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## ARTS

### Big Yellow Bus

**Program:** Big Yellow School Bus meets a growing need to help schools fund student field trips to art and science museums, historic sites, and music, dance, and theater performances, which are often eliminated due to the pressures of dwindling budgets.

Creative learning at cultural institutions is critical to a child's academic development. These visits help develop creativity and innovation, which Governor Deval Patrick's 21st Century Skills Task Force identifies as among the most important skills for students today. The field trip also helps teachers enliven the curriculum and engage students in learning. Big Yellow School Bus is designed to foster partnerships between schools and cultural institutions so students across the state can explore their creativity and experience all that Massachusetts' cultural life has to offer.

**Funds:** \$200.00

**Deadline:** Fiscal Year 2012

**Eligible:** Grants provided by the Bank of America Charitable Foundation support schools with 51% or more low income students.

**Information:** Diane Daily, Telephone: (617) 727-3668 x262 with questions. E-Mail:

[diane.daily@art.state.ma.us](mailto:diane.daily@art.state.ma.us) Link:  
<http://www.massculturalcouncil.org/programs/bigyellow.asp>

### **The Massachusetts Cultural Council The Local Cultural Council (LCC) Program**

- Program:** The Massachusetts Cultural Council's Local Cultural Council (LCC) Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, humanities, and sciences annually. The program promotes the availability of rich cultural experiences for every Massachusetts citizen
- Funds:** Each year, local councils award more than \$2 million in grants to more than 5,000 cultural programs statewide.
- Deadline:** October 15, 2011
- Eligible:** Applicants can request funds for field trips for groups of children affiliated with schools (public, non-profit, religious, and home schools), afterschool and out-of-school programs, neighborhood/community centers, or civic organizations. Based on community input, each local cultural council may determine whether or not they accept requests for field trips, and if so, what types of expenses are eligible (student ticket cost, transportation, chaperone tickets, guide fees, etc.). This type of grant was formerly known as a "PASS grant."
- Information:** Link: <http://www.massculturalcouncil.org/programs/lccgrants.asp>

### **National Endowment for the Humanities Scholarly Editions & Translations**

- Program:** These grants support the preparation of editions and translations of pre-existing texts and documents that are currently inaccessible or available in inadequate editions. Projects must be undertaken by a team of at least one editor or translator and one other staff member. Grants typically support editions and translations of significant literary, philosophical and historical materials, but other types of work, such as musical notation, are also eligible.
- Funds:** Multiple awards ranging from \$50,000 to \$100,000 each
- Deadline:** December 8, 2011
- Eligible:** Governments, public and private colleges and universities, 501 (c)(3) nonprofits and individuals
- Information:** EH Division of Research Programs, Telephone: (202) 606-8200, Email: [editions@neh.gov](mailto:editions@neh.gov), Link: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/editions.html>.

### **National Endowment for the Humanities Collaborative Research**

- Program:** These grants support original humanities research undertaken by a team of two or more scholars. Support is available for: various combinations of scholars, consultants and research assistants; project-related travel; field work; applications of information

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technology; and technical support and services.

All grantees are expected to communicate the results of their work to the appropriate scholarly and public audiences.

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- Deadline:** December 8, 2011
- Eligible:** Governments, public and private colleges and universities, 501 (c)(3) nonprofits and individuals
- Information:** NEH Division of Research Programs, Telephone: (202) 606-8200, E-mail, [collaborative@neh.gov](mailto:collaborative@neh.gov), Link: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/editions.html>.

### **Yellow House Fund**

#### **Invites Arts Organizations to Apply for Grants**

- Program:** The mission of the Yellow House Fund Arts Education Initiative is to foster and develop arts organizations, including those that support young people and individual artists in presenting cultural diversity for the benefit of the community.
- Funds:** The fund will award grants of \$10,000 per year for up to three years to eligible applicants working on new or existing projects in visual arts, music, and literary arts. Funds may be used for capacity building, education, youth development, and artist support.
- Deadline:** October 15, 2011
- Eligible:** The Yellow House Fund Arts Education Initiative offers grants to eligible local, state, and/or national organizations in the United States (including the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands) that provide distinctive arts and cultural programming directly to the underserved. Eligible applicants include Los Angeles County-based arts organizations that serve underserved youth (budget size \$750,000 or less); national arts organizations that serve underserved youth (budget less than \$750,000); and national organizations that support underserved artists and/or craftspeople domestically or internationally (budget less than \$750,000). Applicants must be a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization or have an eligible fiscal sponsor. Individual artists are not eligible to receive grants.
- Information:** Yellow House Fund, Email: [yhfgrants2011@gmail.com](mailto:yhfgrants2011@gmail.com) Fax: (415) 820-149

## **EDUCATION**

### **Education Department (Office of Innovation & Improvement) Supporting Effective Educator Development Grant Program**

- Program:** The program supports projects to recruit, select and prepare or provide professional enhancement activities for teachers or for teachers and principals. There must be at least

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moderate evidence that the projects are successful.

**Funds:** \$24.6 million for five awards averaging \$8.3 million each  
**Deadline:** Letter of Intent Due: October 11, 2011, Full Application Due: November 7, 2011  
**Eligible:** National nonprofits  
**Information:** Soumya Sathya, Telephone: (202) 260-0819, E-mail: [soumya.sathya@ed.gov](mailto:soumya.sathya@ed.gov), Link: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-09-08/html/2011-23011.htm>.

### **National Science Foundation**

#### **Discovery Research K-12 (DRK-12)**

**Program:** The program seeks to significantly enhance the learning and teaching of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) by pre-K-12 students, teachers, administrators and parents.

All DRK-12 projects should be framed around a research question or hypothesis that addresses an important need or topic in pre-K-12 STEM education. The emphasis in DRK-12 is on research projects that study the development, testing, deployment, effectiveness, and scale-up of innovative resources, models and tools.

**Funds:** \$40 million for multiple awards  
**Deadline:** Letter of Intent: November 17, 2011, Full Application Due: January 10, 2012  
**Eligible:** Unrestricted  
**Information:** Link: [http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\\_summ.jsp?pims\\_id=500047](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=500047)

### **Education Department (Institute of Education Sciences)**

#### **Statewide, Longitudinal Data System Program**

**Program:** States use these funds to develop and implement statewide, longitudinal data systems to efficiently and accurately manage individual student data. The goal is to help states create comprehensive systems which provide quality data on all aspects of education.

SEAs may apply for grants under one of the following three priorities:

1. To design, develop and implement statewide, longitudinal K-12 data systems.
2. To develop and link early childhood data to the state's K-12 data system.
3. To develop and link postsecondary and/or workforce data to the state's K-12 data system.

**Funds:** Estimated \$100 million for multiple awards  
**Deadline:** December 15, 2011  
**Eligible:** State educational agencies (SEAs)  
**Information:** Tate Gould, Telephone: (202) 219-7080, E-mail, [Tate.Gould@ed.gov](mailto:Tate.Gould@ed.gov); Link:

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<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-09-20/html/2011-24151.htm>.

**National Science Foundation (NSF)  
Cyberlearning: Transforming Education**

- Program:** These NSF funds focuses on researching and creating new cyberlearning methods and technologies to improve the nation's educational competitiveness. Priority treatment is given to proposed technological advances which: allow more personalized learning experiences; aid learning efforts among disadvantaged populations; allow access to learning resources anytime and anywhere; and provide new ways of assessing capabilities
- Funds:** \$36 million for 49 awards ranging from \$25,000 to \$2.5 million each
- Deadline:** Multiple deadlines
- Eligible:** Unrestricted
- Information:** For grant guidance, please visit <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2011/nsf11587/nsf11587.htm>

**National Academy of Education (NAEd) and the Spencer Foundation  
Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program**

- Program:** The program supports early career scholars working in critical areas of education research. Research must examine the efficacy of curriculum and teaching methods, but does not fund the initial development of curriculum or instructional programs.
- Funds:** Up to 20 awards of \$55,000 each
- Deadline:** November 4, 2011
- Eligible:** Individuals who have received their PhD or EdD between Jan. 1, 2006 and Dec. 31, 2011 and have demonstrated experience in education research
- Information:** Questions, Telephone: (202) 334-2093, E-mail, [info@naeducation.org](mailto:info@naeducation.org), Link: [http://www.naeducation.org/NAEd\\_Spencer\\_Postdoctoral\\_Fellowship.html](http://www.naeducation.org/NAEd_Spencer_Postdoctoral_Fellowship.html)

**ENVIRONMENT**

**Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)  
Environmental Education Sub-Grants Program**

- Program:** These funds go for efforts to increase public awareness and knowledge about environmental issues. EPA plans to award a \$150,000 grant in each of EPA's 10 regions to a primary grantee. The primary grantee will be responsible for making 19 sub-awards of \$5,000 each to eligible grantees.

Sub-award applicants have to show how their projects will:

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1. Improve environmental conditions and the promotion of student/teacher participation in environmental stewardship.
2. Increase public awareness of environmental issues.
3. Increase educator/student access to quality environmental education.
4. Be sustainable and relevant to its audience.

**Funds:** \$1.5 million for 10 regional awards, which will then be distributed as \$5,000 sub-grants (a 25% match is required)

**Deadline:** November 8, 2011

**Eligible:** State or local education agency, university, tribes, state environmental agency, nonprofit or a noncommercial educational broadcasting entity

**Information:** Karen Scott, E-mail: [EEgrants@epa.gov](mailto:EEgrants@epa.gov); Link: <http://tinyurl.com/cdpubs-031b>; for a list of EPA regions, please visit <http://water.epa.gov/type/location/regions/>.

## **HEALTHCARE**

### **Health & Human Services Department (Health Resources & Services Administration, HRSA) AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETC) National Evaluation Center (NEC)**

**Program:** The AETC NEC will develop methods and tools to measure the outcomes of training, education, clinical consultation services and distance learning education aimed to improve the care of people living with HIV/AIDS.

The AETC NEC evaluations must be learner-centered and contribute to the continuous quality improvement of the entire AETC program, including training, education, and clinical consultation activities as well as distance learning education.

**Funds:** A \$450,000 award;

**Deadline:** December 1, 2011

**Eligible:** Public and private colleges and universities, 501 (c)(3) nonprofits and tribes

**Information:** Lynn Wegman, Telephone: (301) 443-5658, E-mail, [lwegman@hrsa.gov](mailto:lwegman@hrsa.gov), Link: <http://tinyurl.com/4ygrz2n>.

### **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Evaluating Innovations in Nursing Education Program (EIN)**

**Program:** Evaluating Innovations in Nursing Education (EIN) is inviting applications for research projects studying nursing faculty issues that are critical to achieving the recommendations outlined in the 2010 Institute of Medicine report *The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health*. Consistent with EIN's mission, projects will typically address teaching productivity and faculty preparation in nursing education for meeting the demands of a reformed health care and public health system. Findings should inform strategies for addressing the nurse faculty shortage while expanding the nurse workforce and maintaining or improving student outcomes.

**Funds:** \$1.8 million for grants up to \$100,000 each for case studies and determining best practices and \$300,000 each for research and evaluations  
**Deadline:** November 16, 2011  
**Eligible:** Public and private colleges and healthcare organizations  
**Information:** Joanne Fuccello, Telephone: (848) 932-4670, E-mail, [info@evaluatinginnovationsinnursing.org](mailto:info@evaluatinginnovationsinnursing.org), Link: [http://www.rwjf.org/files/applications/cfp/cfp\\_EIN2011.pdf](http://www.rwjf.org/files/applications/cfp/cfp_EIN2011.pdf)

**Health & Human Services Department (Health Resources & Services Administration.-HRSA) Affordable Care Act (ACA) Grants for Capital Development in Health Centers**

**Program:** The Health & Human Services Dept. (HHS) launches the \$700 million health care grants competition that will fund projects that build, expand and improve community health centers. The funds, authorized by the Affordable Care Act, will support renovation and construction projects, boosting centers' ability to care for additional patients and create jobs.

This announcement has two funding opportunities. One will provide approximately \$600 million to existing health centers across the country for longer-term projects to expand, hire more employees and serve more patients. The second funding opportunity emphasizes shorter-term projects and will provide approximately \$100 million to existing health centers to address immediate facility needs.

HRSA stresses collaboration. To win a grant, applicants should describe their local collaborators, such as a neighboring health center, rural health clinic or school board/facility. Applicants must also describe their partnerships and how they will coordinate these grants with ones available through HUD's Choice Neighborhoods grants or the Education Dept.'s Promise Neighborhoods funding program.

**Funds:** \$600 million for 125 awards (HRSA-12-115) and \$100 million for 250 awards  
**Deadline:** October 12, 2011  
**Eligible:** Existing health centers (school based centers are eligible if they receive some Section 330 federal funding)  
**Information:** Brian Feldman, grants management specialist, Telephone: (301) 443-3190, Fax: (301) 443-9810; [bfeldman@hrsa.gov](mailto:bfeldman@hrsa.gov); or Ann Piesen: Telephone: (301) 594-4300, William Hemmingson: Telephone:(301) 594-4300, Susan Knause: Telephone: (301) 594-4300, HRSA Bureau of Primary Health Care, [BPHCCapital@hrsa.gov](mailto:BPHCCapital@hrsa.gov), Link: <http://tinyurl.com/cdpubs-10291> (HRSA-12-115) or <http://tinyurl.com/cdpubs-10292>

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## Open Society Foundations

### Support College Debate Programs Around the World

**Program:** Grants will be available for institutions that have either very small debate programs or none at all. Grants also will be made to institutions seeking to promote public debates within the broader communities that they serve and to increase the capacity of young people from marginalized communities to engage in debates concerning controversial issues affecting their lives.

Grant applications are invited in the following areas:

Debate Organized by Consortia of Colleges and Universities will provide support for consortia of colleges and universities working together to organize large-scale debate in national or global contexts. Pairs or small groups of colleges may apply for a maximum of \$200,000 to develop, organize, and support debate consortia. Funding may be used to establish new consortia or enhance and/or expand existing consortia.

Debate Sponsored by Departments and Schools Within Colleges and Universities will provide support for debate as an extracurricular or co-curricular activity of departments and schools inside a college or university. Academic departments or programs may apply for a maximum of \$25,000 to establish a debate program at a college or university where none currently exists, provide teacher debate training or instruction, host debate tournaments and public debates, and/or travel to public debates and debate tournaments.

Debate in Student Clubs and Societies will provide support for debate in student clubs and societies in ways that go beyond competition to encourage authentic civic engagement. Students, faculty, or staff may apply for a maximum of \$50,000 to fund the creation of debate clubs or societies where none currently exist, provide student debate training or instruction, host intra-mural debate tournaments and public debates, and/or travel to public debates and debate tournaments.

Supporting Debate Events will provide funding for university debate events -- both new and existing — around the world in any language. Not-for-profit groups, including but not limited to public or private not-for-profit universities, private not-for-profit organizations, school debate clubs, or other incorporated or unincorporated groups organizing debates for undergraduate university students as part of their activities, are eligible to apply. Funding of up to \$50,000 is available for new events. Funding requested for existing events may generally not exceed 25 percent of the total expenses relating to the event.

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**Deadline:** Rolling

**Eligible:** Supporting Debate Events will provide funding for university debate events -- both new and existing — around the world in any language. Not-for-profit groups, including but not limited to public or private not-for-profit universities, private not-for-profit organizations, school debate clubs, or other incorporated or unincorporated groups organizing debates for undergraduate university students as part of their activities, are eligible to apply.

**Information:** 400 West 59th Street, New York New York 10019, Telephone:(212)548-0600 or (212)548-0100, Fax: (212) 548-4679 or (212) 548-4600, Link: <http://www.soros.org/initiatives/youth/focus/global-debates>

## **LITERACY**

### **Build-A-Bear Workshop Foundation Literacy and Education Grants**

**Program:** The foundation provides direct support for children in literacy and education programs, including summer reading programs, early childhood education programs and literacy programs for children with special needs.

The foundation provides the following two types of funding:

- Individual Project Grants: These grants are generally for one-time purchases or to fulfill a short-term need, such as the purchase of materials or books.
- Organization Program Grants: These grants fund start-up or operational costs for ongoing programs, such as a summer reading program.

Organizations that received funding in 2010 are ineligible to apply for a grant until 2012. Priority is given to nonprofits in communities with a Build-A-Bear store.

**Funds:** Awards range from \$1,000 to \$10,000

**Deadline:** October 23, 2011

**Eligible:** 501 (c)(3) nonprofits and state colleges and universities

**Information:** Questions, [giving@buildabear.com](mailto:giving@buildabear.com); for more on the foundation, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/5t6f83s>

## **NUTRITION**

### **National Institute of Food and Agriculture U.S. Department of Agriculture Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program**

**Program:** The purpose of the CFP is to support the development of projects with a one-time infusion of federal dollars to make such projects self-sustaining. CFPs should be

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designed to create community-based food projects with objectives, activities and outcomes that are in alignment with CFPCGP primary goals. Preference will be given to CFPs designed to:

- (i) Develop connections between two or more sectors of the food system;
- (ii) Support the development of entrepreneurial projects;
- (iii) Develop innovative connections between the for-profit and nonprofit food sectors; or
- (iv) Encourage long-term planning activities, and multi-system, interagency approaches with collaborations from multiple stakeholders that build the long-term capacity of communities to address the food and agricultural problems of the communities, such as food policy councils and food planning associations.

**Funds:** It is anticipated that approximately \$5,000,000 will be available to fund applications in FY 2012.

**Deadline:** November 17, 2011

**Eligible:** Only private, nonprofit entities meeting the following three requirements are eligible to receive a CFP or PP grant: (a) have experience in the area of (i) community food work, particularly concerning small and medium-size farms, including the provision of food to people in low-income communities and the development of new markets in low-income communities for agricultural producers; or (ii) job training and business development activities for food-related activities in low-income communities; (b) demonstrate competency to implement a project, provide fiscal accountability, collect data, and prepare reports and other necessary documentation; and (c) demonstrate a willingness to share information with researchers, evaluators, practitioners, and other interested parties, including a plan for dissemination of results.

## 2. Partners and Collaborators

Applicants for CFP, PP, or TCB Project awards are encouraged to seek and create partnerships with public or private, nonprofit or for-profit entities, including links with academic institutions (including minority-serving colleges and universities), and/or other appropriate professionals, community-based organizations, and local government entities. **Only the applicant must meet the eligibility requirements.** Project partners and collaborators need not meet the eligibility requirements. Award recipients may subcontract to organizations not eligible to apply provided such organizations are necessary for the successful completion of the project. See Part IV, D., Funding Restrictions.

**Information:** Link: <http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/electronic.html>

## **Allen Foundation Nutrition Grants**

**Program:** The foundation makes grants to projects that benefit human nutrition in the areas of education, training and research. Priorities include: (1) nutritional education for mothers during pregnancy and after the birth of their children; (2) training for educators and demonstrators of good nutritional practices; (3) dissemination of healthful nutritional information; and (4) researching connections between diet and health. Proposals focusing on solving immediate or emergency hunger and malnutrition problems generally aren't funded.

Michigan efforts receive a slight preference. Of the 19 grant awards in 2011, five were Michigan-based. State universities also received preference, with four efforts receiving funding in 2011. They were among the most sizable awards, too.

**Funds:** Multiple awards of up to \$82,000 each

**Deadline:** December 31, 2011

**Eligible:** Public and private universities, hospitals or medical clinics, nonprofits and community organizations

**Information:** Link: <https://www.allenfoundation.org>

## **Agriculture Department (USDA) (National Institute of Food & Agriculture, NIFA) Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program**

**Program:** Community Food Projects seek to:

- Meet the food needs of low-income individuals.
- Increase a community's capability to meet its overall food needs.
- Promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm and nutrition issues.
- Meet specific state, local or neighborhood food and agricultural needs including infrastructure improvement and development, planning for long-term solutions or the creation of innovative marketing activities.

Community Food Projects bring together stakeholders from the distinct parts of the food system to foster understanding of national food security trends and how they might improve local food systems.

This program funds three types of awards: (1) one-time grants to develop Community Food Projects; (2) planning grants to assess the food security needs and plan long-term solutions; and (3) a national grantee to provide training and capacity building.

**Funds:** \$5 million for multiple awards up to \$500,000 each

**Deadline:** November 17, 2011  
**Eligible:** Private nonprofits  
**Information:** Elizabeth Tuckermanty, Telephone: (202) 205-0241, E-mail, [etuckermanty@nifa.usda.gov](mailto:etuckermanty@nifa.usda.gov); Katrena Hanks, Telephone: (202) 401-5286, E-mail, [khanks@nifa.usda.gov](mailto:khanks@nifa.usda.gov).

## ***SUBSTANCE ABUSE***

### **Health & Human Services Department (National Institutes of Health-NIH; National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism-NIAAA) Collaborative Initiative on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders**

**Program:** These five-year NIH-NIAAA grants support research that speeds up the understanding of fetal alcohol spectrum (FAS) and ways to help the education achievement of children who have developmental disabilities that are linked to FAS. The funding agencies are looking for applications that will build on existing FAS research and develop new ways to treat those with FAS. There are no novice priorities in this competition.

**Funds:** \$4 million for eight-to-10 awards) there is no match requirement

**Deadline:** Letter of Intent: November 14, 2011  
Full Application: December 14, 2011

**Eligible:** States, schools, public/private nonprofit universities, tribes, nonprofits (faith-based and community-based groups), Hispanic-serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, tribally controlled colleges and universities, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions, for-profits and small businesses

**Information:** Judy Fox, Chief, Grants Management Branch, NIAAA Office of Extramural Activities, 5635 Fishers Lane, Room 3023, Bethesda, MD 20892-9304, Telephone:(301) 443-4704, Fax: (301) 443-3891, E-mail:[jfox@mail.nih.gov](mailto:jfox@mail.nih.gov)., Link: <http://tinyurl.com/cdpubs-10293> (RFA-AA-12-005) and <http://tinyurl.com/cdpubs-10294> (RFA-AA-12-004)