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AGING

AARP Foundation Grants Program Address Hunger Among Older Americans

Program: The new AARP Foundation Grants Program seeks to fund a diverse range of promising projects that help create long-term, sustainable solutions to the problems faced by low-

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income adults age 50 and older. These projects may range from basic education to interventions spearheaded by organizations that address the social and behavioral aspects of these problems for older Americans.

Funds: The program will award a total of \$1 million in grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$300,000 to eligible organizations that focus on sustainable solutions designed to make a significant impact on community food security and sustainable food systems for those 50 and older.

Deadline: September 15, 2011 (Letters of Inquiry)

Eligible: Grant proposals will only be accepted from nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations and government entities, including but not limited to state/local governments, social service agencies, public health organizations, educational entities, and other nonprofit entities such as community-based or faith-based organizations.

Information: Link: <http://www.aarp.org/aarp-foundation/Grants-Administration/foundation-grants11131/>

ARTS

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Digital Humanities Implementation Grants

Program: The program funds implementation of innovative digital humanities projects which have successfully completed a start-up phase and demonstrated their value to the field. These projects enhance understanding of central problems, raise new questions in the humanities or develop new digital applications and approaches for use in the humanities. The program supports innovative projects addressing multiple audiences, including scholars, teachers, librarians and the public.

Funds: Multiple awards up to \$325,000 each

Deadline: January 24, 2012

Eligible: Governments, public and private colleges and universities and 501 (c) (3) nonprofits

Information: Contact the NEH Office of Digital Humanities (ODH) via e mail at odh@neh.gov. Applicants wishing to speak to a staff member by telephone should provide in an e-mail message a telephone number and a preferred time to call. Link: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=109333&mode=VIEW>

Institute of Museum & Library Services (IMLS)

Conservation Project Support (CPS)

Program: CPS funds help safeguard the nation's museum collections. The program provides funding in four categories: (1) surveys of collections; (2) environmental improvements for collections; (3) treatment of collections; and (4) training of staff, volunteer, and students in conservation.

Funds: Multiple awards ranging from \$5,000 to \$150,000 each (at least a 1:1 match is

required)

Deadline: October 3, 2011
Eligible: State and local governments and private 501 (c)(3) nonprofits
Information: Connie Bodner, Telephone: (202) 653-4636, E-mail: cbodner@imls.gov Mark Feitl, Telephone: (202) 653-4635, E-mail: mfeitl@imls.gov, Link: http://www.imls.gov/applicants/guidelines/cps_2012.shtm.

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

NEA Research: Art Works

Program: Grantees will use these funds to research the impact that the U.S. arts sector has on the nation. NEA encourages grantees to partner with for-profits to get a complete picture of the arts impact on society.

Funds: Up to 25 awards ranging from \$10,000 to \$30,000 each

Deadline: November 8, 2011

Eligible: Governments, public and private colleges and universities and 501 (c)(3) nonprofits

Information: Email: nearesearchgrants@arts.gov, Link: <http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/Research/>

EDUCATION K-12

Kids in Need Foundation

Kids In Need Teacher Grants

Program: Grantees use the funds to provide innovative learning opportunities for their students. The grants are funded by retail and education credit union sponsors.

Projects may qualify for funding if they make creative use of common teaching aids, approach the curriculum from an imaginative angle or tie non-traditional concepts together for the purpose of illustrating commonalities.

Funds: Up to 300 awards ranging from \$100 to \$500 each

Deadline: September 30, 2011

Eligible: K-12 teachers

Information: Telephone: (937) 296-1230, E-mail: info@kinf.org, Link: <http://www.kinf.org/grants/index.php>.

Coca-Cola Foundation

Community Grants

Program: The foundation, the global philanthropic effort of the soft drink manufacturer, focuses most of its U.S. giving on education. This includes college scholarships, higher education, dropout prevention initiatives and after-school programs.

Teach for America Inc., located in Baltimore, was a recent Coca-Cola grantee. It will use the \$50,000 award for its "Accelerating the Movement to Close the Education Achievement Gap" program. For more, please visit <http://www.teachforamerica.org>.

U.S.-based nonprofits also may apply for funds from the foundation's Active Healthy Living initiative, which focuses on nutrition and physical activity programs.

- Funds:** In the most recent giving quarter, Coca Cola awarded \$1.9 million through its Active Health Living initiative and \$1.5 million for education programs
- Deadline:** None
- Eligible:** 501 (c)(3) nonprofits and schools
- Information:** E-mail: [cococolacomcommunityrequest@na.ko.com](mailto:cocolacomcommunityrequest@na.ko.com), Link: <http://tinyurl.com/yfstsk9>

Whole Foods Market

The Whole Kids Foundation

- Program:** The Whole Kids Foundation, a nonprofit organization created by Whole Foods Market to support schools and inspire families to improve children's nutrition and wellness, is accepting grant applications for its first major initiative, the School Garden Grant Program.
- Designed to help schools grow students' relationships with food through gardening, the new program stems from the Whole Kids Foundation's mission of supporting schools' efforts to improve children's nutrition. The grant program will be funded by a six-week, in-store donation drive at all Whole Foods Market stores and online at the Whole Kids Foundation Web site from August 17 to September 30. Food Corp, a nonprofit national service organization that seeks to reverse childhood obesity by increasing children's knowledge of, engagement with, and access to healthy food, will help administer the grant program and will provide mentorship services and other resources to grant recipients.

- Funds:** The program will provide grants of \$2,000, along with curriculum resources and mentorship, to one thousand schools to launch or expand school garden projects.
- Deadline:** December 31, 2011
- Eligible:** To be eligible for a garden grant, applicants must be a nonprofit K-12 school or school district (public, private, or charter; elementary, middle, or secondary), or a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization working in partnership with one or more K-12 schools. Applicants must be developing or currently maintaining a school garden project that will help children engage with fresh fruits and vegetables. Garden projects may be at any stage of development, planning, construction, or operation. For cases in which an applicant facilitates garden projects in more than one school, multiple garden grants may be requested under a single application. In occasional cases, additional funds may be awarded for special projects. In selecting grant recipients, priority will be given to both limited-resource communities and projects that demonstrate strong buy-in from stakeholders. There is a limit of one garden grant per school.

Information:

Project Ignition

- Program:** For the past eight years, Project Ignition has supported students and their advisors in meeting classroom objectives while creating and implementing awareness and engagement campaigns designed to increase teen traffic safety. Student teams host events, form community-wide partnerships, work on local and state policy, produce public service announcements, and more while receiving academic credit for their service-learning projects.
- Funds:** Twenty-five schools will be selected on the basis of their campaign proposals to receive \$2,000 grants to implement campaigns from January to April of the 2011-12 school year. Based on the results of their campaigns, ten of these schools will be selected to receive an additional \$5,000 to support their participation in a significant national conference or event. These ten schools also will be given the opportunity to receive an additional \$2,500 to expand their campaigns during the following school year.
- Deadline:** November 15, 2011
- Eligible:** Public schools in the United States and the Canadian provinces of Alberta, Ontario, and New Brunswick that educate students in grades 9-12, ages 13 and older, are eligible to participate and receive project awards. Students must have a teacher/advisor and school permission to participate in the project.
- Information:** Michael VanKeulen, 1667 Snelling Avenue North, Suite D300
St. Paul, MN 55108, Telephone: (888) 856-7026, Fax: (651) 631-2955 E-mail: mvankeulen@nylc.org, Link: <http://www.sfprojectignition.com>

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA),

Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP)

- Program:** The grantees will implement and examine IPM projects to reduce pesticide risk in production agriculture settings. IPM is a sustainable approach to managing pests by combining biological, cultural, physical and chemical tools in a way that minimizes economic, health and environmental risks
- Funds:** \$500,000 for 10 awards of \$50,000 (Each EPA region will receive an award) each
- Deadline:** September 19, 2011
- Eligible:** Governments, public and private colleges and universities and nonprofits
- Information:** Region I (Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont), Nancy Barmakian, 5 Post Office Square Suite 100 (OES05-04), Boston, MA 02109-3912. Telephone: (617) 918-1016, E-mail: barmakian.nancy@epa.gov
Link: <http://www.epa.gov/pesticides/grants/proposals/2011-regional-ag-ipm-grants.pdf>

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HEALTH

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) Higher Education, Mental Health

Program: AFSP provides research grants to improve understanding of the causes of suicide and factors related to suicide risk and to test treatments and other interventions designed to prevent suicide.

The organization provides six different types of funding:

1. *Distinguished Investigator Grants (up to \$100,000 over two years):* Associate professors or higher with an established record of research and publication on suicide may apply for these funds.
2. *Standard Research Grants (up to \$75,000 over two years):* Investigators at all levels may apply for these funds.
3. *Linked Standard Research Grants (up to \$225,000 over two years):* Investigators at any level performing research involving three or more unique sites may apply for these grants.
4. *Young Investigator Grants (up to \$85,000 over two years):* Assistant professors or lower may apply for these funds.
5. *Postdoctoral Research Fellowships (up to \$100,000 over two years):* These funds go to investigators who have received a Ph.D., M.D., or other doctoral degree within the preceding six years and have not had more than three years of fellowship support.
6. *Pilot Grants (up to \$30,000 over one or two years):* These grants provide seed money for new projects with the potential to lead to subsequent, larger investigations and are typically feasibility rather than hypothesis-driven studies.

Funds: Awards up to \$100,000 each

Deadline: November 15, 2011

Eligible: Investigators from all academic disciplines

Information: Jonathan Dozier-Ezell, jdozier-ezell@afsp.org Link: <http://tinyurl.com/43t56cz>

HIGHER EDUCATION

Education Department (Office of Postsecondary Education) Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program

Program: MSEIP focuses on improving science and engineering programs at predominantly minority colleges and universities, increasing the number of minorities -- particularly minority women, -- pursuing scientific and technological careers.

Funds: \$3 million for 14 awards of up to \$300,000 each

Deadline: September 2, 2011
Eligible: Minority serving colleges, universities and nonprofits
Information: Bernadette Hence, Telephone: (202)/219-7038, E-mail, Bernadette.Hence@ed.gov;
Matthew Willis, Telephone: (202) 502-7598, E-mail, Matthew.Willis@ed.gov, Link:
<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-08-03/html/2011-19686.htm>

**Health & Human Services Department (National Institutes of Health, NIH)
Bridges to the Baccalaureate Program**

Program: The program seeks to increase the number of community college students from under-represented backgrounds -- namely African Americans, Hispanic Americans, American Indians and Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians/Pacific Islanders, and individuals with disabilities -- who go on to research careers in the biomedical and behavioral sciences.

Funds: Multiple awards

Deadline: September 25, 2011

Eligible: Public and private college and university partnerships

Information: Lori Burge, Telephone: (301) 451-3781, E-mail, burgle@nigms.nih.gov; Link:
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-11-285.html>.

**Education Department/Office of Special Education & Rehabilitative Services
Postsecondary Education Center for Individuals Who Are Deaf**

Program: This new center will help colleges and universities and their partners meet the postsecondary, vocational, technical, continuing and adult education needs of deaf or hearing-impaired students. The ultimate goal is to get greater numbers of these students graduated from colleges and universities.

The new center will provide: (1) technical assistance on programs, practices and activities to improve college completion rates; (2) professional development opportunities through local, state, regional and national in-person or online trainings; and (3) training on utilizing technology to improve access and accommodations for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Funds: A \$4 million award

Deadline: September 8, 2011

Eligible: State educational agencies, school districts, public and private colleges and universities and nonprofits

Information: Louise Tripoli, Telephone: (202) 245-7554, Link: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-08-09/html/2011-20180.htm>.

**Education Department /Office of Special Education & Rehabilitative Services
Technical Assistance & Dissemination to Improve Services & Results for Children with Disabilities:
Transition to College & Careers Center**

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Program: The grantee will create a new Transition to College and Careers Center to assist states and school districts with developing postsecondary goals for students with disabilities. The ultimate goal is to provide appropriate transition services to ensure these students excel in a college or university setting.

Funds: A \$1.1 million award

Deadline: September 8, 2011

Eligible: State educational agencies, school districts, public and private colleges and universities and nonprofits

Information: Michael Slade, Telephone: (202) 245-7527, Link: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-08-09/html/2011-20184.htm>

W.M. Keck Foundation

Science & Engineering Program, Medical Research Program and Undergraduate Education Program

Program: The Science & Engineering and Medical Research Programs fund research with the potential to lead to pioneering discoveries in science, engineering and medicine. By funding high-risk/high-impact work of leading researchers, the foundation hopes to lay the groundwork for new paradigms, technologies and discoveries capable of saving lives, providing innovative solutions and adding to our understanding of the world.

Funds: Awards average \$2 million each for Science & Engineering/Medical Research and \$500,000 for Undergraduate Education

Deadline: November 1, 2011

Eligible: 501 (c)(3) nonprofits, research universities, medical colleges and research institutes

Information: Questions, MedRsch@wmkeck.org (Medical Research); SciEng@wmkeck.org (Science and Engineering); and UGProgram@wmkeck.org (Undergraduate), Link: <http://www.wmkeck.org>.

HOUSING

Housing & Urban Development (Office of Sustainable Housing & Communities) Community Challenge Planning Grant Program

Program: The program seeks to foster reform and reduce barriers to achieving affordable, economically vital and sustainable communities. These efforts may include amending or replacing local master plans, zoning codes and building codes to promote mixed-use development, affordable housing and the reuse of older buildings and structures for new purposes.

Funds: \$28.6 million for awards ranging from \$100,000 to \$3 million each (\$3 million will go to jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000)

Deadline: September 9, 2011

Eligible: State and local governments

Information: Sunaree Marshall, 202/402-6011; e-mail, SustainableCommunities@hud.gov; for grant

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guidance, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/42akkb2>.

NUTRITION

Health & Human Services Department (National Institutes of Health)

Health Promotion for Children with Physical Disabilities through Physical Activity & Diet: Developing an Evidence Base

- Program:** The program provides research grants to study how physical activity and dietary choice affect the health and fitness of children with physical disabilities.
- Funds:** Multiple awards up to \$200,000 each
- Deadline:** September 7, 2011
- Eligible:** Governments, public and private colleges and universities, public/Indian housing authorities, nonprofits and for-profits, including small businesses
- Information:** Bryan Clark, Telephone: (301) /435-6975, E-mail: clarkb1@mail.nih.gov; Ron Wertz, Telephone: (301) 594-2870, E-mail, wertzr@mail.nih.gov, Links: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-11-288.html> and <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-11-284.html>.

SAFETY

Homeland Security Department (Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA)

Assistance to Firefighters Grants

- Program:** These grants are awarded to fire departments and EMS to enhance their ability to protect the public and fire service personnel from fire and related hazards.
- In addition to these funds, FEMA will release \$35 million for its Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) Grants this fall or winter. This program is a portion of AFG funding that goes for research and development activities that improve firefighter safety, as well as fire prevention education initiatives.
- Funds:** \$380 million for approximately 5,000 awards
- Deadline:** September 9, 2011
- Eligible:** Fire departments and emergency medical services
- Information:** AFG Grant Program, 11821 Parklawn Drive, Suite 230, Rockville, MD 20852, Link: http://www.fema.gov/txt/firegrants/FY2011_AFG_Grant_Guidance_Section_1.txt

Health & Human Services Department (Office of Preparedness & Response)

Lifeline Facebook App Challenge

- Program:** Applicants will create an app that will provide actionable steps for Facebook users to increase their own personal preparedness and strengthen connections within their social networks for the sake of personal preparedness and community resilience.

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Specifically, the app must enable a Facebook user to invite three Facebook friends to become "Lifelines," or points of contact who agree to act as a source of support during disasters. Entrants are encouraged to creatively leverage Facebook's existing networking and geo-locating capabilities to enhance the app's ability to increase personal preparedness, locate potential disaster victims and streamline information sharing among social networks during disasters.

- Funds:** Awards will be as follows: first prize, \$10,000; second prize, \$5,000; and third prize, \$1,000
- Deadline:** Submissions will be accepted from August 15, 2011 through Sept. 15, 2011
- Eligible:** Multidisciplinary teams comprised of technology developers, entrepreneurs and members of the disaster preparedness, response and recovery communities
- Information:** Stacy Elmer, Telephone: (202) 205-4246, Link: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-08-10/html/2011-20296.htm>

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Labor Department (Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration & Management) Add Us In

- Program:** Grantees will identify and develop strategies to increase capacity of small businesses and communities to employ youths and adults with disabilities. The program seeks to develop and enhance partnerships which pinpoint best practices for employing the target population. Grantees should be prepared to become part of a national network sharing and disseminating ideas and best practices.
- Funds:** \$1.65 million for three awards ranging from \$500,000 to \$550,000 each
- Deadline:** September 2, 2011
- Eligible:** Workforce partnerships which include at least a business, disability, Workforce Investment Act and youth representative
- Information:** Cassandra Mitchell, Telephone: (202) 693-4570, E-mail, mitchell.cassandra@dol.gov; Link: <http://tinyurl.com/3ty2qf9>

National Science Foundation Science of Organizations

- Program:** This program funds research to help improve the design, management and sustainability of organizations of all kinds. Researchers will help improve the fundamental understanding of how organizations develop, form and operate. Research should be aimed at yielding general insights that are of value to all business practitioner, policy-makers and research communities.
- Funds:** \$3.2 million for 20 awards
- Deadline:** February 2, 2012
- Eligible:** Fire departments and emergency medical services (EMS)

Information: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22230, Telephone: (703) 292-5111, Link: http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504696

YOUTH

Youth Service America and United Healthcare Grants for Service-Learning Projects to Address Childhood Obesity

Program: The program invites young people in the United States to become "Health Heroes" by learning about childhood obesity, designing programs to address it, and implementing the programs in their communities.
In addition, each grant engages participating youth in service-learning, a teaching and learning strategy that supports student academic achievement and helps students develop their workplace readiness skills.

Funds: Grants of \$500 to \$1,000 will be awarded to programs that demonstrate a clear understanding of the health risks associated with childhood obesity; propose creative solutions to fighting obesity in their schools and communities; and can be easily implemented, scaled, and measured.

Deadline: October 17, 2011

Eligible: Schools, service-learning coordinators, nonprofits, and students in the health professions located in all fifty states and the District of Columbia are eligible to apply.

Information: Youth Service America, 1101 15th Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20005, E-mail: info@ysa.org, Telephone: (202) 296 – 2992, Fax: (202) 296 - 4030
twitter: @youthservice, Link: <http://www.ysa.org/heroes>

Do Something and American Express Offer 9/11 Remembrance Grants for Youth-Led Community Projects

Program: The program seeks projects that have been started or are being planned in the spirit of September 11th including youth-led projects that recognize and commemorate emergency responders (EMTs, police and fire departments) and military troops, as well as programs that promote diversity and understanding across cultures. These can be ongoing projects or projects specifically planned around the tenth anniversary of September 11th. Grant winners will be announced on September 11, 2011, as part of the 9/11 National Day of Service and Remembrance.

Funds: The program will award ten grants of \$1,000 and ten grants of \$500.

Deadline: September

Eligible: To be eligible, applicants must be age 25 or under and be a U.S. or Canadian citizen.

Information: Link: <http://www.dosomething.org/grants/remembrance-grants>

Program:

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