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National Grant Opportunities 2016

New Listings:

Support for Volunteer Programs Targeting Community Improvements

The Home Depot Foundation: Community Impact Grants Program

The Home Depot Foundation Community Impact Grants Program provides support to nonprofit organizations and public service agencies in the U.S. that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their communities. Proposals for the following community improvement activities will be considered: repairs, refurbishments, and modifications to low-income or transitional veteran's housing or community facilities (schools, community centers, senior centers, etc.); weatherizing or increasing energy efficiency of low-income or transitional veteran's housing or community facilities; engaging veterans as volunteers to help other veterans in their community through service projects focusing on the renovation, repair, and improvement of homes and other properties serving veterans; and planting trees or community gardens or landscaping community facilities that serve veterans. Priority will be given to projects for veterans that include housing repairs, modifications, and weatherization work. Grants of up to \$5,000 are made in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services. Requests will be accepted through December 31, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to submit an online application.

Programs to Keep Pets in Loving Homes Funded

Banfield Foundation

The Banfield Foundation is committed to improving the well-being of pets and communities nationwide. The Foundation's Pet Advocacy Grants support nonprofit organizations that offer programs designed to keep pets healthy and in loving homes. Priority is given to programs that provide a direct solution to avoid surrender or separation of companion pets from families. Examples of funded programs include the following: basic veterinary care for financially-challenged companion pet owners, programs that help vulnerable populations care for or keep their pets, education programs that relate to keeping companion pets and their people together, and behavior modification programs to correct inappropriate companion pet behaviors so that pets may remain in the home. The application deadlines for this program are April 30 and October 31, annually. The Foundation's Veterinary Assistance Grants support nonprofit organizations that offer

programs to provide veterinary care for struggling pet owners. Applications for this program can be submitted at any time. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about both grant opportunities.

Grants Promote Contemporary Concert Music

The Amphion Foundation

The purpose of the Amphion Foundation is to promote excellence in, and public appreciation of, contemporary concert music, particularly by American composers. Grants are provided to publicly-supported nonprofit performing ensembles, presenters, and music service organizations that have a history of substantial commitment to contemporary concert music at a high level of excellence. In general, grants range between \$1,000 and \$7,500, although larger grants may be awarded to major performing organizations with an extraordinary commitment to contemporary concert music or a particularly significant project. Applying organizations must have been in existence for at least two years, and have completed two full seasons of programming prior to the time of application. Applications will be accepted through April 1, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website for grant program guidelines.

Fire Control Efforts Worldwide Supported

FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program

The FM Global Fire Prevention Grant Program supports a wide array of fire prevention, preparedness, and control efforts throughout the U.S. and internationally. Funded projects include pre-fire planning for commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities; fire and arson prevention and investigation; and fire prevention education and training programs. Fire departments and brigades, as well as national, state, regional, local, and community organizations are eligible to apply. The application deadlines are April 1, August 1, and December 1, annually. Visit the FM Global website to review the frequently asked questions and submit an online grant application form.

Funds for Watershed and Source Water Protection Initiatives in Company Communities

American Water Environmental Grant Program

The American Water Environmental Grant Program supports nonprofit organizations that address a watershed or source water protection need in local communities within American Water service areas in California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. (Source water protection projects should result in the protection or improvement of the community's public drinking water supplies. Watershed protection projects should focus on activities that improve, restore, or protect one or more watersheds.) Grants of up to \$10,000 will be provided for environmental sustainability activities such as watershed cleanups, reforestation efforts, biodiversity projects, streamside buffer restoration projects, hazardous waste collection efforts, etc. The application deadline is April 1, 2016. Visit the company's website to download the 2016 Program Brochure and the Grant Application Form, and to access contact information for each state.

Grants Enhance Arts and Environmental Programs in Five States

Laura Jane Musser Fund

The Laura Jane Musser Fund is now accepting applications for the Rural Arts and Environmental grant programs through mid-March. The Fund's Rural Arts Program assists arts organizations in targeted states that offer artistic opportunities for adults and children in the areas of literary, visual, music, and performing arts. Grants of up to \$10,000 are provided to organizations in rural communities with a population of 20,000 or under throughout Colorado, Hawaii, and Wyoming, as well as rural communities in selected counties in Michigan and Minnesota. The Fund's Environmental Initiative Program supports projects that enhance the ecological integrity of publicly owned open spaces, while encouraging compatible human activities. The goal is to promote public use of open space that improves a community's quality of life and public health, while also ensuring the protection of healthy ecosystems. Organizations in Colorado, Hawaii, Michigan, Minnesota, and Wyoming are eligible to apply for grants of up to \$35,000. Applications for the Environmental Initiative Program must be submitted online by March 10, 2016; applications for the Rural Arts Program must be submitted by March 17, 2016. Visit the Fund's website to review the application guidelines.

Capacity Building Support for Healthcare Expansion Programs in Massachusetts

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation: Catalyst Fund

The Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation seeks to expand access to healthcare for low-income and vulnerable residents of Massachusetts. The Foundation's Catalyst Fund provides one-year non-renewable grants up to \$5,000 to help community-based organizations strengthen their capacity to expand access to healthcare in Massachusetts. Examples of supported activities include hiring a grant writer or fundraising consultant, technology enhancements, cost of hosting community meetings, professional development, production of outreach materials, and strategic planning activities. Grants are provided to community health centers, community-based organizations, and social service organizations, even from those for which health is not a core activity or emphasis as long as a compelling connection to health or healthcare is demonstrated as a focus of the proposed work. Applications may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website to download the Catalyst Fund Grant Guidelines and submit an online application.

STEM Education in Rural Schools Funded

Monsanto Fund: America's Farmers Grow Rural Education

America's Farmers Grow Rural Education, an initiative of the Monsanto Fund, helps farmers positively impact their communities and support local school districts. The program gives farmers in selected counties in 40 states the opportunity to nominate a rural public school district to compete for grants to promote science and math education. Once nominated by a local farmer, school district administrators are eligible to submit an application for either a grant of up to \$10,000 or a grant of up to \$25,000 to support a science or math educational program. The more farmers that nominate a school district, the more it demonstrates community support and strengthens the school district's application. Farmers must submit nominations by April 1, 2016, and the deadline for schools to apply is April 15, 2016. Visit the program's website to submit an online nomination.

Program Supports Wetlands Compliance Funding

Natural Resources Conservation Service

The Wetlands Mitigation Banking Program supports the development of wetland mitigation banks and market mitigation credits as an option for farmers and ranchers needing to comply with the Farm Bill's wetland compliance provisions to maintain eligibility for USDA programs. The application deadline is March 28, 2016.

Funds Available to Help Wrongly Convicted Defendants

Department of Justice

The Wrongful Conviction Review Program offers support to provide high-quality and efficient representation for defendants in post-conviction claims of innocence. The application deadline is March 28, 2016.

Support for Mayor-Led College Readiness and Completion Programs

National Education Pathways with a Purpose Initiative

The National Education Pathways with a Purpose Initiative, a collaboration between the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) and USA Funds, awards competitive grants for creative initiatives that mayors have developed in their cities to advance both college and career readiness and college completion. Cities are recognized for developing strong collaborations between K-12 and higher education systems and employers to address college preparation and long-term career success. Eligible programs must apply innovative approaches to achieve the following goals: enhance student persistence in and completion of post-secondary education or training programs, and enhance employment of graduates of post-secondary education or training programs in high-value occupations. USCM Member Cities are eligible to apply for a total of \$150,000 in grants: \$100,000 to one large city with a population greater than 500,000; \$40,000 to a medium-sized city with a population between 200,000 and 500,000; and \$10,000 to a small city of under 200,000. The application deadline is March 31, 2016. Visit the USCM website to access the application guidelines booklet.

Nursing-Driven Healthcare Approaches Funded

Rita and Alex Hillman Foundation: Hillman Innovations in Care Program

The goal of the Hillman Innovations in Care Program, an initiative of the Rita and Alex Hillman Foundation, is to advance leading-edge, nursing-driven models of care that will improve the health and healthcare of vulnerable populations. The program seeks to support creative, patient- and family-centered approaches that challenge conventional strategies, improve health outcomes, lower costs, and enhance the patient and family caregiver experience. The Foundation is particularly interested in the areas of maternal and child health, care of older adults, and chronic illness management. Nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and faith-based organizations throughout the country are eligible to apply for grants of up to \$600,000. The application deadline is March 21, 2016; invited full proposals will be due June 20, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to download the 2016 request for proposals.

Grants Promote Live Puppet Theater

Jim Henson Foundation

The Jim Henson Foundation awards grants for the creation and development of innovative, new works of live puppet theater in the United States. Production Grants of \$7,000 are awarded for the development and production of new works ready to be presented in the coming year. Workshop Grants of \$3,000 are available for the development and workshopping of these pieces. The Foundation also offers Family Grants of \$4,000 for new and innovative work specifically for children, families, and teenagers. Grants are provided to nonprofit organizations only; however, individual artists may apply through a fiscal sponsor. Letters of intent must be postmarked by March 14, 2016; full proposals must be postmarked by September 12, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to review the funding guidelines.

Women's Shelters in Fifty States Supported

The Mary Kay Foundation: Domestic Violence Shelter Grant Program

The Mary Kay Foundation is committed to ending the epidemic of domestic violence by providing grants to women's shelters throughout the United States. Each year, the Foundation's Domestic Violence Shelter Grant Program awards grants of \$20,000 to at least one domestic violence shelter in every state; remaining funds are distributed based on state population. Applying organizations must offer immediate overnight housing to women and children affected by domestic violence. The application deadline is April 30, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to submit an online application form.

Funds for Children's Programs in New England

Boston Bruins Foundation

The mission of the Boston Bruins Foundation is to assist nonprofit organizations that demonstrate a strong commitment to enhancing the quality of life for children throughout New England. The Foundation concentrates its grantmaking on the following four areas: The Athletic category focuses on nonprofit youth sports organizations. The Academic category supports programs that provide homework assistance and a safe learning environment to develop social and learning skills for pre-school, primary, and middle school children. The Health category addresses research, healthcare, and prevention issues. The Community Outreach category enhances organizations that are working with at-risk youth, including after-school activities. The application deadline is April 1, 2016. Visit the Bruin's website to learn more about the Foundation and to download the application form.

Grants Encourage Grassroots Social Change in the Northwest

Social Justice Fund Northwest

Social Justice Fund Northwest is a member-funded foundation working to strengthen grassroots efforts in the broad-based movement for progressive, systemic social change throughout Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming. The Fund's primary grant-making focus is to support organizations that are community-based, and that use community organizing to achieve their goals. The Fund is currently accepting applications in the following grant categories: Momentum Grants – Housing Justice, Rural Justice, Momentum Grants – Focus on Fighting the Far Right,

Criminal Justice, and Gender Justice. The application deadlines vary by grant category. Nonprofit organizations and tribal governments are eligible to apply. Organizations that are not incorporated or fiscally sponsored may also be eligible to apply after consulting with the Fund's staff. Visit the Fund's website to learn more about the grant categories and to download the grant guidelines.

Support for Hunger Relief Programs in Company Communities

Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation

The Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation is dedicated to strengthening and enriching the lives of people in the communities served by Food Lion stores in Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. Currently, the Foundation considers grant requests ranging from \$500 to \$3,000 from Feeding America member agencies and United Way agencies that provide food for the hungry. The application deadlines are March 15 and September 15, 2016. Application guidelines and forms are available on the Foundation's website.

Visionary Organizations in Montana Funded

High Stakes Foundation

The High Stakes Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that promote the prosperity, health, and beauty of Montana. The Foundation's grantmaking emphasis is on transformational ideas in the following areas of interest: The Climate Change category focuses on creating climate change solutions in Montana, as well as enhancing food security and reduced water and energy consumption. The Economic Development and Social Justice category focuses on promoting a just, equitable, and sustainable society; creating a vibrant democracy with an informed, involved citizenry; expanding opportunity by increasing entrepreneurship; and promoting economic development to create living wage jobs for Montanans. The upcoming grant application deadline is April 1, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the grant application procedures.

Program Supports Job Experiences for Youth

Department of Labor

The Summer Jobs and Beyond: Career Pathways for Youth program supports employment-related services to youth who are new entrants to the workforce. The application deadline is March 25, 2016.

Funds Provided to Extend the Reach of Arts Organizations

National Endowment for the Arts

The Challenge America program provides support to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations, such as those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Applications are due to Grants.gov by April 14, 2016.

The Reva and David Logan Foundation

The Reva and David Logan Foundation primarily supports nonprofit organizations in California, Illinois, and Washington, DC, that address the arts, investigative journalism, scholarship, and social justice. The Foundation's grant categories include the following: The Social Justice category focuses on ensuring that all can participate in society without interference, and the benefits and responsibilities accrued from society are fairly distributed to all. The Scholarship category encourages collecting, studying, and codifying to preserve and understand the past, and to inform the future. The Arts category addresses all types of human expression, influenced by culture and driven by creative impulse, that contribute to the beauty and meaning of human life. The Journalism and the Fourth Estate category focuses on the press, news media, and investigative journalists whose courageous work exposes acts of tyranny, and stands as a bulwark for freedom, justice, and democracy. Although unsolicited proposals are not accepted, letters of inquiry from organizations in the targeted regions that address the Foundation's priorities are welcome throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the letter of inquiries.

Georgia-Pacific Foundation

The Georgia-Pacific Foundation supports a wide range of nonprofit organizations that improve the quality of life in communities where Georgia-Pacific operates, and where company employees live and work. The Foundation has identified the following key investment areas: Education, including college scholarships, K-12 public schools, workforce development, and literacy; Community Enrichment, including affordable housing, arts and culture, youth enrichment programs, employee volunteerism, and safety programs; Environment, including resource conservation, environmental education, recycling, and clean air/clean water; and Entrepreneurship, especially youth entrepreneur education and capacity building programs for women and minorities. Grant requests are reviewed on a rolling cycle throughout the year. (Early submission is encouraged.) Visit the company's website to take the required online eligibility survey.

Silver Family Foundation

The Silver Family Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in Oregon and Washington that work with at-risk youth. The Foundation's Transitional Youth Development Grant Program provides grants to organizations that offer in-depth, long-term investments and opportunities for motivated, low-income youth. Priority is given to organizations that work in the areas of mentorship, high school completion, college and post-secondary preparation, and experiential education. Letters of inquiry may be submitted throughout the year; invited proposals are due March 31 and September 30, annually. Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant guidelines.

Bank of America Charitable Foundation

The Bank of America Charitable Foundation works to create economically vibrant communities that are better places in which to live and do business. Grants are provided to nonprofit organizations that serve [specific states and regions](#). In 2016, the Foundation will issue three requests for proposals that address the following focus areas: Workforce Development and Education applications will be accepted from January 19 through February 12, 2016. Community Development applications will be accepted from April 19 through May 6, 2016. Basic Needs applications will be accepted

from July 18 through August 5, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the funding priorities and application procedure.

Surdna Foundation: Artists and Economic Development

The Surdna Foundation seeks to foster just and sustainable communities throughout the United States. The Foundation's Thriving Cultures program is based on a belief that communities with robust arts and culture are more cohesive and prosperous, and benefit from the diversity of their residents. Through the Artists and Economic Development funding area, the Foundation supports efforts that provide artists with business training and financial resources that enable them to be, and create, valuable economic assets for their communities. The focus is on nonprofit organizations that operate business and entrepreneurship training programs for artists and cultural organizations, provide financing to artists and artist-centered enterprises, and offer arts and culture-based programs and services that directly engage and support the people who live and work in the area as a strategy for equitable economic development. Letters of inquiry are accepted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Artists and Economic Development funding area.

Build-A-Bear Foundation

The mission of the Build-A-Bear Foundation is to add a little more to life by providing opportunities for children of all ages to better their communities and share their heart with others. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom located within 50 miles of a Build-A-Bear Workshop store. Grants are provided for programs that promote the values of H.E.A.R.T.: H - Help communities through volunteering; E - Experience the power of teamwork; A - Accept people's unique differences; R - Respect people and animals; and T - Take the lead to drive positive change. Applications will be accepted from January 1 through March 31, 2016. Visit the company's website to learn more about the Build-A-Bear Foundation and the application process.

Open Opportunities (Ongoing Deadlines):

Delta Air Lines Foundation

Delta supports programs that promote youth in three key areas: wellness, leadership development and cultural advocacy. Through financial means and support from their work force volunteers, Delta is preparing youth from many backgrounds and cultures to lead and enjoy the unprecedented opportunities of the 21st century. In the area of wellness, Delta funds programs that promote the health and well-being of youth. They aim to ensure a healthy start in life by supporting organizations that address some of society's most formidable youth and childhood diseases; in leadership development, Delta supports programs that help young people develop strong character, leadership skills and positive self-esteem, as well as programs teaching personal development, conflict resolution and team building; and in cultural advocacy, they promote organizations and programs that help us embrace our differences and enrich our understanding of diverse peoples and cultures. This entails a broad range of interests. They support developing country initiatives, diversity education, and cultural arts. To accomplish their mission, Delta commits over \$16 million annually to four Signature Partners and other worthy organizations. Also, Delta supports and promotes employee volunteer efforts through their Community Partners program. With their contributions of time, talent and funding, they contribute to the well-being of the more than 300 communities they serve. In 2002, Delta awarded more than \$3 million to various organizations, ranging from \$2,000 to \$1 million each. **Ongoing deadline.**

DENSO North America Foundation

The DENSO North America Foundation serves to extend DENSO Corporation's leadership in corporate citizenship by contributing to the development of a skilled and knowledgeable workforce. The Foundation is dedicated to the advancement of higher education in engineering and related business programs through grant making to colleges and universities serving the North American educational community. The DENSO North America Foundation acts exclusively for charitable purposes on a centralized basis throughout North America by providing grants to institutions of higher learning for educational and/or scientific purposes, with an emphasis on engineering and technology. Funding is focused in two areas: Capital Campaigns for building campaigns including new projects, expansions and major maintenance, permanent installations and exhibits. Also includes purchase of equipment, classroom / lab sponsorships, including development of electronic educational / training systems. Project must be related to business or engineering support. Exclusions: contribution for leased buildings or equipment, administrative / startup costs, product development and patents; and Student Projects which provide support for university-sanctioned student competitions. Projects must be related to the advancement or understanding of business or engineering principles. Must represent a team effort. The foundation also provides grants through the Red Cross to aid persons and communities in distress due to the impact of natural disasters in North American locations where DENSO Corporation operates. Current assets are nearly \$7 million. **Ongoing deadline.**

Digital Wish

Nonprofit Digital Wish, supported by organizations such as the Draper Richards Foundation and Flip Video, sponsors a classroom grants program designed to strengthen education through digital imaging and the power of visual learning. Digital Wish works with a variety of institutions to set up technology grant programs for local schools, and then matches every donation with an extra 2%-10% in funding. Digital Wish has set up a 30,000-member online community which has funded technology improvements to over 8,000 classrooms this year, impacting nearly 250,000 students nationwide. Applicants need to submit a description of the intended project and a budget. All

teachers who submit a technology-based lesson plan on Digital Wish will be automatically entered to win as many as 43 different technology grants. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dircks Foundation

The Robert and Joan Dircks Foundation focuses on programs and projects that provide opportunities to children and individuals who are physically, mentally or economically disadvantaged. The Foundation concentrates on small non-profit organizations that provide programs and projects that prevent or solve problems, rather than meet basic needs. Grants are awarded for one year only and typically range from \$1,000 to \$15,000. Recipients are required to report on the program that was funded and evaluate the effectiveness of the program. Grants are only awarded to organizations that are tax exempt under section 501(C)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. **Ongoing deadline.**

DiscounTech-Cisco Networking Program

The DiscounTech-Cisco Networking Program allows nonprofit organizations to obtain Cisco's Internet Starter Kit Networking Bundles and other networking equipment. Your organization may be eligible to receive all equipment and hardware necessary to create a functioning network (only additional wiring may be required) and a 1-year technical support contract with Cisco's authorized technical support organization, SMARTNet. SMARTNet includes: major and minor maintenance releases of Cisco IOS 12.2 Software via Cisco.com or media (upon request), registered access to Cisco.com, 24x7 access to Cisco Technical Assistance Center (TAC) via phone, email or through Cisco.com, and SMARTnet 8x5xNext Business Day - Delivery of hardware replacement parts the next business day, provided that the request is received before 3 p.m. local time. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dollar General Community Initiatives

Dollar General's mission is "supporting literacy and youth development initiatives that promote self sufficiency" in their 25 state territory. Common areas of support include: adult education (adult literacy, GED, etc), mentoring, youth education programs, youth literacy programs and youth self-esteem programs. Potential applicants can submit a proposal by mail or online. The typical grant does not exceed \$20,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation

For more than 30 years, the Foundation has funded carefully selected grant requests that assist vulnerable children in the United States and across the globe. The Ross Foundation has compassion for all children, regardless of their circumstances. However, the Foundation is most concerned with a young child who is vulnerable through no fault of his or her own. The Foundation has a special interest in helping: the ill; physically disabled; injured; disfigured; mentally disabled; emotionally disturbed; little or no access to education; learning disabled; orphaned; vulnerable as a result of natural disaster or conflict; physically abused and neglected; poor-disadvantaged; or malnourished child. The Ross Foundation makes grants in the following categories: Equipment/Supplies; Emergency; Small Construction, Renovations, Building Purchase; Start-Up Expenses; and Specific Project Support. Sending a letter of inquiry through the foundation's website is the recommended first step. After reading each letter and determining that a project may be considered for funding, the foundation helps applicants file necessary information and supplies a general format for use in creating a full proposal. **Ongoing deadline.**

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream Inc.

Dreyer's Grand Ice Cream, has built a successful business on the principles that one person can make a difference and that excellent people produce excellent results. In 1987, the company established the Dreyer's Foundation to give young people a better chance to achieve their potential. The mission of the Dreyer's Foundation is to promote family, school and community environments that build

skills and foster talents in young people. Priority is given to programs/projects that: affect a significant number of young people, foster the concept that it is better to teach young people how to learn than to simply give them answers to their problems, and are unique and creative. The company's small grants program provided up to \$1,000 and donates ice cream and gift certificates. **Ongoing deadline.**

DuPont

DuPont supports programs and organizations that address social progress, economic success, and environmental excellence—all vital components of community sustainability. Specifically, in the area of social progress, DuPont supports programs that: increase access to opportunity; help children, youth, and families; and foster understanding among community members. In the area of economic success, DuPont is interested in programs that revitalize neighborhoods, help individuals achieve self-sufficiency, and enhance individuals' quality of life. Most corporate grants involve programs in the DuPont headquarters community of Wilmington, Del., and other communities where the company has a major presence. The committee reviews requests in the spring and fall (usually May and September). **Ongoing deadline.**

Dyney Foundation

The Dyney Foundation has created a new approach to fund children's charities and organizations. They have developed a line of products that provide children with value-oriented instruction while generating funds for children's charities. Projects in the areas of children's health, safety, or social, educational, and recreational needs are funded by Dyney. All nonprofit children's charities are eligible. **Ongoing deadline.**

The Eaton Corporation

The company supports programs that reduce the physical, economic and psychological barriers to self-sufficiency for low-income individuals, families and communities. Funding is targeted to social and physical needs for life sustenance (food, clothing, and shelter) and empowerment (education, employment, etc.) Eaton supports K - 12 programs, particularly math and science programs. **Deadline is ongoing.**

Educational Foundation of America

Areas of interest include, but are not limited to, the environment, the crisis of human overpopulation and reproductive freedom, Native Americans, arts, education, medicine, and human services. Important characteristics considered by Educational Foundation of America (EFA) are an organization's record of achievement, intended broad impact, sound financial practices, increasing independence, and correspondence with EFA objectives. The Educational Foundation of America makes grants to qualifying non-profit organizations that have tax-exempt status and those that are not private foundations as defined in the Internal Revenue Code. EFA provides grants for specific projects. It does not provide funds for endowment or endowed faculty chairs, building/capital programs, religious purposes, grants to individuals, annual fund-raising campaigns, indirect costs, overhead or general support. The Foundation prefers not to fund projects located outside the United States. Current funding is approximately \$4 million per year with the average grant in the range of \$5,000 to \$50,000. **Ongoing deadlines.**

EDS Foundation

The EDS Foundation, philanthropic effort of the information technology company, provides grants from \$5,000 to \$50,000, with a focus on bridging the digital divide. Other endeavors, however, will be considered, including arts/culture, education and health/human services. In total, the foundation provides about 25 grants each year totaling more than \$500,000. **Ongoing deadline.**

Eli Lilly Foundation

Eli Lilly and Company Foundation, organized in 1968, is a nonprofit corporation made possible by the profits of Eli Lilly and Company. It is the major source of the company's financial support for nonprofit organizations. The foundation is funded annually by the company based upon an average of consolidated income before taxes over the previous three years. The formula is designed to annually place Lilly among the top 10 most generous companies in the world. Eli Lilly and Company and its foundation direct the company's philanthropic efforts through product donations, matching gifts and discretionary gifts. Cash contributions from the Eli Lilly and Company Foundation are strategically focused within two broad categories. Sixty percent of funds allocated for discretionary giving are directed to not-for-profit groups aligned with company interests. The remaining 40 percent is allocated for discretionary gifts in Indianapolis and several other communities where Lilly has a significant employee base. Requests for support are accepted throughout the year. Requests that fit within the areas of interest are reviewed two times a year. The qualifying requests received between January 1 and June 30 are reviewed in the third quarter and those that best meet the criteria are selected for payments that are made in the fourth quarter. Qualifying requests received between July 1 and December 31 are reviewed in the first quarter of the following year and those selected will receive payment in the second quarter. **Ongoing deadline.**

Elton John AIDS Foundation

The Elton John AIDS Foundation (EJAF) focuses on supporting community-based prevention programs, harm reduction programs, public education to reduce the stigma of HIV/AIDS, advocacy to improve AIDS-related public policy, and direct services to persons living with HIV/AIDS, especially populations with special needs. Direct services include HIV/AIDS-related medical and mental health treatment, testing and counseling, food distribution, assisted living, social service coordination, and legal aid. EJAF grants are provided three times per year to projects and partnerships that fit within EJAF's targeted grant-making priority areas. EJAF accepts unsolicited grant proposals for consideration during its third grantmaking round of the year which occurs in the fall. Any charitable (not-for-profit) organization located in the U.S., Canada, the Caribbean, and Central and South America may apply. Only organizations within these geographical regions can be considered for funding. To apply, organizations must complete an online application that requests a summary description of the proposed program, proof of charitable status, and audited financial statements. The foundation awards grants three times a year--in February, July, and October. **Ongoing deadline.**

Everyday Young Hero

The Everyday Young Hero program highlights one outstanding youth a week that are making extraordinary contributions and commitments to service. Nominations must come from a parent, teacher, or other adult mentor; supporting material is recommended. The Everyday Young Hero award is open to those between the ages of 5-25. Winners receive an announcement in YSA's weekly National Serving e-Briefing, a certificate and letter from YSA's President and CEO, a customized press release, local market media coverage, and publicity on the YSA's website, Twitter and Facebook accounts. **Ongoing deadline.**

F.B. Heron Foundation

The F.B. Heron Foundation is a private, grant making institution dedicated to supporting organizations with a track record of building wealth within low-income communities. The Foundation was created in 1992 with the mission of helping people and communities to help themselves. Towards this end, the Foundation provides grants to and investments in organizations that promote the following five wealth creation strategies for low-income families in urban and rural communities in the U.S.: advancing home ownership; supporting enterprise development; reducing the barriers to full participation in the economy by providing quality child care; employing

comprehensive community development approaches with a strong focus on the wealth-creation strategies; and increasing access to capital. Believing that successful efforts reflect the needs and strengths of the people that they serve, the Foundation prefers to support community-based organizations that demonstrate tangible results. Most grants range from \$25,000 to \$50,000. **There is no deadline for a 2 - 3 page letter of inquiry. If interested, the Foundation will contact organizations for a full proposal.**

FedEx Child Pedestrian Safety

FedEx is interested in supporting organizations that help keep child pedestrians safe through increasing awareness and knowledge of pedestrian safety as an issue, helping change unsafe child pedestrian behaviors, and/or creating environmental improvements to keep child pedestrians safe in local communities. Safety is a core value of the company and the first consideration in all operations. FedEx works closely with global organizations to help prevent pedestrian-related injury and death and educate the public about road safety. Every day, more than 75,000 FedEx vehicles are on the road sharing the streets with pedestrians. At FedEx, they are dedicated to pedestrian safety and sharing the lessons of safe driving they have learned over the past 35 years. **Ongoing deadline.**

FedEx Global Community Relations Program

The mission of the FedEx Global Community Relations department is to actively support the communities they serve and strengthen their global reputation through strategic investment of their people, resources and network. Corporate resources include financial contributions, in-kind shipping services and volunteer services of employees. Written requests are accepted year-round and are generally reviewed within three weeks of receipt. FedEx prefers to contribute for specific program needs rather than for special events or capital campaigns. Core giving areas include emergency and disaster relief, pedestrian and child safety, critical community needs, education, health, and human services. **Ongoing deadline.**

Fender Music Foundation

The Fender Music Foundation makes the gift of music available to people across the country by providing resources for music education programs. The grants are awarded to schools, local music programs and national music programs across the United States. The intent of the proposed program must be music instruction, not music appreciation or entertainment. Participants/students cannot be professional or career musicians. The organization awards acoustic guitars, electric guitars, acoustic-electric guitars, bass guitars and the equipment necessary to play these instruments. However, other traditional music instruments are sometimes available. Traditional instruments include string instruments, woodwind instruments, brass instruments, percussion instruments and keyboards. No cash grants are awarded. **Ongoing deadline.**

Finish Line Youth Foundation

Established in October of 1998, the Finish Line Youth Foundation encourages Sport. Life. Style in America's youth. Finish Line believes providing funding and assistance for education, sports and exercise will consistently propel kids in the right direction. These athletic and wellness programs place importance on living a healthy lifestyle, bolstering their confidence and leadership skills, and teaching them the importance of teamwork. Finish Line Youth Foundation strives to enrich the communities in which it operates. Organizations interested in applying must meet the following standards: registered as a 501 (c) (3) tax status; primary focus on assisting children and young adults 18 and under; concentration on athletics or wellness; and benefit communities from which the donations were generated or be located in the areas Finish Line serves. Requests for support must be submitted in writing on organization letterhead. **Ongoing deadline.**

First Responder Institute " Tums Grant-in-Aid Program

The mission of the GSK/Tums Grant Program is to assist fire departments-in-need secure essential equipment. Through the generous donation of GSK/Tums and partnerships with Firefighter Combat Challenge sponsors and their "Combat Cash" program, qualifying fire departments are able to acquire needed equipment through matching grants. To qualify, the applying organization must be a bona fide fire department with 501 (c)(3) status, show a legitimate need for the requested equipment, and a documented inability to purchase requested equipment because of funding shortfalls. Further, the organization must establish the ability to obtain additional funding to match or exceed the amount requested as a requirement of obtaining grant money. Applications will NOT be considered without matching funds that at least equal the amount requested. Grant awards will not exceed \$10,000. **Ongoing deadlines.**

Food Lion Charitable Foundation

The Food Lion Charitable Foundation provides financial support for programs and organizations dedicated to improving the communities in which Food Lion operates. Preference for funding is given to organizations or programs that involve Food Lion associates and are located in Food Lion's marketing territory. The Foundation considers requests from organizations that fall into three general categories: primary and secondary education; feeding the hungry; and local, charitable organizations. Contributions are considered for public charities with 501(c)(3) designations who: 1) have an active and responsible board of trustees; 2) exhibit ethical publicity methods and solicitation of funds; 3) provide for an appropriate audit to reveal income and disbursements in reasonable detail, and 4) can demonstrate long-term financial viability. **Ongoing deadline.**

Ford Motor Company Fund Grants

Shortly after Henry Ford began his enterprise in 1903, he said, "A business that makes nothing but money is a poor business." He was referring to the obligation of companies, not only to create good products for their customers, but also to share good works and goodwill. That is precisely the goal of Ford Motor Company Fund and Community Services - to support initiatives and institutions that enhance and improve opportunities for those who live in the communities where Ford Motor Company operates. The Ford Motor Company Fund awards grants in six areas: education, environment, public policy, health and social programs, civic affairs and community development, and arts and humanities. **Ongoing deadline.**

Ford Foundation's JustFilms Grant Program

These grants support documentary film projects that address urgent social issues. The foundation's goal is to expand the community of emerging and established filmmakers who often lack funding, and help them to realize their visions and reach audiences. JustFilms focuses on film, video and digital works that show courageous people confronting difficult issues and actively pursuing a more just, secure and sustainable world. Initiative funds will be distributed through three distinct paths: partnerships with major organizations such as the Sundance Institute, the Independent Television Service and the Tribeca Film Institute; collaboration with other Ford Foundation grant-making programs; and an ongoing open-application process that will help JustFilms stay attuned to fresh ideas. Through its grant making, the foundation supports innovative thinkers, leaders and organizations that are working to reduce poverty and injustice and to promote democratic values, free expression and human achievement. When making grants, the foundation thinks about long-term strategies, knowing that lasting social change requires decades of effort. And because its mission is broad and resources are limited, the foundation carefully targets support so it can be used most effectively and leverage the greatest amount of impact. The foundation has set aside \$10 million a year over five years for the project. **Ongoing deadline.**

Fujifilm

The Products for Learning program is Fujifilm's way of rewarding individual educators who

understand the value of integrating imaging and information technology into everyday classroom lessons. Fujifilm's Products for Learning Web site provides lesson plans that teachers may integrate into curriculum to inspire students to reach new levels of creative expression and communication. Teachers are encouraged to modify the lesson plans so they more closely align with curriculum, standards, and learning objectives. They may adapt the lesson plans for grade level, discipline, and diverse populations. Teachers also have the option of submitting an original lesson plan. Fujifilm is looking for lesson plans that have educational merit and clearly demonstrate the creative integration of imaging and information technology into teaching and learning. To apply for a product donation, teachers must submit an online application outlining why they should receive a product donation. Product donations are determined by creativity demonstrated by teachers in their response to the application question that pertains to the learning objectives, product availability, and need. **Ongoing deadline.**

The FundingFactory

Since 1997, the FundingFactory" has pioneered and leads the way in Fundraising Through Recycling. The FundingFactory has launched a unique [Cell Phone Recycling Program](#). Collect and recycle empty printer cartridges to earn technology, sports and recreation equipment or even cash. This provides you with another way to capitalize on the fundraising-through-recycling concept. Simply collect used cell phones from parents and local business and you will earn points just like the printer cartridge program. **Ongoing deadline.**

GameStop Youth Grants

Do Something and GameStop are putting the fun back in funding by giving you the big bucks (\$500) to get things going in your neighborhood. GameStop youth grants are available for anyone in the U.S. or Canada, 25 or under, who has a great idea for a community action project. They could fund your bright idea! GameStop grants are given out weekly. Check out some of the 2006 winners and then take that inspiration and think up your own incredible project. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gardenburger Event Sponsorship

Gardenburger is built on the idea of good corporate citizenship. They make meatless products that are good for people and the environment, and they regularly look for ways to help good causes. If you'd like them to support your event or organization, please download their application from their website and send it to them with a cover letter on your organization's letterhead. Your cover letter should provide additional information about your organization, its mission and work, the event that you plan to hold, and how you would like Gardenburger to help. They make their decisions based on the fit between your organization/event and their company's values and prefer to help with product donations, coupons, or Gardenburger signs and logos. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gardener's Supply Company

Gardener's Supply Company gives cash or products to gardening, sustainable agriculture, food, environmental and hunger-related causes. They require that all requests be in writing on the letterhead of your organization. Please limit your letter to just one page, and include your project or organization's mission and the specific donation request. **Ongoing deadline.**

GE Foundation

Committed to building a world where all children have the opportunity to learn and thrive, the GE Foundation focuses on improving access, equity and quality of education in targeted GE communities. The GE Foundation has launched the next phase of College Bound, the College Bound District Program, which focuses on systemic change and increased student achievement in targeted U.S. school districts. The program seeks to increase the number of college-ready students through a rigorous math and science curriculum, professional development for teachers and administrators, in-

depth evaluation, strengthening of a district's management functions and the collaborative engagement of various district and community stakeholders. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gerber Foundation

The Foundation's mission focuses on infants and young children. Accordingly, priority is given to projects that improve infant and young children nutrition, care and development from the first year before birth to three years of age. Programs should support a specific nutrition or health intervention and have defined outcome parameters. Generally, competitive requests will be focused on particular projects in furtherance of the Foundation's mission and goal of supporting nutrition or health-related interventions to improve infant health and development. Foundation grants are not typically ongoing. Supported projects should have beginnings and endings, reasonable periods during which measurable progress or outcomes are accomplished. The impact of Foundation funding should be detailed, so that the infusion of new or outside funding can be seen to have some positive influence on the progress or outcome of the Project. Grants are limited to three years in length. While there is no policy affecting the dollar amounts of Foundation grants, there are some practical considerations. Projects requiring small grants (generally under \$50,000) are typically local in scope and impact, and therefore may not be within the scope of national funding initiatives. Large requests (greater than \$1 million) may exceed available Foundation resources. Grant awards are approved in May and November. Initial letters of inquiry are accepted at any time but should be submitted no later than 5 months prior to these award dates. For the May round submit letters prior to December 1; for the November round submit letters prior to June 1. **Ongoing deadline.**

Georgia-Pacific

Georgia-Pacific believes that strong communities are good for business. Their core philosophy is anchored in a belief that for a business to survive and prosper, it must develop and use its capabilities to create sustainable value for both its customers and society. The purpose of the Georgia-Pacific Foundation is to help create and fund those programs and initiatives that add value to, and measurably improve, the quality of life within the communities where Georgia-Pacific employees live and work. They believe that self-reliance and economic fortitude are indispensable components of vibrant communities. The Foundation primarily invests their resources in four key areas that are essential to creating and sustaining strong communities: Education, Environment, Community Enrichment, and Entrepreneurship. Georgia-Pacific leverages these four key areas ("The Four Es") to impact communities. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gifts In Kind International

Join the Gifts In Kind International network of more than 350 affiliates gain instant access to more than \$600 million in products and services including office equipment and supplies, technology products and services, educational materials and sports equipment, building materials, emergency relief products, and a range of other products and services that help improve communities. Join the Gifts In Kind International network of more than 350 affiliates gain instant access to more than \$600 million in products and services including office equipment and supplies, technology products and services, educational materials and sports equipment, building materials, emergency relief products, and a range of other products and services that help improve communities. **Ongoing deadline.**

Gilead Foundation

Gilead considers grant requests from a broad range of organizations. Gilead provides grants primarily to non-profit organizations for activities related to the therapeutic areas in which Gilead has expertise - cystic fibrosis, hepatitis, HIV/AIDS, Influenza, pulmonary arterial hypertension and chronic angina. Grants are available to support various types of initiatives such as continuing education programs for healthcare professionals, scientific conferences, patient education programs, the development of health education materials and community activities. **Ongoing deadline.**

Good Sports

Good Sports helps to lay the foundation for healthy, active lifestyles by providing athletic equipment, footwear, and apparel to disadvantaged young people nationwide. By partnering with sporting goods manufacturers, Good Sports is able to provide equipment, apparel, and footwear to programs in need. This lowers their costs which helps them keep fees affordable, create more scholarships, enhance the quality of their activities, and introduce new sports into their schools or organizations. **Ongoing deadline.**

Google Grants

Google Grants provides eligible organizations with in-kind keyword advertising using Google AdWords so you can connect directly with your target audience. Through simple, short text ads that run on Google.com, thousands (or even millions) of people can learn about your organization online as they are searching for related information. When someone enters keywords (short phrases specifying a particular search query) into Google.com, ads targeted to those keywords appear alongside the search results. If your organization is a recognized 501(c)(3) whose mission and programs fit their eligibility requirements, they encourage you to apply. Your application is more likely to be successful if you have a basic understanding of the Google AdWords Program and the Google Grants program guidelines. You'll be asked to provide sample keywords, ad copy, and a brief statement about how your organization will benefit from participating in the Google Grants program. Google selects Google Grants recipients every quarter. You will know within six months or less whether or not you will receive a Google Grant award. **Ongoing deadline.**

The Goodrich Foundation, Inc.

The Goodrich Corporation Foundation was formed in 1988. The Foundation's principal was established through a contribution by Goodrich Corporation. The Foundation provides support to charitable organizations serving the needs of the public in Goodrich Corporation's United States headquarters and plant communities, to selected educational institutions, and to selected national groups. The Foundation makes charitable grants in four categories: Education; Arts and Culture; Civic and Community; Health and Human Services/United Way. Charitable contributions are made only to organizations defined as "tax exempt" under Section 501 (c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service. The Foundation will generally allocate its annual charitable giving according to the following percentages: Education: 30% - 40%; Arts and Culture: 15% - 25%; Civic and Community: 15% - 25%; and Health and Human Services/United Way: 20% - 30%. Preference shall be accorded requests for projects or programs in areas having a significant number of employees, employees serving on boards of charitable organizations or other noticeable Goodrich Corporation presence. **Ongoing deadline.**