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CHILDREN and FAMILIES

Boston Connects, Inc.

Request for Proposals for a Fatherhood Initiative

- Program:** Boston Connects, Inc., the community-based organization working to promote and sustain economic self-sufficiency for individuals, families, and communities in Boston's Empowerment Zone, has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a Fatherhood Initiative. The goal of the Fatherhood Initiative is to promote the economic self-sufficiency of fathers in the Empowerment Zone, thereby increasing paternal involvement over a two-year grant period.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$100,000 over two years
- Deadline:** Friday, November 12, 2004 by 12:00 noon
- Eligible:** Not-for-profit organizations in or in close proximity to the Empowerment Zone with demonstrated expertise working with fathers to promote financial and emotional stability that will result in employment and increased paternal involvement.
- Information:** Shirley Carrington, Boston Connects, Inc., 2201 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Roxbury, MA 02119, Telephone: (617) 541-2673, E-mail: Shirley.Carrington.bci@ci.boston.ma.us, Link: www.BostonEZ.org

DISABILITIES

Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation

Support to Programs for Adults with Disabilities

- Program:** The Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation, Inc. seeks to change the image of disability. As part of this mission, the foundation funds programs of nonprofit organizations that are led by or support adults with disabilities. The foundation encourages applications for distinctive projects that make a difference in the lives of people with disabilities. Support is provided for programs in the areas of education, advocacy, and the arts.
- Funds:** Range of grants: \$1,000 to \$5,000 per project
- Deadline:** November 1, 2004 and May 1, 2005
- Eligible:** Not-for-profit, tax exempt organizations that have been in existence two years or longer. Support from other sources in the community must be demonstrated in the grant application.
- Information:** Deborah Lewis, Executive Director, Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation, 2460 North Lake Avenue, PMB #128, Altadena, CA 91001, Telephone: (626) 398-8840, Email: executivedirector@ela.org, Link: <http://www.ela.org/grants/grants.html>

**U.S. Department of Education
Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services
National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research
Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training**

Program: The purpose of this program is to provide research training and experience at an advanced level to individuals with doctorates or similar advanced degrees who have clinical or other relevant experience. Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training projects train rehabilitation researchers, including individuals with disabilities, with particular attention to research areas that support the implementation and objectives of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Funds: Total funds available: \$300,000
Average grant size: \$150,000
Number of awards: two

Deadline: November 29, 2004

Eligible: Institutions of higher education

Information: Donna Nangle, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 6030, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: (202) 245-7462, E-mail: donna.nangle@ed.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-21848.htm>

FR: 9/29 58155-58158

EDUCATION

**U.S. Department of Education
Office of Postsecondary Education
International Research and Studies Program**

Program: The International Research and Studies Program provides grants to conduct research and studies to improve and strengthen instruction in modern foreign languages, area studies, and other international fields.

Funds: Total funds available: \$1,904,083
Range of grants: \$55,000 to \$160,000

Deadline: November 12, 2004

Eligible: Public and private agencies, organizations, institutions, and individuals.

Information: Mr. Jose L. Martinez, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., Room 6010, Washington, DC 20006-8521, Telephone: (202) 502-7635, Email: jose.martinez@ed.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/E4-2355.htm>

FR: 9/23 57011-57014

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**U.S. Department of Education
Office of Postsecondary Education**

Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education – The Comprehensive Program

Program: The Comprehensive Program supports grants and cooperative agreements to improve postsecondary education opportunities. It encourages reforms, innovations, and improvements of postsecondary education that respond to problems of national significance and provide access to quality education for all. Invitational priorities for fiscal year 2005 are:

- 1) Projects to support new ways to ensure equal access to postsecondary education and to improve rates of retention and program completion, especially for underrepresented students whose retention and completion rates continue to lag behind those of other groups, and especially to encourage wider adoption of proven approaches to this problem.
- 2) Projects to promote innovative reforms in the curriculum and instruction of various subjects at the college preparation, undergraduate, and graduate/professional levels, especially through student-centered or technology-mediated strategies, and including the subject area of civic education.
- 3) Projects designing more cost-effective ways of improving postsecondary instruction and operations, such as promoting more student learning relative to institutional resources expended.
- 4) Projects to improve the quality of K-12 teaching through new models of teacher preparation and through new kinds of partnerships between schools and colleges and universities that enhance students' preparation for, access to, and success in college.

Funds: Total funds available: \$12.7 million for new awards
Average grant size: \$212,000 per year
Range of grants: \$50,000 to \$600,000 per year
Number of awards: 60

Deadline: Preapplications: November 3, 2004
Final applications: March 22, 2005

Eligible: Institutions of higher education or combinations of those institutions and other public and private nonprofit institutions and agencies

Information: Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20006-8544, Telephone: (202) 502-7500, Link: <http://www.ed.gov/FIPSE>

HEALTH

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Emerging Infections Programs**

Program: The purpose of this program announcement is to provide continued support to existing

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Emerging Infections Programs (EIPs), or to develop new Emerging Infections Programs, as part of the national network. Emerging Infections Programs are population-based centers that assess the public health impact of and respond to emerging infections. Activities of the EIPs fall into these general categories:

- 1) Active surveillance;
- 2) Applied public health epidemiologic and laboratory activities; and
- 3) Implementation and evaluation of pilot prevention/intervention projects.

The Emerging Infections Programs function as a collaborative network of public and private organizations that have an interest in addressing infectious diseases health issues and maintain sufficient flexibility to address infectious disease health issues as they emerge. The programs are strategically located to serve a variety of geographical areas and diverse groups of people.

Funds: Total funds available: \$19.6 million
Average grant size: \$2.4 million
Number of awards: nine

Deadline: Letter of intent: October 11, 2004
Application: November 1, 2004.

Eligible: State governments and their bona fide agents

Information: Catherine Rebmann, National Center for Infectious Diseases (NCID), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 1600 Clifton Rd, NE., Mailstop D-59, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone (404) 371-5363, Email address: csr9@cdc.gov.

Link:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-21474.htm>

FR: 9/24 57298-57304

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellowships

Program: The Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellowships program is designed to develop the capacity of outstanding midcareer health professionals in academic and community-based settings to assume leadership roles in health policy and management, to gain an understanding of the health policy process, and to contribute to the formulation of new policies and programs. The program is funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and administered by the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies. The fellowship includes a one-year residential experience in Washington, D.C., that features an intensive orientation followed by hands-on work assignments. Funds also may be used for leadership development activities for up to two years following the Washington year.

Funds: Award size: up to \$84,000 plus benefits
Range of grants:

Number of awards: up to ten

Deadline: November 19, 2004

Eligible: Exceptional midcareer professionals from academic faculties and nonprofit healthcare organizations with backgrounds in the following disciplines: allied health professions;

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bio-medical sciences; dentistry; economics or other social sciences; health services organization and administration; medicine; nursing; public health; or social and behavioral health. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or have permanent residency status.

Information: Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy, Fellowships Program, Institute of Medicine
The National Academies, 500 Fifth Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001
Telephone: (202) 334-1506, Fax: (202) 334-3862, Link: <http://www.iom.edu/rwj>

LABOR

U.S. Department of Labor

High-Growth Job Training Initiative Grants for the Healthcare and Biotechnology Industries

Program: The U.S. Department of Labor has announced the availability of demonstration grant funds to address labor shortages, develop innovative training strategies, and manage other workforce challenges in the healthcare and biotechnology industries. Grant funds awarded under the High-Growth Job Training Initiative should be used to develop and implement innovative solutions to workforce challenges identified by the healthcare industry or biotechnology industry. Each solution should take place in the context of a strategic partnership among the public workforce system, business and industry representatives, and education and training providers such as community colleges.

Funds: Total funds available: \$10 million
Range of grants: \$750,000 to \$1 million
Number of awards: 12

Deadline: November 2, 2004

Eligible: Nonprofit, public, and nonprofit agencies

Information: Kevin Brumback, Grants Management Specialist, Division of Federal Assistance,
Telephone: (202) 693-3381, Link:
<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-20953.htm>

FR: 9/17/04/ 56082-56097

MENTORING

Liberty Mutual

Mentoring Initiative, Round II – 2005

Program: Liberty Mutual is pleased to announce a second round of funding to support mentoring programs in the ten Massachusetts communities of Boston, Brockton, Fall River, Holyoke, Lawrence, Lowell, Lynn, New Bedford, Springfield, and Worcester. The focus of the Liberty Mutual Mentoring Initiative is to expand the number of children in these communities who are matched with qualified adult mentors and to enhance the overall quality of mentoring programs. Funds will be awarded to:

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- 1) Organizations with established mentoring programs that are interested in expanding the number of youth being served and enhancing program quality.
- 2) Organizations with a strong history working with youth that do not currently operate a mentoring program but are interested in starting one.

Awards will be based on the proposed number of new mentor-mentee matches.

Funds: Total funds available: \$450,000
Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$35,000

Deadline: November 1, 2004

Eligible: Not-for-profit organizations

Information: Claire Kaplan, Liberty Mutual, Telephone: (617) 867-0663, E-mail: mentoring_rfp@earthlink.net

PHILANTHROPY AND VOLUNTEERISM

FamilyFun Magazine

FamilyFun Volunteers

Program: FamilyFun Magazine has announced the launch of FamilyFun Volunteers, a program designed to encourage families to volunteer together. The Points of Light Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting volunteerism, will assist FamilyFun's editors in judging the entries. Submissions will be evaluated on the basis of creativity, impact on the community, and effect on the family. Funds will support the charities chosen by the selected families.

Funds: Total funds available: \$50,000
Award size: \$5,000 to the charities of choice of five families and \$1,000 to the charities of choice of 25 families

Deadline: January 3, 2005

Eligible: Families with at least two members volunteering together, of whom one at least 18 years old and one younger than 18, on behalf of tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations and public schools

Information: Buena Vista Magazines, Inc., FamilyFun Magazine, 114 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10011, Link: <http://familyfun.go.com/parenting/learn/activities/feature/volunteers-contest-rules/volunteers-contest-rules.html>

YOUTH

Constitutional Rights Foundation

Robinson Mini-Grant Program

Program: The Constitutional Rights Foundation's Robinson Mini-Grant Program honors the late Maurice R. Robinson, founder of Scholastic, Inc., champion of innovative education, and longtime supporter of effective citizenship education. Each year, as the result of a grant from The Maurice R. Robinson Fund of New York City, the Constitutional Rights Foundation awards grants for K-12 service-learning projects designed to

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address serious community issues. Each of these projects should address a larger social need. Some of these needs fall under the category of poverty, hunger, environment, mentoring children and youth, crime and safety issues, and aging. Students will develop problem-solving skills that they can use later in life. They also will learn citizenship skills by practicing them. The skills the students gain from doing these projects will not only help their community, but also help them in their life as a citizen of a democratic society.

- Funds:** Award size: up to \$500
Deadline: October 15, 2004
Eligible: Elementary and secondary schools and community organizations that work with youth in grades kindergarten through 12
Information: Katie Moore, Robinson Mini-Grant Program, Constitutional Rights Foundation, 601 South Kingsley Drive, Los Angeles, California 90005, Telephone: (213) 316-2104, Fax (213) 386-0459, E-mail: katie@crf-usa.org, Link: http://www.crf-usa.org/network/crf_robin.html

Boston's After-School for All Partnership Best Practice Awards for Teen Programming

Program: Boston's After-School for All Partnership (The Partnership) seeks to identify and reward organizations in Boston that operate outstanding teen programs. This effort builds upon recent research conducted by the Partnership to assess the need for out-of-school-time opportunities for teens and identify ways to support and expand the field. In April 2004, the Partnership issued "Coming of Age in Boston: Out-of-School Time Opportunities for Teens - Current Realities and Future Prospects," a report describing the state of out-of-school-time opportunities for teens in Boston and the growing demand for more and better teen programs. The report created a compelling case for Boston to expand and enhance the opportunities available to teens during their non-school hours. The Partnership is requesting nominations from organizations for "Best Practice Awards in Teen Programming". Recognizing that no one knows better than teens themselves what makes an outstanding teen program, the Partnership has assembled a group of teens to shape the selection criteria for the awards, review nominations, and work with the Partnership to make award decisions. The Partnership is launching this awards initiative to identify and reward teen programs that demonstrate certain effective practices identified by teens themselves. In addition to the youth development principles that are critical for all out-of-school time programs, through focus groups and interviews, teens have helped identify several key elements of effective *teen* programs. The Best Practice Awards will recognize organizations for their accomplishments and innovation in these areas and help highlight for the broader field a set of highly effective program models.

The Partnership will offer Best Practice Awards in the following four categories:

1. **Teen Leadership and Achievement**– Programs that excel at providing teens with opportunities to be leaders, to contribute to their community, to accomplish a goal, and/or have a meaningful impact on their community. Examples might include programs that engage teens as leaders in the design

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and management of the program or in leading a specific project in their community or within the program.

2. **Strong Relationships with Caring Adults** - Programs that have been particularly effective in offering teens opportunities to build strong relationships with caring adults who can offer encouragement and guidance. These programs have may have developed innovative strategies for recruiting, training, developing, and retaining dynamic youth workers that are particularly effective with teens.
3. **Skill Development** – Programs that have demonstrated success in helping teens build skills that will help them to succeed in the future. Examples may include programs that build job skills through employment or job training opportunities, that build academic skills and enhance preparation for college, or that build other types of social or life skills. Programs must be able to demonstrate evidence of achievement and skill development.
4. **Teen Centered Environment**– Programs that excel in creating an environment that meets the unique needs and interests of teens. These programs may create a teen centered environment through:
 - Using physical space creatively and innovatively to provide teens with a safe and attractive program area that is uniquely their own;
 - Creating an environment where teens feel comfortable and can express themselves;
 - Providing activities that are particularly fun, engaging and interesting to a teen audience.
 - Programs will need to highlight how this practice has enhanced the engagement of teens and how it has been effective.

Funds: Total funds available: \$25,000
Award size: \$5,000
Number of awards: five

Deadline: Wednesday October 20, 2004 by 5:00 p.m.

Eligible: Organizations serving youth ages 14 to 19 who live in the City of Boston.

Information: Vernetta Roach, The Boston Foundation, 75 Arlington Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02116, Telephone: (617) 338-1700, E-mail: vroach@tbf.org

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation

Innovation Fund

Program: The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Innovation Fund provides grants to nonprofit organizations to spark the creation or expansion of innovative education programs in a particular field each year. For the 2005 grant cycle, the foundation invites proposals from non-remedial, out-of-school programs in critical reading or writing for elementary and middle school students. Programs should be designed to help students build high-level reading or writing skills to help them excel in rigorous academic environments as they mature. Programs must operate in the United States and serve low-to-moderate-income students. The foundation encourages applications from rural communities, small towns, and other underserved areas.

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Funds: Range of grants: \$100,000 and \$200,000
Number of awards: three
Deadline: October 15, 2004
Eligible: Nonprofit, tax exempt organizations with 501 (c) (3) status
Information: 2005 Innovation Fund, Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, 44115 Woodridge Parkway, Suite 200, Lansdowne, Virginia 20176, Telephone: (703) 723-8000, E-mail: ifund@jackkentcookefoundation.org, Link: http://www.jackkentcookefoundation.org/jkcf_web/content.aspx?page=2414227

RECENT AWARDS

Calderwood Charitable Foundation

Grant: ▪ *Huntington Theatre Company* – \$4,000,000 for capital and operating support of a theater at the Boston Center for the Arts.
Information: Calderwood Charitable Foundation, 53 State Street, Exchange Place, Boston, MA 02109, Telephone: (617) 248-5255

Changemakers

Grants: ▪ *Boston Women’s Fund* – \$20,000 for efforts to diversify its pool of donors, increase its endowment, and strengthen its public image.
 ▪ *Grantmakers Without Borders* – \$15,000 for organizational development, research on global social change, and work related to international grant making after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.
Information: Changemakers, Presidio Building 1012, 1st Floor P.O. Box 29150, San Francisco, California 94129-0150, Link: <http://www.changemakersfund.org>

Ford Foundation

Grants: ▪ *Community Technology Centers Network* – \$ 280,000 for a demonstration program related to community technology centers.
 ▪ *Oxfam America* – \$192,000 for efforts to expand the demand for Fair Trade Certified coffee in the United States.
 ▪ *Harvard University School of Public Health* – \$300,000, to develop case studies for business schools on companies that have improved the working conditions of low-wage U.S. workers while succeeding in the global economy
 ▪ *National Alliance for Fair Employment* – \$200,000 for activities designed to build awareness among policy makers and the public of issues faced by the growing number of contract workers.
Information: Ford Foundation, 320 East 43rd Street, New York, New York 10017, Telephone: (212) 573-5000, Fax (212) 351-3677, Link: <http://www.fordfound.org>

Ittleson Foundation

Grants: ▪ *Education Development Center* – \$85,000 over three years to conduct research and write a report on best practices for promoting good mental health on

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college and university campuses.

Information: Ittleson Foundation, 15 East 67th Street, New York, New York 10021, Telephone: (212) 794-2008, Fax (212) 794-0351, Link: <http://www.ittlesonfoundation.org>

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

Grants: Center for Effective Philanthropy – \$50,000 for research designed to help U.S. foundations improve their leadership skills, governance practices, and service to grantees.

Information: John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, 140 South Dearborn Street, Suite 1100, Chicago, Illinois 60603, Telephone: (312) 726-8000, Link: <http://www.macfound.org>

Lance Armstrong Foundation

Grant:

- *Dana-Farber Cancer Institute* – \$100,000 to establish a clinic that will focus on care for cancer survivors and the problems they may face after therapy, including cardiovascular disease, future cancer risk, infertility, osteoporosis, and stress.

Information: Lance Armstrong Foundation, Post Office Box 13026, Austin, Texas 78711, Telephone: (512) 236-8820, Fax (512) 236-8482, Link: <http://www.laf.org>

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Grants:

- *Veronica B. Smith Multi-Service Senior Center* – \$750,000 for awards through the foundation’s Community Partnerships for Older Adults program.
- *Brigham & Women’s Hospital* – \$610,847 to provide technical assistance to the foundation’s program Health E-Technologies: Assessing New Tools for Chronic-Disease Management and Health-Behavior Change.
- *Harvard University School of Public Health* – \$100,000 to study the effects of neighborhood and school design on young people’s levels of physical activity.
- *Physicians for Human Rights* – \$50,000 to educate medical students, physicians, and public-health practitioners about racial and ethnic disparities in health care.

Information: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, College Road East P.O. Box 2316, Princeton, New Jersey 08543, Telephone: (888) 631-9989, Email: mail@rwjf.org, Link: <http://www.rwjf.org>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Child Care Bureau, Early Learning Opportunities Act

Grants:

- *Economic Development and Industrial Corporation, Community Partnership for Children Council* – \$1,000,000 over eighteen months for Boston Learns II, an initiative to enhance early literacy of children ages birth to five, improve the quality of early learning programs through professional development and training, and support parents, child care providers, and educators to strengthen children’s literacy development. Boston Learns will provide both citywide programming opportunities for parents, children, and child care providers, as

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well as programming targeted at the neighborhoods of Roxbury and Jamaica Plain. Boston Learns II also will focus resources on specific priority populations including children ages zero to three, homeless children and families, families whose primary language is not English, fathers, children with special needs, and teen parents.

Information: Carol Gage, Early Learning Opportunities Act Program Area Manager, Administration on Children, Youth, and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 330 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20447, Telephone: (202) 690-6243, Link: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/policy1/funding/eloaffy04.htm>

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