Support for Land Conservation Projects

**National Fish and Wildlife Foundation: Acres for America**

Acres for America, a partnership between Walmart Stores, Inc. and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, was established to provide funding for projects that conserve important habitat for fish, wildlife, and plants through acquisition of interest in real property. The goal of the Acres for America program is to offset the footprint of Walmart’s domestic facilities on at least an acre by acre basis through these acquisitions. All grant awards require a minimum 1:1 match of cash or contributed goods and services. Preference will be given to acquisitions that are part of published conservation plans (North American Waterfowl Management Plan, Partners in Flight, etc.), State Wildlife Action Plans, or Endangered Species Act Recovery Plans. Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation regional director](#) in their area to discuss project ideas prior to applying. Pre-proposals are due June 3, 2013; invited full proposals must be submitted by August 1, 2013. Visit the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation website for program details.

Grants Promote Oral Health Programs for Babies and Toddlers

**ADA Foundation: Samuel D. Harris Fund for Children’s Dental Health**

The American Dental Association (ADA) Foundation provides grants for sustainable programs in dental research, education, access to care, and also provides assistance for dentists and their families in need. The Foundation’s Samuel D. Harris Fund for Children’s Dental Health provides grants of up to $5,000 to nonprofit organizations whose oral health promotion initiatives are designed to improve and maintain children’s oral health through primary prevention and education. For 2013, grant funding will be considered for community-based nonprofit organizations that offer parent/caregiver education programs to prevent early childhood caries in babies and toddlers by circumventing primary oral bacterial infection before it can take hold in the baby’s mouth. Approximately 17 grants will be provided. Applications must be received by June 10, 2013. Visit the ADA Foundation’s website to review the application information.

Exemplary Senior Housing Projects Recognized

**MetLife Foundation: Awards for Excellence in Affordable Housing**

The purpose of the MetLife Foundation Awards for Excellence in Affordable Housing, administered by Enterprise Community Partners, is to recognize nonprofit organizations and Tribes/Tribally Designated Housing Entities that show exemplary leadership, innovation, and
quality service delivery in green, health and service-enriched senior housing. Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria: green, sustainable, age-friendly features; commitment about aging and connecting health to housing; and quality of partnerships with service partners and connections to opportunities in healthcare reform. Four grants of $50,000 will be awarded. Eligible properties must have a minimum of 25 units and have been in operation at least two years. The application deadline is May 31, 2013. Visit the Enterprise Community Partners’ website to review the program guidelines and submit an online application.

Funds for Children’s Book Acquisitions

**Lois Lenski Covey Foundation**
The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation is dedicated to advancing literacy and fostering a love of reading among underserved and at-risk children and youth. The Foundation provides grants to school libraries, non-traditional libraries, and bookmobile programs throughout the country for the purchase of books published for young people preschool through grade 8. The focus of the grant program is on libraries that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need. Grants for 2013 will range from $500 to $3,000. The application deadline is June 15, 2013. Visit the Foundation’s website to learn more about the grant program and the application process.

**Regional Funding Opportunities**

California Projects Addressing Climate Change and Public Health Supported

**Public Health Institute: Creating a Climate for Health Pilot Projects**
The Public Health Institute (PHI), with funding from the Kresge Foundation, will provide support to nonprofit organizations in collaboration with local health departments in California through the Creating a Climate for Health Pilot Projects initiative. Grants of $20,000 will be provided for pilot projects in three geographically diverse, urban communities in California to demonstrate approaches to incorporate climate change into current public health program practice and/or to enhance public health participation in on-going local climate change mitigation, adaptation, and resilience work. The purpose of the pilot projects is to develop models that can be held up, scaled up, and replicated that simultaneously address climate change as well as community health and health equity. Projects must be within urbanized areas in the state of California, meaning a central city or a group of contiguous cities with a population of 50,000 or more. The application deadline is July 1, 2013. Visit the PHI website to download the Request for Applications.

Grants Enhance Maine Communities

**The Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation**
The Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation focuses on strengthening and supporting communities throughout the state of Maine. The Foundation provides grants of $500 to $50,000 for community-based projects that address the underlying causes of social and environmental problems, as well as those that address the consequences. Priority is given to nonprofit organizations that promote literacy, provide community services, or focus on the arts. Requests
Health Care Programs in Michigan Funded

**Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation: Community Health Matching Program**

The Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation is dedicated to improving the health of Michigan residents through the support of research and innovative programs. The Foundation’s Community Health Matching Program supports nonprofit community organizations throughout the state that develop, use, and evaluate new ways to solve community health problems. Matching grants of up to $25,000 are available for programs that help increase access to health care, address critical public health issues, improve the quality of care, and/or enhance efficiency. Requests are accepted throughout the year; however, they should be submitted at least five months before the funds are needed. Visit the Foundation’s website to download the program’s brochure and application guidelines.

Support for Energy Programs and Land Preservation in Illinois

**Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation**

The Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation invests in clean energy development and land preservation efforts by working with communities and citizens to improve environmental quality in Illinois. The Foundation supports projects in the following core program areas: improving energy efficiency, developing renewable energy resources, and preserving and enhancing natural areas and wildlife habitats throughout the state. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are eligible to apply. The upcoming application deadline for most of the Foundation’s grant programs is July 16, 2013. Visit the Foundation’s website to learn more about the Foundation’s core program areas and application procedures.

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**Federal Grant and Loan Programs**

Program Supports Savings Accounts for Refugees

**Department of Health and Human Services**

The Projects to Establish Individual Development Account Programs for Refugees program supports efforts to establish and manage individual savings accounts for low-income refugee participants. The application deadline is June 17, 2013.

Funding Available to Offer Juvenile Offenders a Second Chance

**Department of Justice**

The Second Chance Act Juvenile Reentry Program provides support to ensure that the transition of incarcerated youth back into the community is successful and promotes public safety. The application deadline is June 17, 2013.

Tribal Energy Efforts Supported

**Department of Energy**
The Tribal Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Deployment Assistance program provides support to install community-scale or facility-scale renewable energy or energy efficiency projects on Indian lands. The application deadline is June 20, 2013.

Program Addresses Youth Violence

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The Youth Violence Training and Technical Assistance program offers support to develop and provide training and technical assistance to local health departments and their partners in high-risk communities to address high rates of youth violence. The application deadline is June 24, 2013.

Online Education Trainings

Upcoming Online Education Trainings

Unless otherwise noted, all Online Education Trainings are webinars, are 90 minutes in duration, and are scheduled to begin at 2 PM Eastern Time. The registration fee is $89 per person or $150 for a group.

Free Tour of the GrantStation website

Join Jeremy Smith, Communications and Technology Director for GrantStation, for a free webinar that offers a short tour of the GrantStation website. This tour will provide tips on the most effective way to use all of the valuable resources the website offers, including the extensive funder databases that can help you identify the right grantmaker for any program or project. During this webinar we will also cover Grants2020, an interactive visioning tool to help you realize the grants potential for your organization. There will be plenty of time for questions. This webinar will be held Tuesday, August 13, 2013. Visit the link above to register.

Grants: How to Get Them and What to Do Next (NEW)

When money is tight or when experiencing a budget gap, or when launching a new program area or expanding an organization's audience base, we often think "Why not get a grant?" This webinar, presented by Judi Margolin, explores the ins and outs of grantseeking, providing some very specific advice about how to be successful at securing outside funding from both foundations and corporations. Topics covered include the various types of grants, which kinds of grants in which dollar amounts work best for different types of funders, types of grant support, alternatives to cash grants, and how to determine where grants fit in your overall funding scheme. What to do when you actually receive a grant to ensure you are well positioned for the next grant is also addressed. The webinar will be held Thursday, August 22, 2013. Visit the link above to register.

Getting Started: Making Your Grant Requests Sparkle

Are you new to grant writing? This webinar will help you prepare the basic documents needed to write compelling letters of inquiry and grant proposals. Participants come away with a clear picture of exactly what documents they should have at hand and how to polish and present these documents in order to submit successful grants requests. Why not make your first grant proposals
not only a joy to write, but also make them stand out from other submissions? Cynthia M. Adams, CEO of GrantStation, has been teaching grant writing workshops for over 20 years, and presents a webinar full of "how to's" and "examples" for the novice grant writer. Participants will receive several handouts/worksheets before the webinar to help guide their success. This webinar will be held on Thursday, September 5, 2013. Visit the link above to register.

Free: The State of Grantseeking 2013: How Your Mission, Budget, & Location Affect Your Grantseeking
Please join us for an encore presentation of the State of Grantseeking webinar that we presented in June! Learn which types of organizations receive the largest grant awards and if your annual budget helps or hurts your grant application, plus more about the present state of grantseeking in the U.S. Gain additional benchmarking tools and learn the median award size, staff size, grant activity pattern and more based on organizational mission, budget, and location. In this webinar, Ellen Mowrer, GrantStation's Business Development Advisor, provides valuable results from the State of Grantseeking 2013 Report. After the webinar, attendees will receive the complete set of survey focus sheets and comparisons. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers. This webinar will be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2013. Visit the link above to register.

For a complete list of upcoming Online Education Trainings, click here.

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