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CHILDREN

Hasbro Children's Foundation

Grants to Improve the Well-Being of Disadvantaged Children

Program: The Hasbro Children's Foundation is committed to improving the emotional, social, and physical well-being of children, birth through age twelve, and their families through the support of innovative programs in the areas of health, education, and social services. The foundation awards funding to support the development or expansion of programs for children. Organizations must provide direct services or programs for disadvantaged young children, birth through age twelve. The Hasbro Children's Foundation values creativity and the continuous rethinking of the solutions to the problems that put young children at risk. By encouraging organizations to explore new approaches to existing problems, the foundation seeks to nurture independent spirit and entrepreneurial thinking and to encourage organizations to develop programs that not only meet a need, but bring about systemic change to benefit other children in the future. The foundation provides three types of direct service funding support.

§ Innovative programs with local impact

§ National replication, adaptation, and expansion of innovations

§ Innovative programs with national impact.

Funds: Range of grants: \$500 to \$35,000

Deadline: Rolling basis throughout the year; the review process takes up to three months from the time the foundation receives the request.

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations

Information: Grants Review Committee, Hasbro Children's Foundation, 10 Rockefeller Plaza, 16th Floor, New York, New York 10020, Telephone: (212) 713-7654, Link: www.hasbro.org/

DISABILITIES

BOSTnet

Lead to Opportunities for Youth with Disabilities Initiative

Program: BOSTnet is seeking applications for the 2005-2006 "Lead to Opportunities for Youth with Disabilities" (LOYD) initiative, aimed at strengthening the capacity of children and youth serving agencies to create or expand programming that is inclusive of children and youth with disabilities. The goal of the LOYD initiative is to increase the array of academic, social, and recreational opportunities for youth with disabilities. The initiative is designed to help providers to improve or enhance their activities to better serve children and youth with disabilities. To assist with this process, selected programs will work with experts in the field; consultants are provided by LOYD at no cost to the program. LOYD has the following goals:

§ To increase access to out-of-school programs for children and youth with

disabilities; To develop the skills of program providers and enable them to operate effective inclusive programs;

§ To advocate for inclusive opportunities and the related needs of youth with disabilities; and

§ To develop the skills of youth with disabilities and empower them to become leaders.

Funds: Range of grants: \$500 to \$25,000

Deadline: October 28, 2005

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations and agencies in the Greater Boston area, serving children and youth ages five to 22.

Information: Susan Tufts, LOYD Initiative, BOSTnet, 11 Beacon Street, Suite 1000, Boston, MA 02108, Telephone: (617) 720-1290 ext. 241, E-mail: tufts@bostnet.org, Link: www.bostnet.org

National Organization on Disability

Accessible America Award

Program: The purpose of Accessible America, an award competition administered by the National Organization on Disability, is to recognize and promote replication of exemplary practices that communities use to facilitate the comprehensive involvement of citizens with disabilities in community life. The National Organization on Disability will present the cash awards the chief elected official in each winning city, town, or county and funds should be used to further the community's efforts in closing the participation gaps for citizens with disabilities.

Funds: Range of grants: \$10,000 to \$25,000

Number of awards: three

Deadline: October 31, 2005

Eligible: any city, town, or county in the United States and its territories

Information: National Organization on Disability, 910 Sixteenth Street, NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20006, Telephone: (202) 293-5960, Fax: (202) 293-7999, E-mail: ability@nod.org, Link: www.nod.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Page.ViewPage&PageID=1491

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Verizon Wireless

HopeLine Program

Program: Verizon Wireless New England has a grant program to make funds available to not-for-profit organizations that work with victims of domestic violence. The funds donated are the direct result of consumers donating their no-longer-used cellular telephones to HopeLine, a national initiative of Verizon Wireless that encourages consumers to recycle wireless products. Not-for-profit organizations that work in some capacity with victims of domestic violence may apply for a grant once per quarter and as often as three times per year. Grants will be awarded to support direct

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client services, raise public awareness about domestic violence, or train staff and volunteers. To receive grant guidelines and an application, organizations must e-mail a request or call to have an application mailed.

- Funds:** Average grant size: \$1,000
Deadline: Open
Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine
Information: Telephone: (781) 932-1510, E-mail: Hopeline.NewEngland@VerizonWireless.com,
Link: www.verizonwireless.com/hopeline

EDUCATION

EdVestors

Request for Concept Papers for School Improvement Projects

Program: EdVestors has issued a Call for Concept Papers for 2006 to 2007 grants for school improvement projects in Boston and Lowell. This begins the selection process for potential grantees invited to present at the 2006 Urban Education Investment Showcase, as well as grantees for the EdVestors Collaborative Fund. EdVestors seeks school-based capacity-building initiatives in Boston or Lowell aimed at strengthening teaching and learning in urban schools, with a focus on improving student academic outcomes through professional development, classroom instruction, student support programs, or family engagement. With a single, three-page concept paper, applicants can apply for consideration for both the 2006 Urban Education Investment Showcase and the Collaborative Fund for 2006 to 2007 grants.

Funds: Total funds available: \$900,000

Range of grants: \$30,000 to \$50,000

Number of awards: 20 to 25

Deadline: October 13, 2005 at 3:00 p.m.

Eligible: One or more schools and nonprofit organizations working in close collaboration with one or more school partners; schools may be public, independent, or private schools serving a significant percentage of students from low-income families in pre-kindergarten through grade 12.

Information: Janet Anderson, Associate Director, EdVestors, 140 Clarendon Street, Suite 305, Boston, MA 02116, Telephone: (617) 585-5740, E-mail: anderson@edvestors.org,
Link: www.edvestors.org/

Brown Rudnik

Insight/Foresight Grants

Program: Insight/Foresight grants are relatively small, competitive grants awarded to support and encourage the combined insight and foresight of both those on the front lines of urban education, such as a classroom teacher or a guidance counselor, and those who volunteer through the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest, such as attorneys engaged in pro bono work or volunteers reading to children. Grants support short-term

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projects between education professionals and community volunteers. Brown Rudnik generally awards one grant per month.

Funds: Grant size: up to \$2,000
Deadline: Open
Eligible: Nonprofit organizations in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, and Rhode Island
Information: Al Wallis, Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest, One Financial Center, Boston, MA 02111, Telephone: (617) 856-8119, Fax : (617) 856-8201, E-mail: awallis@brownrudnick.com, Link: www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation/ifgrant.asp

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation

Innovation Fund Grants

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 2006 program, the foundation invites brief proposals for grants that will support new or existing programs that provide individualized mentorships or internships serving high-achieving, low to moderate-income high school or college-age students. Successful applicants will demonstrate that their programs:

- § Focus on students who achieve at high levels in their communities, as opposed to students needing remedial support;
- § Serve a significant proportion of low- to moderate-income students in the program;
- § Provide students with personalized interaction with one or more individuals successful in their fields;
- § Seek to deliver a program demonstrably related to education and academic support or career performance or exploration, as opposed to programs designed primarily to provide caring adult relationships.

Funds: Grant size: \$150,000
Number of awards: three
Deadline: October 3, 2005
Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations
Information: 2006 Innovation Fund, Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, 44115 Woodridge Parkway, Suite 200, Lansdowne, VA 20176, Telephone: (703) 723-8000, Fax: (703) 723-8030, E-mail: ifund@jackkentcookefoundation.org, Link: http://www.jackkentcookefoundation.org/jkcf_web/content.aspx?page=2414227&redirect=202

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Boston Connects, Inc.

Funding for Employment and Re-Integration Services for Male Ex-Offenders

Program: Boston Connects, Inc., the community-based organization working to create economic

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self-sufficiency for individuals, families, and communities in Boston's Empowerment Zone, will issue a request for proposals on Thursday, September 1, 2005 for organizations to provide employment and re-integration services for male ex-offenders. Boston Connects will host a bidders conference on Wednesday, September 14, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. at the office at 2201 Washington Street in Roxbury.

- Funds:** Total funds available: \$150,000
Deadline: Friday, October 14, 2005 at noon
Eligible: Not-for-profit community-based organizations and experienced agencies located in or in proximity to Boston's Empowerment Zone.
Information: Evangeline Billy, Boston Connects Inc. 2201 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Roxbury, MA 02119, Telephone: (617) 541-2675, E-mail: Evangeline.Billy.bci@cityofboston.gov, Link: www.BostonEZ.org.

HEALTH

Gerber Foundation Pediatric Health Grants

- Program:** The mission of the Gerber Foundation is to enhance the quality of life of infants and young children in nutrition, care, and development. The foundation gives priority to projects that improve pediatric health and pediatric nutrition, and address the effects of environmental hazards on children in the prenatal period to age three..
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$1,000,000 annually
Deadline: Letters of inquiry: open
Eligible: Non-profit organizations
Information: Catherine Obits, Gerber Foundation, 4747 West 48th Street, Suite 153, Fremont, MI 49412-8119, Telephone: (231) 924-3175, Fax (231) 924-7906E-mail: cobits@ncresa.org, Link: www.gerberfoundation.org

MENTAL HEALTH

American Psychiatric Foundation Awards for Advancing Minority Mental Health

- Program:** Applications are now being accepted for the American Psychiatric Foundation's Awards for Advancing Minority Mental Health 2005 program. The program, now in its third year, provides awards to honor psychiatrists, other mental health providers, mental health programs, and other community organizations that increase public awareness of mental health care, increase access to mental health services, and enhance the quality of care for underserved minorities, especially those who suffer from severe mental illness. The awards focus on patient issues facing underserved populations, such as raising awareness of mental illness and the need for treatment and improving access to treatment. Both new and ongoing activities are eligible for consideration.

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Funds: Award size: \$5,000
Number of awards: four

Deadline: November 1, 2005

Eligible: Psychiatrists, health professionals, mental health programs, and nonprofit, community organizations

Information: American Psychiatric Foundation, Awards for Advancing Minority Mental Health, 2005 Program, 1000 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1825, Arlington, VA 22209-3901, Telephone: (703) 907-7300, E-mail: apa@psych.org, Link: www.psychfoundation.org/awardsandfellowships/minority.cfm

National Institute on Mental Health and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National Significance Enhancing Practice Improvement in Community-Based Care for Prevention and Treatment of Drug Abuse or Co-occurring Drug Abuse and Mental Disorders

Program: This initiative aims to help develop research capacity in a group that historically has been the object rather than the initiator of research-to-practice investigations. Accordingly, this request for applications is intended to enhance the capacity of community-based providers of drug abuse prevention and treatment services, including services for individuals with co-occurring mental disorders, to conduct practice improvement research. Such research may entail the examination of therapeutic or business practices currently in use but lacking scientific evidence of effectiveness, or it may entail examination of the adoption, implementation, and sustained use of science-based therapeutic or business innovations. A community-based provider is required to be the applicant organization. For the purposes of this program, an eligible community-based provider is an organization, an agency, or an association or coalition of organizations or agencies that deliver services to prevent or treat (a) substance abuse disorders or (b) co-occurring substance abuse and mental disorders in a nonacademic setting. Applicant community-based providers must demonstrate in their application that they have sufficient numbers of participants, sufficient numbers of sites, and sufficient site size and diversity to study system-wide assessment of existing or newly adopted therapeutic or business policies and practices. Any community-based provider with the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research is invited to work with their institution to develop an application for support. Community-based providers without adequate research capacity are required to partner with researchers from organizations having adequate capacity, such as universities and research institutes.

Funds: Total funds available: \$1,900,000
Maximum grant size: \$150,000 per year for up to three years
Number of awards: eight to 12

Deadline: December 19, 2005

Eligible: Community-based providers, alone or in partnership with other nonprofit organizations, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, or private institutions of higher education

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Information: Director - DA-06-001, Office of Extramural Affairs, National Institute on Drug Abuse/NIH/DHHS, 6101 Executive Boulevard, Suite 220, MSC 8401, Bethesda, MD 20892-8401, Telephone: (301) 443-2755, Fax: (301) 443-0538, E-mail: tlevitin@mail.nih.gov, Link: <http://www.fedgrants.gov/Applicants/HHS/NIH/NIH/RFA-DA-06-001/listing.html>

CFDA: 93.243

TRANSPORTATION

U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration State Coordination Grants

Program: The Federal Transit Administration of the Department of Transportation is soliciting proposals from states for the State Coordination Grants component of the United We Ride initiative. The intent of the initiative is to break down the barriers among federal programs as they relate to transportation to ensure that transportation services are seamless, comprehensive, and accessible. Specifically, United We Ride is tasked with seeking ways to simplify access to transportation services for persons with disabilities, persons with lower incomes, and older adults. States Coordination Grants may be used to assist states through either planning or implementation grants. Planning grants are for states that have not yet received a United We Ride grant, and do not have a comprehensive action plan. Planning grants can be used to conduct a comprehensive state assessment using the United We Ride Framework for Action and to develop a comprehensive state action plan for coordinating human service transportation. Implementation grants are for states that have developed a comprehensive state action plan and can be used for implementing one or more of the elements identified within a state action plan consistent with the United We Ride Framework for Action. The Framework for Action is a self- assessment tool for states and communities to conduct comprehensive state assessments to identify areas of success and highlight the actions still needed to improve the coordination of human service transportation. States applying for implementation grants are encouraged to address at least one of the following priority areas, which will be given additional consideration in the evaluation and review process:

1. Development and implementation of transit pass policy and programs with Medicaid and other agencies.
2. Development of strategies for meeting the transportation needs of older adults, people with disabilities, and individuals with lower incomes during natural or man-made disasters.
3. Development of a cross agency coordinated tracking and accountability system; including real time eligibility, billing, and reporting.

Funds: Total funds available: \$1,250,000
Range of grants: \$35,000 to \$75,000

Deadline: November 28, 2005

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Eligible: Governor's office of each state or the governor's designated lead agency
Information: Bryna Helfer, United We Ride Grants, Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, SW, Room 9114, Washington, DC, Telephone: (202) 366-1663, Fax: (202) 366-3136, E-mail: UnitedWeRide@fta.dot.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-18274.htm>
FR: 9/14 54438-54441

VIOLENCE PREVENTION

RadioShack Corporation StreetSenz Community Grant Program

Program: StreetSenz Community Grants from the RadioShack Corporation support programs that work to prevent child abduction and family violence and abuse.
Funds: Grant size: up to \$500
Deadline: December 15, 2005
Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit 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: www.radioshackcorporation.com/cc/contributions.html

YOUTH

Amelia Peabody Foundation Grants to Support Disadvantaged Young People

Program: The primary mission of the Amelia Peabody Foundation is to increase the number, range, and depth of positive learning experiences available to materially disadvantaged young people living in the cities and towns of Massachusetts. Most Amelia Peabody Foundation grants support organizations providing programs and services to youth in inner-city neighborhoods. The foundation funds both programs and capital projects.
Funds: Total funds available:
Average grant size: \$20,000 to \$50,000
Range of grants: \$10,000 to \$1,000,000
Number of awards:
Deadline: October 27, 2005
Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations in Massachusetts
Information: Margaret N. St. Clair, Amelia Peabody Foundation, One Hollis Street, Suite 215, Wellesley, MA 02482, Telephone: (781) 237-6468, Fax: (781) 237-501, E-mail: jsmith@ameliapeabody.org, Link: www.ameliapeabody.org

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Community Technology Centers' Network 2006 Youth Visions Grants

- Program:** The Community Technology Centers' Network (CTCNet) will award Youth Visions grants to community technology programs throughout the United States. Youth Visions grants are designed to give youth and community technology programs the opportunity to use multimedia tools and training to engage in community decision-making to strengthen their neighborhoods. Organizations that serve at-risk youth ages 14 to 18, are engaged in community partnerships, and have experience providing video and other multimedia training are eligible for the grant program. CTCNet will provide a flexible curriculum and evaluation support for a five- to six-month program integrating community-based activities and multimedia training. Additionally, each grantee organization will be required to host a capacity-building workshop to help other youth-serving organizations learn to use multi- media tools to promote youth engagement in their communities. Applicants must be willing to take part in a participatory process aimed at building a strong curriculum and evaluation methodology that can be used by future sites engaged in the program. Applicants also must contribute at least \$8,000 in non-federal matching funds. Applicants should have at least two years of experience partnering and engaging with community leaders and other local organizations, be willing and able to conduct evaluation activities, and have a current staff member available to spend at least 15 hours per week on Youth Visions project management and teaching. Orientation and preparation for selected programs will begin in December 2005. Program operations will begin in January 2006, and the program must be completed by July 30, 2006.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$20,000
Number of awards: eight
- Deadline:** September 30, 2005
- Eligible:** Community technology programs that serve at-risk youth population with at least one year of experience offering multimedia technology training programs for youth and at least two years of experience offering programs aimed at youth from the local community.
- Information:** Amy Lesser, Director of Programs, Community Technology Centers' Network, 2006 Youth Visions Grants, 1436 U Street, NW, Suite 104, Washington, DC 20009, Telephone: (202)-462-1200, Fax: (202) 462-3892, E-mail: alesser@ctcnet.org, Link: www.ctcnet.org/youthvisions

MTV and Youth Venture *think venture* Grants

- Program:** MTV: Music Television has announced the launch of its new social initiative, *Think MTV*, which is designed to inform and empower young people to take action on social issues. As part of its effort to encourage its audience to become more active in their communities, MTV has teamed up with Youth Venture to offer *think venture* grants to young people who are making a difference by creating and leading their organizations, clubs, or businesses to address a need in their communities. Each week, Youth

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Venture will award a grant to a group of young people with the most compelling and sustainable community service project concept in one of the five primary *Think MTV* issue areas:

- § discrimination,
- § education,
- § environment,
- § global issues, and
- § sexual health.

Funds: Grant size: up to \$1,000

Deadline: Rolling deadlines through December 31, 2005

Eligible: Groups of two or more individuals who are legal residents of the United States and at least thirteen years of age or older at time of entry.

Information: MTV Think Venture Grants, Youth Venture, 390 8th Avenue, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10036, Telephone: (212) 278-8930, E-mail: thinkventures@youthventure.org, Link:

www.youthventure.org/index.php?tg=articles&idx=More&article=1276&topics=368

National Gardening Association and the Home Depot

Youth Garden Grants

Program: The National Gardening Association and the Home Depot will award Youth Garden Grants to schools and community organizations with child-centered, outdoor garden programs. The funders will give priority to programs that emphasize one or more of these elements:

- § educational focus and/or curricular ties, if applicant is a formal education program;
- § nutrition or plant-to-food connections;
- § environmental awareness and education;
- § entrepreneurship; and
- § social aspects of gardening such as leadership development, team building, community support, or service-learning.

Applicants must plan to garden in 2006 with at least 15 children between the ages of three and 18 years.

Funds: Award size: \$500 gift cards for first place and \$250 gift cards for second place

Number of awards: 50 for first place and 100 for second place

Deadline: November 30, 2005.

Eligible: Schools, youth groups, community centers, camps, clubs, treatment facilities, and intergenerational groups throughout the United States

Information: National Gardening Association, 1100 Dorset Street, South Burlington, VT 05403, Telephone: (800) 538-7476, Fax: (802) 864-6889, Link:

www.kidsgardening.com/grants.asp

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FOUNDATION PROFILE

The Boston Foundation

Polaroid Fund

Program: The Polaroid Fund at the Boston Foundation seeks to help children and adults become more independent and realize their full potential as successful members of society. Toward this end, it supports activities that help the most vulnerable people in the community build skills. These skills enable people to overcome obstacles and challenges and increase their ability to help themselves. The grantmaking priorities for the Polaroid Fund are:

§ Basic adult education;

§ Literacy;

§ English as a second or other language;

§ Job training and life skills that foster self-sufficiency.

In addition to specific skills training, these priorities may include programs that support people as they build skills, such as child care and after-school programs for children of adults enrolled in job training, or transitional housing for adults as they prepare for independent living.

Funds: Grant size: up to \$25,000

Deadline: Quarterly, with March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15

Eligible: Tax-exempt, not-for-profit organizations, with priority to organizations in Boston, Cambridge, New Bedford, and Waltham, Massachusetts

Information: Cindy Rizzo, Program Officer, The Boston Foundation, Polaroid Fund, 75 Arlington Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02116, Telephone: (617) 338-2773, Fax: (617) 338-1604, E-mail: ctr@tbf.org, Link: www.tbf.org/fund/fund-L2.asp?id=773

RECENT AWARDS

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation

Program: § *Bridgespan Group* – \$1,050,000 for general support.
§ *Center for Effective Philanthropy* – \$600,000 for general support.
§ *Pathfinder International* – \$1,200,000 for general support.

Information: William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, 2121 Sand Hill Road, Menlo Park, California, 94025, Telephone: (650) 234-4500, Fax (650) 234-4501, E-mail: info@hewlett.org, Link: www.hewlett.org

Public Welfare Foundation

Program: § *Community Catalyst* – \$100,000 for general support
§ *Boston Medical Center* – \$60,000 for the National Center for Medical-Legal Collaboration

Information: Public Welfare Foundation, 1200 U Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009, Telephone: (202) 965-1800, Fax (202) 265-8851, Link: www.publicwelfare.org

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American Legacy Foundation

Program: § *West Broadway Task Force in South Boston* – \$79,542 to provide smoking-cessation services at a public-housing development with large numbers of residents who smoke.

Information: American Legacy Foundation, 2030 M Street, NW, Sixth Floor, Washington, D.C. 20036, Telephone: (202) 454-5555, E-mail: info@americanlegacy.org, Link: <http://americanlegacy.org>