

GRANTS *Update*

October 2016

NEW! Lexus Eco Challenge

Application Deadlines:
October 17, 2016 and December 12, 2016
Award Notification:
November 13, 2016 and January 3, 2017

The Lexus Eco Challenge is an education program and contest about the environment that empowers middle school and high school students to create a better world. The challenges that teams of five to 10 students and a teacher advisor may design an action plan are for: Land and Water (by the October deadline), and Air and Climate (by the December deadline). Finalists from each category will be selected for a final challenge. Awards will range from \$10,000 to \$30,000. For more information, visit:

<http://lexus.scholastic.com/challenges>

NEW! Fine Arts and Film Grants

Application Deadline: December 31, 2016
Award Notification: Before June 30, 2017

The Puffin Foundation provides grants to art organizations and artists throughout the year. For the 2017 grant cycle, the Foundation is encouraging emerging artists in the fields of fine arts and video/film. The Foundation is interested in art that educates the public on issues, such as the environment, social justice, and civil rights. Special consideration is given to communities and school districts that are underserved by the arts. For more information, visit:

<http://www.puffinfoundation.org/grants-info/prospective-applicants.html>

NEW! Youth Active Lifestyle Programs Supported

Application Deadline: December 31, 2016

The Finish Line Youth Foundations awards \$1,000 and \$5,000 grants to provide youth the opportunity for athletic programs, active camps, teambuilding skills and active lifestyle opportunities. Emphasis is placed on programs serving disadvantaged and special needs students. For more information, visit:

<http://www.finishline.com/store/youthfoundation/youthfoundation.jsp>

NEW! Support for Programs Improving Communities

Application Deadline: Rolling
Award Notification: 60-90 days from application

The funding priorities of the Wells Fargo Charitable Contributions Programs vary from state to state; however, the bank generally supports: community development, workforce development, financial literacy, education, including K-12, and arts, culture, and civic projects. For more information, visit:

<https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/corporate-responsibility/community-giving/>

Financial Education Grants

Application Deadline: Rolling
Award Notification: Within 60 days

Discover sponsors grants to help children learn how to make sensible financial decisions to reach their goals. High schools are eligible to apply to be awarded funds to include financial education in curriculum. For more information, visit:

<http://www.pathwaytofinancialsuccess.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

Golf Programs for People with Disabilities Supported

Application Deadline: Rolling
Award Notification: 30 to 60 days

Grants are available to support nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and educational institutions in their efforts to make the game of golf more accessible to people with disabilities. Priority is given to inclusive programming—opportunities that allow participants with disabilities and participants without disabilities to learn and play the game side by side. Grants of up to \$20,000 are available to support core golf programs including adaptive golf clubs and bags, golf course access, and transportation. For more information, visit:

http://www.accessgolf.org/grants/alliance_grants.cfm

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Education and Youth Development Grants

Application Deadline: Rolling

Kars4Kids is a charity that funds educational and youth programs and provides support to nonprofit organizations that are working to make a difference in children's lives. Grants range from \$200 to \$2,000. For more information, visit:

<http://www.kars4kidsgrants.org/>

Start a Snowball Community Service Grant

Application Deadline: Rolling

Award Notification: Rolling

This program aims to encourage children to engage in philanthropic and community service activities. Grants of up to \$100 are awarded. For more information, visit:

<http://startasnowball.com/>

Literacy Grants Sponsored

Application Deadline: Rolling

The Nora Roberts Foundation awards grants in the areas of literacy, children's programs, arts, and humanitarian efforts. Recent grants were used to purchase books for children in need; informal learning programs focused on science, technology, local after-school programs, summer camps, and professional training for teachers. For more information, visit:

<http://norarobertsfoundation.org/applicants.php>

Childhood Obesity Prevention Grants

Application Deadline: Rolling

The Children's Obesity Fund seeks to fight the rising obesity rates in America by supporting programs that aim to eliminate the epidemic of childhood obesity. The focus is on increasing awareness and understanding of how to raise healthy and happy children and make sure that ensuing generations are strong and live vital, active lives. Grant requests are reviewed throughout the year. For more information, visit:

<http://www.childrensobesityfund.org/request-funds/>

Science & Math Teacher Innovator Grants—Two Tiers Available

Application Deadline: Rolling for \$5,000 or less

The Toshiba America Foundation accepts applications from teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students. Applications must be for project-based learning. **NOTE: Requests solely for computers will not be considered.**

For more information, visit:

<http://www.toshiba.com/taf/612.jsp>

Sports Equipment for Disadvantaged Youth

Application Deadline: Rolling

Good Sports provides equipment, apparel and footwear to sports programs that engage disadvantaged youth from Pre-K to high school age. For more information, visit:

<http://www.goodsports.org/equipment/apply/>

Environmental Science Education

Application Deadline: Rolling with Year-round Review

Science fair, Earth Day, and natural resource projects are supported through grants from Waste Management, Inc. Third quarter funding is a priority and volunteerism from the community is preferred. For more information, visit:

<http://www.wm.com/about/community/charitable-giving.jsp>

Funding for Sports Clinic for Autistic Students

Application Deadline: Rolling

Created and developed by youth, the Sports-for-All Clinic Grant can provide funding, support, and guidance to any event that aims to provide youth-led sports programs for youth on the autism spectrum. Many communities lack athletic programs for autistic children. The Sports-For-All Clinic programs help improve hand-eye coordination, motor skills, and the ability to focus. The grant can be used to fund facility rental, purchase equipment or healthy snacks, generate promotional fliers, and organize events. For more information, visit:

<http://volunteennation.org/blog/categories/latest-news/436-sports-for-all-clinic>

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The Fender Music Foundation Instrumental Music Grants

Application Deadline: Rolling

The Fender Music Foundation awards instruments and equipment to eligible music instruction programs for grades K-12. Programs must meet certain criteria including frequency and participant eligibility.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.fendermusicfoundation.org/grants/grants-info/>

MySchoolWish Grants

Application Deadline: Ongoing

MySchoolWish is an online communication tool in which schools can list their school needs (i.e. football helmets, copy paper, books, etc.) on their FuelMySchool page. Members of the community can become a real-life genie by granting school wishes online. For more information, visit:

<http://www.fuelmyschool.com/schools/>

Wells Fargo Grants Support Education

Application Deadline: Rolling

The bank supports local communities across the country through grants and volunteer activities. Education, including K-12 achievement gaps, is one of the supported areas. Award notification is made usually within 120 days.

To review the local funding guidelines and application procedures, visit:

https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/ny_guidelines

Grants Promote Family Literacy

Application Deadline: Quarterly, Rolling

The Wish You Well Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations that promote family literacy. The focus of the Foundation is developing and expanding literacy and educational programs. Grants range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Requests may be submitted at any time and are reviewed four times per year. For more information, visit:

<http://www.wishyouwellfoundation.org/apply-for-funding/>

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NEW! *Webinars*



Webinar participants must register at least 24 hours before the webinar. Each webinar is 90 minutes, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time, unless otherwise indicated.

Fee: \$69 per person, \$150 per site for a group.

For more information or to register for the webinars listed below, visit:

<https://www.grantstation.com/Programs/WebinarOrder/Webinars.aspx>

Proposal Writing for a Foundation Funder

Thursday, October 20, 2016

Your proposal may be the only chance to gain funding for an important project. This webinar will provide invaluable tips on what your proposal package should include. Featured topics will be: writing a compelling narrative, submission techniques, and how to get your proposal noticed.

The Golden Key to Successful Grant Requests

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Uncover the most effective methods for documenting needs and how to use that information to engage the grant maker. All levels of grant writers are welcome and will receive numerous examples of successful needs statements from actual proposals.

Learn About In-Kind Contributions

Thursday, November 2, 2016

Did you know that 90% of the nonprofits that benefit from in-kind support do not document these contributions? And, that in-kind contributions can be used to match government and private funds, and to leverage additional funding? This webinar will demonstrate how to secure, document, and leverage in-kind contributions. An in-kind donation is any non-cash contribution that can be given cash value: labor, products, or services for which the organization would normally have to pay. Resources that help you find the labor, products, and services to offset your operating or program budget will be reviewed.

Applying for a grant? Received a grant? Share the news!

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