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## ARTS

### National Endowment for the Arts

#### Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth

**Program:** The National Endowment for the Arts is committed to providing leadership in arts education by inspiring all young Americans through rich arts experiences. The Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth category offers funding for projects that help children and youth acquire knowledge and understanding of and skills in the arts. Projects must provide participatory learning, engage students with skilled artists, teachers, and excellent art, and apply national or state arts education standards. All projects submitted to the Learning in the Arts category must include:

- **Experience:** Students and their teachers will have the chance to experience exemplary works of art, in live form where possible.
- **Study:** Through the guidance of teachers, teaching artists, and cultural organizations, students will study works of art in order to understand the cultural and social context from which they come, and to appreciate the technical or aesthetic qualities of each work. Where appropriate, study will include the acquisition of skills relevant to practicing the art form.
- **Performance:** Informed by their experience and study, students will create artwork. In the case of literature, the primary creative activities will be writing or recitation.
- **Assessment:** Students will be assessed according to national or state arts education standards. Where appropriate, projects will employ multiple forms of assessment including pre- and post-testing.

The required Learning in the Arts components may be provided in partnership with other organizations. Learning in the Arts projects may take place in school-based or community-based settings and should focus on children and youth in the general age range of 5 through 18 years. All grants require a nonfederal match of at least one to one.

**Funds:** Average grant size: \$10,000 to \$100,000  
Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$150,000

**Deadline:** June 9, 2008

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

**Information:** National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20506, telephone: (202) 682-5521, email: [daughern@arts.gov](mailto:daughern@arts.gov), website: [www.nea.gov/grants/apply/GAP09/LITA.html](http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/GAP09/LITA.html)

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

### Mattel Children's Foundation

#### Grants for Children's Programs

**Program:** The Mattel Children's Foundation supports groups that promote mental and physical health among poor children, as well as nonprofits that increase educational access and empower girls under age 12. The foundation will provide funding for the launch of new

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programs or expansion of existing programs, as well as core operating support. Mattel's funding priorities include:

- programs that directly and effectively impact children with demonstrated physical, financial, emotional, and health needs;
- programs with demonstrated results; and
- organizations that use creative and innovative methods to address a locally defined need directly impacting children.

Preference will be given to organizations or programs that align with Mattel's philanthropic priorities:

- Learning – increasing access to education for under-served children and, in particular, innovative strategies to promote and address literacy;
- Health – supporting the health and well-being of children, with particular emphasis on promoting healthy, active lifestyles; and
- Girl empowerment – promoting self-esteem in young girls, up to age 12.

**Funds:** Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$25,000  
**Deadline:** July 15, 2008  
**Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status with an operating budget under \$1 million  
**Information:** Mattel Children's Foundation, 333 Continental Boulevard, Mail Stop: M1-1418, El Segundo, CA 90245, telephone: (310) 252-3630, email: [foundation@mattel.com](mailto:foundation@mattel.com), website: [www.mattel.com/about\\_us/philanthropy/ci\\_mcf\\_philanthropy\\_grantmaking.asp](http://www.mattel.com/about_us/philanthropy/ci_mcf_philanthropy_grantmaking.asp)

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Administration for Children and Families  
Office of Head Start**

**Head Start Innovation and Improvement Projects**

**Program:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Head Start (OHS) invites applications from organizations for financial support for Head Start Innovation and Improvement Projects that address the promotion of promising practices in the Head Start program and other priorities that meet needs related to the comprehensive nature of Head Start. OHS welcomes applications in any area that will result in improved outcomes for Head Start eligible children and families, while specifically addressing the following seven specific priority areas in this cycle of funding. The focus will be on developing new concepts, products, practices, and projects relating to the important priorities and needs in the following areas: National Head Start Center for Physical Development and Outdoor Play; Grandparents Raising Head Start Grandchildren; Healthcare Literacy; Mental Health Intervention for Children and Families; Inclusion of Children with Disabilities; Infant and Toddler Online Degree; and an open category. The open category will be available for programs to apply for funding to promote or expand promising practices in non-specified areas.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$11,400,000  
Number of awards: 57  
**Deadline:** letters of intent: May 19, 2008; applications: June 9, 2008  
**Eligible:** State and local governments, school districts, institutions of higher education, public

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housing authorities, not-for-profit organizations

**Information:** Jamie K. Sheehan, Head Start Fellow, Office of Head Start, Administration for Children and Families, 1250 Maryland Avenue, SW, Portals Building, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Washington, DC 20024, telephone: (202) 449-8155, email: [jamie.sheehan@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:jamie.sheehan@acf.hhs.gov), website: [www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2008-ACF-OHS-YD-0025.html](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2008-ACF-OHS-YD-0025.html)

## **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

### **Administration on Children, Youth, and Families, Children's Bureau**

#### **Abandoned Infants Assistance: Comprehensive Support Services for Families Affected by Substance Abuse and/or HIV/AIDS**

**Program:** The Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for Children and Families will award grants to programs that work to prevent child abandonment or serve children abandoned because their families were impacted by substance abuse or HIV/AIDS. Services may include foster family care, case management, family support, respite and crisis intervention, counseling, and group residential home services.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$4,275,000  
Average grant size: \$475,000  
Number of awards: up to nine

**Deadline:** May 27, 2008

**Eligible:** Nonprofits and government agencies

**Information:** Patricia Campiglia, Children's Bureau, Portals Office Building, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1250 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20024, telephone: (202) 205-2629, email: [patricia.campiglia@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:patricia.campiglia@acf.hhs.gov), website: [www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2008-ACF-ACYF-CB-0045.html](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2008-ACF-ACYF-CB-0045.html)

## **EDUCATION**

## **U.S. Department of Education**

### **Student Achievement and School Accountability Programs**

#### **Early Reading First Program**

**Program:** The Early Reading First Program provides grants to enhance the oral language, cognitive, and early reading skills of preschool age children, especially those from low-income families, through strategies, materials, and professional development that are grounded in scientifically based reading research.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$116,489,340  
Maximum grant size: \$4,500,000  
Number of awards: 77

**Deadline:** June 10, 2008

**Eligible:** States and local education agencies and public and private organizations and agencies located in a community served by an eligible local education agency

**Information:** Pilla Parker, U.S. Department of Education, OESE, Early Reading First, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Rm. 3C136, FB-6, Washington, DC 20202-6132, telephone: (202) 260-3710, fax: (202) 260-7764, email: [pilla.parker@ed.gov](mailto:pilla.parker@ed.gov), website:

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[www.ed.gov/programs/earlyreading/index.html](http://www.ed.gov/programs/earlyreading/index.html)

**Foundation for Child Development  
PK-3 Research and Evaluation Small Grants Program**

**Program:** The Foundation for Child Development announces a small grants program to be funded through its PK-3 Research and Evaluation Forum. Researchers must propose use one or more datasets from the PK-3 Data Resource Center: The First Six Years of Schooling and Beyond.

**Funds:** Maximum grant size: up to \$50,000  
Number of awards: four

**Deadline:** July 15, 2008

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

**Information:** Foundation for Child Development, PK-3 Research and Evaluation Small Grants Program, 145 East 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10016, e-mail: [research@fcd-us.org](mailto:research@fcd-us.org), website: [www.icpsr.umich.edu/PK3/spotlight/rfp.html#eligibility](http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/PK3/spotlight/rfp.html#eligibility)

**Staples Foundation  
Grants for Education Programs for Disadvantaged Youth**

**Program:** The Staples Foundation for Learning funds programs that support or provide job skills and education for all people, with a special emphasis on disadvantaged youth. The foundation reviews requests and awards grants quarterly.

**Funds:** Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$25,000

**Deadline:** June 16, 2008

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

**Information:** Staples Foundation for Learning, 500 Staples Dr. 4 West, Framingham, MA 01702, fax: (508) 253-9600, email: [foundationinfo@staples.com](mailto:foundationinfo@staples.com), website: [www.staplesfoundation.org/](http://www.staplesfoundation.org/)

**Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation  
Community Grant Program**

**Program:** The Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation has announced that it will renew its Community Grant Program. The program subsidizes small projects designed to improve inner-city education in Boston, Hartford, Providence, New York, and Washington, D.C., within the coming year. In keeping with the foundation's 2008 focus, proposals aimed at helping to reduce public school absenteeism and drop-out rates are of particular interest. The applicant must be a frontline educational worker who is involved in the education field or a related field in one of the communities eligible for foundation grants.

**Funds:** Average grant size: \$2,000

**Deadline:** Rolling; grants awarded monthly

**Eligible:** Not-for-profit organizations and tax-exempt organizations, such as public schools

**Information:** Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation, Community Grants, c/o The Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest, One Financial Center, Boston, MA 02111, telephone:

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(617) 856-8119, email: [awallis@brownrudnick.com](mailto:awallis@brownrudnick.com), website:  
[www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation/communitygrant.asp](http://www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation/communitygrant.asp)

## **ENVIRONMENT**

### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Healthy Communities Grant Program for Region I**

**Program** The Healthy Communities Grant Program provides funding to support communities in their work to reduce environmental risks, protect and improve human health, and improve the quality of life. The program will achieve this through identifying and funding projects that:

- Target resources to benefit communities at risk, such as environmental justice areas of potential concern, places with high risk from toxic air pollution, and urban areas and sensitive populations, such as children, the elderly, and others at increased risk.
- Assess, understand, and reduce environmental and human health risks.
- Increase collaboration through community-based projects.
- Build institutional and community capacity to understand and solve environment and human health problems.
- Achieve measurable environmental and human health benefits.

Proposed projects must:

- 1) Be located in or directly benefit one or more of the four target investment areas including environmental justice areas of potential concern; places with high risks from toxic air pollution; sensitive populations; and urban areas.
- 2) Identify how the proposed project will achieve measurable environmental or public health results in one or more of the six target program areas, including asthma; capacity building on environmental and public health issues; clean energy; healthy indoor/outdoor environments; healthy schools; urban natural resources; and open/green space.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$500,000  
Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$35,000  
Number of awards: ten to 20

**Deadline:** One page summaries: May 12, 2008; full applications: July 10, 2008

**Eligible:** State and local governments, institutions of higher educations, and nonprofits

**Information:** Jennifer Padula, EPA New England, One Congress Street, Suite 1100, Mail Code (CPS), Boston, MA 02114, telephone: (617) 918-1698, email: [Padula.Jennifer@epa.gov](mailto:Padula.Jennifer@epa.gov), website: [www.epa.gov/region1/eco/uep/pdfs/2008-HC-Application-Guidance.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/region1/eco/uep/pdfs/2008-HC-Application-Guidance.pdf)

### **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Justice Small Grants Program**

**Program:** The Environmental Justice Small Grants Program is designed to provide funding for eligible applicants working on, or planning to work on, a project that addresses a local environmental and public health issue within an affected community. The program seeks

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to help communities understand and address their exposure to multiple environmental harms and risks.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$800,000  
Grant size: \$20,000

**Deadline:** June 30, 2008

**Eligible:** Non-profit organization and local governments and agencies

**Information:** Kwabena Kyei-Aboagye, USEPA Region 1, One Congress Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02203-0001, telephone: (617) 918-1609, email: [kyei-aboagye.kwabena@epa.gov](mailto:kyei-aboagye.kwabena@epa.gov), website: [www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/publications/ej/grants/rfa-sg-grant-4-7-08.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/publications/ej/grants/rfa-sg-grant-4-7-08.pdf)

## HEALTH

### American Legacy Foundation Small Innovative Grants Program

**Program:** The American Legacy Foundation has two goals:

- Arm all young people with the knowledge and tools to reject tobacco; and
- Eliminate disparities in access to tobacco prevention and cessation services.

Through the Small Innovative Grants Program, Legacy supports projects that advance creative, promising solutions based on sound principles of tobacco control to remedy the harm caused by tobacco use. Legacy created the Small Innovative Grants Program to seed new projects or enable an organization to pilot a new idea or approach. Successful applications submitted under the Small Innovative Grants Program must:

- Address one or both of Legacy's goals;
- Demonstrate a strong likelihood to create sustainable change after the grant period ends;
- Demonstrate that the project may be replicated;
- Address the Healthy People 2010 risk reduction objectives related to tobacco use; and
- Incorporate the CDC's Best Practices for Comprehensive Tobacco Control Programs as appropriate.

**Funds:** Grant size: up to \$100,000

**Deadline:** Letters of intent: May 23, 2008

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

**Information:** Benjamin Frey, Senior Program Officer, American Legacy Foundation, 1724 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036, telephone: (202) 454-5907, email: [Grantsinfo@americanlegacy.org](mailto:Grantsinfo@americanlegacy.org), website: [www.americanlegacy.org/64.aspx](http://www.americanlegacy.org/64.aspx)

### MAC Cosmetics AIDS Treatment and Prevention Grants

**Program:** MAC Cosmetics will award grants via the MAC AIDS Fund, which supports HIV/AIDS related programs targeting men, women, and children. Funding is

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concentrated in four areas of interest: the link between poverty and AIDS, models of care, treatment adherence, and prevention programs aimed at high-risk populations.

**Funds:** Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$25,000  
**Deadline:** June 13 and September 15, 2008  
**Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status  
**Information:** MAC AIDS Fund, 360 Adelaide Street West, Suite 301, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5V 1R7, email: [macaidsfund@maccosmetics.com](mailto:macaidsfund@maccosmetics.com), website: [www.macaidsfund.org/](http://www.macaidsfund.org/)

### **Tufts Health Plan Foundation**

#### **Tufts Community Health Grants**

**Program:** The Tufts Health Plan Foundation will award grants to nonprofits that work to improve health and welfare in Massachusetts communities by promoting healthy lifestyles and delivering high-quality healthcare services. Grants are intended to support projects that reduce health disparities, improve nursing education, and increase health literacy in Massachusetts

**Deadline:** Letters of intent: July 7, 2008

**Eligible:** Non-profit organizations with community based health programs

**Information:** Anne Marie Boursiquot King, Director of Grants, Tufts Health Plan Foundation, telephone: (617) 972-9400, fax: (617) 972-9048, email: [Foundation@tufts-health.com](mailto:Foundation@tufts-health.com), website: [www.tuftshealthplanfoundation.org/foundation.php?content=grant\\_proposal&rightnav=foundation\\_nav#D](http://www.tuftshealthplanfoundation.org/foundation.php?content=grant_proposal&rightnav=foundation_nav#D)

### **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**

#### **Local Funding Partnerships**

**Program:** The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Local Funding Partnerships program is designed to forge relationships between the foundation and local grantmakers to fund promising, original projects that can significantly improve the health of vulnerable people in communities. Projects must be new, innovative, collaborative, and community-based; significant program expansions, into new regions or to new populations, also may be considered, although the program does not fund existing projects. Projects must be nominated by a local grantmaker interested in participating as one of the funding partners. Local funding partners must be willing to work with grantees to obtain sufficient dollar-for-dollar matching funds throughout the grant period. These funders may include independent and private foundations, family and community foundations, and corporate and other philanthropies. Matching funds must represent new funding specifically designated to support the proposed project. In-kind services may not be used to match foundation funds.

**Funds:** Total funds available: up to \$6 million  
Range of grants: \$200,000 to \$500,000  
Number of awards: up to 14

**Deadline:** July 8, 2008

**Eligible:** Public entities and nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt with 501(c)(3) status

**Information:** Health Research and Educational Trust of New Jersey, 760 Alexander Road, Post Office

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Box 1, Princeton, NJ 08543-0001, telephone: (609) 275-4128, fax: (609) 419-0689, website: [www.localfundingpartnerships.org/](http://www.localfundingpartnerships.org/)

**American Dental Association Foundation  
Samuel Harris Fund for Children's Dental Health**

**Program:** The main objective of the Samuel Harris Fund for Children's Dental Health grant program is to help children whose socioeconomic status impacts their access to professional oral care and adversely affects their oral health habits at home. The Harris Fund will award competitive grants to applicants whose oral health promotion programs are designed to improve and maintain children's oral health through community education and outreach programs.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$325,000  
Grant size: up to \$5,000

**Deadline:** July 17, 2008

**Eligible:** Qualified oral health promotion programs such as dental health education programs in conjunction with preventive programs such as fluoride and dental sealant application programs; oral health and nutrition education materials designed for parents, caregivers, and/or child care professionals; dental health education conducted at schools, health fairs and social service agencies, or via outreach programs; instruction in the proper use of oral care products; and development of public service announcements to increase awareness of, and appreciation for, proper childhood oral care.

**Information:** American Dental Association Foundation, Harris Fund, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611-2616, telephone: (312) 440-2547, email: [adaf@ada.org](mailto:adaf@ada.org), website: [www.adafoundation.org](http://www.adafoundation.org)

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration  
Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health: Project LAUNCH**

**Program:** The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services is accepting applications for fiscal year 2008 for Cooperative Agreements for Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health (Project LAUNCH). The purpose of Project LAUNCH is to promote the wellness of young children, birth to 8 years of age. Project LAUNCH defines wellness as a state of positive physical, emotional, social, and behavioral health. For this program behavioral health includes mental health and positive development free from substance abuse and other negative behaviors. The goal is to create a shared vision for the wellness of young children that drives the development of federal, state, territorial, tribal, and locally-based networks for the coordination of key child-serving systems and the integration of behavioral and physical health services. The expected result is for children to be thriving in safe, supportive environments and entering school ready to learn and able to succeed.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$5.5 million  
Grant size: up to \$916,000 per year for up to five years  
Number of awards: six

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**Deadline:** June 12, 2008  
**Eligible:** States  
**Information:** David de Voursney, Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, One Choke Cherry Road, Rockville, Maryland 20857, telephone: (240) 276-1882, email: [david.devoursney@samhsa.hhs.gov](mailto:david.devoursney@samhsa.hhs.gov), website: [www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2008/sm\\_08\\_011.aspx](http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2008/sm_08_011.aspx)

## **HOMELESS SERVICES**

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration  
Center for Substance Abuse Treatment  
Homeless Treatment Grants**

**Program:** The federal Center for Substance Abuse Treatment is accepting applications for its Development of Comprehensive Drug/Alcohol and Mental Health Treatment Systems for Persons Who Are Homeless program. The purpose of this program is to expand and strengthen treatment services for persons who are homeless, including those who are chronically homeless, who also have substance-use disorders, mental disorders, or co-occurring substance use and mental disorders. To address the broad needs of this population, CSAT seeks to increase the number of homeless persons placed in stable housing who receive treatment services for alcohol, substance use, and co-occurring disorders. Approximately 45 percent of the funding will be directed for services delivered in supportive housing.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$10,000,000  
Average grant size: \$400,000  
Number of awards: 25

**Deadline:** May 29, 2008

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

**Information:** Joanne Gampel, M.A., Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, One Choke Cherry Road, Room 5-1058, Rockville, Maryland 20857, telephone: (240) 276-2895, email: [joanne.gampel@samhsa.hhs.gov](mailto:joanne.gampel@samhsa.hhs.gov), website: [www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2008/ti\\_08\\_013.aspx](http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2008/ti_08_013.aspx)

## **HUMAN SERVICES**

**Weinberg Foundation  
Grant Program to Support Family Caregivers**

**Program:** The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation has announced an innovative new program to provide grants to assist caregivers across the United States. The Weinberg Foundation developed the Family and Informal Caregiver Funding Program to provide the critical resources necessary to support caregivers in innovative ways and facilitate

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partnerships among agencies and organizations. The primary goal of the program is to increase support for family and informal caregivers who assist older adults living in the community.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$9 million  
Average grant size:  
Range of grants: \$100,000 to \$300,000 per year over three years  
Number of awards: 12 to 20
- Deadline:** June 12, 2008
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status and units of local government
- Information:** Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, Seven Park Center Court, Owings Mills, Maryland 21117, telephone: (410) 654-8500, email: [caregivingRFP@theweinbergfoundation.org](mailto:caregivingRFP@theweinbergfoundation.org), website: [www.hjweinbergfoundation.org/](http://www.hjweinbergfoundation.org/)

## **HUNGER**

### **Share Our Strength**

#### **Great American Bake Sale Grants**

**Program:** Share Our Strength is seeking grant proposals for the Great American Bake Sale 2008. The Great American Bake Sale grants program supports efforts to increase participation among low-income children in summer and afterschool meal programs. Share Our Strength is specifically interested in increasing participation in meal programs that utilize US Department of Agriculture reimbursement through the Summer Food Service Program, National School Lunch Program, or Child and Adult Care Food Program. Nonprofit organizations that work to increase the number of children that receive nutritious afterschool and summer meals are eligible to apply for funds raised through the Great American Bake Sale. Share Our Strength is offering two types of grants:

- Grants for Program Sponsors: Grants will be awarded to organizations that directly sponsor USDA-reimbursed afterschool or summer meal programs for children. Grants specifically will support efforts to increase participation in the organization's USDA summer and afterschool meal programs.
- Grants for Advocacy: Grants will be awarded to organizations that work to increase participation in USDA-reimbursed after-school and summer meal programs through outreach and advocacy. Organizations engage in advocacy when they work with schools, community organizations, local businesses, and with a range of government officials to increase participation in summer and afterschool meal programs.

- Funds:** Range of grants: \$1,000 to \$10,000
- Deadline:** May 30, 2008
- Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations, schools, and local government entities
- Information:** Marcus Finley, Share Our Strength 1730 M Street NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC

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20036, telephone: (202) 478-6574, e-mail: [mfinley@strength.org](mailto:mfinley@strength.org), website: [http://gabs.strength.org/site/PageServer?pagename=GABS\\_grants](http://gabs.strength.org/site/PageServer?pagename=GABS_grants)

## **NOT-FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Citizens Bank Foundation and New England Cable News Champions in Action Program**

**Program:** Each quarter, Citizens Bank features a non-profit organization as a Champion in Action in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Philadelphia. The organizations serve a designated area of social concern and address a specific community need. Each Champion in Action receives:

- \$25,000 in unrestricted funds from Citizens Bank Foundation;
- media coverage from New England Cable News (NECN), including public service announcements, news stories, and segments on other NECN programs such as NewsNight and New England Business Day;
- volunteer support from Citizens Bank and NECN employees;
- public relations support;
- promotional support highlighting the Champion in Action in all Citizens Bank branches and on its ATMs; and
- exposure on both Citizens Bank and NECN Web sites.

**Funds:** Award size: \$25,000

**Deadline:** Quarterly: January, April, July, and October; next deadline is July 18 for Community Arts

**Eligible:** Massachusetts-based, nonprofit, 501(c) (3) organizations that provide services in Massachusetts and address the designated social concern for the quarter

**Information:** Citizens Bank, Public Affairs Department, Attention: Champions in Action Program, 53 State Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02109, telephone: (800) 852-5577, website: [www.citizensbank.com/community/champions/default.aspx](http://www.citizensbank.com/community/champions/default.aspx)

## **READING**

### **First Book Boston**

#### **Book Grants**

**Program:** First Book is a national nonprofit organization with a single mission: to give children from low-income families the opportunity to read and own their first new books. First Book distributes books through its network of volunteer-member Advisory Boards and provides new books to children through eligible community organizations in the United States that serve children from low-income households. First Book Boston currently is accepting applications for book grants from programs serving more than 80 percent kids from low income families. First Book Boston favors applications from community-based programs and organizations, such as preschool, day care, after-

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school, and tutoring/mentoring programs. First Book typically supports after-school programs rather than providing books to be used in the classroom.

**Funds:** Award: new books  
**Deadline:** May 15, 2008  
**Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status  
**Information:** Joanne Arnaud, Boston Adult Literacy Fund, One 1 Milk Street, Boston, MA 02109, fax: (617) 507-8284, e-mail: [jarnaud@balf.net](mailto:jarnaud@balf.net), website: [www.firstbook.org/boston](http://www.firstbook.org/boston)

## **SPORTS**

### **Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association Baseball Tomorrow Fund**

**Program:** Major League Baseball and the Major League Baseball Players Association offer grants through their Baseball Tomorrow Fund to nonprofits to implement and maintain youth baseball and softball programs. The grants aim to:

- Increase the number of youth participating in the sports.
- Improve the quality of the programs.
- Create new or innovative ways of expanding and improving programs.
- Generate matching funds.
- Provide programs for children ages ten to 16.
- Support successful programs.
- Provide opportunities for girls and women.

The Baseball Tomorrow Fund considers the cash and in-kind funding that has been secured and committed toward a project. Generally, at least 50 percent of the total cost of the project should be committed by other sources of funding; however, the higher the ratio of matching funds, the better the application.

**Funds:** Average grant size: \$50,000  
**Deadline:** July 1, 2008  
**Eligible:** Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations with 501 (c) 3 status  
**Information:** Baseball Tomorrow Fund, 245 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10167, e-mail: [btf@mlb.com](mailto:btf@mlb.com), website: [http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/official\\_info/community/btf.jsp?content=grant\\_process](http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/official_info/community/btf.jsp?content=grant_process)

## **SUMMER PROGRAMS**

### **City of Boston Boston ROCKS Community Grants**

**Program:** The goal of the Boston ROCKS Community Grants program is to increase the number and variety of programs serving youth and increase the number of youth who have access to positive opportunities and safe environments. The initiative will award funds to community-based organizations that will offer youth programming at City of Boston community centers and parks and for programs that can demonstrate the

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ability to engage underserved youth in structured programs that address one or more of the following four areas of child development: arts, character-building, education, and sports, health, and nutrition (ACES). Applicants must meet the following program requirements:

- serve Boston youth between the ages of 8 and 18;
- take place in a Boston Centers for Youth and Families community center or City of Boston park;
- focus on one or more components of the ACES framework: arts, education, character, and sports;
- operate during community center or park hours of operation; and
- operate between June 25 and September 1, 2008, beginning no later than July 5.

In addition, the Community Grants program will give preference to applications that meet one or more of the following:

- Operate on evenings or weekends.
- Optimize hours and provide a structured program.
- Provide programming for middle school age youth.
- Provide services unique to the community.
- Provide girls specific programming.
- Include linguistically isolated families in the outreach plan.
- Hold an end of summer culmination event highlighting the program.
- Provide job readiness and skill development.

Prior to applying, all applicants must contact their local Community Center or the BCYF Central Office at (617) 635-4920 or [BCYF@cityofboston.gov](mailto:BCYF@cityofboston.gov) to verify that the center is open and available for the proposed program. If the program is held at a community center, BCYF Community Center staff must sign the letter of intent. If the program will take place in a City of Boston park, contact Paul McCaffrey of the Parks and Recreation Department at (617) 635-4874 or [paulmc@cityofboston.gov](mailto:paulmc@cityofboston.gov) to verify the park is available.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$300,000  
Grant size: up to \$9,999

**Deadline:** Letters of intent: May 9, 2008; applications: May 15, 2008

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

**Information:** Kari Alberque, Resource Development Manager, Boston Centers for Youth and Families, 1483 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02120, telephone: (617) 635-4920, x 2205, fax: (617) 635-4524, email: [kari.alberque@cityofboston.gov](mailto:kari.alberque@cityofboston.gov), website: [www.cityofboston.gov/bcyf](http://www.cityofboston.gov/bcyf)

## FOUNDATION PROFILE

### Grand Circle Foundation

#### Associates' Fund Community Grants Program

**Program:** Grand Circle Foundation is the corporate foundation of Grand Circle Travel, the nation's largest international tour operator for Americans over 50. Grand Circle Foundation funds nonprofit organizations within the City of Boston that focus on youth education and discovery, as well as elder involvement and education. The Foundation accepts and reviews two-page project proposals on a rolling basis and application guidelines are located on the website.

**Funds:** Maximum grant size: \$5,000

**Deadline:** Funding decisions are made three times a year in May, August, and December, with deadlines for proposals on March 31, July 31, and November 30.

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

**Information:** Jean Kenney, Project Manager, Grand Circle Foundation, 347 Congress Street, Boston MA 02210, telephone: (617) 346-6741, e-mail: [foundation@gct.com](mailto:foundation@gct.com), website: [www.gct.com/gcc/general/default.aspx?oid=72111&linklocation=trip\\_leftnav](http://www.gct.com/gcc/general/default.aspx?oid=72111&linklocation=trip_leftnav)

## RECENT AWARDS

### Staples Foundation for Learning

- Program:**
- *Artists for Humanity, Boston* – \$10,000 to Youth Run Arts Micro-Enterprise, which enables youth to gain artistic and job skills through the production of sculptures and design projects.
  - *Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston* – \$15,000 to Young Leaders, which helps youth gain leadership, community service and job skills.
  - *Cradles to Crayons, Quincy* – \$10,000 to Ready for School, which provides homeless and needy children with basic school supplies.
  - *Horizons for Homeless Children, Boston* – \$10,000 to Community Children's Centers, which provides homeless children and their parents with support services.
  - *Junior Achievement of Eastern Massachusetts, Boston*—\$10,000 to After-School Financial Literacy Education, which teaches disadvantaged youth about entrepreneurship and financial management.

**Information:** Staples Foundation for Learning, 500 Staples Dr. 4 West, Framingham, MA 01702, email: [foundationinfo@staples.com](mailto:foundationinfo@staples.com), website: [www.staplesfoundation.org/](http://www.staplesfoundation.org/)