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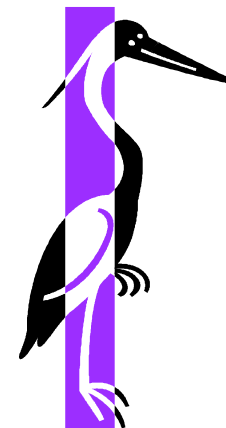
Washington D.C.- Congressman Rubén Hinojosa (TX-15) announced that the U.S. Departments of Interior and Transportation have awarded the Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge with \$510,000 in federal funding to replace a tram, a park road transportation vehicle.

This new program funds transportation in national parks and will: help conserve natural, historical, and cultural resources; reduce congestion and pollution; and, improve visitor mobility with disabilities.

The Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge is a 2,088-acre refuge on the banks of the lower Rio Grande River established in 1943 for the protection of migratory birds. The habitat is host or home to nearly 400 different types of birds and a myriad of other species, including the indigo snake, malachite butterfly and the endangered ocelot.

"More and more people are enjoying our nation's national parks and public lands," said Hinojosa. "Because of this, we must preserve these ecological and environmental resources so that they can be enjoyed by future generations. These funds will help the Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge continue the work begun more than 60 years ago, and will ensure that the refuge remains a great place of splendor."

The funding is awarded through the Alternative Transportation in the Parks and Public Land program established under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act – A Legacy of Users of 2005.



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HINOJOSA ANNOUNCES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANTS FOR DISTRICT

Washington, DC – Congressman Rubén Hinojosa (TX-15) announced that the U.S. Department of Justice has awarded Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid and the Women Together Foundation with federal funding through the Office on Violence Against Women.

Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid received \$600,000 under the Legal Assistance for Victims Grants Program. This program supports projects that provide legal services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and/or stalking. Eligible applicants include nonprofit, nongovernmental legal services organizations; nonprofit nongovernmental victim service agencies; public entities operating in their nongovernmental capacity; and Indian tribal governments.

The Legal Assistance to Rural Shelters Project (LARS) was created in 1999 to address the need for legal services in rural and underserved communities of central, south, and west Texas. The project is a collaboration between Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid and 20 domestic violence shelters and victim-serving organizations. Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid and its partners will use the funds to ensure that the Rural Shelters Project continues to provide seamless legal services critical to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking. The program will be expanded to victims and their children in 68 counties.

Specific project goals and objectives are: provide comprehensive legal services; train shelter partners to better understand the legal system; increase awareness of domestic violence and legal remedies in rural and underserved communities.

“Many victims of domestic violence do not have access to the legal counseling and aid that they need,” said Hinojosa. “Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid provides these

women and their families with the guidance they need to ensure that their lives are safe, healthy and happy.”

The Women Together Foundation received \$350,000 under the Transitional Housing Grant Program, which awards funds to programs that provide assistance to minors, adults and their dependents who are homeless or in need of transitional housing or other housing assistance, as a result of fleeing domestic violence; and for whom emergency shelter services or other crisis intervention services are unavailable or insufficient.

Grants may be used for local projects that provide short-term housing assistance, as well as support services. Local transitional housing programs will provide a broad range of individualized services such as transportation, counseling, child care services, case management, employment counseling, and other assistance.

“Women fleeing abusers often leave with little or no money, possessions, or options,” continued Hinojosa. “Providing victims with housing and counseling is critical if they are to make a new life for themselves and break the cycle of violence.”



DHS Announces Opening of Application Period for Fiscal Year 2006 Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program

Washington D.C.— The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced that it is seeking applications for the fiscal year 2006 (FY 2006) Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP). The FY 2006 program is slated to provide more than \$32 million in equipment to first responders in selected rural and smaller communities who are typically not eligible for funding through the department's Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) grant program. **The application will close September 22, 2006.**

CEDAP provides smaller communities and rural areas with technology and equipment, together with training and technical assistance, to help enhance first responder capabilities throughout the nation. CEDAP provides resources such as communications interoperability equipment, information sharing technology, chemical detection devices, sensors, personal protective equipment, and rescue tools and training in how to use the equipment, devices, and technology.

"The threat of terrorism or other hazards extends beyond major metropolitan areas. Emergency response agencies in smaller communities must also be prepared to respond to all threats that may impact their citizens," said Under Secretary for Preparedness George Foresman. "CEDAP supports local partners in smaller jurisdictions with essential equipment and training that they might not otherwise afford. CEDAP also contributes to national preparedness efforts by building regional response networks, fostering mutual aid between communities and enhancing communications interoperability capabilities."

Eligible applicants include law enforcement agencies, fire, and other emergency responders who demonstrate in their application that the equipment will be used to improve their ability and capacity to respond to a major critical incident or improve their ability to work with other first responders.

Since its inception in FY 2005, more than \$35.2 million worth of equipment and training have been awarded to

nearly 2,000 law enforcement and fire departments through CEDAP. With over 5,400 organizations competing for one of 2,000 awards during FY 2005, CEDAP is highly competitive.

To submit an application for an FY 2006 CEDAP award, applicants should visit www.rkb.mipt.org/. Once submitted, the application undergoes several steps, including approval by the applicant's respective State Administrative Agency (SAA), and a review board composed of subject matter experts.





NON PROFIT MANAGEMENT: 14 CRITICAL MANAGEMENT SUCCESS FACTORS

Many nonprofit leaders have found that good intentions are not always enough. In his book *Migrating from Innovation to Entrepreneurship*, Jerr Boschee writes that nonprofit leaders may have to move to a spirit of entrepreneurship. Boschee offers 14 factors that are important in changing an organizational culture and embracing this spirit.

* Candor. Starting a new venture is difficult enough without being honest about a product or service, the market, and resources.

* Clarity of purpose. Consensus must be reached on this before the planning process begins.

* Courage. Entrepreneurial planning cannot be swept aside by day-to-day demands.

* Core values.

The organization is willing to accept the consequences, the value must be freely chosen from genuine alternatives, it must be acted upon as a regular pattern, it must apply everywhere in the work, it must last over time, the organization must be proud of it.

* Willingness to plan.

* Building the right team. This includes the leader, senior management team, industry expertise, and employees.

* The separation strategy. Any social sector business should be kept as separate as possible from the other operations.

* Strategic marketing. Marketing is not a business function; it is the business.

* Viability first, not mission. Be ready for value conflicts.

* Focus, focus, focus.

* Customer service. Be attuned to customer needs.

* Quality. Make no compromises on this.

* Aggressive pricing. Think of annual budgets, not just unit costs.

* Strategic partnerships.

From The NonProfit Times, 8/7/06



GOOGLE GRANTS PROGRAM PROVIDES IN-KIND ADVERTISING SERVICES TO NON-PROFITS

The Google Grants program supports organizations that share the company's philosophy of community service worldwide in areas such as science and technology, education, global public health, the environment, youth advocacy, and the arts.

Designed for 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, Google Grants is a unique in-kind advertising program that harnesses the power of Google's flagship advertising product, Google AdWords, to nonprofits seeking to inform and engage their constituents online. Google Grants has awarded AdWords advertising to hundreds of nonprofit groups whose missions range from animal welfare to literacy, from supporting homeless children to promoting HIV education.

Google Grant recipients use their award of free AdWords advertising on Google.com to raise awareness and in-

crease traffic. Each organization awarded a Google Grant receives at least three months of in-kind advertising.

In the United States, applicant organizations must have current 501(c)(3) status, as assigned by the Internal Revenue Service to be considered for a Google Grant. Outside the U.S., Google is currently accepting applications from eligible charitable organizations based in Australia, Canada, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Spain, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

Google Grants recipients are selected every quarter. Visit the program's Web site for complete program information, application procedures, and an FAQ.

Website: <http://www.google.com/grants/>

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AGRICULTURE

National Research Initiative: Animal Biosecurity Coordinated Agricultural Projects

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC)

Deadline: 10/31/2006

Strengthening the Nation's capacity to protect animal agriculture from disease losses and threats arising from high impact endemic diseases, new or re-emerging challenges, or foreign diseases accidentally or intentionally introduced, is a major challenge facing the U.S. The Animal Biosecurity Program was initiated in FY 2003 and serves as a catalyst to bring the larger animal health community together for specific diseases or issues. In FY 2006, this program only invites renewal applications for existing Coordinated Agricultural Projects (CAP); specifically for: 1) Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS) and 2) Johne's Disease. Please note that program priorities may have changed. Applicants are strongly encouraged to read the entire Program Description section for current priorities additional information relative to the programs of interest.

Maximum Grant Size: \$4,800,000

Eligible Applicants: City or Township Governments, County Governments, For-profit Organizations Other Than , Small Businesses, Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Individuals, Native American Tribal Organizations, not Federally recognized Tribal Governments, Nonprofits with 501(c)(3) IRS status, other than Institutions of Higher Education, Nonprofits without 501(c)(3) IRS status, other than Institutions of Higher Education, Private Institutions of Higher Education, Small Business, State Agricultural Experiment Stations, State Controlled Institutions of Higher Education, State Governments

Contact: Peter Johnson, Phone: 202-401-1896, Email: pjohnson@csrees.usda.gov

Website: <http://www.csrees.usda.gov>

ARTS, HUMANITIES AND LANGUAGES

International Literature Awards

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

Deadline: 09/14/2006

The NEA International Literature Awards will provide American readers with greater access to the contemporary literature of Europe and increase the number and quality of foreign literary works that are published in the United States each year. This year the NEA International Literature Awards will focus on Europe with partnerships between the Arts Endowment and the countries of Greece and Spain. All projects must involve the translation of literary works from Greece or Spain into English and the promotion of those works to American readers. Authors must be born after 1946 and the works must be previously unpublished in English. Reprints are not eligible. For the translation of works from Greece there is a special interest in short fiction and novels. Funding is available for all aspects of the process -- from translation to publication and distribution. Project expenses may include fees to translators, publication costs, and public outreach activities such as author/translator tours or educational programs.

Maximum Grant Size: \$10,000

Eligible Applicants: Established literary and university publishers that are nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S. organizations; units of state or local government; or federally-recognized tribal communities or tribes may apply.

Contact: Amy Stolls, Phone: 202-682-5771, Email: stollsa@arts.gov

Email: www.nea.gov

Ensemble Theatre Travel Subsidy Program

Deadline: 09/12/2006

The [Association of Performing Arts Presenters'](#) Ensemble Theatre Travel Subsidy Program provides grants to theater directors, producers, presenters, managers, artists, and agents to see work by ensemble theater companies who have initiated a dialogue with them about a long-term partnership. In

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addition, artistic, production, education, publicity, or marketing staff at ensemble theater companies are eligible for funds to visit a potential host theater or arts presenter in order to effectively prepare for an engagement at least six to twelve months in advance.

Eligible Applicants: individuals at nonprofit 501(c)(3) theaters, presenting organizations, and artist management companies. Independent directors, producers, presenters, or artist managers without a nonprofit affiliation and staff at for-profit artist agencies and management firms are eligible if they meet the following criteria: the travel must have educational purposes that will assist the individual traveling in making more informed decisions in communicating about and/or managing an existing project or collaboration between an ensemble theater and a theater partner, or an arts presenter partner or consortia of theaters and arts presenters. Travel for the purpose of business development and developing artist rosters is ineligible.

Maximum Grant Size: \$2,000 per person/annually

Website: <http://www.artspresenters.org/services/travelgrants.cfm>

Faculty Humanities Workshops

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Deadline: 09/15/2006

Grants for Faculty Humanities Workshops support local and regional professional development programs for K-12 teachers and faculty at post-secondary institutions by providing such faculty with the opportunity to engage in vigorous intellectual inquiry with visiting scholars on significant topics in the humanities.

Maximum Grant Size: \$75,000

Eligible Applicants: Any U.S. nonprofit organization with 501(c)3 tax exempt status is eligible, as are state and local governmental agencies and tribal governments

Contact: Division of Education Programs, Phone: 202-606-8380. Email: education@neh.gov

Website: www.neh.gov

Documenting Endangered Languages

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Deadline: 09/15/2006

This multi-year funding partnership between the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) supports projects to develop and advance knowledge concerning endangered human languages. Made urgent by the imminent death of an estimated half of the 6000-7000 currently used human languages, this effort aims also to exploit advances in information technology. Funding will support fieldwork and other activities relevant to recording, documenting, and archiving endangered languages, including the preparation of lexicons, grammars, text samples, and databases. Funding will be available in the form of one- to three-year project grants as well as fellowships for up to twelve months. At least half the available funding will be awarded to projects involving fieldwork.

Total funding available: \$2,000,000

Number of Awards: 18 – 22

Eligible Applicants: Academic institutions and non-profit, non-academic organizations located in the United States are eligible. For-profit organizations are not eligible to apply to this program.

Website: www.nsf.gov

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American Masterpieces: Visual Arts Touring

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

Deadline: 09/21/2006

American Masterpieces: Three Centuries of Artistic Genius is a major initiative to acquaint Americans with the best of their cultural and artistic legacy. Through American Masterpieces, the National Endowment for the Arts will sponsor performances, exhibitions, tours, and educational programs across all art forms that will reach large and small communities in all 50 states. This component of American Masterpieces will celebrate the extraordinary and rich evolution of the visual arts in the United States. Through the creation and touring of major exhibitions, art of the highest quality -- that otherwise would not be available -- will be experienced by Americans in communities across the nation.

Maximum Grant Size: \$300,000

Number of Awards: 1-10

Eligible Applicants: Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S. organizations; units of state or local government; or federally-recognized tribal communities or tribes may apply. To be eligible, the applicant organization must: 1) Meet the Arts Endowment's "Legal Requirements," including nonprofit, tax-exempt status, as detailed in the FY 2007 Grants for Arts Projects guidelines, at the time of application 2) Have a three-year history of programming prior to the application deadline 3) Have submitted acceptable Final Report packages by the due date(s) for all Arts Endowment award(s) previously received. For touring exhibitions that involve collections from multiple organizations, one organization that meets the eligibility requirements above must act as the official applicant, submit the application, and assume full responsibility for the grant.

Contact: Museum Staff, Phone: 202-682-5573

Website: www.nea.gov

Grants for Stabilizing Humanities Collections

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Deadline: 10/02/2006

These grants help museums, libraries, archives, and historical organizations preserve their humanities collections through support for improved housing and storage, environmental conditions, security, lighting, and fire protection. Eligible activities include: 1) the purchase of storage furniture and the re-housing of humanities collections and materials that directly document the collections, such as field notes, site maps, or catalog records; 2) the improvement of environmental conditions under which collections are stored or exhibited (which may encompass the installation of climate control systems); and 3) the installation of security, lighting, and fire detection and suppression systems.

Maximum Grant Size: \$650,000

Eligible Applicants: Any U.S. nonprofit organization with 501(c)3 tax exempt status is eligible, as are state and local governmental agencies and tribal governments.

Contact: Division of Preservation and Access, Phone: 202-606-8570, Email: preservation@neh.gov

Website: www.neh.gov

Art Contest Celebrates the Diverse Heritages of All Students

Deadline: 10/31/2006

NCCREST is sponsoring a national art contest in conjunction with its National Forum to capture the vision of all artists about what schools look like when they value and include the background, experiences, and heritage of all students.

Maximum Award: \$300 and a trip for two to Washington for the 2007 NCCREST National Forum. Eligibility: students K-12 and adults.

Website: <http://news.publiceducation.org/t/5032/214183/128/0/>

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Collaborative Research Grants

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Deadline: 11/01/2006

Collaborative Research Grants support: original research undertaken by a team of two or more scholars; or research coordinated by an individual scholar that, because of its scope or complexity, requires additional staff and resources beyond the individual's salary. Eligible projects include: research that significantly adds to knowledge and understanding in the humanities; conferences on topics of major importance in the humanities that will benefit ongoing research; archaeology projects that interpret and communicate the results of archaeological fieldwork. Projects may encompass excavation, materials analysis, laboratory work, field reports, and preparation of interpretive monographs; translations into English of works that provide insight into the history, literature, philosophy, and artistic achievements of other cultures; and research that uses the knowledge, methods, and perspectives of the humanities to enhance understanding of science, technology, and medicine.

Maximum Grant Size: \$100,000

Eligible Applicants: U.S. nonprofit organizations or institutions; State and local governments, and tribal governments; and U.S. citizens or foreign nationals who have been living in the United States or its jurisdictions for at least the three years immediately prior to the time of application. Applicants affiliated with an eligible institution must apply through an institution, ordinarily their own institution. Adjunct faculty may apply as individuals.

Contact: Division of Research Programs, Phone: 202-606-8200, Email: collaborative@neh.gov, Website: www.neh.gov

Challenge Grants #2

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Deadline: 11/01/2006

NEH challenge grants help institutions and organizations secure long-term improvements in and support for their humanities programs and resources. Because of the matching requirements, these NEH awards also strengthen the humanities by encouraging nonfederal sources of support. Both federal and nonfederal funds must provide long-term benefits to the humanities. Challenge grant funds should not merely replace funds already being expended on the humanities, but instead should reflect careful strategic planning to strengthen and enhance the institution's activities in and commitment to the humanities. Direct grant funds may also be used for bridging support, where the challenge grant provides for endowment income to meet the same expenses in the future. Bridging funds up to the equivalent amount of projected endowment income may be used to cover expenses during the grant period, while the endowment is being established.

Maximum Grant Size: \$500,000

Eligible Applicants: With the exception of elementary and secondary schools or school districts, any U.S. nonprofit institution (public agency or private nonprofit organization) working wholly or in part with the humanities may apply for a challenge grant. Affiliated institutions (e.g., university museums) should consult with NEH staff on questions of separate eligibility.

Contact: Office of Challenge Grants, Phone: 202-606-8309, Email: challenge@neh.gov, Website: www.neh.gov

Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Deadline: 11/15/2006

NEH invites proposals for the planning or initial stages of digital initiatives in all areas of the humanities. Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants may involve: research that brings new digital approaches to the study of the humanities or that examines the implications of the use of emerging technologies for humanities scholarship; new digital modes of publication facilitating the dissemination of humanities scholarship in advanced academic as well as informal or formal educational settings at all academic levels; exploration of digital methods or approaches to preserve, archive, and make accessible traditional (i.e., analogue) and "new media" resources in the humanities; planning new digital tools for preserving, analyzing, and making accessible humanities data; and programs addressing the innovative use of emerging digital technologies in formal and informal educational settings, including public forums such as museums, libraries, historic sites, and broadcast media, and K-12 schools and post-secondary institutions.

Maximum Grant Size: \$30,000

Eligible Applicants: U.S. nonprofit organizations or institutions; state and local governmental agencies and Native American tribal organizations; and U.S. citizens or foreign nationals who have been living in the United States or its jurisdictions for at least the three years immediately prior to the appli-

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cation deadline.

Contact: Digital Humanities Initiative Staff, Phone: 202-606-8401, Email: dhi@neh.gov

Website: www.neh.gov

Museums for America

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

Deadline: 11/15/2006

Museums for America is the Institute's largest grant program for museums, providing more than \$17 million in grants to support the role of museums in American society to sustain cultural heritage; to support lifelong learning; and to be centers of community engagement. Museums for America grants strengthen a museum's ability to serve the public more effectively by supporting high-priority activities that advance the institution's mission and strategic goals. In FY 2007, Museums for America funding will support projects and activities, designed by the institution, that strengthen museums as active resources for lifelong learning and key players in the establishment of livable communities. Museums for America grants are designed to be flexible. They can be used for ongoing museum activities, research and other behind-the-scenes activities, planning activities, new programs or activities, purchase of equipment or services, or other activities that will support the efforts of museums to upgrade and integrate new technologies into their overall institutional effectiveness. A 1:1 match is required in each category. All applications must demonstrate evidence of institutional strategic planning and show the relationship between the activities for which funding is requested and the institution's plan. Although project activities may occur only once, project goals should be investments for the future, not one-time activities with no long-term impact on the museum or its community.

Contact: Christine Henry, Senior Program Officer, Phone: 202/653-4674, Email: chenry@imls.gov

Website: <http://www.imls.gov/applicants/grants/forAmerica.shtm>

Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

Deadline: 12/15/2006

The program supports efforts to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians and the faculty who will prepare them for careers in library science. It also supports grants for research related to library education and library staffing needs, curriculum development, and continuing education and training. Program priorities are as follows: Priority 1: Master's Programs, Priority 2: Doctoral Programs, Priority 3: Pre-professional Programs, Priority 4: Research, Priority 5: Programs to Build Institutional Capacity, and Priority 6: Continuing Education and Training. Fifty percent of total project costs; funds requested for student support are not subject to matching requirement.

Maximum Grant Size: \$50,000

Eligible Applicants: All types of libraries, except federal and for-profit libraries, may apply. Eligible libraries include public, school, academic, special, private (not-for-profit), archives, library agencies, library consortia, and library associations. In addition, research libraries that give the public access to services and materials suitable for scholarly research not otherwise available to the public and that are not part of a university or college are eligible. Institutions of higher education, including public and not-for-profit universities and colleges, also are eligible. Graduate schools of library and information science may apply as part of an institution of higher education.

Contact: Stephanie Clark, Senior Program Officer, Phone: 202/653-4662, Email: sclark@imls.gov

Website: <http://www.imls.gov/applicants/grants/21centuryLibrarian.shtm>

Coming Up Taller

Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

Deadline: 01/30/2007

Coming Up Taller Awards recognize outstanding community arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America's young people by providing them with learning opportunities and chances to contribute to their communities. These awards focus national attention on exemplary programs currently fostering the creative and intellectual development of America's children and youth through education and practical experience in the arts and the humanities. Accompanied by a cash award, the Coming Up Taller Awards not only reward these projects with recognition but also contribute significant support to their continued work.

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Maximum Grant Size: \$10,000

Number of Awards: 15

Eligible Applicants: Archives, Federally recognized Native American tribe, Historical Society, Library, Museum, Nonprofits that serve Native Hawaiians, Professional Association, Regional Organization, State Library Administrative Agency, State or Local Government, Public or Private Non-profit Institutions of Higher Education

Website: www.cominguptaller.org

We the People Challenge Grants in United States History, Institutions, and Culture

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Deadline: 02/01/2007

As part of its We the People initiative, NEH invites proposals for challenge grants designed to help institutions and organizations secure long-term improvements in and support for humanities activities that explore significant themes and events in American history, thereby advancing knowledge of how the founding principles of the United States have shaped American history and culture for more than two hundred years. The Endowment particularly welcomes proposals for programming at America's historic places (historic sites, neighborhoods, communities, or larger geographical regions) as well as applications that address this theme through the use of digital technologies. NEH challenge grants are capacity building grants. Funds may be used to support long-term costs such as construction and renovation, purchase of equipment, acquisitions, and conservation of collections. Grants may also be used to establish or enhance endowments that generate expendable earnings for program activities. Because of the matching requirements, these NEH grants also strengthen the humanities by encouraging nonfederal sources of support.

Maximum Grant Size: \$1,000,000

Eligible Applicants: With the exception of elementary and secondary schools or school districts, any U. S. nonprofit institution (public agency or private nonprofit organization) working wholly or in part with the humanities may apply for a challenge grant. Affiliated institutions (e.g., university museums) should consult with NEH staff on questions of separate eligibility

Contact: Office of Challenge Grants, Phone: 202-606-8309, Email: challenge@neh.gov

Website: www.neh.gov

BUSINESS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Rockefeller Foundation "Working Communities" Grant

Deadline: Open/Rolling

The Rockefeller Foundation seeks grant applications under the Working Communities program. That initiative's goal is to transform poor urban neighborhoods into working communities. To do so, the program works in collaboration with employers, training providers and employees to support the development of policies and practices to improve the terms and conditions of employment available to less skilled workers.

Website: <http://www.rockfound.org/Grantmaking/EmploymentHousingEducation>

Minority Business Enterprise Center

U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC), Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)

Deadline: 09/20/2006

The Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) is soliciting competitive applications from organizations to operate a Minority Business Enterprise Center (MBEC) (formerly Minority Business Development Center). This is not a grant program to help start a business. Applications submitted must be to operate a Minority Business Enterprise Center and to provide business consultation to eligible minority clients. Applications that do not meet these requirements will be rejected. The MBEC will provide services in the outlined geographic areas. The MBEC Program requires MBEC staff to provide standardized business assistance services (as outlined in the Federal Funding Opportunity Announcement) to minority firms with \$500,000 or more in annual revenues and/or "rapid growth-potential" minority businesses ("Strategic Growth Initiative" or "SGI" firms) directly; to develop a network of strategic partnerships; and to provide strategic business consulting.

Total Funding Available: \$7,490,000

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Number of Awards: 28

Eligible Applicants: For-profit entities (including sole-proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations), and non-profit organizations, state and local government entities, American Indian tribes, and educational institutions are eligible to operate MBECs

Website: www.mbda.gov

Automated Flood Warning Systems Program Automated Flood Warning Systems Program

U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

Deadline: 10/31/2006

The National Weather Service (NWS) is soliciting requests to provide capital funds for the creation, renovation, or enhancement of rain and stream gage networks that are locally operated and maintained with non-NOAA resources. The expected period of performance may be up to two years with an anticipated start date of May 1, 2007. The NWS will partner with entities that can demonstrate a long-term ability to operate and maintain an AFWS and provide the data to the NWS. The program priorities for this opportunity support NOAA's mission support goal of: Weather and Water - Serve Society's Needs for Weather and Water Information.

Maximum Grant Size: \$200,000

Number of Awards: 5 – 10

Eligible Applicants: non-profit organizations, state, local and Indian tribal governments.

Contact: John Bradley, Phone: 301-713-0624 x 154, Email: john.bradley@noaa.gov

Website: www.noaa.gov

DISABILITIES

Programs Targeting Children with Disabilities

Deadline: 10/01/2006

CVS/pharmacy Community Grants are currently accepting proposals for programs targeting children under age 18 with disabilities that address: health and rehabilitation services; a greater level of inclusion in student activities and extracurricular programs; opportunities or facilities that give greater access to physical movement and play.

Maximum Award: varies.

Eligible Applicants: Public schools with programs for children under age 18 with disabilities. Website: http://www.cvs.com/corplInfo/community/community_grants.html

Steppingstones of Technology Innovation for Children With Disabilities

U.S. Department of Education (ED), Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Deadline: 10/03/2006

The purpose of the Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities program is to: (1) Improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology, (2) support educational media services activities designed to be of educational value in the classroom setting to children with disabilities, and (3) provide support for captioning and video description that is appropriate for use in the classroom setting.

Maximum Grant Award: \$300,000

Number of Awards: 12

Eligible Applicants: SEAs; LEAs; public charter schools that are LEAs under State law; IHEs; other public agencies; private nonprofit organizations; outlying areas; freely associated States; Indian tribes or tribal organizations; and for-profit organizations.

Contact: Tom V. Hanley, Phone: 202-245-7369, Website: www.ed.gov

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Technology and Media Services for Individuals With Disabilities: Center To Support Technology Innovation for Students With Disabilities

U.S. Department of Education (ED), Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Deadline: 12/02/2006

The purpose of the program is to: 1) Improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology, 2) support educational media services activities designed to be of educational value in the classroom setting to children with disabilities, and 3) provide support for captioning and video description that is appropriate for use in the classroom setting.

Maximum Grant Size: \$800,000

Eligible Applicants: State educational agencies (SEAs); local educational agencies (LEAs); public charter schools that are LEAs under State law; institutions of higher education (IHEs); other public agencies; private nonprofit organizations; outlying areas; freely associated States; Indian tribes or tribal organizations; and for-profit organizations.

Contact: Jane Hauser, Contact Phone: 202-245-7373

Website: www.ed.gov

EDUCATION

Mr. Holland's Opus Music Foundation Grants

Deadline: Open/Rolling

Mr. Holland's Opus Music Foundation Grants have two programs, The Melody Program that targets qualified school music programs in need of assistance, and The Special Projects Program that targets community schools of the arts, after school programs and youth orchestras in need of assistance.

Maximum Award: Programs fund instrument repair and the acquisition of new instruments; no cash grants.

Eligibility: school music programs K-12; community schools of the arts, after-school programs, and youth orchestras.

Website: <http://news.publiceducation.org/t/5780/214183/181/0/>

Grants for Early Literary Professionals

Deadline: Open/Rolling

RA & RR Reading Conference Grants are available to help fund expenses for selected early literacy professionals attending International Reading Association or Reading Recovery conferences.

Maximum Award: \$200.

Eligibility: early literacy professionals (grades K-3). Website: <http://news.publiceducation.org/t/5780/214183/182/0/>

Grants for Arts, Education, and Health Projects

Deadline: Open/Rolling

The Milagro Foundation seeks grants applications from community-based, grass-roots organizations that work with underprivileged children and youth in the areas of arts, education, and health.

Maximum Award: \$5000.

Eligibility: 501(c)3 organizations in the United States

Website: <http://www.milagrofoundation.org/apply.asp>

Beyond Words: The Dollar General School Library Relief Program

Deadline: Open/Rolling

Dollar General has created a grant program to benefit public school libraries in communities affected by disasters. The fund will provide grants for

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books, media, and/or equipment that support learning in a school library environment.

Maximum Award: \$15,000.

Eligible Applicants: Public school libraries that have incurred substantial damage or hardship due to a natural disaster (tornado, earthquake, hurricane, flood, avalanche, mudslide), fire or an act recognized by the federal government as terrorism. First priority for the initial grants will be given to school libraries impacted by hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma -- either through direct loss or through an increase in enrollment due to displaced students.

Website: <http://www.ala.org/ala/aasl/aaslwards/dollargeneral/disasterrelief.htm>

AEP Funding for Education & Human Services

Deadlines: Open/Rolling

The American Electric Power (AEP) Corporate Giving Program supports nonprofit organizations in communities in AEP's service territory. Funding is provided in such areas as education (preference is given to grades Pre-K-12 in the fields of math, science, and technology); and human services (hunger, housing, health and safety).

Eligible applicants: Nonprofit organizations in Texas, this includes Corpus Christi, Laredo, Victoria, McAllen, Abilene, San Angelo and Longview.

Website: <http://www.aep.com/go/corpgiving> <<http://www.aep.com/go/corpgiving>>

Fellowships for Hands-on Science Learning

Deadline: Open/ Rolling

Earthwatch Institute offers educators fully-funded fellowships for hands-on learning with leading scientists doing field research and conservation on one of 130 projects around the world.

Maximum Award: fully-funded fellowship.

Eligibility: Elementary, middle, and high school educators and administrators of any discipline.

Website: <http://www.earthwatch.org/education/educator/opportunities.html>

Outdoor Classroom Grant Program for the Natural Sciences

Deadline: Open/Rolling

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation, International Paper and National Geographic Explorer! Magazine have teamed up to create an outdoor classroom grant program whose focus is to engage students in hands-on natural science experiences and allow enrichment opportunities across the core curriculum.

Maximum Award: \$2,000

Eligibility: K-12 public schools in the United States.

Website: <http://www.lowes.com/lowes/lkn?action=pg&p=AboutLoves/outdoor/index.html>

Barnes & Noble Corporate Contributions

Deadline: Open/Rolling

Barnes & Noble Corporate Contributions Program is committed to literary-based sponsorships and partners with organizations that focus their core businesses on higher learning, literacy and the arts.

Maximum Award: varies.

Eligibility: non-profit organizations that focus on literacy, the arts or education (K - 12).

Website: http://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/our_company/sponsorship/sponsorships_national/donations_national.html

The Big Read Program

Deadline: Phase I – 9/12/2006, Phase II – 02/01/2007

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The Big Read Program, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services, will engage libraries and other community and school partners across the country to encourage citizens to read for pleasure and enlightenment. The program is designed to revitalize the role of literature in American popular culture and bring the transformative power of literature into the lives of its citizens.

Maximum Award: \$10,000-\$20,000.

Eligibility: 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization or division of state, local, or tribal government that possesses a demonstrated capacity to plan and implement a well-planned, well-attended, community-wide event with a diverse range of programming.

Website: http://www.neabigread.org/application_process.php

Office Depot/SHOPA 2006 Kids In Need Teacher Grants

Deadline: 09/30/2006

The grants are available to fund projects that make creative use of common teaching aids, approach curriculum from an imaginative angle, or tie non-traditional concepts together for the purpose of illustrating commonalities. Innovation and merit account for 40% of the evaluation. Maximum Award: \$500.

Eligibility: K-12 teachers.

Website: http://shopa.org/shopa_foundation/2006_teacher_grants/2006_teacher_grant_app.php?source=officedepot

Best Buy Offers Support for Interactive Technology in K-12 Schools

Deadline: 9/30/2006

The Best Buy Te@ch program recognizes creative uses of interactive technology in K-12 classrooms. The purpose of te@ch is to reward schools for successful interactive programs they have launched using available technology. This year the program will provide more than \$3.5 million in total awards to K-12 public, private, and parochial schools in the United States.

Grant Award Amounts: Te@ch awards of \$2,500 each will be given in recognition of up to 1,200 outstanding programs that engage students by creatively integrating interactive technology into the curriculum. The awards are \$2,500 Best Buy Gift Cards. Te@ch awards of \$15,000 each will be granted to up to thirty-six schools that display the greatest creativity in their programs/projects and the clearest vision of how to increase the school's use of interactive technology through a \$15,000 te@ch award. Te@ch awards of \$15,000 are in addition to the \$2,500 te@ch award given to the school and are presented in the form of a Best Buy Gift Card or spending account.

Eligible Applicants: schools must be located within fifty miles of a Best Buy store. Accredited K-12 public, private, parochial, and nonprofit charter schools are eligible. Applications must be completed by educators who have been at the school for a minimum of one full academic year. Different educators from a single school may submit applications, but only one award per school will be granted. Home schools, pre-K schools/programs, after-school programs, colleges, universities, and vocational-technical schools are not eligible.

Website: <https://bestbuyteach.scholarshipamerica.org/>

Grants for Music Education and Talent Development Programs

Deadline: 10/01/2006

The ASCAP Foundation is now considering proposals from organizations engaging in music education and talent development programs that support music education programs for aspiring songwriters and composers.

Maximum Award: \$5,000

Eligibility: Organization must be 501(c)(3)

Website: <http://www.ascapfoundation.org/grants.html>

Grants to Improve Humanities Education

Funding Opportunities

Deadline: 10/02/2006

National Endowment for the Humanities Grants for Teaching and Learning Resources and Curriculum Development support projects that improve specific areas of humanities education and serve as national models of excellence. Projects must draw upon scholarship in the humanities and use scholars and teachers as advisers. NEH is especially interested in projects that offer solutions to problems frequently encountered by teachers.

Maximum Award: \$200,000.

Eligibility: county, city, township, or state governments; public and state controlled institutions of higher education; private institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized); independent school districts; 501(c)(3) organizations.

Website: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppld=10506&mode=VIEW>

Grants for Professional Development

Deadline: 10/15/2006

The NEA Foundation Learning and Leading grants are provided to individuals to fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research and to groups fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment.

Maximum Award: \$2,000

Eligibility: K-12 public school teachers, public school education support professionals, and faculty and staff in public higher education institutions.

Website: <http://news.publiceducation.org/t/4602/214183/76/0/>

National Gardening Association Healthy Sprouts Awards

Deadline: 10/15/2006

This program invites applications from schools or organizations who plan to garden in 2007. Maximum Award: \$200 Gift Certificate.

Eligibility: groups having at least fifteen children between the ages of 3 and 18.

Website: <http://www.kidsgardening.com/healthysprouts1.asp>

Organic School Garden Awards

Deadline: 10/31/2006

School gardens using organic methods can enter the Organic School Garden Awards program, sponsored by the Rodale Institute.

Maximum Award: \$1000.

Eligibility: Teams of students and teachers (grades K-12) nationwide.

Website: <http://www.kidsregen.org/gardens/index.shtml>

Target Field Trip Grants

Deadline: 11/01/2006

Target Field Trip Grants are available to fund scholastic outings in situations where monies are otherwise lacking.

Maximum Award: \$1000.

Eligibility: teachers, principals, paraprofessionals and classified staff in K-12 public, private or charter school in the U.S. Applications will be posted online beginning September 1, 2006. Website: <http://sites.target.com/site/en/corporate/page.jsp?contentId=PRD03-001814>

Funds to Support Learning and Working in Outdoor Gardens

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Deadline: 11/01/2006

The National Gardening Association and Home Depot Youth Garden Grant Program is awarding funds for child-centered plans that emphasize youth learning and working in an outdoor garden. Areas considered for support include educational, environmental, or social programming; leadership; community support; sustainability; innovation, and need. Applicants must plan to garden in 2007 with at least fifteen children between the ages of three and 18 years.

Maximum Award: educational materials from NGA and a gift card (amount to be determined) from Home Depot.

Eligibility: schools, youth groups, community centers, camps, clubs, treatment facilities, and intergenerational groups throughout the United States.

Website: <http://news.publiceducation.org/t/4842/214183/104/0/>

Awards for Excellence in Private Enterprise Education

Deadline: 11/01/2006

The Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge conducts the Leavey Awards for Excellence in Private Enterprise Education to honor outstanding educators who excite a commitment in their students to the free enterprise system and unleash the entrepreneurial skills of their students at the elementary, junior high school, high school and college level.

Maximum Award: \$7,500

Eligibility: teachers at schools (K-12), colleges, and universities.

Website: <http://www.ffvf.org/leavey.asp>

Using Music to Teach Mathematics Grants

Deadline: 11/03/2006

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Using Music to Teach Mathematics Grants are available for the incorporation of music into the elementary school classroom to help young students learn mathematics.

Maximum Award: \$3,000.

Eligibility: current NCTM members or those who teach in a school with a current K-8 NCTM school membership and currently teach mathematics or collaborate with teachers of mathematics in grades K-2.

Website: <http://news.publiceducation.org/t/5780/214183/183/0/>

Mathematics Classroom-Based Research Grants

Deadline: 11/03/2006

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Classroom-Based Research Grants for Grades K-12 Teachers are to support and encourage classroom-based research in precollege mathematics education in collaboration with college or university mathematics educators.

Maximum Award: \$8,000

Eligibility: The applicant must be a current NCTM member or teach at a school having a current K-8 NCTM school membership. The college or university mathematics educator must be a member of the NCTM.

Website: <http://www.nctm.org/about/met/begle.htm>

Connecting Mathematics to Other Subject Areas Grants

Deadline: 11/03/2006

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Connecting Mathematics to Other Subject Areas Grants will be awarded to create senior high classroom materials or lessons connecting mathematics to other fields.

Maximum Award: \$3,000

Eligibility: The applicant must be a current member of NCTM and currently teach mathematics in grades 9-12 at least 50 percent of the school day.

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Website: <http://www.nctm.org/about/met/pappas.htm>

Verizon Foundation Literacy Grants

Deadline: 11/30/2006

Verizon Foundation is now accepting proposals from eligible institutions for Literacy Grants. Maximum Award: \$5,000-\$10,000.

Eligibility: elementary and secondary schools (public and private) that are registered with the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES).

Website: <http://foundation.verizon.com/04008.shtml>

Administration of NOAA's Undergraduate Scholarship Program

U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

Deadline: 11/01/2006

NOAA's Office of Education (OEd), Educational Partnership Program is announcing the availability of Federal assistance for a not-for-profit organization to administer its Undergraduate Scholarship Program. The goal of the Undergraduate Scholarship Program is to increase the number of students who undertake course work and graduate with degrees in the targeted areas integral to NOAA's mission. This program targets students who have completed their sophomore year; attend Minority Serving Institutions; major in mathematics, science, or engineering; and have recently declared, or about to declare a major in atmospheric, oceanic, remote sensing technology or environmental science disciplines. The Undergraduate Scholarship participants must be U.S. citizens and attend an MSI including Hispanic Serving Institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Tribal College and Universities, Alaska-Native Serving Institutions, and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions full-time, be pursuing studies in atmospheric science, biology, cartography, chemistry, computer science, engineering, environmental science, geodesy, geography, marine science, mathematics, meteorology, physical science, oceanography, marine biology, photogrammetry, or physics. Participants must have, and maintain, a 3.0 grade point average.

Maximum Grant Size: \$500,000

Number of Awards: 2- 4

Eligible Applicants: Proposals will only be accepted from non-profit organizations.

Contact: Chantell Haskins, Phone: 301-713-9437 x 125, Email: Chantell.Haskins@noaa.gov

Website: www.noaa.gov

Grants for Middle School Explorers

Deadline: 02/12/2007

The Christopher Columbus Awards program challenges middle school students to explore opportunities for positive change in their communities. Teams of up to four students and a coach identify a community issue and use the scientific process to solve it.

Maximum Award: \$25,000 for the community; finalist teams get an all-expense-paid trip to Walt Disney World.

Eligibility: middle school students.

Website: <http://www.christophercolumbusawards.com>

FAMILIES & CHILDREN

A.L. Mailman Family Foundation

Deadline: letter of intent May 1 or December 1 (annual dates)

The A.L. Mailman Family Foundation's mission is to enhance the ability of families and communities to nurture their children. The Foundation believes that the most effective way to address this mission is by focusing on early childhood, and therefore funds projects of national import in the early childhood field. The Foundation focuses on the following funding categories: Early Childhood Care and Education, Family Support, and Moral Education and Social Responsibility. The Foundation does not support locally focused, direct service projects of organizations such as child care centers, schools, and professional education programs.

Website: <http://www.mailman.org/>

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HEALTH

W.K. Kellogg Foundation Grants

W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Deadline: Rolling/ Open

Health programming at the Kellogg Foundation focuses explicitly on improving individual and community health and improving access and the quality of health care. The goal over the next five years is to promote health among vulnerable individuals and communities through programming that: empowers individuals, mobilizes communities, engages institutions, improves health care quality and access, and informs public and marketplace policy. Grant making takes into account the social and economic determinants of health within a person's community; the quality of health institutions within that community; and the policies that determine how health services are organized, provided, and financed. Grant making also targets communities, health care systems, and public health as centers of change.

Eligible Applicants: Eligible organizations include nonprofit organizations with 501(c) 3 status.

Contact: Deborah A Rey, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, One Michigan Ave. East, Battle Creek, MI 49017-4058.

Website: <http://www.wkcf.org/Grants/>

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Local Initiative Funding Partners Program

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Deadline: Rolling/ Open

The Local Initiative Funding Partners (LIFP) program is a partnership between the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) and local grantmakers that supports innovative, community-based projects to improve health and health care for vulnerable populations. Through LIFP, a local grantmaker proposes a funding partnership with RWJF by nominating a new project designed to address the health problems of people who are not reached by traditional health and social services, or for whom existing services are insufficient. LIFP provides grants of \$200,000 to \$500,000 per project, which must be matched dollar for dollar by local grantmakers such as independent and private foundations, community and family foundations, corporate foundations and others. These matching grants may not be used for operation of existing programs.

Website: <http://www.lifp.org/>

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Announces Personal Health Information Technology Grant Program

Deadline: 9/19/2006

The initiative, [Project Health Design: Rethinking the Power and Potential of Personal Health Records](#), encourages technology pioneers to design the next generation of personal health record systems in ways that empower patients to better manage their health and health care. The program will support up to ten multi-disciplinary teams in a collaborative effort to design and test innovative PHR applications that can be built upon a common technology platform. All teams will work closely with patients and consumers throughout the process to ensure that their designs align with end users' needs and preferences. Upon completing the design phase of the program, teams will test prototype applications with patient populations.

Maximum Grant Size: \$300,000

Number of Awards: 8-10

Eligible Applicants: public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The program is also open to for-profit entities.

Website: <http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19646>

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American Academy of Dermatology Awards Shade Structure Grants

Deadline: 10/01/06

The American Academy of Dermatology's (Academy's) Shade Structure Grant Program awards funds for the purchase for permanent shade structures to non-profit organizations in need of shade for outdoor locations. These locations include any areas where children and adults gather and are exposed to the harmful ultraviolet (UV) rays of the sun, such as playgrounds, pools, bleachers, eating areas and other recreation areas. The Academy's Youth Education Committee awards the grants based on the following criteria:

- Demonstrated commitment to sun safety within their organization and community;
- Sponsorship of application by an Academy member dermatologist from their community; and

Ability to meet the build timeline.

Website: www.aad.org

Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Deadline: 9/13/2006 Letter of intent, 10/13/2006 Final applications

This Funding Opportunity Announcement invites applications to develop research on health literacy in general areas that include, but are not limited to, the following: Modeling and measuring the nature and scope of health literacy; Variation in health literacy over the life course or among native and non-native speakers of English; Mediators and moderators of low health literacy; The impact of low health literacy on health outcomes, diseases, behaviors and treatments, including the contribution of health literacy to informed decision-making, adherence to preventative or therapeutic regimens, utilization of health care services, risk avoidance strategies, and other consumer health-care related actions; The identification of effective preventive and other interventions to improve health literacy among populations and to enable the healthcare and public health systems to communicate effectively across different health literacy levels; and The development of effective methods and new technologies in health literacy research.

Eligible Applicants: For-profit organizations, Non-profit organizations, Public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, Units of State government, Units of local government, Eligible agencies of the Federal government, Foreign Institutions, Domestic Institutions, Faith-based or community-based organizations, Units of State Tribal government and Units of Local Tribal government.

Contact: Rosaly Correa-de-Araujo, Phone: 301-427-1550, Email: rcorrea@ahrg.gov

Website: www.nih.gov

Rural Health Network Development Planning

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Deadline: 10/12/2006

The purpose of the Rural Health Network Development Planning Grant Program is to provide support to entities that need assistance to plan, organize and develop a health care network because they do not have a significant history of collaboration and are not sufficiently evolved to apply for a three year Rural Health Network Development Grant. This support may be sufficient to jumpstart a network into becoming operational and developing strategies for becoming sustainable. The grant program supports one year of planning to develop and operationalize health care networks, consisting of at least three health care providers, in rural areas.

Maximum Grant Size: \$85,000

Number of Awards: 11

Eligible Applicants: The applicant must be a public or non-profit entity that represents a network that includes at least three or more health care providers. In addition, the grantee must meet the following requirements: The applicant organization must be located in an eligible rural area or a rural census tract of a metropolitan county and all grant funded activities must support rural areas. Applicant providing services exclusively to migrant and seasonal farm workers in rural areas and is supported under Section 330G of the Public Health Service Act. Federally recognized Native American Tribe or Tribal Organization that will deliver services on a Reservation or on federally recognized Tribal lands. Existing networks that seek to expand services or expand their service area are not eligible to apply for this program.

Contact: Eileen Holloran, Phone: 301-443-7529, Email: eholloran@hrsa.gov

Website: www.hrsa.gov

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Rural Health Care Services Outreach Grant Program

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Deadline: 10/18/2006

The Office of Rural Health Policy's Rural Health Care Services Outreach Grant Program encourages the development of new and innovative health care delivery systems in rural communities that lack essential health care services. The emphasis of this grant program is on service delivery through collaboration, requiring the grantee to form a consortium with at least two additional partners. The community being served must be involved in the development and ongoing operations of the program, to appropriately address the needs of the population. Programs funded have varied greatly and have brought care that would not otherwise have been available to at least two million rural citizens across the country. Through consortia of local providers and others, rural communities have managed to provide services such as hospice, dental care for children, and prenatal care in many remote areas.

Maximum Grant Size: \$150,000

Number of Awards: 25

Eligible Awards: Rural, nonprofit private or public entities that represent a consortium of three or more organizations that deliver health care services in rural areas. Only the applicant organization is required to be a rural private or public not-for-profit entity. Faith-based and community-based organizations are eligible to apply.

Contact: Jennifer L. Chang, Phone: 301-443-0736, Email: JChang@hrsa.gov

Website: www.hrsa.gov

HIV Early Intervention Services: Competing Continuation and New Proposals for Existing Geographic Service Areas

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Deadline: 10/23/2006

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) anticipates Title III Early Intervention Services (EIS) grant funds will be available for Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 to support outpatient HIV early intervention and primary care services. These services target low-income, medically underserved people in existing primary care systems.

Total Funding Available: \$77,622,000

Number of Awards: 112

Eligible Applicants: Consolidated Health Center Programs (Community Health Centers, Migrant Health Centers, Health Care for the Homeless, and Public Housing Primary Care) receiving support under Section 330 of the PHS Act, Family planning agencies under Section 1001 of the PHS Act, other than States. Comprehensive Hemophilia Diagnostic and Treatment Centers, Federally qualified health centers as described in Title XIX, Section 1905 of the Social Security Act, Nonprofit private entities that currently provide comprehensive primary care services to populations at risk of HIV disease, Local health departments, University/Medical Center affiliated clinics, Faith-based and community-based organizations.

Contact: Kathleen Treat, Phone: 301-443-7602, Email: kathleen.treat@hrsa.hhs.gov

Website: www.hrsa.gov

Clinical Nutrition Research Unit Core Centers

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Deadline: letter of intent **10/24/2006**, final applications **11/21/2006**

The objective of the Clinical Nutrition Research Units is to bring together basic science and clinical investigators from relevant disciplines to enhance and extend the effectiveness of research related to nutritional sciences, obesity, and related disorders, with clinical and/or translational applications in these areas. A Core Center must be an identifiable unit within a university or medical center or a consortium of cooperating institutions, including an affiliated university. An existing program of excellence in biomedical basic and clinical research in the areas of nutritional sciences, obesity, and related disorders is required. The research must be in the form of research project grants (R01), program project grants (P01), or other peer-reviewed research that is already funded by NIH, other Federal Agencies, or non-federal groups at the time of submission of the Center grant application. It is required that at least fifty percent of the nutritional sciences and obesity or other related disorders research comprising the research base be supported by Federal Agencies. Close cooperation, communication, and collaboration among all involved personnel of various professional disciplines are ulti-

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mate objectives.

Maximum Grant Size: \$450,000

Number of Awards: 2

Eligible Applicants: For-profit organizations, Non-profit organizations, Public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, Units of State government, Units of local government, Eligible agencies of the Federal government, Domestic Institutions only, Foreign Institutions are not eligible to apply.

Contact: Carolyn W. Miles, Phone: 301-451-2759, Email: cm294e@nih.gov

Website: www.nih.gov

Rural Health Network Development

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Deadline: 11/02/2006

This program is designed to support organizations that wish to further ongoing collaborative relationships among health care organizations to integrate systems of care administratively, clinically, financially and technologically. Unlike the Rural Health Outreach Program, the funds provided are not used for the direct delivery of services. The ultimate goal of the program is to build continually self-perpetuating sustainable networks with business (network partner return) and social (community return) competencies that increase access and quality of rural health care and ultimately, the health status of rural residents. Networks must consist of at least three separately owned entities. Each member of the network must sign a memorandum of agreement or similar formal collaborative agreement.

Maximum Grant Size: \$180,000

Number of Awards: 5-6

Eligible Applicants: The applicant organization must be a public or private non-profit entity located in a rural area.

Contact: Sherilyn Pruitt, Phone: 301-594-0819. Email: spruitt@hrsa.gov

Website: www.hrsa.gov

Diabetes Research Centers

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Deadline: 11/17/2006 Letter of intent, **12/18/2006** Final applications

This Request for Applications (RFA) solicits new and competing continuation applications for Diabetes Endocrinology Research Centers (DERCs) and Diabetes Research and Training Centers (DRTCs). Both types of centers are designed to support and enhance the national research effort in diabetes and related endocrine and metabolic diseases.

Maximum Grant Size: \$1,250,000

Number of Awards: 8-10

Eligible Applicants: non-profit organizations, for-profit organizations, Public or private institutions, such as universities, colleges, hospitals, and laboratories, Units of State government, Units of local government, Eligible agencies of the Federal government, Domestic Institutions

Contact: Kristin Abraham, Phone: 301-451-8048, Email: ka136s@nih.gov

Website: www.nih.gov

HOUSING

Emergency Capital Repair Grants for Multifamily Housing Projects Designated for Occupancy by the Elderly

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

Deadline: Rolling / Open

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This notice announces the availability of approximately \$30 million in grant funds to make emergency capital repairs to eligible multifamily projects owned by private nonprofit entities that are designated for occupancy by elderly tenants. The capital repair needs must relate to items that present an immediate threat to the health, safety, and quality of life of the tenants. The intent of these grants is to provide one-time assistance for emergency items that could not be absorbed within the project's operating budget and other project resources, and where the tenants' continued occupancy in the immediate near future would be jeopardized by a delay in initiating the proposed cure.

Maximum Grant Size: \$500,000

Eligible Applicants: private nonprofit owners of eligible multifamily- assisted housing developments designated for occupancy by elderly tenants.

Contact: G. DeWayne Kimbrough, Phone: 202-708-3000, Website: www.hud.gov

Rural Community Development Initiative

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Housing Service (RHS)

Deadline: 10/10/2006

This Notice announces the availability of approximately \$6 million of grant funds for the RCDI program through the Rural Housing Service (RHS), an agency within the USDA Rural Development mission area herein referred to as the Agency. Applicants must provide matching funds in an amount at least equal to the Federal grant. These grants will be made to qualified intermediary organizations that will provide financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development.

Maximum Grant Size: \$300,000

Eligible Applicants: Qualified private, nonprofit and public (including tribal) intermediary organizations.

Contact: William Kenney, Phone: 202-720-1506; Email: william.kenney@wdc.usda.gov

Website: www.usda.gov/rhs

NATURE, CONSERVATION, PARKS AND ENVIRONMENT

Texas Community Outdoor Outreach Program (COOP) Grants

Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife

Deadline: 10/01/2006

The COOP grant helps to introduce under-served populations to the **services, programs, and facilities** of Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. This is not a land acquisition/construction grant; this is only for programs and services.

Maximum Grant Size: \$30,000

Eligible Applicants: non-profit organizations, schools, municipalities, counties, cities, and other groups.

Website: <http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/business/grants/trpa/#lwcf>

Tony Hawk Foundation Accepting Applications for Public Skatepark Grant Program

Deadline: 10/01/2006

The [Tony Hawk Foundation](http://www.tonyhawkfoundation.org) works to promote high-quality public skateparks in low-income areas throughout the United States. Since 2002, the foundation has awarded 291 skatepark grants worth more than \$1.3 million. The foundation's board of directors meets twice annually to review grant applications from municipalities and community groups pursuing public skateparks. The board favors projects that demonstrate the greatest need, significant involvement of skaters at every step of the skatepark process, and a commitment to hiring experienced skatepark specialists to ensure a quality park.

Maximum Grant Size: \$1,000 to \$25,000

Eligible Applicants: must be public charities organized under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and qualified under Section 170(B)(1)(A),

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or a state or local agency (including public school systems or public projects). Projects most likely to receive funding will be located in low-income areas and can demonstrate strong community and grassroots support.

Website: http://www.tonyhawkfoundation.org/grant_application.asp

Fund for Wild Nature

Deadline: 11/03/2006

This funding would provide money for campaigns to save and restore native species and wild ecosystems, including actions to defend wilderness and biological diversity. The fund supports advocacy, litigation, public policy work, development of citizen science, and similar endeavors. The fund does not support basic scientific research, private land acquisition, individual action or study, or conferences. The fund will only support media projects that have a clear strategic value and a concrete plan for dissemination of the final product. The fund supports biocentric goals that are premised on effective and intelligible strategies, with special attention to ecological issues not currently receiving sufficient public attention and funding. The fund seeks proposals with visionary yet realistic goals to create tangible change. All proposals must be highly cost effective. The fund rarely supports proposals from organizations with annual budgets greater than \$250,000, and only supports projects in the United States, Canada, and Mexico. No individual or organization may receive more than one grant per calendar year.

Website: <http://www.fundwildnature.org/proposal.html>

Grants to Protect and Preserve the Environment

Deadline: 11/30/2006

2007 SeaWorld/Busch Gardens/Fujifilm Environmental Excellence Awards recognize the outstanding efforts of students and teachers across the country who are working at the grassroots level to protect and preserve the environment.

Maximum Award: \$10,000

Eligibility: All schools (grades K-12) and community groups.

Website: <http://news.publiceducation.org/t/4602/214183/77/0/>

Funding Opportunities

For information on these and other funding opportunities, please contact:

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