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Massachusetts Cultural Council
Organizational Support Programs

Program: The Organizational Support Program is designed to promote greater organizational stability and planning for cultural programs by providing continuity of funding to organizations with continuing track records of excellence. The program is designed to provide organizations with a substantive review - including site evaluations and feedback from panelists - to help further their cultural development. Organizational Support awards provide unrestricted funds and are based on prior accomplishments, not future plans.

Funds: The minimum grant awarded through this program is $2,000. At current funding levels, the largest grants to the largest organizations are around $121,000.

Deadline: Intent to Apply Forms are due January 22, 2001; applications are due March 2, 2001.

Eligible To be eligible for Organizational Support, applicants must:

- Be incorporated in Massachusetts as a not-for-profit
- Have tax-exempt status, non-profit status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code or be an agency or entity of local government, such as local cultural councils, historical commissions, and libraries
- Be governed by a board of directors or a council that meets regularly to set policy
- Have completed two full years of public programming in the arts, humanities, or sciences within the three years prior to the application deadline
- Demonstrate minimum public cultural program expenses of at least $10,000 in the 24 months prior to the application deadline

Info: Online Organizational Support applications will be available in January 2001.

The Massachusetts Cultural Council will hold information sessions about Organizational Support across the state in January and February.

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Phone: 617-727-3668, Toll Free (in MA only): 800-232-0960, Fax: 617-727-0044,
Website: http://www.massculturalcouncil.org/contact/index.html

National Foundation of the Arts and Humanities

Feasibility Study for the Creation of Loan Funds or Loan Guarantees for Arts Organizations

Program: The National Endowment for the Arts is requesting proposals leading to one (1) award of a Cooperative Agreement to conduct a Study of the Feasibility for the Creation of Loan Funds for Nonprofit Arts Organizations. The study will include a quantitative and descriptive analysis of loan funds for arts organizations as well as the guarantee of loans.
DISABILITY

Massachusetts Commission for the Blind
Deaf-Blind Community Access Network (DBCAN) Program

Program: The Massachusetts Commission for the Blind (MCB), in collaboration with the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (MCDHH), is seeking to create a Deaf-Blind Community Access Network (DBCAN) program to provide equal access to community life for Deaf-Blind citizens of the Commonwealth, in other words, citizens who are both deaf and legally blind, so they can further enjoy and improve the quality of their lives. This formal, organized program will coordinate assistance to such Deaf-Blind people in some of their day-to-day activities outside the home.

Funds: $4,400,000.
Deadline: January 12, 2001
Eligible: See RFR

EDUCATION

Department of Housing and Urban Development
Community Development Work Study Program

Program: To provide assistance to economically disadvantaged and minority graduate students who participate in community development work study programs and are enrolled full-time in a graduate community building academic degree program.

Funds: Approximately $3,000,000.
Eligible: Institutions of higher education, area-wide planning organizations (APOs), and States.
Info: You may obtain an application kit by calling HUD USER at 1-800-245-2691. You may also access the application kit on the Internet from HUD's web site at www.hud.gov. When requesting an application, you should refer to CDWSP and include your name, mailing address (including zip code) and telephone number (including area
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Executive Nurse Fellowship Program
Program: The Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellows Program is an advanced leadership program for nurses in senior executive roles in health services, public health, and nursing education who aspire to help lead and shape the US health care system of the future. The three-year fellowships are designed for Fellows to remain in their current positions, and are intended to offer participating nurses the experiences, insights, competencies, and skills necessary to advance in executive leadership positions in a health care system undergoing unprecedented change. The program is designed ultimately to better position the nursing voice across many sectors of the economy.

Funds: Each Fellow’s individual learning activities are covered by a leadership account amounting to $15,000.


Eligible Fellowships are available to senior-level nurses who hold executive position in health services.

Info: Marilyn Chow, DNSc, RN, FAAN, Program Director, RWJ Executive Nurse Fellows Program, UCSF Center for the Health Professions, 3333 California Street, Suite 410, San Francisco, CA 94118, Phone: (415) 502-4770, Fax: 415/502-4992, E-mail: rwjenfp@itsa.ucsf.edu, Link: http://www.rwjf.org/new/jwnew.htm

National Cancer Institute
Research on Local Tobacco Controls
Program: Funding is available through a National Cancer Institute and National Institutes of Health program that encourages research of state and community tobacco-control efforts.

Funds: A total of $8 million in grants is available for fiscal year 2002 for up to 10 new programs.


Eligible Nonprofits, federal, state or local governments.


National Center for Environmental Research
Children’s Vulnerability to Toxic Substances in the Environment
Program: Proposals that are responsive to this RFA will identify specific pollutant chemicals, pollutant sources, environmental media, and exposure pathways and will attempt to develop novel methodologies for quantifying or assessing exposures to children and the associated
National Center for Environmental Research
Aggregate Exposure Assessment for Pesticides: Longitudinal Case Studies

Program: The EPA will support longitudinal case studies designed to assess aggregate, non-occupational exposures to pesticides in defined populations aimed at addressing important public health issues. These issues may concern the toxicity of a particular chemical or class of chemicals and/or relate to a health endpoint and its potential link to pesticide exposures. Specifically, there is a need for information on aggregate human exposures to commercial pesticide chemicals such as, but not limited to, pyrethroid insecticides, triazine herbicides, and residential-use pesticides.

Funds: Up to $6 million is expected to be available in fiscal year 2001 for awards in this program area. The projected award range is $250,000 to 350,000 per year, including direct and indirect costs, for up to 4 years.

Deadline: March 7, 2001

National Institute on Drug Abuse
The Transition from Drug Use to Addiction: Unearthing the Switch

Program: The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) invites applications for research to broaden our understanding of the transition from drug use to drug addiction.

Funds: NIDA intends to commit approximately $4 million in FY 2001 to fund 10 to 15 new and/or competitive continuation grants in response to this RFA. An applicant may request a project period of up to 5 years and a budget for direct costs of up to $400,000 per year.

Deadline: Letters of intent are due January 23, 2001; applications are due February 23, 2001.

Eligible Applications may be submitted by domestic, for-profit and non-profit organizations, public and private, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of State and local governments, and eligible agencies of the Federal government. Racial/ethnic minority individuals, women, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply as Principal Investigators.

Info: Steven Gust, Ph.D., National Institute on Drug Abuse, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Room 5274, MSC 9581, Bethesda, MD 20892-9581, Phone: (301) 443-6480, Fax: (301) 443-9127, Email: sgust@mail.nih.gov, Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DA-01-004.html
further advances in the design and implementation of prevention and intervention methods that are appropriately applied to environmental health; accumulate and evaluate data, making assignments of environmental etiologies of diseases more plausible; and develop, implement, and evaluate community-based exposure assessment protocols. This solicitation will provide an opportunity for collaborative research approaches with environmental health scientists and communities to engage in the following: (1) the etiology of environmentally related diseases in low socioeconomic status (SES) populations; (2) exposure assessments in low SES communities; and (3) intervention/prevention strategies in low income and medically underserved communities.

**Funds:** The NIEHS intends to commit approximately $2.5 million in FY 2001 to fund approximately five new and/or competitive continuation grants in response to this RFA. An applicant may request a project period of up to five years and a budget for direct costs of up to $300,000 per year.

**Deadline:** Letter of Intent is due January 17, 2001; application is due March 15, 2001.

**Eligible**
Applications may be submitted by domestic and foreign, for-profit and non-profit organizations, public and private, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of State and local governments, and eligible agencies of the Federal government. Racial/ethnic minority individuals, women, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply as Principal Investigators.

**Info:**
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National Institute of Child Health and Human Development/National Institute of Mental Health

**The Influence of Gender on HIV Risk**

**Program:** Social and cultural understandings of gender exert powerful influences on human behavior, particularly in the domain of sexuality. Differences in male and female sexual behavior are in part biologically based, but much of the variation in individual and couple sexual behavior emerges from socially and culturally determined understandings of what is appropriate for and expected of males and females. In the present context of the AIDS epidemic, where sexual interactions may have deleterious consequences, these gendered expectations and attitudes are particularly salient. Few studies, however, have specifically undertaken the task of relating the impact of gender on AIDS risk. This Request for Applications (RFA) seeks research that will contribute to a better understanding of how gender influences the risk of HIV infection through sexual behaviors, and of how HIV risks rooted in gendered expectations and behaviors may be best reduced.
Deadline: Letters of Intent are due January 6, 2001; applications are due March 22, 2001.

Eligible Applications may be submitted by domestic and foreign, for-profit and non-profit organizations, public and private, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of State and local governments, and eligible agencies of the Federal government. Racial/ethnic minority individuals, women, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply as Principal Investigators.

Info: Susan Newcomer, Ph.D., Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 8B07, MSC 7510, Bethesda, MD 20892-7510, Phone: (301) 435-6981, E-mail: Snewcomer@nih.gov, or Willo Pequegnat, Ph.D., Center for Mental Health Research on AIDS, Division of Mental Disorders, Behavioral Research and AIDS National Institute of Mental Health, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Room 6205, MSC 9619, Bethesda, MD 20892-9619, Phone: (301) 443-1187, Fax: (301) 443-9719, E-mail: wpequegn@nih.gov. Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HD-01-002.html

National Institute on Drug Abuse
Drug Abuse Aspects of HIV/Aids and Other Infections

Program: This PA seeks to stimulate a range of investigator-initiated studies to advance the scientific knowledge base on drug abuse aspects of HIV/AIDS and other serious infections. Researchers are invited to address diverse and cross-cutting issues in multiple disciplines, including virology, etiology, therapeutics and vaccines, ethnography and epidemiology, and the behavioral and social sciences.

Funds: Please see the Program Announcement.

Deadline: This Program Announcement expires on December 15, 2003, unless reissued.

Eligible Applications may be submitted by domestic and foreign, for-profit and non-profit organizations, public and private, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of State and local governments, and eligible agencies of the Federal government. Racial/ethnic minority individuals, women, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply as principal investigators.

Info: Elizabeth Lambert, M.Sc. or Helen Cesari, M.Sc., Center on AIDS and Other Medical Consequences of Drug Abuse, National Institute on Drug Abuse, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Room 5198, MSC 9593 Bethesda, MD 20892-9593, Phone: (301) 402-1933 or 402-1918, Fax: 301-443-4100, Email: HC30X@nih.gov or EL46i@nih.gov. Link: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-01-023.html

MISCELLANEOUS
corporate donors. This program, known as the Notre Dame Computer Initiative, is designed to receive working PC compatible systems with Pentium 75 MHz, or above, CPUs and recycle them for use by not-for-profit agencies working with low income or special needs clients.

**Cost:** Agencies that request computers for themselves or their clients will pay the labor and parts costs of reprocessing. Completed systems cost from one hundred and three hundred dollars.

**Deadline:** Ongoing.

**Eligible** Nonprofits and their clients.

**Info:** Charles M. Thompson, Mindshare, Phone: 617-787-7870 ext.1, Fax: 617-787-1636 E-mail: cmt@world.std.com, Link: http://world.std.com/~cmt/

### WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

**Department of Housing and Urban Development**

**Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Grants to Support Public Housing Apprenticeship Activities in the Construction Trades and Public Housing Operations**

**Program:** The Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Program links services to public housing residents by providing grants for supportive services, resident empowerment activities and activities to assist residents in becoming economically self sufficient. This NOFA announces HUD's intention to award to eligible housing authorities grants to support employment and training opportunities for residents living in public housing through Apprenticeship activities and programs. As part of the ROSS program, the Public Housing apprenticeship related grants will provide job training and ensure bonafide apprenticeship and employment opportunities in the construction trades and public housing operations that will lead to self sufficiency for public housing residents.

**Funds:** Awards will range from $250,000 to $500,000.

**Deadline:** February 26, 2001.

**Eligible** PHAs.

**Info:** Paula O. Blunt, Director, Office of Customer Services and Amenities, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 4226, Washington, DC 20410, Phone: (202) 619-8201, Link: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2000_register&docid=00-30191-filed

**FR:** 11/28 71027-71040

**Department of Correction**

**Offender Employment Placement & Counseling**

**Program:** The Building Bridges to Employment Program is designed to facilitate the transition of the state inmate from incarceration to the community. A systemic case management approach
placement and community/partnership referrals 5) Tracking and Support.

**Funds:** TBD.

**Deadline:** January 12, 2001.

**Eligible** Two community-based organizations will be selected. The community agencies should be located in two regions: Boston, with offices in Boston and Quincy and Metro-North with offices in Cambridge and Chelsea. All sites must be accessible by public transportation. The community agencies must take all offenders referred through the Building Bridges to Employment Program sponsored by the Division of Inmate Training and Education.

**Info:** Darcy Bens, Contract Manager, 50 Maple Street - Suite 3, Milford, MA 01757, Phone: 508-422-3314, Fax: 508-422-3383, Email: dcbens@doc.state.ma.us, Link: [http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=009993&dept_code=&cp_xx=](http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=009993&dept_code=&cp_xx=)

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**YOUTH**

**The i2 Foundation**

**Youth, Education, Environment and Health**

**Program:** The i2 Foundation is dedicated to promoting advancements in education, technology, environmental practices, medicine, and economic opportunity through programs that improve quality of life and create a healthier society. One of the major priorities of the i2 Foundation is to contribute to society through the development and education of children and youth. The foundation, however, recognizes that issues are complex and interconnected and therefore is open to receiving proposals related to the wide array of issues including: poverty, hunger, illiteracy, education, youth violence, violence against women, early child development, environmental preservation, scientific research and improved health care.

**Funds:** Grants will range in size from $5,000 to $50,000.

**Deadline:** Details on Grant Cycle V to be Announced by January 2001

**Eligible** Nonprofits.

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