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COMMUNITY

Gardener's Supply Company The Garden Crusader Awards

Program: The Garden Crusader Awards were created by Gardener's Supply in 2001 to honor individuals who are improving the world through gardening. These enthusiastic men and women are planting trees and flowers, growing food, creating new green spaces, and teaching their friends and neighbors about the rewards of gardening. Awards will be given in the following categories:

- § Education
- § Feeding the Hungry
- § Beautification
- § Urban Renewal
- § Restoration

Funds: Award size: \$12,000

Deadline: June 1, 2005

Eligible: Nominated individuals

Information: Garden Crusader Awards, Gardener's Supply, 128 Intervale Road, Burlington, VT 05401, Telephone: (888) 239-1553, Email: crusader@gardeners.com, Link: www.gardeners.com/gardening/content.asp?Copyid=5549

EDUCATION

U.S. Department of Education Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services Training and Information for Parents of Children with Disabilities – Community Parent Resource Centers

Program: The purpose of this program is to ensure that parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve results for their children.

Funds: Total funds available: \$1,000,000
Average grant size: \$100,000
Number of awards: ten

Deadline: May 20, 2005

Eligible: Local parent organizations

Information: Lisa Gorove, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4056, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202-2550, Telephone: (202) 245-7357, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-6747.htm>

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The Ford Foundation Difficult Dialogues Initiative

- Program:** The Ford Foundation has announced a grants initiative to support scholarship, teaching, and civil dialogue about difficult political, religious, racial, and cultural issues in undergraduate education in the United States. The initiative, Difficult Dialogues, will support new and existing courses and academic programs that increase knowledge of the religious and cultural complexity of American society and engage students in constructive discussion of conflicting viewpoints. The foundation anticipates supporting projects with a primary emphasis on teaching and learning. Projects could bring together departments or organizations on campus with different scholarly interests and perspectives, or focus on innovations within a particular academic unit. Projects should involve a range of learning activities that bring together diverse constituencies and should seek to build bridges between religious traditions through scholarship and study, and, where appropriate, should employ the arts and humanities as well as the social sciences.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$2.5 million
Grant size: up to \$100,000
Number of awards: approximately 25
- Deadline:** Preliminary proposals: May 16, 2005
- Eligible:** Undergraduate institutions of higher education
- Information:** Jorge Balán, Senior Program Officer, Education and Scholarship, The Ford Foundation, 320 East 43rd Street, New York, NY 10017, Telephone: (212) 573-5000, E-mail: difficultdialogues@fordfound.org, Link: www.fordfound.org/news/more/dialogues/index.cfm

MetLife Foundation and Jobs for the Future Community College Excellence Award

- Program:** Sponsored by the MetLife Foundation and administered by Jobs for the Future, the MetLife Foundation Community College Excellence Award celebrates and highlights the accomplishments of colleges that are helping less-advantaged youth and adults succeed and advance in college and careers. The awards program recognizes community colleges for their institution-wide commitment to helping diverse students enter and succeed in postsecondary education. The program focuses on those institutions whose policies and practices provide pathways to opportunity for large numbers of individuals from the following populations: first-generation college-goers, at-risk and out-of-school youth, unemployed and underemployed adults, adults with limited English language proficiency, and others who lack the skills necessary for college success. Successful applicants will show how they combine strong leadership, effective programming, and attention to outcomes to create and institutionalize improvement, throughout the college, that meets the varied learning needs of harder-to-serve students.
- Funds:** Award size: \$30,000
Number of awards: two

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Deadline: August 31, 2005
Eligible: Community colleges
Information: Jobs for the Future, 88 Broad Street, Boston, MA 02110, Telephone: (617) 728-4446, Fax: (617) 728-4857, E-mail: info@jff.org, Link: www.jff.org/jff/approaches/youthtrans/showcase/CCExcellence.html

**U.S. Department of Education
Office of Innovation and Improvement
Teaching American History Grant Program**

Program: Teaching American History grants support projects to raise student achievement by improving teachers' knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of traditional American history. Grant awards assist local educational agencies, in partnership with entities that have extensive content expertise, to develop, document, evaluate, and disseminate innovative, cohesive models of professional development. By helping teachers to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of traditional American history as a separate subject within the core curriculum, these programs improve instruction and raise student achievement.

Funds: Total funds available: \$117,000,000

Deadline: Letter of intent: May 16, 2005
Applications: June 14, 2005

Eligible: Local educational agencies, including charter schools that are considered local educational agencies under state law and regulations, working in partnership with one or more of the following entities: an institution of higher education, a non-profit history or humanities organization, and a library or museum.

Information: Emily Fitzpatrick, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4W218, Washington, DC 20202- 6200, Telephone: (202) 260-1498, E-mail: teachingamericanhistory@ed.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-7597.htm>

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**U.S. Department of Education
Office of Vocational and Adult Education
Tech-Prep Demonstration Program**

Program: The Tech-Prep Demonstration program provides grants to enable consortia to carry out tech-prep education projects that involve the location of a secondary school on the site of a community college, a business as a member of the consortium, and the voluntary participation of secondary school students. Following an initial recruitment period, funded projects will enroll a new student cohort in each year of the project and will continue to support each previous Tech-Prep Demonstration program student cohort.

Funds: Total funds available: \$9,838,177
Average grant size: \$759,000
Number of awards: 13

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Deadline: May 24, 2005
Eligible: Consortia that include at least one member in each of the following three categories:
1) local educational agencies, intermediate educational agencies, area vocational and technical education schools serving secondary school students, or secondary schools funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs;
2) nonprofit institutions of higher education that offer two-year associate degrees, two-year certificates, or two-year postsecondary apprenticeship programs; or proprietary institutions of higher education that offer two-year associate degrees programs; and
3) businesses.
Information: Laura Messenger, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 11028, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202-7241, Telephone: (202) 245-7840, E-mail: laura.messenger@ed.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-7527.htm>
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ENVIRONMENT

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation 2005 Native Plant Conservation Initiative

Program: Proposals for grants from the Native Plant Conservation Initiative, sponsored by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and the Plant Conservation Alliance, will support the conservation of plants that are indigenous to North America and to their specific locales. Preference will be given to projects that involve local communities and volunteers in the conservation efforts.
Funds: Grant size: up to \$40,000
Deadline: August 15, 2005
Eligible: Nonprofit organizations and government agencies
Information: National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 1120 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036, Telephone: (202) 857-0166, Fax (202) 857-0162, Link: www.nfwf.org/programs/npci.htm

HEALTH

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Capacity Building Assistance to Improve the Delivery and Effectiveness of Human Immunodeficiency Virus Prevention Interventions for High-Risk Racial/Ethnic Minority Subpopulations

Program: The purpose of this announcement is to provide financial assistance to non-governmental HIV prevention organizations to provide capacity building assistance,

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including training and technical assistance, to adapt, tailor, and implement science-based, behavioral HIV prevention interventions specifically targeting high- risk racial/ethnic minority subpopulations as demonstrated by high- prevalence epidemiological evidence and other concrete quantitative and qualitative data. The minority subpopulations are migrant workers, transgender individuals, and youth in non-school settings, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning youth.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$2,876,000
Average grant size: \$440,000
Number of awards: six
- Deadline:** May 27, 2005
- Eligible:** Public and private nonprofit organizations, universities, colleges, community-based organizations, and faith-based organizations.
- Information:** Gerlinda Gallegos Somerville, Public Health Analyst, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, Capacity Building Branch, 1600 Clifton Road, Mailstop E-40, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone: (404) 639-2918, E-mail: DHAPCBAPT@CDC.GOV, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-7286.htm>
- FR:** 4/12 19082-19090

MENTAL HEALTH

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Center for Mental Health Services Adolescents at Risk Grant Program

- Program:** The Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services is accepting applications for one of the Service-to-Science Grants programs. The purpose of the Adolescents at Risk program is to evaluate voluntary school-based programs that focus on identification and referral of high school youth who are at risk for suicide or suicide attempts. Grant funds may not be used to pay for direct treatment services. Grantees in the Adolescents at Risk program may use their grant funds for all of the allowable Phase II activities described in the notice, as well as the following activities:
- § Implementing school-based programs that identify, assess, and refer youth at risk for suicide or suicide attempts; however, grants funds may not be used to pay for direct treatment services.
 - § Training of personnel who will be involved in implementing the school-based suicide prevention program.
 - § Obtaining parental consent and ensuring that the families of youth at risk identified by suicide prevention programs receive adequate education about

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risk for suicide and suicide attempts and assistance in accessing the mental health system.

§ Continued development of interagency agreements that will allow referral of youth to appropriate services, including emergency referrals of youth at imminent risk of suicide.

§ Continued development of a structured and feasible policy for making decisions about response, referral, and further assessment when youth are identified to be at risk.

Funds: Total funds available: \$1,877,000
Maximum grant size: \$250,000
Number of awards: eight

Deadline: June 1, 2005

Eligible: Local governments, independent school districts, public, private, and state controlled institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments, public housing authorities, and not-for-profit organizations

Information: Richard McKeon, Ph.D., Prevention Initiatives and Priority Program Development Br., Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, One Choke Cherry, Room 6-1114, Rockville MD 20850, Telephone: (240) 276-1873, E-mail: richard.mckeon@samhsa.hhs.gov, Link: www.fedgrants.gov/Applicants/HHS/SAMHSA/CMHS/SM-05-019/listing.html

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SPORTS

Good Sports, Inc.

Community Partners Program

Program: Good Sport's goal is to increase the participation of urban youth in sports, fitness, and recreational programs. Good Sports is an entrepreneurial non-profit organization that helps make sports and fitness equipment accessible to young people throughout Massachusetts. Good Sports will serve over 12,000 kids this year by providing necessary sports equipment and apparel to youth athletic organizations in low-income, urban areas. Good Sports equipment is distributed to youth and athletic programs in low-income, urban areas throughout Massachusetts. Good Sports develops partnerships with sports equipment organizations, colleges and universities, and the general public to secure donations and distribute that equipment to community-based athletic programs in need. Lack of equipment is a key barrier to sports participation and Good Sports, Inc. has an innovative approach to address this barrier: matching donations from sporting goods manufacturers, retailers, and the general public to the needs of community athletic organizations. By supporting these organizations with the equipment they need, Good Sports reduces their budgets, enabling them to serve more kids, and offer more programs, keeping our youth healthy, active, and off the streets. Good Sports and the United Way of Massachusetts Bay recently formed a partnership enabling Good Sports to distribute more than \$1 million worth of sports equipment to

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youth programs over the next two years.

Funds: Total funds available: \$1 million in equipment over two years

Deadline: ongoing

Eligible: Organizations that meet the following criteria:

- § Located and/or serve youth within Good Sports target communities of Boston, Brockton, Cambridge, Chicopee, Fall River, Framingham, Haverhill, Lawrence, Lowell, Lynn, New Bedford, Somerville, Springfield, and Worcester;
- § Operate an organized sport or recreation program that is not necessarily competitive, but must have coaching, be structured, and meet multiple times;
- § Directly serve youth aged five to 18 years old;
- § Demonstrates significant dosage of sports or recreation time with priority for programs that meet for longer durations or multiple times per week.

Information: Good Sports, Inc., 273 Summer Street, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02210, Telephone: (617) 426-0502, Fax: (617) 249-0618, E-mail: info@goodsports.org, Link: www.goodsports.org

National Football League Youth Football Fund

The NFL Youth Football Fund Grassroots Program

Program: The NFL Youth Football Fund Grassroots Program, a partnership of the National Football League Youth Football Fund and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation, provides nonprofit, neighborhood-based organizations with financial and technical assistance to improve the quality, safety, and accessibility of local football fields. Strong preference will be given to those proposals that:

- 1) seek to upgrade existing facilities that are in poor condition or otherwise underutilized;
- 2) demonstrate active use of the fields;
- 3) attract matching funds that exceed the minimum required match of 1:1;
- 4) involve local partnerships with nonprofit community partners, such as parks and recreational departments, Boys and Girls Clubs, and YMCA branches, to promote youth and community programming on the fields; and
- 5) provide for continuing maintenance and field safety.

Funds: Grant size: up to \$200,000

Deadline: August 20, 2005

Eligible: Nonprofit, tax exempt, community-based organizations and middle and high schools, that are located specifically and exclusively within NFL target markets and serve low- to moderate-income areas within those markets

Information: Attention: NFL Grassroots – Community Football Fields Program, Beverly Smith, Program Director, Local Initiatives Support Corporation, 501 Seventh Avenue, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10018, Telephone: (212) 455-9881, Link: www.lisc.org/whatwedo/programs/nfl/rfp.shtml

VIOLENCE PREVENTION

RadioShack Corporation

StreetSenz Community Grants

Program: Grants will support programs that work to prevent child abduction and family violence and abuse.

Funds: Grant size: up to \$500

Deadline: June 15, 2005

Eligible: Non-profit, tax-exempt organizations and municipalities, including local police departments

Information: RadioShack, Mail Stop CF3-323, 200 RadioShack Circle, Fort Worth, TX 76102, Telephone: (817) 415-3699, Fax (817) 415-0939, E-mail:

corporate.citizenship@radioshack.com, Link:

<http://www.radioshackcorporation.com/cc/contributions.html>

FOUNDATION PROFILE

American Legacy Foundation

Small Innovative Grants Program

Program: The American Legacy Foundation, a nonprofit organization created as a result of the settlement of the multi-state lawsuit against tobacco companies, works to reduce youth tobacco use, reduce exposure to second-hand smoke, increase successful smoking cessation rates, and reduce disparities in access to prevention and cessation services and in exposure to secondhand smoke on behalf of disadvantaged populations. The foundation has two main goals:

§ Arm all young people with the knowledge and tools to reject tobacco; and

§ Eliminate disparities in access to tobacco prevention and cessation services.

Legacy supports smaller innovative projects that do not directly meet the guidelines for national calls for proposals. Supported through the Small Innovative Grants Program, these projects advance innovative, evidence-based solutions to remedy the harm caused by tobacco use in America. Legacy intends the Small Innovative Grants Program to seed new projects, enable an organization to pilot a new idea or approach, or help an organization gain a different perspective or better understanding of tobacco control through research. Successful applications submitted under the Small Innovative Grants Program must:

Address one or both of Legacy's goals;

§ Demonstrate innovative or new tobacco prevention or cessation efforts;

§ Demonstrate a strong likelihood for a sustainable effort after the contract period;

§ Demonstrate that the project is replicable;

§ Address the Healthy People 2010 risk reduction objectives related to tobacco

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use (www.health.gov/healthypeople/default.htm); and

- § Incorporate the CDC's Best Practices for Comprehensive Tobacco Control Programs as appropriate (www.cdc.gov/tobacco/bestprac.htm).

Under the Small Innovative Grants Program, American Legacy Foundation will consider projects in most topic areas related to Legacy's goals, but some topic areas are of particular interest to the Foundation. Legacy will give special consideration to applications addressing these areas of interest. The topic areas of greatest interest currently include:

- § Tobacco prevention, cessation and education for 18-24 year olds, especially those not in higher education settings;
- § Second-hand smoke education and policy; and
- § Projects targeting rural settings.

Other topic areas of interest include:

- § Smokeless tobacco prevention and cessation;
- § Projects targeting states with limited tobacco control resources;
- § Applied research;
- § Projects targeting the elderly;
- § Projects targeting migrant workers;
- § Cancer care and prevention;
- § Policy and advocacy; and
- § Capacity building related to a specific tobacco control initiative or project, although not general capacity building for the organization as a whole.

The American Legacy Foundation recently instituted new application procedures for its Small Innovative Grants Program. Under the new process, the foundation will no longer accept applications on a rolling basis. Instead, there will be two application cycles per year with deadlines. All applicants will be required to submit a Letter of Intent by July 1, 2005, for the first cycle. Upon approval of the letter of intent, Legacy will invite the selected applicants to submit a full proposal in early fall 2005. The next application cycle will occur in winter 2006, and future cycles will occur every six months thereafter. Legacy will post the new Letter of Intent guidelines on its Web site by May 15, 2005, and will provide full proposal guidelines to organizations that the foundation invites to apply.

Funds: Maximum grant size: \$100,000
Deadline: Letters of intent: July 1, 2005
Eligible: State and local governments and agencies and tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations
Information: American Legacy Foundation, 2030 M Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20036, Telephone: (202) 454-5555, E-mail: grantsinfo@americanlegacy.org, Link: www.americanlegacy.org/