: The Christopher Reeve Foundation’s Quality of Life Grants Program offers grants to nonprofit organizations working to address the needs of persons living with paralysis, particularly spinal-cord injury, their families, and caregivers. Funding is awarded in thirteen categories, including:

- accessibility,

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- advocacy,
- arts,
- assistive technology,
- children,
- counseling,
- education,
- employment,
- health promotion,
- independent living,
- practical service,
- sports and recreation, and
- therapeutic riding.

Except for the health promotion category, the primary focus of Quality of Life grants is paralysis caused by spinal cord injury. To qualify for funding, a nonprofit organization does not have to exclusively serve people with spinal cord injuries; however, at least a portion of the population served must have spinal cord injuries. The health promotion category provides funding to non-profit organizations that address paralysis caused by spinal cord injuries or other injuries, diseases, and birth conditions, including, but not limited to, stroke, spina bifida, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and traumatic brain injury. Health promotion grants are intended for programmatic activities and not solely for the purchase of equipment for use by individuals. Grants also cannot fund advocacy or food.

Funds: Grant size: \$25,000
Deadline: March 1 and September 1, 2006
Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) status
Information: Telephone: (212), Fax: (212) 680-1401, E-mail: Link:

EARLY CHILDHOOD

U.S. Department of Education

Early Childhood Educator Professional Development

Program: The purpose of the Early Childhood Educator Professional Development program is to enhance the school readiness of young children, particularly disadvantaged young children, and to prevent them from encountering difficulties once they enter school, by improving the knowledge and skills of early childhood educators who work in communities that have high concentrations of children living in poverty. The program supports collaborations and partnerships among institutions of higher education, providers of professional development for early childhood educators, public agencies, Head Start programs, and community and faith based organizations. Projects funded under the program provide high-quality, sustained, and intensive professional development for these early childhood educators in how to provide developmentally appropriate school readiness services for preschool-age children that are based on the

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best available research on early childhood pedagogy and on child development and learning. For these grants, increased emphasis is being placed on the quality of program evaluations for the proposed projects.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$14,330,800
Number of awards: three
- Deadline:** April 7, 2006
- Eligible:** Partnerships consisting of at least one entity from each of the following categories:
- 1) one or more institutions of higher education, or other entities that provide professional development for early childhood educators;
 - 2) one or more public agencies, Head Start agencies, or private organizations;
 - 3) an entity with demonstrated experience in providing training to educators in early childhood education programs concerning identifying and preventing behavior problems or working with children identified as or suspected to be victims of abuse, if feasible.
- One of the partners currently must provide professional development for early childhood educators working in programs located in high need communities with children from low-income families.
- Information:** Rosemary Fennell, Program Manager, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Room 3C-122 Washington, DC 20202-6132, Telephone: (202) 260-0792, E- mail: eceprofdev@ed.gov, Link: www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=7835
- CFDA:** 84.349

EDUCATION

U.S. Department of Education

Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Program

Program: The Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination program supports the enhancement, expansion, documentation, evaluation, and dissemination of innovative, cohesive models that are based on research and have demonstrated that they effectively:

- 1) integrate standards-based arts education into the core elementary and middle school curricula;
- 2) strengthen standards-based arts instruction in these grades; and
- 3) improve students' academic performance, including their skills in creating, performing, and responding to the arts.

Projects funded through the program are intended to increase the amount of nationally available information on effective models for arts education that integrate the arts with standards-based education programs.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$8,700,000
Number of awards: 35
- Deadline:** April 7, 2006
- Eligible:** 1) One or more local educational agencies that may work in partnership with one or

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more of the following:

- a state or local non-profit or governmental arts organization,
- a state educational agency or regional educational service agency,
- an institution of higher education, or
- a public or private agency, institution, or organization, such as a community- or faith-based organization.

2) One or more state or local non-profit or governmental arts organizations that must work in partnership with one or more local educational agencies and may partner with one or more of the following:

- a state educational agency or regional educational service agency,
- an institution of higher education, or
- a public or private agency, institution, or organization, such as a community- or faith-based organization.

Information: Diane Austin, Program Manager, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4W210, Washington, DC 20202-5950, Telephone: (202) 260-1280, E-mail: artsdemo@ed.gov, Link: www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=7893

CFDA: 84.351

U.S. Department of Education Early Reading First Program

Program: The Early Reading First 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.

Funds: Total funds available: \$102,087,000
Number of awards: 23

Deadline: Pre-applications : February 21, 2006
Applications: May 8, 2006

Eligible:

- 1) one or more local educational agencies
- 2) one or more public or private organizations or agencies, including faith-based organizations, located in a community served by an eligible local educational agency with one or more programs that serve preschool-age children ; and
- 3) one or more eligible local educational agencies applying in collaboration with one or more eligible organizations or agencies.

Information: Jill Stewart, Program Manager, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 3C136, Washington, DC 20202-6132, Telephone: (202) 260-2533, E-mail: Jill.Stewart@ed.gov, Link: www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=7630

CFDA: 84.359

U.S. Department of Education

Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduates Program – Partnership Grants

Program: The purpose of the Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) is to support early college preparation and awareness activities for low-income students.

Funds: Total funds available: \$24,500,000
Range of grants: \$100,000 to \$7 million
Number of awards:20

Deadline: March 9, 2006

Eligible: State governments and private, public, and state controlled institutions of higher education, local educational agencies, and community organizations

Information: Angela Oliphant, Program Manager, Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW, Suite 6101 Washington, DC 20006-8524, Telephone: (202) 502-7676, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20061800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2006/pdf/E6-749.pdf>

ENVIRONMENT

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Environmental Justice Small Grants Program

Program: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will provide financial assistance through the Environmental Justice Small Grants program. This program is a multimedia program designed to help communities understand and address their exposure to multiple environmental harms and risks. To be eligible, organizations must fit the definition of an affected local community-based organization and must be working on or planning to work on a project that addresses a local environmental or public health issue within the affected community. An affected local community-based organization is defined for this grant program as:

- 1) an entity that is located in the same area as the local environmental or public health issue that is described in the application and where the residents of the affected community reside;
- 2) focused primarily on addressing the local environmental or public health issues of the residents of the affected community; and
- 3) comprised primarily of members of the affected community.

Funds: Total funds available: \$500,000
Number of awards: ten

Deadline: March 31, 2006

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit community-based organizations

Information: Davina Wysin, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region One, One Congress Street, 11th Floor Boston, MA 02203-0001, Telephone: (617) 918-1020, E-mail: wysin.davina@epa.gov,
Link: www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/publications/ej/grants/rfa-small-grant-

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HEALTH

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation Catalyst Fund

- Program:** Through the Catalyst Fund, the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation will provide small grants to support capacity building in health care organizations and community-based agencies with health care programs, or to provide an Automated External Defibrillator and training. The Catalyst Fund grants will assist with one-time expenses needed to strengthen an organization's ability to fulfill its mission, or enhance the capability of an organization to respond to a medical emergency. Examples of capacity-building activities that could be supported include:
- community outreach for health insurance enrollment, health prevention activities, or health care education convening;
 - hiring a grant writer;
 - community meetings to engage stakeholders and constituents;
 - leadership development opportunities;
 - strategic planning activities; and
 - board development and staff training.
- Funds:** Range of grants: \$1,000 to \$3,500
- Deadline:** ongoing
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations
- Information:** Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation, Landmark Center, 401 Park Drive, Boston, MA 02215, Telephone: (617) 246-3744, Fax: (617) 246-3744, E-mail: info@bcbsmafoundation.org; Link: www.bcbsmafoundation.org/

PUBLIC SAFETY

Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety 2006 Excellence in Public Safety Award

- Program:** The Executive Office of Public Safety (EOPS) is inaugurating an awards program to recognize public safety and criminal justice initiatives that demonstrate strong public benefit. EOPS will recognize initiatives from as many components as possible of the complex criminal justice enterprise. Criminal justice and public safety system elements that the agency will recognize include, but are not limited to, the following:
- Offender management in custody and in the community, including but not limited to special populations, such as women, those with health issues, those with mental health or substance abuse issues; special populations for community supervision such as sex offenders, those with drug and or mental health problems; and community challenges around offender re-entry.
 - Court-based programs addressing, but not limited to judicial management, and

- specialized approaches for specific types of crimes or populations.
- Innovative strategies for prosecution of crime and management of prosecutorial processes and information.
- Technology applications for improved criminal justice and public safety operations.
- Applications of research and data analysis to criminal justice and public safety challenges.
- Innovative law enforcement approaches to problem solving in communities, including but not limited to community involvement in crime control and strategic deployment of police resources.
- Victim-centered programs and approaches, including but not limited to programs addressing special populations such as children, the elderly, repeat victims, and those with language barriers, disabilities, or other challenges.
- Crime and violence prevention programs such as partnerships among educational, mental health, faith-based, and public health agencies.
- Programs addressing serious violent crime problems, including but not limited to gang crime, drug-related crime, and youth crime.
- Public safety programs that encountered problems and successfully incorporated management reforms to solve their issues.
- Public safety programs addressing matters related to preparedness for all hazards, especially those that leverage inter-disciplinary or regional approaches.
- Public safety programs incorporating the principles of regionalism and collaboration across jurisdictions or disciplines.

EOPS will consider a number of factors when making awards including: program effectiveness, connection to research, regionalism, collaboration, and replication.

Total funds available: \$200,000

Funds:

Deadline:

February 24, 2006

Eligible:

Municipal agencies, state agencies, and non-profit organizations in Massachusetts

Information:

Keith O'Brien, Evaluation Specialist, Executive Office of Public Safety, One Ashburton Place, Room 611, Boston, MA 02108, Telephone: (617) 725-3301, (E-mail: ExcellenceInPublicSafety@state.ma.us, Link: www.mass.gov/eops)

MetLife Foundation

Community-Police Partnership Awards Program

Program:

Since 2002, the MetLife Foundation and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation have partnered to recognize, sustain, and share the work of innovative partnerships between community groups and police to promote neighborhood safety and revitalization. Through the MetLife Foundation Community-Police Partnership Awards, the MetLife Foundation and LISC identify and honor partnerships that exhibit tangible accomplishments in their efforts to advance the process, outcome, and evaluation of effective police and community collaborations. Awards are unrestricted funds that the recipient may use in any manner that promotes, furthers, or strengthens the recognized partnership

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Funds: Total funds available: \$100,000
Average grant size:
Range of grants: \$10,000 to \$35,000
Number of awards: five to eight awards

Deadline: February 24, 2006

Eligible: Member organizations of partnerships that include, but need not be limited to, community organizations and police.

Information: MetLife Foundation, Community-Police Partnership Awards, c/o Local Initiatives Support Corporation, 501 Seventh Avenue, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10018, E-mail: csi@lisc.org, Link: www.lisc.org/section/areas/sec1/safety/awards/

SPORTS AND PHYSICAL FITNESS

Women's Sports Foundation and Gatorade

GoGirlGo! Ambassador Team Awards

Program: In conjunction with the GoGirlGo! National Campaign that is aiming to get one million inactive girls to participate in physical activity and keep another one million currently active girls from dropping out of physical activity, Gatorade and the Women's Sports Foundation are supporting a second year of the GoGirlGo! Ambassador Team Awards to inspire teams to help combat the alarming physical and psychological health hazards affecting America's youth. The awards program will provide funding to teams that demonstrate leadership in their communities by inspiring girls to get involved in sports and physical activity.

Funds: Total funds available: \$50,000
Average grant size: \$2,500
Number of awards: 20

Deadline: April 7, 2006

Eligible: School, amateur, community, and nonprofit affiliated teams with members who are female, enrolled in grades nine to 12, at least 13 years old, and residents of the United States.

Information: Women's Sports Foundation, Eisenhower Park, East Meadow, NY 11554, Telephone: (516) 542-4700, Fax: (516) 542-4716, E-mail: info@womenssportsfoundation.org, Link: www.womenssportsfoundation.org/cgi-bin/iowa/funding/featured.html?record=34

Massachusetts Governor's Committee on Physical Fitness

Every Body Move Grant Program

Program: The Every Body Move grant program will provide funding for physical activity programs for children between the ages of 8 and 14 to create, enhance, or sustain opportunities for physical activity in Massachusetts schools. Eligible programs may include before, during, or after school physical activity programs, traditional and non-traditional sports, competitive and non-competitive sports, and physical education programming. The grants are designed to support programs that increase children's

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regular involvement in enjoyable physical activities, increase activity levels among sedentary students, and develop students' knowledge of and positive attitudes toward daily and lifelong physical activity and its benefits.

- Funds:** Grant size: \$7,500
Deadline: March 10, 2006
Eligible: Public and private schools with tax-exempt, not-for-profit status
Information: Valerie Salvatore, Executive Director, Massachusetts Governor's Committee on Physical Fitness & Sports, c/o Allen & Gerritsen, 311 Arsenal Street, 4th , Floor, Watertown, MA 02472, Telephone: (617) 972-1836 212, Link: www.everybodymove.org/grant/

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Projects to Deliver and Evaluate Peer-to-Peer Recovery Support Services

Program: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, announces the availability of FY 2006 funds for grants to deliver and evaluate peer-to-peer recovery support services that help prevent relapse and promote sustained recovery from alcohol and drug use disorders. Successful applicants will provide peer-to-peer recovery support services that are responsive to community needs and strengths, and will carry out a quantitative and qualitative evaluation of the services.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$2,500,000
Number of awards: seven
Deadline: April 4, 2006
Eligible: State and local governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, and community and faith-based organizations.
Information: Marsha Baker, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, One Choke Cherry Road, Room 5-1124, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: (240) 276-1566, E-mail: marsha.baker@samhsa.hhs.gov, Link: www.samhsa.gov/Grants06/RFA/TI_06_004_rcsp.aspx

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Development of Comprehensive Drug/Alcohol and Mental Health Treatment Systems for Persons Who are Homeless

Program: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment and Center for Mental Health Services have announced the availability of fiscal year 2006 funds for the Development of Comprehensive Drug/Alcohol and Mental Health Treatment Systems for Persons Who are Homeless. The Treatment for Homeless grants are services grants designed to address gaps in substance abuse and mental health services and to increase the ability of states, units

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of local government, and community- and faith-based organizations to help specific populations or geographic areas with serious, emerging mental health and substance abuse problems.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$9.7 million
Average grant size: \$400,000
Number of awards: 25
- Deadline:** April 6, 2006
- Eligible:** Community-based public and private nonprofit entities, including local governments, tribal organizations, community-based nonprofit organizations, and community-based state entities, such as state colleges, universities, and hospitals
- Information:** Joanne Gampel, M.A., Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, One Choke Cherry Road, Room 5-1058 Rockville, Maryland 20857, Telephone: (240) 276-2895, E-mail: joanne.gampel@samhsa.hhs.gov, Link: www.samhsa.gov/Grants06/RFA/TI_06_005_homeless.aspx
- CFDA:** 930243

YOUTH

Starbucks Foundation Grants to Local Programs for Youth

- Program:** Starbucks supports service learning projects with contributions of food, coffee, and money. Each store chooses a charity or community program to support. In addition, the Starbucks Foundation funds local programs that serve low-income, at-risk youth. The foundation will support arts and literacy, including programs that innovatively address literacy and learning, provide high standards of excellence in mastering basic skills, and promote youth voices through a variety of venues. The foundation also will support environmental literacy programs that offer place-based approaches to addressing environmental literacy and empower youth to be heroes for a sustainable environment in their own communities.
- Funds:** Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$20,000
- Deadline:** March 1, 2006
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations
- Information:** Starbucks Foundation, 2401 Utah Avenue South, S-SR-1, Suite 800, Seattle, WA 98134, Telephone: (206) 318-7022, E-mail: foundationgrants@starbucks.com, Link: www.starbucks.com/aboutus/grantinfo.asp

FOUNDATION PROFILE

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation Access Grants

- Program:** Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation awards Access Grants in the

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following categories:

1. Innovation Fund for the Uninsured
2. Connecting Consumers with Care
3. Strengthening the Voice for Access

The Innovation Fund for the Uninsured program helps Massachusetts health care delivery organizations improve the organization, continuity, and completeness of care for the uninsured. The program's ultimate goal is to improve health outcomes and cost effectiveness through prevention and medical management. The *Connecting Consumers with Care* program supports Massachusetts community-based organizations, community health centers, and select hospital-based programs as they assist low income consumers. Services include screening and enrollment into MassHealth and other public and private programs, assistance navigating the health care system, and maintaining stable ongoing connections between low-income consumers and health care providers. The awardees are strong models for comprehensive outreach, enrollment, post-enrollment assistance, and case management services. The *Strengthening the Voice for Access* program provides core operating support to Massachusetts organizations whose mission and activities include a significant focus on promoting the health care interests of uninsured and low-income residents. These organizations demonstrate strong models to strengthen community-based policy activities, increase citizen participation in public policy development, and promote collaboration among statewide policy and advocacy organizations on health access issues.

Funds:

Innovation Fund for the Uninsured
Range of grants: \$50,000 to \$75,000
Total funds awarded: \$1,225,000 in 2005

Connecting Consumers with Care
Range of grants: \$15,000 to \$25,000
Total funds available: \$415,000 in 2005

Strengthening the Voice for Access
Range of grants: \$25,000 to \$50,000
Total funds available: \$520,000 in 2005

Eligible:

Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations

Information:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation, Landmark Center, 401 Park Drive, Boston, MA 02215, Telephone: (617) 246-3744, E-mail: info@bcbsmafoundation.org, Link: www.bcbsmafoundation.org/

RECENT AWARDS

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation

- Program:**
- *Roca* – \$75,000 to test a work force-development project that promotes vocational skills, transitional employment, and job placement in the hospitality

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Information: Mott Foundation, 503 South Saginaw Street, Suite 1200, Flint, Michigan 48502-1851, Telephone: (810) 238-5651, E-mail: info@mott.org, Link: www.mott.org

Nord Family Foundation

Program:

- *Massachusetts Law Reform Institute* – \$25,000 for the Food Stamp Advocacy Project.
- *Health Law Advocates* – \$20,000 for the Children’s Mental Health Access Project.

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Program:

- *Jobs for the Future and Center for Collaborative Education* – \$7,900,000 and \$3,700,000 respectively for efforts to improve high-school graduates’ readiness for college and work, through enhanced instruction and an increase in the range of school options, with a focus on Boston public schools

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