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**Kresge Foundation**

**Arts and Culture Program, Facility Investment and Building Reserve Grants**

- Program:** The Kresge Foundation's Arts and Culture program has announced the final call for preliminary grant applications for its facility investments and building reserves program. Kresge is conducting this final round of facility and building reserve grants as it continues to refine its overall investment strategy. Eligible organizations may apply for both facility investment and building reserve grants, or building reserve grants only. Facility investment grants will prioritize renovation and repair projects and new construction that includes exemplary environmental sustainability practices. Building reserve grants are designed to seed or enhance an organization's building reserve fund for the ongoing maintenance and replacement of an organization's facilities. The program does not fund reserves solely for equipment.
- Funds:** Maximum grant size: \$1 million for a period of up to three years from the time of the grant award
- Deadline:** March 1, 2012 for preliminary applications
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status whose primary mission is arts and culture
- Information:** telephone: (), fax: (), email: link: [www.kresge.org](http://www.kresge.org)

**National Endowment for the Arts**

**Art Works**

- Program:** The National Endowment for the Arts supports arts education with the Art Works program grants. Art Works encourages and supports the following four outcomes:
- Creation: The creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence,
  - Engagement: Public engagement with diverse and excellent art,
  - Learning: Lifelong learning in the arts, and
  - Livability: The strengthening of communities through the arts.
- Grantees must select the outcome that is most relevant to their project. The program will fund activities in community-based projects and school-based projects.
- Funds:** Multiple awards ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000 each;
- Deadline:** March 8, 2012 for community-based projects and August 9, 2012 for school-based projects
- Eligible:** State and local government agencies, local education agencies, and nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations with 501(c)(3) status, including arts organizations, local arts agencies, and arts service organizations
- Information:** Arts Education Specialists: Denise Brandenburg, telephone: (202) 682-5044, email: [brandenburg@arts.gov](mailto:brandenburg@arts.gov); Nancy Daugherty, telephone: (202) 682-5521, email: [daughern@arts.gov](mailto:daughern@arts.gov); Terry Liu, telephone: (202) 682-5690, email: [liut@arts.gov](mailto:liut@arts.gov); or Lakita Edwards, telephone: (202) 682-5704, email: [edwardsl@arts.gov](mailto:edwardsl@arts.gov), National

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Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506-0001, link: <http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/GAP13/ArtsEdAW.html>

**National Endowment for the Arts  
Challenge America Fast-Track Grants**

**Program:** The Challenge America Fast-Track program offers support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations, including those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Grants are available for professional arts programming and for projects that emphasize the potential of the arts in community development. This category encourages and supports the following two outcomes:

- Engagement: Engaging the public with diverse and excellent art.
- Livability: The strengthening of communities through the arts.

Awards require a 100 percent match.

**Funds:** Grant size: \$10,000

**Deadline:** May 24, 2012

**Eligible:** Public and private colleges and universities, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status, and government agencies

**Information:** Challenge America Fast-Track Specialists, National Endowment for the Arts, telephone: (202) 682-5700, email, [fasttrack@arts.gov](mailto:fasttrack@arts.gov), link: <http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/GAP13/Challenge.html>

**CHILD CARE**

**United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley and the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care**

**Quality Rating Improvement System Grant**

**Program:** United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley and the state's Department of Early Education and Care have partnered to support and strengthen the capacity of early education and out of school time program leaders to identify, prioritize, and implement improvements to move forward in the state's Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS). The purpose of this application is to provide QRIS Program Quality Improvement Grants to all eligible programs and educators in the mixed delivery system during spring 2012 to make quality program improvements, in pursuit of upward progress on the levels defined in the QRIS system. The grants will support programs and educators to engage in a process of continuous quality improvement to enhance outcomes for all children in Massachusetts, especially those populations most at risk. Programs applying for the QRIS 2012 Program Quality Improvement Grant are required to participate in the Massachusetts QRIS and must

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self-assess at Level 2 or Level 3 under the Revised QRIS Standards prior to January 13, 2012, in order to be eligible to receive funding.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$800,000  
Range of grants: \$2,500 to \$5,000
- Deadline:** January 27, 2012
- Eligible:** Child care programs, including centers, school based programs, family child care, and after school and out-of-school time programs, including lead agencies, public school districts, and family child care systems
- Information:** Wendy Valentine, Director, Community Impact, United Way "QRIS 2012 Program Quality Improvement Grant," United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley, 51 Sleeper Street, 2nd floor, Boston, MA 02210, email: [QRIS@supportunitedway.org](mailto:QRIS@supportunitedway.org), link: <http://www.cybergrants.com/grisgrant2012/>

## EDUCATION

### National Dairy Council and The National Football League Fuel Up to Play 60

- Program:** National Dairy Council and The National Football League sponsor Fuel Up to Play 60. Funds from this program assist schools to increase:
- student awareness of the importance of healthy eating and increased physical activity;
  - student access to and consumption of nutrient-rich foods, including low-fat and fat-free dairy, fruits, vegetables, and whole grains;
  - student opportunities for and participation in physical activity in school;
  - sustainable changes in making schools healthier places.
- Funds can be used to implement Healthy Eating and Physical Activity Plays and to conduct in-school promotions focused on creating a healthier school. Schools applying for Funds for Fuel Up to Play 60 must:
- be enrolled in Fuel Up to Play 60 for the 2011-12 school year;
  - participate in the National School Lunch Program;
  - complete and submit an online Funds for Fuel Up to Play 60 application form;
  - complete the School Wellness Investigation;
  - have support and involvement from the school principal, school nutrition professional, lead physical education teacher, and the school's Fuel Up to Play 60 Program Advisor.
- Funds:** Grant size: \$4,000
- Deadline:** February 1, 2012
- Eligible:** schools
- Information:** Jessica Harms, Associate Project Manager, MMS Education, 105 Terry Drive, Suite 120, Newtown, PA 18940, telephone: (800) 523-5948, ext. 3106, email: link:

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<http://www.fueluptoplay60.com/>

### **National Center for Family Literacy**

#### **Toyota Family Literacy Teacher of the Year Award**

- Program:** The National Center for Family Literacy is accepting nominations for the Toyota Family Literacy Teacher of the Year Award. This annual award recognizes outstanding teachers in the United States who demonstrate exemplary educational practices in family learning and parent engagement. One teacher will win a \$20,000 grant for his or her program, a scholarship to the national conference on Family Literacy, and publicity for the 2013 program year. In addition, one national runner-up will receive a \$2,500 and a scholarship to the conference. Principals, directors, and program coordinators and supervisors who work closely with the nominees and have extensive knowledge of their teaching strengths, approach to working with families, and success and results may nominate educators.
- Funds:** Grant size: \$2,500 and \$20,000
- Deadline:** February 1, 2012
- Eligible:** Teachers helping families in family literacy programs, Title I schools, preschool programs, libraries, and community-based organizations
- Information:** Brenda Logan, National Center for Family Literacy, email: [blogan@famlit.org](mailto:blogan@famlit.org), link: <http://www.famlit.org/award-grant-opportunities/toyota-teacher-of-the-year-award/>

## **HOUSING**

### **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

#### **Housing Counseling Training Grant**

- Program:** Funds from the Housing Counseling Training Grant program are designed to improve and standardize the quality of counseling provided by housing counselors. Funds are available to provide, under cooperative agreements with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, training activities designed to improve and standardize the quality of counseling provided by housing counselors employed by participating agencies. Participating agencies are all housing counseling and intermediary organizations participating in HUD's Housing Counseling Program, including HUD-approved agencies, and affiliates and branches of HUD-approved intermediaries, HUD-approved multi-state organizations, and state housing finance agencies.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$2,000,000  
Maximum grant size: \$665,000
- Deadline:** February 7, 2012
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and public agencies
- Information:** Gerard P. Donahoe, Jr., Department of Housing and Urban Development, telephone:

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(202) 402-3951, email: [gerard.p.donahoe@hud.gov](mailto:gerard.p.donahoe@hud.gov), link:  
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppld=137033>

## **NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

### **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**

#### **Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants**

- Program:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development's Choice Neighborhoods program provides grants to transform neighborhoods by investing in a wide array of infrastructure and other redevelopment activities.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$110 million  
Maximum grant size: \$30,000,000  
Number of awards: approximately 25
- Deadline:** April 10, 2012
- Eligible:** Public housing authorities, local government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and for-profit developers that apply jointly with a public entity
- Information:** Choice Neighborhoods, Department of Housing and Urban Development, email: [ChoiceNeighborhoods@hud.gov](mailto:ChoiceNeighborhoods@hud.gov), link: [http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\\_offices/public\\_indian\\_housing/programs/ph/cn/fy12funding](http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/ph/cn/fy12funding)
- CFDA:** 14.889 – Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants

## **READING**

### **National Book Foundation**

#### **Innovations in Reading Prize, 2012**

- Program:** Each year, the National Book Foundation awards prizes to individuals and institutions, or partnerships between the two, that have developed innovative means of creating and sustaining a lifelong love of reading.
- Funds:** Grant size: \$2,500
- Deadline:** February 21, 2012
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status
- Information:** National Book Foundation, Presenter of the National Book Awards, 90 Broad Street, Suite 604, New York, New York 10004, telephone: (212) 685-0261, email: [nationalbook@nationalbook.org](mailto:nationalbook@nationalbook.org), link: [www.nationalbook.org/innovations\\_in\\_reading.html](http://www.nationalbook.org/innovations_in_reading.html)

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## REENTRY PROGRAMS

### U.S. Department of Labor

#### Reintegration of Ex-Offenders-Adult Program

- Program:** Through the Reintegration of Ex-Offenders-Adult Program, the Department of Labor will award grants to assist adult former offenders who are returning to their communities after serving time in justice facilities. Organizations that receive funding will provide these individuals with employment-focused services and support, including job training and employment preparation assistance, mentoring, and connections to support services such as housing, substance abuse programs, and mental health treatment. Organizations will provide pre-release and post-release services to ex-offenders returning to high-poverty, high-crime communities. Recipients of these grants will be located in or have an existing staff presence, such as satellite offices or shared office space, in the high-poverty, high-crime area to be served.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$20.6 million  
Average grant size: \$1.21 million  
Number of awards: 17
- Deadline:** March 13, 2012
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status
- Information:** Brinda Ruggles, Grants Management Specialist, Office of Grants Management, U.S. Department of Labor, telephone: (202) 693-3437, email: [ruggles.brinda@dol.gov](mailto:ruggles.brinda@dol.gov), link: [http://www.doleta.gov/grants/find\\_grants.cfm](http://www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm)

## FOUNDATION PROFILES

### Merck Family Fund

#### Grants: Protecting the Natural Environment and Strengthening the Urban Community

- Program:** The Merck Family Fund supports work by communities with few resources who are confronting significant social, economic, and environmental challenges. The two areas of focus for the fund are to:
- a) create green and open space, and
  - b) support youth as agents of social change.
- Grants are limited to grassroots programs in New York, NY, Providence, RI, and Boston, MA. The fund will give preference to programs that:
- Involve youth in the design, operation, and evaluation of a project;
  - Train youth to learn skills, develop relationships, and gain experience while making a positive impact on the community;
  - Support youth to research issues of concern, design strategies for

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- change, and implement action plans; and
- Identify youth as important stakeholders in the health and well-being of the community.

**Funds:** Total funds available: approximately \$2.8 million annually  
Range of grants: \$15,000 to \$100,000

**Deadline:** February 1, 2012

**Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

**Information:** Jenny Russell, Executive Director, Merck Family Fund, 95 Eliot Street, Suite 2, Milton, MA 02186-4253, telephone: (617) 696-3580), email: [merck@merckff.org](mailto:merck@merckff.org), link: <http://www.merckff.org/>

### **Cabot Family Charitable Trust**

**Program:** The Cabot Family Charitable Trust makes grant awards to nonprofit organizations working in the arts and culture, education and youth development, environment and conservation, health and human services, and for the public benefit. Grant awards are made in the metropolitan Boston area, as well as communities where the Cabot family has philanthropic interests. Applications to the Trust are accepted twice per year for review by the trustees.

**Funds:** Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$50,000

**Deadline:** February 1 and September 1

**Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status

**Information:** Katherine S. McHugh, Executive Director, Cabot Family Charitable Trust, 70 Federal Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02110, telephone: (617) 226-7505, email: [kmchugh@cabwel.com](mailto:kmchugh@cabwel.com), link: [http://www.cabwel.com/cabot\\_family\\_charitable\\_trust\\_v3.htm](http://www.cabwel.com/cabot_family_charitable_trust_v3.htm)

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