

GRANTS *Update*

November 2016

NEW! Federal Upward Bound Grants

Application Deadline: November 28, 2016

The federally funded Upward Bound program was created to support projects that provide students with the skills and motivation necessary to complete their secondary education and then enter into and succeed in a postsecondary program. There is a focus on reaching those who are traditionally under-represented in postsecondary studies, including low-income students, students with limited English proficiency, students with disabilities, and homeless/foster care students. For more information, visit:

<https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-10-17/pdf/2016-25058.pdf>

NEW! Service-learning Leadership Award

Application Deadline: December 5, 2016

Award Notification: December 18, 2016

The Service-Learning Practitioner Leadership Award recognizes those who have equipped young people to lead and serve, both through their direct work with youth and by nurturing other practitioners. Nominations are accepted from the general public, and a committee of leaders from the service-learning field will select the winners.

For more information, visit:

<http://servicelearningconference.org/2017/awards>

Lexus Eco Challenge

Application Deadline: December 12, 2016

Award Notification: 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! Excellence in Engineering Education Award

Application Deadline: December 15, 2016

The National Science Teachers Association and Northrup Grumman Foundation present an award to recognize the importance of integrating high-quality engineering instruction into science classrooms. K-12 teachers with at least three years of experience are eligible. The award consists of \$5,000 for classroom materials and equipment, a cash prize of \$3,000, and \$2,000 to attend the NSTA National Conference on Science Education. The awardee will be presented the award at the Teacher Awards Banquet at the National Conference. For more information, visit:

<http://www.nsta.org/about/awards.aspx#northropgrumman>

NEW! Science/Environmental Research Fellowship

Application Deadline: December 18, 2016 (by invitation)

Earthwatch provides K-12 teachers the opportunity to participate in field-based science and environmental research projects. Teachers must demonstrate interest in natural and cultural conservation, sustainability, and lifelong learning. Educators should demonstrate enthusiasm for collaborating with a team of diverse teachers, interest in environmental, commitment to engaging their students and community inside and outside the classroom, and a desire to improve environmental/science education.

To apply, teachers must first complete the Educator Fellowship Interest Form or be nominated through the Teacher Nomination Form, which are available online. Qualified applicants are then invited to complete an application. For more information, visit:

<http://earthwatch.org/education/teacher-fellowships/teach-earth-united-states>

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NEW! Grants for Teacher Conference Expenses

Application Deadline: December 31, 2016
Award Notification: February 15, 2017

The National Society of High School Scholars is providing three \$1,000 grants to be used during 2017 to help defray costs of educational conference registration, travel, and accommodations. Any high school teacher or counselor currently employed at a public or private high school in the United States is eligible. For more information, visit:

<http://www.nshss.org/about-nshss/educators/opportunities/>

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>

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>

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>

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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>

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/>