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CHILDCARE

Massachusetts Office of Child Care Services (OCCS)

Non-Traditional Hours Child Care

Program: There is a growing need for childcare that is offered outside the traditional hours of Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. In response, the Office of Child Care Services ("OCCS") is seeking to contract with child care providers who will create and maintain innovative pilot programs that offer high quality child care services during non-traditional hours. This service will be designed to address the childcare needs of low income working families, with particular emphasis on the needs of TAFDC recipients and former recipients. OCCS is seeking providers who will expand and support employment opportunities for families by providing licensed, high quality childcare during "off-hours." OCCS seeks to establish one or more pilot programs in each of the six EOHHS human service regions. OCCS will support non-traditional hours childcare services by reimbursing child care providers for the reasonable costs associated with start-up. In addition, OCCS will pay a higher rate for these services than that paid for traditional hour childcare services.

Deadline: April 9, 2001.

Funds: \$624,000. (Total funds available per fiscal year.)

Eligible: See RFR for specific qualifications.

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 Boston, MA 02122, Phone: 617 626-2000, Fax: 617 626-2028, Email:
Joanne.McMahan@ofc.state.ma.us, Link: http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=010397&dept_code=&cp_xx=.

A bidder's conference will be held on March 2, 2001 at 3:00 pm at One Ashburton Place, 21st Floor, Room #3, Boston.

Massachusetts Office of Child Care Services

Teen Parent Child Care Services

Program: Teen parents need childcare services that provide education and developmental activities for children and allow teens to develop their parenting skills while attending school or developing career skills. Teen parents also need social supports designed to encourage teens to stay in school, decrease the likelihood of repeat teen pregnancies, and lower the risk that they or their

children will be abused or neglected. Through this procurement, the Massachusetts Office of Child Care Services (OCCS) is seeking to purchase such child care services for teen parents and their children. The child care services shall include high quality child care, educational and developmental activities, transportation, case management, and social services for both teen parents and their children. All contracts awarded through this procurement will be regionally based. The new teen parent child care services RFR is designed to provide high quality child care and related services for teens and their children, while allowing programs the necessary flexibility to meet the individual needs of their clients.

Funds: 10,000,000 (Total funds available per fiscal year.)

Deadline: April 2, 2001.

Eligible: See RFR.

OCCS encourages high schools that currently have or are interested in creating school-based childcare programs to respond to this RFR. School-based programs are childcare programs that are located within public schools for the benefit of students and their children.

Info: Joanne McMahan, One Ashburton Place, Room 1105, Boston, MA 02108, **Phone:** 617 626-2000, **Fax:** 617 626-2028, **Email:** Joanne.McMahan@ofc.state.ma.us, Link:

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A bidder's conference will be held on March 6, 2001 at 1:30pm at the McCormack Building Cafeteria Meeting Room in Boston.

EDUCATION

Human-i-Tees

Make Your World Better Grant Program

Program: Grants generally fall in the broad categories of Integrated Environmental Curriculum, Schoolyard Enhancement, Community-Based Education, and School Sustainability. Projects and programs are encouraged that fulfill the following criteria:

- ✗ Employ the local environment as a comprehensive framework for learning in all subject areas;
- ✗ Involve several partners in the local community as well as partnerships between different groups within the school, particularly if the relationship is based on solving real life problems;
- ✗ Include donated materials and time in their budget;
- ✗ Focus on activities that are developmentally and age appropriate and hands-on/experiential;
- ✗ Address clear community, educational, environmental and/or financial needs;
- ✗ Have a unique or particularly creative twist;
- ✗ Represent a fair distribution between geographic regions across the country.

Deadline: March 15, 2001.

Funds: Human-i-Tees will award one lead grant in the \$5,000 - \$10,000 range. Most grants are in the \$500 - \$2,500 range.

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- Eligible:** Schools or school districts. Other non-profit, educational and/or community organizations who are interested in participating in this grant program are encouraged to develop strong working relationships with a local school who is able to act as the fiscal agent.
- Info:** Grant Program, Center for Environmental Education, 40 Avon Street, Keene, NH 03431, Phone: 1-888-875-6698 or 1-603-355-3251, Email: makeyourworldbetter@humanitees.com or cee@antiochne.edu.

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Protection Agency/Office of Transportation Air Quality Clean Air Transportation Communities: Innovative Projects to Improve Air Quality and Reduce Greenhouse Gases

- Program:** Office of Transportation Air Quality (OTAQ) is soliciting proposals for projects that have a high potential to spur innovations in the reduction of transportation-related emissions and vehicle miles traveled (VMT), at the local level and throughout the United States. EPA is particularly interested in projects that incorporate at least one of the following: smart growth efforts that reduce transportation-related emissions, commuter choice, and cleaner vehicles/green fleets.
- Funds:** OTAQ seeks to support up to ten pilot projects through seed funding, ranging from \$50,000 to \$300,000 per award.
- Deadline:** March 14, 2001. (Intent to apply.)
April 24, 2001. (Full proposals.)
- Eligible:** State, local, multi-state, agencies actively involved with transportation, air quality, and/or climate change issues.
- Info:** Mary Walsh, USEPA Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Transportation and Regional Programs Division, 2000 Traverwood Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48105, Phone: (734) 214-4205, Fax (734) 214-4052, Email: walsh.mary@epa.gov, Link: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2001_register&docid=01-4268-filed
- FR:** 2/21 11021-11028

Environmental Protection Agency

Fiscal Year 2001 Environmental Justice through Pollution Prevention Grant Funds

- Program:** This grant program is designed specifically to fund only those projects that directly benefit minority and low-income communities by applying pollution prevention approaches. This year, EPA will limit eligibility to the following types of projects:
- ✕ Helping Small Businesses and Institutions Prevent Pollution in Communities. Projects in this category should involve forging voluntary partnership programs, demonstration projects, and/or general technical assistance and training.

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- ✗ Fostering Partnerships Between Industrial Facilities and Communities. Projects in this category should involve helping community residents forge relationships with large industrial facilities in their neighborhoods in an attempt to work with the facilities to make
 - ✗ environmental improvements and address community concerns.
 - ✗ Demonstrating Agricultural Pollution Prevention. Projects in this category should involve providing tools to farm workers on best management practices that attempt to reduce pesticide use and worker exposure.
 - ✗ Improving Tribal Environments. Projects in this category should involve developing strategies that address environmental concerns and promote the development of tribal environmental legislation essential for pollution prevention.

Funds: \$750,000. (Approximate total funds available.)

Deadline: April 20, 2001.

Eligible: Any incorporated non-profit community organization, local government, or federally recognized tribal government may submit an application upon publication of this solicitation.

Info: Barbara Cunningham, Acting Director, Environmental Assistance Division, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxic, Environmental Protection Agency, Ariel Rios Bldg., 200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW. Washington, DC 20460, Phone: (202) 554-1404; Email: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov, Link: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2001_register&docid=01-4553-filed

FR: 2/23 11289-11294

Environmental Protection Agency

National Environmental Achievement Track

Program: Achievement Track, the first level of the National Environmental Performance Track, recognizes top public and private facilities that go beyond compliance with regulatory requirements and encourages high levels of environmental performance and management that benefit people, communities, and the environment.

Funds: N/A

Deadline: Applications will be accepted February 1, 2001 through April 30, 2001.

Eligible: The Achievement Track is available to facilities of all types, sizes, and complexity, public or private, manufacturing or service oriented. Multi-facility corporations are encouraged to develop company-wide policies supporting participation across their facilities, such as corporate EMS policies, but facilities applying within a corporation must meet program requirements individually.

Info: The Performance Track Information Center, c/o Industrial Economics Incorporated, 2067 Massachusetts Avenue, 4th Floor, Cambridge, MA 02140, Phone: 1-888-339-PTRK, E-mail: ptrack@indecon.com, Link: <http://www.epa.gov/performancetrack/index.htm>

HEALTH

Massachusetts Department of Public Health Women's Health Network

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Program: The Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Family and Community Health requests proposals to provide Women's Health Network (WHN) screening, diagnostic and intervention services and regional outreach coordination. The Women's Health Network works to promote and enhance the early detection of breast cancer and early detection and prevention of cervical cancer and cardiovascular disease. Services are provided to women within the Commonwealth who are from 40 to 64 years old, low-income and uninsured or underinsured (eligibility criteria defined under section 1.16). Funds are available to cover screening, diagnostic and intervention services, case management, client navigation, regional coordination, outreach, public education and program promotion. Services procured through this RFR will use a combination of cost reimbursement and unit rate payment. Contracts are expected to begin July 1, 2001. There are three components to this RFR: (A) Breast & Cervical Cancer Medical Services, (B) Cardiovascular Risk Factor Screening and Intervention Services, and (C) Regional Outreach Coordination.

Deadline: March 22, 2001.

Funds: \$5,350,000. (Total funds available.)
\$4,000,000. (Component A)
\$70,000. (Component B)
\$650,000. (Component C)

Eligible: See RFR.

Info: Sarah Brandon, Department of Public Health, 250 Washington Street, 4th Floor
Boston, MA 02108, Phone: 617-624-5432, Fax: 617-624-5505, Email:

sara.brandon@state.ma.us, Link: http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=010281&dept_code=&cp_xx=

A bidder's conference will be held on February 26, 2001 from 12:30 to 2:30 at the Boston MDPH Office, 250 Washington Street, 2nd Floor, Public Health Conference Room, Boston.

National Institute on Drug Abuse

Prescription Drug Abuse

Program: This announcement encourages research aimed at reducing prescription drug abuse while supporting appropriate medical use of therapeutic agents with abuse liability. To promote the Nation's health, research is needed to understand the factors contributing to prescription drug abuse, to characterize the adverse medical and social consequences associated with this abuse, and to develop effective prevention and service delivery approaches and behavioral and pharmacological treatments. Applications to address this issue are encouraged across a broad range of experimental approaches including basic, clinical, and epidemiological studies.

Funds: Modular grant applications will request direct costs in \$25,000 modules, up to a total direct cost request of \$250,000 per year.

Deadline: This Program Announcement expires on December 31, 2003, unless reissued.

Eligible: See Program Announcement.

Info: Dorynne Czechowicz, M.D. Division of Treatment and Research Development National Institute on Drug Abuse 6001 Executive Boulevard, Room 4231, MSC 9551 Bethesda, Maryland

20892-9551, Phone: (301) 443-2237, Fax: (301) 443-8674, Email: dc97d@nih.gov, Link: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-01-048.html>.

**National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
Research on Alcohol and HIV/AIDS**

Program: The National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) seeks applications to support research to identify and characterize the role of alcohol in the etiology, pathogenesis, prevention, treatment and control of HIV/AIDS. As understanding of the pandemic progresses, and as HIV/AIDS research becomes more focused, it is apparent that the cofactor alcohol consumption is likely to play an important role in sexual transmission, susceptibility to infection, and progression of HIV disease. The purpose of this Request for Applications (RFA) is to encourage multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary studies that focus on a range of population, etiological and intervention issues within HIV and alcohol.

Funds: The NIAAA intends to commit approximately \$3 million in FY 2001 and FY 2002 to fund up to 10 new and/or competitive continuation grants in response to this RFA.

Deadline: April 16, 2001. (Letters of intent.)
May 14, 2001. (Full proposals.)

Eligible: Domestic for-profit and non-profit organizations, public and private, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of State and local governments, and eligible agencies of the Federal Government. Foreign institutions are not eligible for these grants.

Info: National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 6000 Executive Boulevard, Room 409, MSC 7003 Bethesda, MD 20892-7003 (Rockville, MD 20852 for express/courier service), Phone: (301) 443-4375, Fax: (301) 443-6077. <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AA-01-004.html>

**Center for Health Care Strategies (CHCS)
Consumer Action Seed Program**

Program: CHCS awards seed grants to consumer, family, and community organizations. These grants support the development of consumer-driven approaches to health care delivery within publicly financed managed care. Funding is available for programs that accomplish the following:

- ✗ Educate consumers about managed care and enable them to navigate their managed care systems;
- ✗ Establish a formal role for consumers in designing, implementing, and monitoring publicly financed managed care programs at the state and local levels.

Funds: Maximum grant size is \$25,000.

Deadline: April 1, 2001.

Eligible: Consumer, family, and community based organizations.

Info: Kamala D. Allen, M.H.S., Deputy Director, Children's in Managed Care Initiative c/o Center for Health Care Strategies, Inc. 353 Nassau Street, Princeton, NJ 08540 <http://www.chcs.org>

Department of Health and Human Services/Health Resources and Services Administration
Community Access Program

Program: The purpose of this program is to assist communities and consortia of health care providers to develop the infrastructure necessary to fully develop or strengthen integrated systems of care that coordinate health services for the uninsured and underinsured.

Program Goal: The coordination of services through the CAP grant will allow the uninsured and underinsured to receive efficient and higher quality care and gain entry into a comprehensive system of care. The system will be characterized by effective collaboration, information sharing, and clinical and financial coordination among all levels of care in the community network. The system will be committed to continuous performance improvement, implementation of best practices, staff development, and real-time feedback of outcomes of care. Care management (e.g., case, disease) will be applied across the continuum for those with chronic illnesses, high-risk individuals, and high utilizers. The system will also strive to provide universal access to the target population and to improve the health status of the community population.

Funds: Up to \$40 million. (Total funds available.)

Deadline: May 7, 2001.

Eligible: Applications may be submitted by public and private non-profit entities that demonstrate a commitment to and experience with providing a continuum of care to uninsured individuals. Each applicant must represent a community-wide coalition that is committed to the project and includes safety net providers (where they exist) who have traditionally provided care to the community's uninsured and underinsured regardless of ability to pay. The community-wide coalition must consist of partners from all levels of care (i.e., primary, secondary, tertiary) and partners which represent a range of services (e.g., mental health and substance abuse treatment, maternal and child health, oral health, HIV/AIDS care).

Info: Community Access Program Office, Health Resources and Services Administration, Parklawn Building, Suite 11-25, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Phone: (301) 443-0536, Fax: (301) 443-0248, Link: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/01-3251.txt>

FR: 2/8 9589-9591

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases
Sex-Based Differences in the Immune Response

Program: The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS), the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS), the Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society (NMSS) invite applications to identify, characterize, and define differences in the immune response between males and females, including responses to exogenous and self-antigens, the innate and adaptive immune response, systemic and mucosal immune response, and regulation of the immune system by hormonal and non-hormonal sex differences. The intent of this Request for Applications (RFA) is to support multidisciplinary research on sex-based differences in immune responses that may be important in autoimmune diseases, including multiple sclerosis (MS),

rheumatic diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis (RA), systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), and systemic sclerosis (SSc), as well as other immune mediated diseases, and the underlying mechanisms and clinical significance of such differences. Collaborative multidisciplinary research, involving investigators with expertise in various scientific disciplines and clinical specialties is encouraged. Both human studies and animal models with relevance to human disease are appropriate. Research that expands basic and clinical knowledge of the effect of sex, including hormonal and non-hormonal differences, on the immune response will facilitate development of improved therapeutic and preventive strategies for auto-immune diseases and other immune-mediated disorders.

- Funds:** In Fiscal Year 2002, the NIH and NMSS plan to fund approximately 5 to 10 awards. The estimated total funds (direct and Facilities and Administrative (F&A) costs) available for the first year of support for all awards made under this RFA will be \$4,450,000: \$2,000,000 from the NIAID, \$750,000 from NINDS, \$500,000 from NIAMS, \$200,000 from ORWH and \$1,000,000 from NMSS. NINDS will fund grants with relevance to the central and peripheral nervous system.
- Deadline:** June 03, 2001. (Letter of intent.)
July 10, 2001. (Full proposals.)
- Eligible:** Domestic and foreign for-profit and non-profit organizations; public and private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of State and local governments; and eligible agencies of the Federal government.
- Info:** Denise Wiesch, Ph.D. Program Officer, Clinical Immunology Branch Division of Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation NIAID, NIH Room 5253, MSC-7640 6700-B Rockledge Drive Bethesda, MD 20892-7640, Phone: (301) 496-7104, Fax: (301) 402-2571, Email: dwiesch@niaid.nih.gov, Link: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AI-01-005.html>

**National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders/National Institute of Mental Health/National Institute of Child Health and Human Development/National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke/National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
Research On Autism and Autism Spectrum**

- Program:** Grant applications are encouraged for the support of research designed to elucidate the diagnosis, epidemiology, etiology, genetics, treatment, and optimal means of service delivery in relation to Autistic Disorder ("autism") and autism spectrum disorders (Rett's Disorder, Childhood Disintegrative Disorder, Asperger's Disorder, Pervasive Developmental Disorder-Not Otherwise Specified, or "Atypical Autism").
- Funds:** Modular Grant applications will request direct costs in \$25,000 modules, up to a total direct cost request of \$250,000 per year.
- Eligible:** Domestic and foreign, for-profit and non-profit organizations, public and private, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of State and local governments, and eligible agencies of the Federal government.
- Info:** Mary E. Daley, Grants Management Branch, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Room 8A07 - MSC 7510, Bethesda, MD 20892-

7510, Phone: (301) 496-1305, Fax: (301) 402-0915 Email: md74u@nih.gov, Link:
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-01-051.html>

JUSTICE

Department of Justice/National Institute of Corrections Improving Community Responses to Women Offenders

Program: The National Institute of Corrections is seeking applications for a cooperative agreement that has the following purpose: to provide site coordination, training and technical assistance to three local jurisdictions for the first twelve months of a two year project whose primary goal is to increase the rates of successful completion of community supervision for women defendants and offenders. The recipient of this cooperative agreement award will have as the target audience for assistance a policy group or team of key criminal justice decision makers, human services managers, community leaders and public and private corrections managers.

Funds: Up to \$200,000 is available for the first twelve months of the two-year project.

Deadline: March 30, 2001.

Eligible: Any state or general unit of local government, public or private agency, educational institution, organization, team or individual.

Info: Judy Evens, Cooperative Agreement Control Office, National Institute of Corrections, 320 First Street, N.W., Room 5007, Washington, D.C. 20534, Phone: 800-995-6423, ext. 159 or 202-307-3106, ext. 159, Email: jevans@bop.gov, Link:
<http://www.nicic.org/services/coop/01women-commresponse.htm>

FR: 2/20 10914-10916

MISCELLANEOUS

The National Center on Philanthropy and the Law at New York University School of Law Rockefeller Brothers Fund Fellowship

Program: Funded by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Fellowship permits one Fellow each year to spend one year in residence at the New York City-based Vera Institute of Justice, a private nonprofit organization dedicated to making government policies and practices more fair, humane, and efficient for all people. The Fellow will work closely with Vera's General Counsel and Special Counsel on legal issues faced by Vera, and will be deployed to Vera's various projects and programs to address the legal, business, and organizational issues confronted by these programs and projects. The Fellowship at Vera is designed to provide a recent law school graduate with exposure to an unusually wide variety of legal and organizational issues encountered by nonprofit organizations. It also will provide the opportunity to identify an emerging or changing area of law with particular significance for non-profits, and to explore that area in depth, examining it in the real-life context of a complex, legally-sophisticated organization.

Funds: The term of the Fellowship is one year. The 2002 Fellow will receive a salary of \$41,600 plus benefits.

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Deadline: November 1, 2001.

Eligible: Each year, one Fellowship is awarded to a recent law school graduate. Fellows are selected for their scholarship, leadership, and commitment to practicing in the field of nonprofit law. Fellows will be selected without regard to the applicant's race, color, religion, gender, political beliefs, national origin, disability, age, or sexual orientation.

Info: Ms. Niamh H. O'Brien, Program Coordinator, National Center on Philanthropy and the Law
New York University School of Law, 110 W. Third Street, Rm. 205, New York, New York
10012, Phone: (212) 998-6168, Email: ncpl.info@nyu.edu, Link:
<http://www.law.nyu.edu/ncpl/career/index.html>

University of Michigan Institute for Research on Women and Gender Second Annual Media Awards Competition

Program: The University of Michigan Institute for Research on Women and Gender (IRWG) has announced its 2001 Media Award for Excellence in Coverage of Women and Gender. Submissions will be accepted for print and electronic (radio/television/on-line) media. Submissions for the 2001 awards should meet at least one of the following criteria:

- ✗ Coverage of neglected, underrepresented issues of concern to women;
- ✗ Coverage that appreciates and emphasizes the gender aspects of a particular issue or event; Coverage that challenges gender-based stereotypes, including stereotypes about feminism and feminist politics;
- ✗ Coverage that brings a fresh, feminist perspective to familiar stories;
- ✗ Coverage that offers excellent coverage of academic research on gender.

Funds: Up to two prizes may be awarded; each award includes a \$1,200 honorarium.

Deadline: March 12, 2001.

Eligible: In the print category, submissions should be a substantive article of at least 1,500 words. Submissions are restricted to stories printed or aired in 2000. Journalists and writers may nominate their own work, and others are encouraged to nominate stories they feel exemplify the above criteria.

Info: Diane Swanbrow, Phone:(734) 647-4416, Email: swanbrow@umich.edu

Asian American Journalists Association Scholarships for Journalism Students

Program: Each year, the Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA) offers scholarships to outstanding high school seniors, undergraduates and graduate students. Students are selected based on the following criteria: commitment to the field of journalism; sensitivity to Asian American issues as demonstrated by community involvement; journalistic ability; and financial need. Different selection criteria and eligibility requirements may apply to some scholarships to reflect the spirit of each award. AAJA is currently accepting applications for the following scholarship programs:

- ✗ National AAJA General Scholarship Awards of up to \$2,000 each to students pursuing careers in print, broadcast, or photo journalism.
- ✗ AAJA Newhouse National Scholarship And Internship Awards of up to \$5,000 each to

college students pursuing careers in print journalism. While the scholarship is open to all students, AAJA especially encourages applicants from historically underrepresented Asian Pacific American groups, including Vietnamese, Cambodians, Hmong, and other Southeast Asians, South Asians, and Pacific Islanders. Scholarship winners will be eligible for Summer Internships with a Newhouse publication.

- ✕ Minoru Yasui Memorial Scholarship Award of \$1,500 to a promising Asian American male broadcaster. A civil rights advocate and attorney, Minoru Yasui was one of three Nisei who challenged the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II.
- ✕ Mary Moy Quan Ing Memorial Scholarship of \$1,500 to a graduating high school senior who is enrolling in college and pursuing a journalism career.
- ✕ Many AAJA chapters also offer local scholarships or internship competitions. Students residing near or attending school in an area served by an AAJA chapter may be eligible to apply. Call the Asian American Journalists Association's national office for information on availability of local scholarships.

Funds: See above.

Deadline: April 6, 2001

Info: Karen Dispo, Program Director, Phone: (415) 346-2051, Email: programs@aaja.org, Link: <http://www.aaja.org/programs/scholarships/index.html>

Department of Agriculture

Initiative for Future Agriculture and Food Systems

Program: The purpose of the IFAFS is to support research, education and extension grants that address critical emerging U.S. agricultural issues related to (1) future food production, (2) environmental quality and natural resource management, or (3) farm income.

Funds: Approximately \$113,400,000 is available in FY 2001 for programs within the IFAFS for the following priority areas: Agriculture Genome and Agricultural Biotechnology (\$32,800,000); Food Safety, Food Technology, and Human Nutrition (\$21,900,000); New and Alternative Uses and Production of Agricultural Commodities and Products (\$10,000,000); Natural Resource Management, including Precision Agriculture (\$29,000,000); and Farm Efficiency and Profitability, Including the Viability and Competitiveness of Small and Medium-sized Dairy, Livestock, Crop, and Other Commodity Operations (\$19,000,000).

Deadline: March 23, 2001. (Letter of intent.)

April 23, 2001. (Full proposals.)

Eligible: Proposals may be submitted by a college or university or a research foundation maintained by a college or university. Eligible applicants may subcontract to organizations not eligible under these requirements. For Multidisciplinary Graduate Education Traineeship (MGET) proposals, eligible colleges or universities are those with accredited graduate degree programs in the food and agricultural sciences.

Info: Dr. Rodney Foil, Director IFAFS, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service; U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 2242, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.

Washington, D.C. 20250-2242, Phone: (202) 720-4423, Email: rfoil@reeusda.gov or Dr. Sally Rockey, Deputy Administrator, CRGAM, Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 2240, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington D.C. 20250-2240, Phone: (202) 401-1761, Email: srockey@reeusda.gov. Link: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/01-4465.txt>

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NONPROFITS & SOCIAL CHANGE

J.C. Downing Foundation

Grants for Nonprofits

Program: The Foundation awards grants to organizations with explicit, identifiable needs—often funding the early stages of a project's development. Areas of support include the following:

- ✗ Education and Human Development
- ✗ Environmental Research and Preservation
- ✗ Fine Arts
- ✗ Sports and Athletics
- ✗ Technology and Communications

Deadline: Rolling

Funds: \$5,000-\$50,000.

Eligible: Nonprofits.

Info: Stuart A. Winkelman, Director, J.C. Downing Foundation, PMB 422, 10755 Scripps Poway Pkwy Ste F, San Diego, CA 92131-3924, Link: <http://www.jcdowning.org/funding/grantmaking.htm>

PARKS

Department of the Interior/National Park Service

Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Program

Program: Rehabilitation grants will be targeted to rehabilitate existing neighborhood recreation areas and facilities that have deteriorated to the point where health and safety are endangered or the community's range of quality recreation service is impaired. Proposals must be designed to provide recreation services within a specified area identified by the applicant. Proposals may identify improvements at multiple sites or facilities, each of which must be individually addressed. Grants may be used to remodel, rebuild, or develop existing outdoor or indoor recreation areas and facilities.

Funds: \$28,836,000. (Total funds available.)

\$500,000. (Maximum grant size.)

Grants made in any one State shall not exceed in the aggregate 15 percent of the total available (\$4,325,400).

Deadline: June 18, 2001.
Eligible: Eligible urban jurisdictions, which have an approved Recovery Action Program (RAP) on file with and approved by NPS will be eligible to compete for Rehabilitation grant funds.
Info: Wayne Strum, Chief, Recreation Programs Division, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, 849 "C" Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240; (202) 565-1200, Link: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/01-4007.txt>
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POVERTY

The Northwestern University/University of Chicago Joint Center for Poverty Research Grants for Research on Poverty

Program: Funded by the Department of Health and Human Services, these grants support research on the causes and consequences of poverty and policies aimed at alleviating the effects of poverty and inequality in the United States. The following are topics of specific interest:

- ✗ The changing labor market;
- ✗ The well-being of children and families;
- ✗ Concentrated urban poverty;
- ✗ Effects of recent policy changes, particularly on special populations such as (but not limited to) immigrants, low-skilled workers, persons with disabilities, and persons with substance abuse problems;
- ✗ Teen-age and non-marital childbearing.

Funds: \$30,000 (Maximum grant size.)

Deadline: Applications are due May 1, 2001

Eligible: Applicants must have completed their Ph.D.

Info: Joint Center for Poverty Research, Harris Graduate School of Public Policy Studies, University of Chicago, 1155 East 60th Street, Chicago, IL 60637, Phone: (773) 702-0472, Fax: (773) 702-0926, Link: http://www.jcpr.org/small_grants.

The Northwestern University/University of Chicago Joint Center for Poverty Research Grants for Research on Food Assistance

Program: Awards will be made to scholars who propose research including, but not limited to the following:

- ✗ Interactions between food assistance programs and other welfare programs with respect to participation, administration, budget exposure, and the role of food assistance as a personal and fiscal stabilizer;
- ✗ The effects of the macroeconomic environment on the need for food assistance, level of participation, and food assistance program costs;
- ✗ The well-being of current and former food assistance recipients. Other topics related to

welfare reform and macroeconomic interactions with food assistance will be considered.

This program is designed to encourage the following:

- ✗ Experienced researchers in other areas to start projects in the area of food assistance;
- ✗ Research on food assistance using innovative approaches and research methods;
- ✗ Smaller, start-up projects with the potential to make a significant contribution to food assistance research;
- ✗ Younger and junior scholars to develop research agendas in the area of food assistance.

Funds: Grants will be awarded in amounts up to \$40,000 for the 2001-2002 program. Start-up projects and projects by young and less experienced scholars will be offered grants of up to \$20,000.

Deadline: May 1, 2001.

Info: Joint Center for Poverty Research, Harris Graduate School of Public Policy Studies, University of Chicago, 1155 East 60th Street, Chicago, IL 60637, Phone: (773) 702-0472, Fax: (773) 702-0926. Link: <http://www.jcpr.org/usdarfp.html>

YOUTH

World of Children

Worldwide Child Advocacy Award

Program: Nominations are being accepted for the 4th annual Kellogg's Hannah Neil World of Children Award. Established by the Hannah Neil Center Foundation Board with financial support from Kellogg's Corporate Citizenship Fund, this international award is designed to honor those who have significantly contributed to the health, well-being, social environment, intellectual understanding, or education of children. Nominees may also qualify if they have made a significant contribution to the general "society of youth," including areas such as ecology, environment, or nature.

Deadline: May 14, 2001.

Eligible: Nominees may be individuals or even groups of individuals of any nationality in the world, as long as the efforts of such individuals or groups are apolitical and non-sectarian.

Info: Kellogg's Hannah Neil World of Children Award Office, c/o Hannah Neil Center for Children, 301 Obetz Road, Columbus, OH 43207, Phone: (614) 491-5784, ext. 221
Link: <http://www.worldofchildren.org/>

City of Boston, Office of Community Partnerships

Mayor Menino's Play Fund (MMPF)

Program: Mayor Menino has created a new grant program Mayor Menino's Play Fund (MMPF) that supports local residents who wish to coordinate recreational and play activities for school-aged children in existing parks, tot-lots, ball fields and other outdoor public spaces. MMPF will support recreational activities that are located in the City of Boston and that directly engage City of Boston children. These activities must take place in a public space, must be available free-of-charge and must be open to all neighborhood children ages five to twelve. MMPF will not support one-day events, celebrations or field trips.

Activities may include, but are not limited to:

- ✗ Recreational: sidewalk chalk drawing, athletics, play groups
- ✗ Cultural: painting, arts and crafts, drama, music
- ✗ Environmental: community gardening
- ✗ Educational: education-oriented workshops and demonstrations

Deadline: April 13, 2001.

Funds: Funding is in amounts up to \$1,500 for activities that occur between June 1 and October 31, 2001.

Eligible: Individuals living within Boston's neighborhoods. All applicants must be sponsored by a community-based organization which has non-profit 501(c)3 status which will serve as a fiscal agent. Community centers and boys and girls clubs are all non-profit organizations that could serve this role.

Info: Phone: (617) 635-2258; Email cuong.hoang@cityofboston.gov, Link:

<http://www.cityofboston.gov/communitypartnerships/mmpf.asp>

An information session will be held on Monday, March 5 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm in the Boston Redevelopment Authority Board Room, City Hall 9th Floor. Attendees should enter City Hall from Congress Street (opposite Faneuil Hall). No RSVP required.

RECENT AWARDS

Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation

Program: ✓ To identify and map protected marine areas in the Gulf of Maine as part of efforts to replenish depleted fish stocks: \$50,000 to Conservation Law Foundation (Boston, MA);
✓ For a pilot intervention project to reduce the suffering of hoarded animals: \$20,000 to Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Boston, MA).

Info: Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, PO Box 1239, Morristown, New Jersey 07962-1239, Phone: (973) 540-8442, Fax (973) 540-1211, Link: <http://www.grdodge.org>.

Public Welfare Foundation

Program: ✓ To conduct AIDS prevention, education, and advocacy activities in the diverse Asian and Pacific Islander communities of Massachusetts: \$38,000 to Massachusetts Asian AIDS Prevention Project (Boston, MA);

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- ✓ To provide Latino parents in Boston with training in leadership skills: \$25,000 to Latino Parents Association (Jamaica Plain, MA);
 - ✓ To participate in national discussions, to collaborate with other groups opposed to the death penalty, and to conduct public education on alternatives to the death penalty: \$25,000 to Murder Victims Families for Reconciliation (Cambridge, MA);
 - ✓ To build connections between activists in South Africa and the United States in order to help South African groups tackle local environmental problems: \$20,000 to South African Exchange Program on Environmental Justice (Jamaica Plain, MA);
 - ✓ For the Mexico Program, which provides financial and other support to six community-based groups in Mexico working on human-rights issues: \$25,000 to Grassroots International (Boston, MA).

Info: Public Welfare Foundation, 2600 Virginia Avenue, NW, Suite 505, Washington, DC 20037-1977, Phone (202) 965-1800, Email: general@publicwelfare.org, Link: <http://www.publicwelfare.org>

Open Society Institute

Program:

- ✓ For general operating support: \$50,000 to Artists for Humanity (Boston, MA);
- ✓ To develop a gender-based and culturally appropriate health curriculum and training program designed to help service providers and peer educators meet the needs of Latina women and young women: \$50,000 to Boston Women's Health Book Collective (Somerville, MA).

Info: Open Society Institute, 400 West 59th Street, Third Floor, New York, New York 10019 (212) 548-0600, Link: <http://www.soros.org>.