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CHILD CARE SERVICES

Massachusetts Department of Education

National Association for the Education of Young Children Validation Visits

Program: The Department of Education is seeking a contractor to build an infrastructure to coordinate validation visits to early care and education programs in Massachusetts that are pursuing accreditation through the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

Deadline: April 17, 2003.

Funds: Maximum award size: \$175,000.

Eligible: See RFR.

Info: Massachusetts Department of Education, Florence Howes, 350 Main Street, Malden, MA 02148-5023, Phone: (781) 338-6353, Fax: (781) 338-3370, Email: fhowes@doe.mass.edu, Link: http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=014829&dept_code=&cp_xx=

Salomon Family Foundation

Funding for Child Abuse Programs

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Program: The focus of the New York-based Salomon Family Foundation is the treatment of child abuse, with special emphasis on sexual abuse. Proposals are sought that provide the necessary intensive and extensive treatment, and present innovative approaches to the problem or reach families where abuse tends to remain hidden. Special preference will be given to programs that address treatment of the whole family. The foundation seeks to fund organizations with established expertise in the field of child abuse treatment. Applicants must demonstrate economic stability and programmatic success, and must provide convincing evidence of their credibility with, and particular understanding of, the clients and communities served. New and innovative as well as established programs will be considered. Proposals need not be restricted to any geographical area.

Deadline: Letter of intent: April 30, 2003.

Funds: Award size: \$150,000 for one or two year programs.

Eligible: See RFP.

Info: Salomon Family Foundation, 97 Summitt Drive, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706, Phone: (914) 478-3423, Link: <http://fdncenter.org/grantmaker/salomon/main.html>

Massachusetts Office of Childcare Services

Comprehensive Parenting Education & Support Programs

Program: The Children's Trust Fund (CTF) will award up to four contracts for the implementation of four nationally renowned Comprehensive Parenting Education & Support programs: The Nurturing Program, AVANCE/Exitos, Meld for Young Moms/Growing Families, and The Parenting Journey. It is expected that up to four contracts will be awarded statewide for amounts ranging from \$35,000 to \$75,000 each. CTF offers funding, technical support, training opportunities, and other resources to facilitate grantees' work with parents. Lead agencies will be expected to complete commensurate intensive training of key program staff to provide the comprehensive parenting education and support program for which they are applying. The possible time period for contracts is five years depending on contractor performance in the first year.

Deadline: Letter of intent: May 16, 2003.
Full proposal: May 23, 2003.

Funds: See above.

Eligible: Applicants must be community-based, nonprofit agencies who demonstrate current and exemplary ability and experience in providing the comprehensive parenting education and support program for which they are applying. All program services and activities will be offered on a voluntary basis and will be available to all families with children ages birth to six years old. Food, childcare and transportation must be available for all activities offered by the CTF comprehensive parenting education and support programs.

Info: Anitza Guadarrama, PESP Grants Manager, 294 Washington Street, Suite 640, Boston, MA 02108, Phone: (617) 727-8957, Fax: (617) 727-8997, Email: AGuadarrama@MTCF.state.ma.us, Link: http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=014805&dept_code=&cp_xx=

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Corporation for National and Community Service

Organization To Administer the President's Volunteer Service Awards

Program: The Corporation seeks an organization that has, or can contract with others to acquire, expertise in marketing and publicity, awards fulfillment, database management, production and distribution of identity items, and event management. The Executive Director of the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation at the Corporation (hereinafter the "Executive Director") will oversee the President's Volunteer Service Awards program. The Executive Director will work with the organization selected under this Notice and others to develop strategic partnerships that can build awareness, understanding, and distribution of the Awards.

Funds: \$100,000 in year one, and contingent upon performance and availability of funding, to provide up to approximately \$250,000 in year two and up to approximately \$250,000 in year three to the selected organization for technical and administrative assistance for the President's Volunteer Service Awards program

Deadline: April 25, 2003.

Eligible: Commercial organizations, nonprofit organizations, state and local government entities, institutions of higher education and Indian tribal organizations.

Info: Christine Benero, Phone: (202) 606-5000, ext. 193, Fax: (202) 575-2784, Email: cbenero@cns.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-7626.htm>

FR: 4/1 15708-15709

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Department of Education

Connecting Activities FY 2004

Program: The Department of Education is seeking to work with the Workforce Investment Boards in Massachusetts to coordinate and facilitate "work and learning" experiences for secondary school students throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The goal is to create work and learning experiences that connect with classroom learning, academic enrichment and academic remediation.

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Deadline: Bidders' Conference: April 11, 2003 (See RFR)
Full proposal: May 16, 2003.

Funds: To be determined.

Eligible: See RFR.

Info: Keith Westrich, 350 Main Street, Malden, MA 02148-5023, Phone: (781) 338-3902, Fax: (781) 338-3950, Email: kwestrich@doe.mass.edu, Link: http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=014831&dept_code=&cp_xx=

Department of Education/Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools

Carol M. White Physical Education Program

Program: The Carol M. White Physical Education Program provides grants to initiate, expand, or improve physical education programs, including after-school programs, for students in one or more grades from kindergarten through 12th grade in order to help students make progress toward meeting State standards for physical education. For FY 2003 the competition for new awards focuses on a statutory requirement described in the Statutory Requirements section of this application notice.

Funds: Estimated number of awards: 198.
Range of awards: \$100,000-\$500,000.

Deadline: May 12, 2003.

Eligible: Local educational agencies (LEAs) and community-based organizations (CBOs), including faith-based organizations provided that they meet applicable statutory and regulatory requirements.

Info: Ethel Jackson, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202-6123, Phone: (202) 260-2812, Email: Ethel.Jackson@ed.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-7970.htm>

FR: 4/1 15911-15914

Department of Education

Early Childhood Educator Professional Development Program

Program: The purpose of the Early Childhood Educator Professional Development Program, authorized by section 2151(e) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) as added by the No Child Left Behind Act, Public Law 107-110, is to enhance the school readiness of young children, particularly disadvantaged young children, and to prevent them from encountering difficulties once they enter school. The program is designed to improve the knowledge and skills of early childhood educators who work in communities that have high concentrations of children living in poverty

Funds: Number of awards: 5-12 awards.
Average award size: \$2,000,000.

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Deadline: May 16, 2003.

Eligible: A partnership consisting of at least one entity from each of the following categories, as indicated below:

- ✓ One or more institutions of higher education, or other public or private entities (including faith-based organizations), that provide professional development for early childhood educators who work with children from low-income families in high-need communities; and
- ✓ One or more public agencies (including local educational agencies, State educational agencies, State human services agencies, and State and local agencies administering programs under the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990), Head Start agencies, or private organizations (including faith-based organizations); and
- ✓ If feasible, an entity with demonstrated experience in providing training to educators in early childhood education programs concerning identifying and preventing behavior problems or working with children identified as or suspected to be victims of abuse.

This entity may be one of the partners described above, if appropriate.

Info: Melanie Kadlic, U.S. Department of Education, Student Achievement and School Accountability Programs, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202-6132, Phone: (202) 260-3793, Email: Melanie.Kadlic@ed.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-7763.htm>

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**Department of Education/Office of Innovation and Improvement
Credit Enhancement for Charter School Facilities Program**

Program: This program will provide grants to eligible entities to permit them to enhance the credit of charter schools so that they can access private sector and other non-Federal capital to acquire, construct, and renovate facilities at a reasonable cost. Grant projects awarded under this program will be of sufficient size, scope, and quality to enable the grantees to implement effective strategies.

Funds: Number of awards: 3-5.
Range of awards: \$2.5 million-\$10 million.

Deadline: June 3, 2003.

Eligible: A public entity, such as a State or local governmental entity or private, nonprofit entity; or consortium of entities described above.

Info: Jim Houser, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, room 3C140, Washington, DC 20202- 6140, Phone: (202) 401-0307, Email: Jim.Houser@ed.gov
Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-7763.htm>

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Department of Education/Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) and the Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE)

Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program

Program: The purpose of this program is to stimulate technological innovation in the private sector, strengthen the role of small business in meeting Federal research or research and development (R/R&D) needs, increase the commercial application of Department of Education (ED) supported research results, and improve the return on investment from Federally-funded research for economic and social benefits to the Nation.

- ✓ Priority 1--This priority supports research to develop methods, procedures, and rehabilitation technology that maximize the full inclusion and integration into society, employment, independent living, family support, and economic and social self-sufficiency of individuals with disabilities, especially individuals with the most significant disabilities; or improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act.
- ✓ Priority 2--This priority supports research that contributes to achieving the purposes of part A of Title VI of the Higher Education Act--International Education Program.
- Invitational Priority 7--Development of Interactive CD-ROMs in the Pashto and Farsi (Iranian) Languages with Glossaries, for use in Multi- Platforms (e.g., PC, Mac) at the 1 to 1+ Proficiency Levels according to the ACTFL-ILR Proficiency Scales. The language materials must include items drawn from native speakers and from mass information media, including recent events and authentic cultural materials. The overall objective would be the creation of highly practical communicative instruments for the two language,

Funds: Total funds available: \$4,176,000.

Deadline: June 3, 2003.

Eligible: Each organization submitting an application must qualify as a small business concern as defined by the Small Business Administration (SBA) at the time of the award.

Info: Lee Eiden, U.S. Department of Education, 555 New Jersey Avenue, NW, room 508D, Washington, DC 20208-5644, Phone (202) 219-2004, Email: lee.eiden@ed.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-8130.htm>

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ENVIRONMENT

National Parks Service/Canon U.S.A.

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Canon National Parks Science Scholars Program/Conservation Scholarships

Program: The Canon National Parks Science Scholars Program, a collaboration among Canon U.S.A., Inc., the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the U.S. National Park Service, is designed to encourage the best graduate students in the Americas to conduct research critical to conserving national parks throughout the region. For this program, the Americas include Canada, the United States, Mexico, the countries of Central and South America, and the countries of the Caribbean. The program will award scholarships to Ph.D. students throughout the Americas to conduct research critical to conserving the national parks of the region. The awards are based on competitions in four categories: the biological sciences, the physical sciences, social/cultural sciences, and technology innovation in support of conservation science. In 2003, the program will award eight scholarships based on two separate competitions: 1) Canon National Parks Science Scholars will be selected from students studying at universities in the U.S., with one winner chosen in each of the four categories; and 2) Canon National Parks Science Scholars will be selected from students studying at universities throughout the Americas (but outside the U.S.), with one winner chosen in each of the four categories. In addition, four honorable mention recipients will be selected from the entire region (including the U.S.). Each winning student will be awarded a Canon National Parks Science Scholarship of \$26,000 a year, for a maximum of three years and \$78,000, to complete his or her research. Honorable mention winners will receive a one-time scholarship of \$1,000.

Deadline: May 15, 2003.

Funds: See above.

Eligible: See application.

Info: Dr. Gary Machlis, Program Coordinator, Canon National Parks Science Scholars Program Office, College of Natural Resources, Room 16, University of Idaho, PO Box 441133, Sixth and Line Streets, Moscow, ID 83844-1133, Phone: (208) 885-7054, Link: <http://www.nature.nps.gov/canonscholarships/>

HEALTH

Department of Health and Human Services/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Program Public Health Laboratory Biomonitoring Implementation Program

Program: The purpose of this program is to implement and expand State laboratory-based biomonitoring programs to assess human exposure to environmental toxicants, help prevent disease resulting from exposure to toxic substances, and determine estimates of background exposure to naturally occurring and industrial chemicals that have the potential to cause harm. Measurable outcomes of the program will be in alignment with one or more of the following performance goals for the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH):

- ✓ Develop laboratory capacity to monitor human exposures to environmental chemicals.
- ✓ Periodically determine the number of Americans exposed to environmental chemicals

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and the degree of their exposure.

- ✓ Increase the capacity of State and local health departments to deliver environmental health services in their communities.

Funds: Number of awards: 10.
Range of awards: \$200,000, up to \$3,000,000.

Deadline: July 2, 2003.

Eligible: Public health laboratories of States or lead States of consortia that were recipients of CDC grants for biomonitoring planning in FY2001 and FY2002.

Info: Mildred S. Garner, Grants Management Officer, Procurement and Grants Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2920 Brandywine Road, (MS E-13), Atlanta, GA 30341-4146, Phone: (770) 488-2745, Email: mqg4@cdc.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-8062.htm>

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HOMELESSNESS & HUNGER

**Department of Public Health/Bureau of Substance Abuse Services
Substance Abuse Education, Assessment, and Referral Coordination for Homeless Youth in the
Boston Regions**

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Program: The Bureau of Substance Services (BSAS) seeks proposals from qualified, experienced substance abuse vendors to provide Substance Abuse Education, Assessment, and Referral Coordination (SEARCH) for homeless and at-risk and gang-involved youth and young adults on the streets of Greater Boston, with a focus on the Boston Common, Copley Square, Chinatown, and other sections of the city that attract homeless youth and young adults. In addition, the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS) seeks proposals from qualified, experienced, community based, substance abuse vendors to provide outreach, education, assessment and referral for homeless, at risk, gang-involved youth and young adults in the established and emerging Cambodian and Latino communities in Chelsea, and East Boston. The Youth SEARCH program is intended to engage youth and young adults, living on the streets, in shelters or otherwise domiciled through the provision of intensive outreach, education and referral services to enhance accessibility to the continuum of substance abuse services to out-of-treatment youth and young adults and those at high risk of developing substance use disorders (SUD) including Alcohol and other drug (AOD) abuse. This procurement will fund up to two (2) SEARCH worker positions for each of the targeted geographic areas. Applicants may submit proposals to develop either one or more of these positions, provided the services are programmatically linked through a fully executed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with shelters and other homeless service and community based providers, and drop-in centers in the target area(s), especially those that have designated beds for homeless youth and experience working with young adults.

Deadline: April 30, 2003.

Funds: Total funds available: \$1.8 million.

Eligible: See RFP.

Info: Michael Cardoza, Department of Public Health, 250 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Boston, MA 02108, Phone: (617) 624-5153, Fax: 617-624-5185, Email: michael.cardoza@state.ma.us, Link: http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=014778&dept_code=&cp_xx=

World Hunger Year

The Harry Chapin Self-Reliance Awards

Program: Since 1985, the Harry Chapin Self-Reliance Awards program, administered by WHY with funding from the Harry Chapin Foundation, has distributed cash grants to outstanding grassroots organizations in the United States. Organizations selected as Harry Chapin Self-Reliance Award winners are judged outstanding for their innovative and creative approaches to fighting domestic hunger and poverty by empowering people and building self-reliance. The awards honor those organizations that go beyond charity to change and that help people improve their own lives.

Funds: Maximum award: \$5,000.

Deadline: August 1, 2003

Eligible: Grassroots organizations.

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Info: World Hunger Year, 505 Eighth Ave., Suite 2100, New York, NY 10018-6582, Phone: (212) 629-8850, Email: WHY@worldhungeryear.org, Link: http://www.worldhungeryear.org/programs/forum_intermed.asp

IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans Fellowship Program

Program: The purpose of the Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans is to provide opportunities for continuing generations of able and accomplished New Americans to achieve leadership in their chosen fields. The fellowships are grants for up to two years of graduate study in the United States.

Deadline: November 1, 2003.

Funds: Number of awards: 30.
Award size: An annual maintenance grant of \$20,000 and a tuition grant of one-half the tuition cost of the U.S. graduate program attended by the fellow.

Eligible: An individual who: (1) is a resident alien; i.e., holds a Green Card or, (2) has been naturalized as a U.S. citizen or (3) is the child of two parents who are both naturalized citizens. Applicants must not be older than thirty years of age as of November 1, 2003. The applicant must either have a bachelor's degree or be in her/his final year of undergraduate study.

Info: Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans, 400 West 59th Street, New York, NY 10019, Phone: (212) 547-6926, Email: pdsoros_fellows@sorosny.org, Link: <http://www.pdsoros.org/>

MENTAL HEALTH

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Massachusetts Department of Mental Health

Promoting Parent Participation

Program: The Department of Mental Health (DMH) is requesting responses for an organization to promote and support the ongoing involvement of parents in policy and program issues affecting children's mental health. The Contractor will serve as a resource to DMH field staff, DMH funded Parent Coordinators and CAP Parent Partners, and parents and other caretakers rearing children with mental health, emotional or behavioral problems by providing them with information, technical assistance and consultation. The Contractor will work with the Department of Mental Health to promote family collaboration in mental health practice through professional development activities.

Deadline: May 1, 2003.

Funds: Award size: \$135,000.

Eligible: See RFR.

Info: Maureen Giacchino, Contract Manager, Department of Mental of Health, 25 Staniford Street, Boston, MA 02114, Phone: (617) 626-8006, Fax: (617) 626-8014, Email: maureen.giacchino@dmh.state.ma.us, Link: http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=014827&dept_code=&cp_xx=

SPORTS & RECREATION

Computer Associates/KaBOOM!

2003 Playground Challenge Grant Program

Program: KaBOOM! a Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit organization that helps to build playgrounds across North America, has announced its 2003 Playground Challenge Grant Program, underwritten by Computer Associates International, Inc. Community groups that apply for the grant awards must demonstrate a compelling need for a new or improved community playground, the ability to organize volunteers in the planning and construction of the playground, and the ability to raise the additional funds needed for the playground. Grant award winners must also commit to building their playgrounds by April 2004.

Deadline: April 30, 2003.

Funds: Number of awards: 20.
Award size: \$5,000.

Eligible: See application.

Info: KaBOOM, Attn. 2003 CA Challenge Grants, 333 So. Wabash Avenue, Suite 16 South, Chicago IL, 60604-4107, Link: <http://www.kaboom.org/nooz.aspx?id=339>

Balance Bar Company

Grants to Fund Pursuit of Mind/Body Sports

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Program: Funded by the Balance Bar Company, the Balance Bar Grants program is intended to provide financial support for amateur athletes who pursue sports or activities that integrate all aspects of the body and mind. In 2003, the company has opened the program to teams as well as individuals.

Deadline: May 15 and September 15, 2003.

Funds: Grants range from \$500-\$10,000.

Eligible: All individuals and members of teams applying must be amateur athletes over the age of 18 and residents of the U.S. For the purpose of the grant program, "amateur" is defined as persons who have not competed in athletic activities as their main source of income.

Info: Balance Bar Company - Grants Program, C/O Hunter PR 5th Floor, 41 Madison Ave., New York, New York 10010, Link: <http://www.balance.com/grants/rules.asp>

YOUTH

Harvard University

Harvard After-School Initiative (HASI), Round Three

Program: HASI supports neighborhood-based efforts to facilitate the learning and healthy development of young people. The initiative seeks to fund programs serving children and youth, ages 5-18, during the out-of-school hours in Allston-Brighton, Fenway, and Mission Hill. HASI has issued an RFP announcing grants in two areas.

- ✓ The HASI Bridging Initiative seeks to enhance children's learning experiences by strengthening relationships among programs, schools, and families. Grants of up to \$30,000 per year for one site and \$37,500 for two sites will be awarded for a two-year period beginning July 2003 and are designed to support an education coordinator position.
- ✓ The Summer Grants are available to support summer programs, as well as the summer component of ongoing, year-round programs, for the period between June and September 2003. Grants will range from \$5,000 to \$20,000.

Deadline: Bidders' conference: Wednesday, April 9, from 10:00 until noon, the Williams Room of the Spangler Center at the Harvard Business School.
Full proposal: Thursday, May 1, 2003.

Funds: See above.

Eligible: Not-for-profit organizations with programs serving children and youth, ages 5-18, during the out-of-school hours in Allston-Brighton, Fenway, and Mission Hill.

Info: Paige Lewin, Manager of Community Programs, Office of Government, Community, and Public Affairs, Harvard University, 77 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA 02138; Phone: (617) 495-4955, Fax: (617) 495-9703, Email: paige_lewin@harvard.edu, Link: www.gse.harvard.edu/~afterschool/

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Help Us Help Foundation

Tech Grants for Schools and Youth Organizations

Program: With financial support provided by database software giant Oracle Corporation, the nonprofit Help Us Help Foundation assists K-12 public schools and youth organizations in economically challenged communities to obtain information technology tools. Grants of computer equipment and software are available to schools and youth organizations in the U.S. that provide educational programs in low-income communities. The foundation will donate new Internet appliances and laser printers as well as all the ancillary equipment necessary to connect the devices, including network hubs, cables, and electrical surge protectors. Applicants, who must submit a preliminary application online, are encouraged to submit their applications early. The foundation accepts a limited number of applications each cycle and will stop accepting applications once the maximum is reached.

Deadline: August 31, 2003, and February 29, 2004.

Funds: NA.

Eligible: K-12 public and public charter schools are eligible for assistance through the program if a significant number of their students qualify for the subsidized lunch program (roughly 50 percent for elementary schools and 35 percent for middle and high schools) or can otherwise be documented as low-income. Community-based organizations are eligible if they have 501(c)(3) or 7871 tribal government status and provide educational services to youth who lack access to technology. In addition, low-income youth must comprise at least 50 percent of the total population served by the organization annually.

Info: Ms. Colleen Cassity, Director, Oracle Help Us Help Foundation, 500 Oracle Parkway, M/S LGN-2, Redwood Shores, CA 94065, Link: <http://www.helpushelp.org/>

FOUNDATION PROFILES

The Cricket Foundation

Program: The Foundation makes grants in the areas of the arts and environmental concerns. It supports artistic endeavors on a professional level. It supports new initiatives in land preservation, biological conservation, research and advocacy. It does not make repeat grants.

Funds: Typical grant size: \$5,000

Deadline: May 1, 2003 and November 1, 2003.

Eligible: Non-profits.

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Green Leaf

Program: Green Leaf wishes to support small organizations and occasionally individuals who promote social and environmental well-being. We are especially interested in the education, health and

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emotional development of youth; environmental protection and awareness, alternative technology (such as organic graving) and opportunities for the socially oppressed. Organizations and individuals with a local and multi-dimensional focus that include volunteers and other forms of community involvement are encouraged.

Funds: Typical grant size: \$5,000.

Deadline: October 1, 2003.

Eligible: Nonprofits: request for guidelines, email/online contact, letter of inquiry

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