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I am pleased to provide you with a copy of the 2010 Pennsylvania Grant & Resource Directory.

The Pennsylvania Grant & Resource Directory is a good starting point for constituents and organizations interested in state and federal assistance. It provides a general overview of each state grant and assistance program, including deadlines and contact information. The directory is not a comprehensive listing, but it can be a useful starting place. The Pennsylvania Grant & Resource Directory is divided into four sections: Pennsylvania Departments; Pennsylvania Boards and Commissions; Federal Government; and Private Resources. This edition has an expanded federal government section and there are more private and corporate foundation sources provided.

If you have access to the internet, I recommend that you utilize the state's Web page for further information regarding grant and assistance program funding. To search for a particular program, go to www.state.pa.us and enter the word 'grant' in the search section.

I hope the resource proves useful. If you have any questions or need assistance in securing information from any program, please feel free to contact my office. It would be my pleasure to facilitate correspondence and offer a letter of support on your behalf.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith R. McCall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "K" and "M".

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It is important to note that grant and loan programs may change in a fiscal year. It is always best to check Web sites or contact the government agency to learn about the current status of any program.

General Guide to Funding Assistance Terms

The information listed below outlines the several common forms of funding. The list is far from exclusive and should be used as a general guide:

- **Appropriations:** State government appropriations are authorized by the General Assembly or an executive authorization by the governor. State funds include the General; Motor License, Banking; Pa Boat; Environmental Stewardship; Farm Products Show; Fish; Game; Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation; Lottery; Racing and Tobacco Settlement. Federal government appropriations are deposited into the state General Fund. Visit www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/office_of_the_budget_home/4408 for more information. In the federal government, appropriations are authorized by Congress. Some federal appropriations are referred to as “earmarks,” and are usually large projects that are specifically placed in appropriations bills for a limited purpose. Visit www.house.gov/crs-grants/show/1.html for more information.
- **Corporate Donations:** Corporate donors may set aside funds for public relations purposes. Community service from corporations can be in monetary donations, community service or equipment. Corporate entities strive to maintain a relationship with the community with outreach programs and donations under corporation/community foundations.
- **Grants:** Government grants are usually competitive in nature and are designated and administered by state and federal government entities. States, local governments and nonprofits that fill a compelling social need are eligible entities to receive government grants. Individuals are not usually eligible unless it is an educational grant or loan, or focuses on an academic research at an institution of higher education. The federal government has two primary types of grants: categorical grants and block grants. The categorical grants are general distributed for specific purposes. Block grants are distributed to states and local governments based on a distribution formula and are available for an activity that falls within the purpose of the federal authorizing legislation. As the amount of money allocated to grant programs has steadily decreased approval is more selective and competitive.
- **Individual benefits:** Individual benefits are often called “entitlements,” and include Social Security benefits, Medical Assistance, Food Stamps, Medicare, VA benefits, etc. For more information or assistance with individual benefits, please contact Representative Keith McCall at (570) 645-7585 or by mail at 162 W. Ridge St., Lansford, PA 18232 or visit www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits.
- **Private Foundations:** Some communities are fortunate to have local foundations whose funds can be used for providing a specific need, start or maintain a service, help low-income areas, etcetera. Some national corporate foundations contribute to specific community or social needs. Hundreds of foundations offer grant opportunities and these should not be overlooked.
- **Procurement:** Whether you are a small or large organization, there are many government procurement opportunities available to you. Visit the Pennsylvania Department of General Services’ (DGS) Cooperative Purchasing Program or COSTARS www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/costars/1272. DGS requires Local Public Procurement Units and State Affiliated Entities to register as COSTARS Members, and only those entities registered with DGS may purchase from the Contract. The federal government has a Web site for more information as well: www.usa.gov/Business/Business_Gateway.shtml or www.fbo.gov/. Additional assistance is available through the Procurement Technical Assistance Centers. To find the center closest to you, contact 1 (800) FED INFO or 1 (800) 333-4636.

Grant Basics

1. **Need and plan.** Determine your need and formulate a plan for implementation.
2. **Research and find opportunity.** Search or browse Web sites as well as private foundations and catalogs for potential grant opportunities that fit you need. This may require some creative thinking. Study the decision makers stands/points of view. Gather facts and figures to support your need. Often grant solicitations will describe what they do not want, but will not fully explain what they will accept.
3. **Locate the grant contact person.** Once you have identified potential funding sources, it is often recommended that you inquire with grant contact person to discuss the application process and how best to present your grant request in a way that maximizes the chances of award selection.
4. **There are eight basic components to creating a proposal:** 1) summary; 2) introduction of the organization; 3) problem/needs assessment; 4) project objective; 5) project method or design; 6) project evaluation; 7) future funding needs; and 8) project budget.
5. **Review grant applications.**
6. **Check regularly.** Check the Web sites weekly for new grant postings.
7. **Write proposal.** Learn how to write grant proposals, (see below for grant writing resources). Present decision makers' terms, best interests or focus. Keep records, follow-up as needed and thank everyone for their help.

How Representative Keith McCall Can Be of Further Assistance

- Partner or coordinate with local groups working toward the same goals
- Direct the applicant to grant writing aid sources
- Write letters of support
- Follow-up with grant sources to ascertain status of the grant

Grant Writing & Resources

- **Pennsylvania Web page** – www.state.pa.us
Visit the state's Web page for further information regarding grant and assistance program funding. Each agency has a subsection on grants, loans and other types of assistance. Or, go to search section of the Web page and type a particular program or enter the word 'grant.'
- **Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) – Developing and Writing Grant Proposals**
www.aspe.hhs.gov/cfda/ia6.htm
- **Foundation Center's Proposal Writing Short Course** – www.foundationcenter.org/getstarted/tutorials/shortcourse/index.html

Federal Grant Sources

- **Grants.gov** – www.Grants.gov

A federal grants Web site that allows organizations to electronically find and apply for current competitive grant opportunities from all federal agencies. Grant seekers can check on notices of funding availability posted in the last seven days, sign-up to receive e-mail notification of future grant opportunities and apply for federal grants online through a unified process. Federal program descriptions are incorporated in the CFDA, (see below).

- Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance** – www.cfda.gov

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) is issued annually and updated continuously on the Web. It describes about 1,600 federal grants and non-financial assistance programs. Grant seekers can identify programs that might support their projects and can learn the program's objectives, requirements, application procedures and contacts. For current notices of funding availability, see Grants.gov. A hard copy of the catalog can be obtained through the Government Printing Office (www.bookstore.gpo.gov/; phone: 1 (866) 512-1800, or by visiting a Federal Depository Library).

- **Federal Funds Express** – www.house.gov/ffr/resources_all.shtml

This Web site lists recommended sources of information for researching grants, procurement, and other resources on the Internet.

- **USA.gov Government-to-Government** – www.usa.gov/Government/State_Local.shtml

Thousands of grants and loans are awarded by the federal government to state and local governments, as well as other public entities. This site provides a one-stop access to grants management and federal assistance programs, in addition to resources about acquisition and procurement, financial management and taxes.

- **USA.gov for Nonprofits and Businesses** – www.usa.gov/Business/Business_Gateway.shtml

The site has links to federal departments, agency information and services for nonprofit organizations about fundraising and outreach, grants, loans and other assistance. Pertinent laws and regulations, management and operations, online services, registration and licensing, and tax information are available.

Other Funding Sources

The Foundation Center – www.foundationcenter.org/

The Foundation Center serves as a gateway to information about private funding sources, the grant-seeking process, guidelines on writing a grant proposal, addresses of state libraries with grants reference collections and links to other useful Web sites. The center maintains a comprehensive database on foundations; produces print, Web, and CD-ROM directories and guides; conducts research and publishes studies in the field; and offers a variety of training and educational seminars.

There are Cooperating Collections, which are free funding information centers in libraries, community foundations, and other nonprofit resource centers, that provide a core collection of Foundation Center publications and a variety of supplementary materials and services in areas useful to grant seekers. The following are Pennsylvania participants:

BEAVER COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

109 Pleasant Dr., Ste. 101
Aliquippa, PA 15001
(724) 728-3737

ALLENTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

1210 Hamilton St.
Allentown, PA 18102
(610) 820-2400

NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Paul and Harriett Mack Library
3835 Green Pond Road
Bethlehem, PA 18020
(610) 861-5360

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Brendlinger Library
340 DeKalb Pike
Blue Bell, PA 19422
(215) 641-6596

MARGARET R. GRUNDY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

680 Radcliffe St.
Bristol, PA 19007
(215) 788-7891

EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Kemp Library
200 Prospect Ave.
East Stroudsburg, PA 18301
(570) 422-3594

ERIE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

160 E. Front St.
Erie, PA 16507
(814) 451-6927

FRANKLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

421 12th St.
Franklin, PA 16323
(814) 432-5062

DAUPHIN COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

East Shore Area Library
4501 Ethel St.
Harrisburg, PA 17109
(717) 652-9380

HAZLETON AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

55 N. Church St.
Hazleton, PA 18201
(570) 454-2961

WAYNE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

1406 N. Main St.
Honesdale, PA 18431
(570) 253-1220

LANCASTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

125 N. Duke St.
Lancaster, PA 17602
(717) 394-2651

FREE LIBRARY OF PHILADELPHIA

Regional Foundation Center
1901 Vine St., 2nd Fl.
Philadelphia, PA 19103
(215) 686-5423

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Other Funding Sources

THE JOHNSON-UGO FOUNDATION LIBRARY
Johnson Memorial UMC Education Building
3117 Longshore Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19149
(215) 338-4487

PHOENIXVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY
183 2nd Ave.
Phoenixville, PA 19460
(610) 933-3013

CARNEGIE LIBRARY OF PITTSBURGH
4400 Forbes Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
(412) 622-3158

NONPROFIT AND COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE
CENTER
1151 Oak St.
Pittston, PA 18640
(570) 655-5581

READING PUBLIC LIBRARY
100 S. 5th St.
Reading, PA 19602
(610) 655-6355

ALBRIGHT MEMORIAL LIBRARY
500 Vine St.
Scranton, PA 18510
(570) 348-3000

COMMUNITY LIBRARY OF THE SHENANGO
VALLEY
11 N. Sharpsville Ave.
Sharon, PA 16146
(724) 981-4360

CITIZENS LIBRARY
55 S. College St.
Washington, PA 15301
(724) 222-2400

JAMES V. BROWN LIBRARY
19 E. 4th St.
Williamsport, PA 17701
(570) 326-0536

MARTIN LIBRARY
159 E. Market St.
York, PA 17401
(717) 846-5300

National Association of Counties – www.naco.org/

The National Association of Counties or NACo has a Web site for members that contain a grant clearing house of resource opportunities for counties.

The Grantsmanship Center – www.tgci.com/index.shtml

The Grantsmanship Center offers grantsmanship training to nonprofit and government agencies. The Grantsmanship Center conducts workshops annually in grantsmanship training, as well as earned income strategies for nonprofits.

The following is a direct link for programs in Pennsylvania:

www.tgci.com/funding/state.asp?statename=Pennsylvania&statefile=pennsylvania&statecode=PA&stateurl=http://www.state.pa.us/

The Council on Foundations – www.classic.cof.org/locator/

The Council on Foundations is a Washington, D.C.-area based nonprofit membership association of more than 2,100 grantmaking foundations and corporations. The Council on Foundations is a membership organization that supports grantmakers in various aspects of foundation management. The council does not provide services to those seeking grants. The following Web site lists community foundations in Pennsylvania: www.classic.cof.org/locator/SearchResults.cfm?state=PA.

Other Funding Sources

Philanthropic Studies Library – www.ulib.iupui.edu/collections/special/psl

The Indiana University-Purdue University Joseph and Matthew Payton Philanthropic Studies Library has online resources and indices.

The Philanthropic Studies Index (PSI) – www.cheever.ulib.iupui.edu/psipublicsearch/

A tool to locate information on volunteerism, nonprofits, fundraising and charitable giving. The bulk of currently indexed works are from academic journals from 1940 to present. Since November 2003, PSI added dissertations, working papers, Web sites and other database sources.

GuideStar – www.guidestar.org

Gathers and publicizes information about nonprofit organizations. Guidestar has an expansive database and encourages nonprofits to share information about their organizations. It offers a searchable database of over 700,000 U.S. nonprofit organizations to subscribing members.

Nonprofit Gateway – www.nonprofit.gov

The federal government's site that provides information and services to help nonprofits.

Philanthropy News Network – www.pnnonline.org

Philanthropy Nonprofit Network or PNNOnline delivers news, information and resources to the nonprofit world in order to help them better achieve their goals. It also provides free e-mail alerts twice weekly.

School Grants – www.schoolgrants.org

SchoolGrants provides annotated links to various grant opportunities for K through grade 12 schools. It shows funding links through the U.S. Department of Education, each state's Department of Education, foundations and corporations on programs for learning enrichment.

Women's Funding Network – www.wfnet.org/

The Women's Funding Network is composed of 135 organizations that fund women's solutions around the world. The network provides women the money and tools to transform their ideas into lasting change in every critical area from combating poverty to healthcare, education and human rights.

The Pennsylvania Assistive Technology Foundation (PATF)

PATF is a non-profit organization that provides low-interest loans to people with disabilities and older adults so that they can buy the assistive technology devices and services they need. PATF has two loan programs – one, for loan amounts up to \$1,000; and a second, for loan amounts greater than \$1,000.

For *mini-loans* that are from \$100 to \$1,000, the interest rate is 0% with a minimum monthly payment of \$20. The maximum repayment period is three years.

Along with a Mini-Loan, PATF may be able to offer a *mini-grant* of up to 50% of the loan request *if* the borrower meets the grant eligibility guidelines. Guidelines: the borrower must exhaust all other funding options, and must have a *household* income that is no greater than 150% of the federal poverty guidelines. For example, income not to exceed \$16,245/yr. for a household of one. Also note: Currently, grants are not available for computer purchases.

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For low-interest loans that are greater than \$1,000, the interest rate is 4.5%. If a borrower has good credit, then his or her loan request may be approved as a traditional loan and the loan can be for up to \$60,000. The repayment period for the loan will be based upon the useful life of the device.

If, however, there are credit problems, the Bank will request that the PATF Board of Directors guarantee the loan. If the Board agrees to do so, the maximum amount a person may borrow is \$25,000. Similar to a traditional loan, the repayment terms will be based upon the useful life of the device.

For more information, please contact – 1004 W. 9th Ave., 1st Floor, King of Prussia, PA 19406, Phone: (484) 674-0506, E-mail: patf@patf.us.

Other Resources

Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Consumer Alert – www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/pubs/consumer/alerts/alt134.shtm

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is the Nation's Consumer Protection Agency. Ads claiming federal grants are available for home repairs, home business and unpaid bills are often a scam. It also warns consumers to beware of paying "processing fees" for free information. Most sources of grants do not give money to individuals for personal need (except in disaster situations).

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars – www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/index.html

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) establishes government-wide grants management policies and guidelines through circulars and common rules. OMB Circulars are cited in Catalog program descriptions and may be printed out full text.

Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO)

PANO is the statewide membership organization serving and advancing the charitable nonprofit sector through leadership, advocacy, education and other services in order to improve the overall quality of life in Pennsylvania. PANO helps charities become more efficient and effective through collaboration, cooperation and the sharing of resources and information. PANO helps charities succeed together where they cannot succeed separately.

PANO does not assist organizations with the paperwork to file with the IRS and state. PANO will only provide technical assistance to members who are starting a new nonprofit organization.

Contact – Joe Geiger, Executive Director, 777 East Park Drive, Suite 300, Harrisburg, PA 17111, Phone: (717) 236-8584, E-mail: joe@pano.org, Web site: www.pano.org

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

www.agriculture.state.pa.us

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Grants are typically available for only short periods of time and often for very specific activities. The department periodically updates the site: www.agriculture.state.pa.us/pagrows/cwp/view.asp?a=438&q=137343 to have the most up-to-date information as deadlines and new and recurring grant opportunities change.

Agricultural Rural and Youth Grant Program – This program is a competitive program that seeks projects to increase the knowledge and awareness of agricultural and rural issues among the youth in Pennsylvania. The program offers eligible organizations the opportunity to apply for a matching grant up to \$10,000 and a direct grant up to \$2,500.

Organizations comprised of persons eighteen (18) years of age or younger and which are organized and recognized within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to promote development of agriculture, rural community leadership, vocational training or peer fellowship are considered eligible applicants.

Contact – Kristi Rooker at: krooker@state.pa.us, telephone (717) 787-5342 or visit: www.agriculture.state.pa.us.

Agritourism – Find ways to attract consumers to your Agritourism operation.

Contact – (717) 787-5342 or www.visitpa.com/keystonecountry.

Capital Improvement Matching Grant Fund – A grant designed specifically to provide Pennsylvania Fairs with matching funds for capital improvement projects on fair grounds.

Contact – Kristi Rooker at: krooker@state.pa.us, telephone (717) 787-5342.

Center for Farm Transitions – This program can help farmers with information, referrals and consultations regarding their distinct situations when looking to transition enterprises on the farm, transition the next generation onto farm, or transition to a new agriculture career.

Contact – 1 (877) 475-2686 or www.iplantofarm.com.

Commercial Orchard and Fruit Tree Nursery Indemnity Program – This program is intended to provide commercial orchard owners and commercial fruit tree nursery owners financial relief from some of the costs associated with the outbreak of Plum Pox Virus (PPV).

The department instituted statutory procedures and requirements under which it will award grants under this program. PA commercial orchard and fruit tree growers who have been given written treatment orders for PPV eradication measures from the USDA and/or the department are eligible.

Contact – Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Plant Industry, at: (717) 787-4843.

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Crop Insurance Program – Since many farmers cannot control disasters, it is wise to transfer some risk to crop insurance in exchange for a manageable premium that can be a part of a budget. Crop insurance can also work as part of a seamless package with pre-harvest crop marketing programs that can help to increase profits in good years. The national crop insurance program is undergoing significant changes and improvements as a result of the new Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000.

The Crop Insurance Program is a work in progress that may have new benefits for your farm on a year-to-year basis. Farmers are encouraged to contact a crop insurance agent to get the details or their local Farming Service Agency.

Contact – Karen Powell at: (717) 705-9511

First Industries Fund – One of 19 programs in June 2004 economic stimulus package. Funds are for Small Business First program (SBF), Machinery and Equipment Loan Fund (MELF), new loan guarantee program, business and marketing plans, and other pre-construction costs.

No date specified. Land, buildings, working capital, equipment, etc. per SBF and MELF guidelines; implementing Best Management Practices; and energy-related activities impacting production agriculture or agribusiness.

Contact – Go to www.PAgrows.com for more information or call 1 (888) PAgrows.

First Industries Fund Loan Guarantees – Provides private lenders with a risk management tool, and agricultural borrowers access to private credit sources at lower-risk rates and terms.

No date specified. Applicant must submit application with following: information about applicant and business; a description of the project; a description of all sources of financing; prior two years of financial statements; meet regulatory/permitting; and other information required by the CFA.

Contact – Go to www.PAgrows.com for more information or call 1 (888) PAgrows.

Land Trust Reimbursement Grant Program – An individual grant will reimburse a qualified land trust up to \$5,000 of expenses incurred in acquiring an “agricultural conservation easement,” as defined in the Agricultural Area Security Law. Expenses include appraisal costs, legal services, title searches, document preparation, title insurance, closing fees and survey costs.

Land trust must be a tax-exempt institution under section 501(c) (3) and include the acquisition of agricultural conservation easements or other conservation easements in its stated purpose. An eligible land trust seeking reimbursement grants under the program shall register with the State Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

Contact – Pennsylvania Dept. of Agriculture, Bureau of Farmland Preservation at: (717) 783-3167.

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<p>Machinery and Equipment Loan Fund – Low-interest loan financing to acquire and install new or used machinery and equipment or to upgrade existing machinery and equipment.</p>	<p>No date specified. Production agriculture and agricultural processing are eligible. Up to 10 year term that must be directly related to farming or food manufacturing process.</p> <p>Contact – Go to www.PAgrows.com for more information or call 1 (888) PAgrows.</p>
<p>Next Generation Farmer Loan Program (NGFLP) – Encourages lenders to finance beginning farmers. The loan is made at lender’s credit standards and other terms and conditions.</p>	<p>No date specified. Terms for the loan along with any additional conditions will be at the discretion of the individual lender and will depend on the type of project. Beginning farmers (At least 18 years of age with no prior ownership of land of substantial farmland where the parcel size is greater than 30 percent of the median farm size in the county where it is located and whose net worth does not exceed \$500,000 or \$1 million as a partnership).</p> <p>Contact – Go to www.PAgrows.com for more information or call 1 (888) PAgrows.</p>
<p>Organic Cost Share Program – Reimbursement towards organic certification fees incurred in Pennsylvania.</p>	<p>Contact – Jared Grissinger at: (717) 705-9513 or www.agriculture.state.pa.us.</p>
<p>PAgrows – Provides technical assistance to help producers, processors and agribusinesses find the right funding program for their operation. PAgrows can help access low interest loan and grant programs related to agriculture.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (888) PAgrows or www.PAgrows.com.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Hardwoods Development Council Grants – Available to regional non-profit hardwood utilization groups for on-going promotion and economic development activities, and for research and special projects supporting expansion of hardwood industry.</p>	<p>Application Availability – Generally July 1 to June 30</p> <p>Average Grant Amount – \$10,000 – \$70,000</p> <p>Contact – Hardwoods Development Council at: (717) 772-3715.</p>
<p>PA Preferred® Program – Assists Pennsylvania farmers by encouraging consumers to purchase Pennsylvania products. At the same time, consumers will know that they have found foods grown and processed under some of the world’s most stringent food safety standards.</p>	<p>Contact – Joanna Gresham at: (717) 772-3094 or www.papreferred.com.</p>

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Small Business Administration 504 – The CDC/504 loan program is a long-term financing tool for economic development within a community. The program provides growing businesses with long-term fixed-rate financing for major fixed assets, such as land and buildings.

No dates specified. Any for-profit small business with a net worth less than \$7.5 million and profit after tax less than \$2.5 million is eligible. One job to be created or in some cases retained for every \$50k of net SBA 504 funds in the project within two years of disbursement.

For more information, visit: www.sba.gov.

Contact – www.PAgrows.com for more information or call 1 (888) PAgrows.

Small Business First – Funding for small businesses, including: low-interest loans for land and building acquisitions and construction, machinery and equipment purchases, and working capital.

No date specified. Production agriculture and agricultural processing are eligible. Up to 15 year term for land and building; up to 10 year term for machinery and equipment; up to 3 year term for working capital.

Contact – www.PAgrows.com for more information or call 1 (888) PAgrows.

Specialty Crop Block Grant Program –To increase the visibility and market share of Pennsylvania’s produce, nursery, horticulture and nut products; there are federal grants authorized under the 2008 Farm Bill

Contact –Lela Reichart at (717) 787-6041

State Food Purchase Program – Grants to counties or a designated lead agency to purchase food to be provided to the needy. Grants are allocated based on unemployment, food stamp recipients not on public assistance, legal immigrants, medical assistance recipients and households with earned incoming receiving assistance.

Contact – Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture at: (717) 787-4737.

USDA – FSA Direct Loans – Government funded loans made by FSA. FSA also provides loan customers with supervision and credit counseling. Farm Ownership, Operating, Emergency and Youth loans are the main types of loans available under the Direct program. Funds are also set aside each year for loans to minority applicants and beginning farmers.

No dates specified. Loan applicant must pay a credit report fee, lien searches (if loan is made), and filing and recording security instruments.

For more information, visit: www.fsa.usda.gov/dafl/.

Contact – www.PAgrows.com for more information or call 1 (888) PAgrows.

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USDA-FSA Guaranteed Loans – The loan provides lenders with a guarantee of up to 95 percent of the loss of principal and interest on a loan. Available to farmers who do not meet the lender’s normal underwriting criteria.

No dates specified. FSA charges a guarantee fee of 1 percent of the guaranteed portion of the loan. This fee may be passed on to the borrower. Guarantee waived for: assistance loans; loans where more than 50 percent of the loan funds are used to pay off direct FSA loan debt; and loans in conjunction with down payment farm ownership loan program

For more information, visit: www.fsa.usda.gov/dafl/.

Contact – www.PAgrows.com for more information or call 1 (888) PAgrows.

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Act 47 – Municipalities Financial Recovery Act –
 Provides loan and grant funds to financially distressed local governments as well as technical assistance to formulate financial recovery plans. Only local governments are eligible to apply.

Contact – Fred Reddig at (888) 223-683; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Alternative and Clean Energy Program – Activities to promote the utilization, development and construction of alternative and clean energy projects in the Commonwealth.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Loans: Loans for manufacturers of alternative and/or clean energy generation equipment or components shall not exceed \$35,000 for every new job created within three years after approval of the loan. Loans for any alternative energy production or clean energy project shall not exceed \$5 million or 50% of the total project cost, whichever is less.

Grants: Grants for manufacturers of alternative and/or clean energy generation equipment or components shall not exceed \$10,000 for every job projected to be created by the business within three years after approval of the grant. Grants for any alternative energy production or clean energy project shall not exceed \$2 million or 50% of the total project cost, whichever is less. The maximum grant amount for an Energy Savings Contract (ESCO). **Guarantees:** Grants shall not exceed \$5 million and have a term of not more than five years. In the event of a default, the grant will pay up to 75% of the deficiency.

Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) – The OAD is the conduit for resources provided by the federal government’s Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC). ARC is a unique partnership composed of the governors of the 13 Appalachian states and a presidential appointee representing the federal government. Grassroots participation is provided through Local Development Districts (LDDs) – multi-county organizations with boards made up of elected officials, businesspeople, and other local leaders. Eligible are economic development organizations, non-profit entities, local government in Appalachia PA. Funding is used for skill and knowledge, physical infrastructure, community capacity building, dynamic local economies, and health care.

Contact – Local Development District (LDD); (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

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Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority (BFTDA) – Venture Investment Program – Investment in venture capital partnerships investing in early-stage PA technology companies. Eligible are venture capital partnerships and angel investment groups. Funding is used for investment in venture capital partnerships, angel investment funds and similar initiatives.

Contact – Local Ben Franklin Technology Centers, www.benfranklin.org; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com.

Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority (BFTDA) – Technology Development Grant – Grants to help groups or consortia of Pennsylvania companies position themselves at the cutting edge of emerging technologies and establish a competitive advantage through the use of advanced e-business systems. Eligible are not-for-profit organizations; Community groups. Used for technology development/ advancement in the community.

Contact – Local Ben Franklin Technology Centers, www.benfranklin.org; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com.

Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority (BFTDA) – University Research Funding – Grants designed to promote stronger synergy between university-based research and development and the transfer of technology as it relates to economic and work force development. Eligible are colleges or universities and non-profit organizations partnering with colleges/universities. Used for research and development, technology transfer, approved course of study

Contact – Local Ben Franklin Technology Centers, www.benfranklin.org; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com.

Ben Franklin Technology Partners – Funding for research and development, technology transfer, joint research and development. Eligible are technology development/application; research and development; start-up or existing companies. Used for research and development (for Product/ Process Development), technology transfer; joint research and development (private companies and universities), technology training/entrepreneurial infrastructure. Amounts typically range from \$5,000 to \$250,000 (varies somewhat between centers and project type)

Contact – Local Ben Franklin Technology Centers, www.benfranklin.org; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com.

Business Retention & Expansion Program – (BREP) – The Pennsylvania Business Retention Program (BREP) was established in 1997 to forge better working relationships and stronger collaboration among various public, private, state and local economic development organizations, with the goal of enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of efforts to retain and grow existing Pennsylvania businesses. The program is used to foster collaboration for economic vitality through

Contact – If you would like to suggest that a company be visited, contact the BREP Regional Coordinator in your region. A list of the BREP Regional Coordinators, their contact information, and the counties in which they serve are: BREP Regional Information; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com.

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business retention and expansion. The grant amount varies from region to region. The amount depends upon how many visits the region plans to make on behalf of BREP

Broadband Outreach & Aggregation Fund (BOAF) – Grant assistance to qualified applicants to implement outreach programs concerning the benefits, use and procurement of broadband services as well as providing seed grants to aggregate customer demand in communities with little or no service so that the providers can respond to the new demand for services in a more timely fashion.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Building PA – Provides mezzanine capital for developers for real estate assets in small to mid-sized Pennsylvania communities. Eligible are Professional Investment Fund Managers through a Request for Qualification (RFQ).

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Business in Our Sites Grants and Loans – Empowers communities to attract growing and expanding businesses by helping them build an inventory of ready sites. Municipalities, municipal authorities; redevelopment authorities; industrial development agencies, and private developers are eligible. No maximum or minimum, except that the maximum amount of the funding for projects located within a single city, borough, town or township may not exceed 15 percent of the funds available for the program. Grants may not exceed 50 percent of the total amount of the financing provided, or \$5 million, whichever is less.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Business Opportunities Fund (BOF) – Installment loans, lines of credit and technical assistance for minority business enterprises, women-owned business enterprises and small businesses, but the program will give priority to small businesses requiring capital and technical assistance in order to compete for governmental and private sector contracts. This pilot program is open to businesses located in the Community First Fund’s service area: Adams, Berks, Chester, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, Perry and York. It is used for cash flow (working capital) – Including most business operation and expansion expenses; equipment – includes acquisition, delivery, installation, and renovation of new and used equipment; leasehold improvements; and acquisition of owner-occupied real estate. When necessary, the fund will provide technical assistance to borrowers in procurement, certification as minority or women contractors, bonding and bid preparation.

Contact – Daniel Betancourt, President and CEO Community First Fund, 30 West Orange St., P.O. Box 524, Lancaster, PA 17608-0524 or call (717) 393-2351

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Citizens Job Bank – A public/private \$150 million loan partnership between Citizens Bank and the Commonwealth. Eligible are PA manufacturing, industrial and distribution operations, and select business services. The loan is used for machinery and equipment; land and building. \$1,000,000 min, \$10,000,000 max; Loans may not exceed 75 percent of project cost. Building acquisition/remodeling loans are limited to 75 percent of appraised value.

Contact – Citizens Bank of Pennsylvania
 Eastern Regional Contacts – Rodger Levenson – (484) 530-3630; Michael Rainone – (610) 941-8400
 Western Regional Contacts – Ralph Papa – (412) 867-2224; Daniel Kennelly – (412) 867-2897.
 (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Community Action Team Pre-development Grant to Loan Program – Early stage capital, to facilitate sketch planning, cost estimating, market evaluation, minimal site control activities (e.g. options to purchase) and general development coordination. Project feasibility and environmental studies, consulting fees, marketing expenses, appraisals, preliminary financial applications, legal fees, architectural fees, engineering, engagement of a development team, option to acquire property, site control and title clearance.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Maximum grant amount – \$75,000 per project. Applicants must be a unit of local government; a unit of local government may apply on behalf of a private developer or nonprofit, or on its own behalf.

Community and Business Development Program – Improve the stability of the community; Promote economic and/or community development; Improve existing and/or develop new civic, cultural, recreational, industrial and other facilities or activities. Assist in business retention, expansion, creation or attraction; Promote the creation of jobs and employment opportunities; Enhance the health, welfare and quality of life of citizens of this Commonwealth. Grant awards are made in three funding rounds during the fiscal year. DCED will grant approximately 1/3 of the program appropriation in each round. Eligible is Local government; including, but not limited to, counties, cities, boroughs, townships, and home rule municipalities. Municipal and redevelopment authorities and agencies. Industrial development authorities and agencies. Non-profit organizations incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth.

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Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Grants and technical assistance for federal designated municipalities for any type of community development. It is an entitlement program which provides annual funding to designated municipalities. Competitive program is available to all non-federal entitlement municipalities. Entitlement funding is set by formula; Competitive Program – \$500,000 maximum; 70 percent of each grant must be used for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons. Refer to program guidelines.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Community Economic Development Loan Program – Low-interest loans for projects in distressed communities, stimulating self-help initiatives and helping people build assets at the individual, family and community levels. For-profit small businesses (100 employees or less) that are located in a DCED designated distressed community and Keystone Opportunity Zones are eligible. Loans up to \$100,000 or 50 percent of total eligible project cost, whichever is less, 2 percent interest rate.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) – Provides federal funds and discretionary grants to community action agencies to support programs that promote economic self-sufficiency. A limited amount of “discretionary funds” are available yearly to fund special or demonstration projects. Designated Community Action Agencies serving individuals whose income is at 125 percent of the federal poverty level.

Contact – Local community action agencies; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Core Communities Housing Program – Provides state-funded grants for affordable housing activities in core communities. The initiative funds housing activities eligible under the Housing and Redevelopment Assistance Program for new or rehabilitated housing developments, but only on previously developed sites. Grants are for affordable housing activities in previously developed areas undertaken by counties, municipalities, redevelopment authorities, and certain nonprofit organizations. Used for any housing activity permitted by Housing & Redevelopment Assistance guidelines. (The demolition of structures may only be funded if there is an immediate housing reuse for that same site.)

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<p>Customized Job Training Program (CJT) – Grants for specialized job training to existing or newly hired employees. Grants up to 75 percent of the eligible costs for new job creation, retention, re-training. Must be for actual training. Trainees must be residents of PA and be employed in PA. Participating trainees must earn more than 150 percent of current minimum wage. Training must be guaranteed.</p>	<p>Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Early Intervention Program – Provides matching grant funds to assist municipalities experiencing fiscal difficulties to develop comprehensive multi-year financial plans and establish short and long term financial objectives. Grants up to \$100,000 for 50 percent of total project cost. Applicant must provide 50 percent match. Refer to program guidelines for details.</p>	<p>Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Economic Stimulus Package Technical Assistance – Technical assistance for local governments as part of the Economic Stimulus Package. Eligible are Local Governments. Used for an interdisciplinary team of economic development professionals knowledgeable in all facets of the Stimulus Package that will help communities maximize their use of funding programs</p>	<p>Contact – Governor’s Center for Local Government Services, 888-223-6837; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Educational Improvement Tax Credit – Provides tax credits to eligible businesses who contribute to a scholarship organization of an educational improvement organization.</p>	<p>Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Elm Street – Grant funds for planning, technical assistance and physical improvements to residential and mixed use areas in proximity to central business districts. Used for revitalization of residential and mixed use neighborhoods, and administration costs to support an Elm Street Program. Eligible entities include municipalities, redevelopment authorities, non-profit main street organizations, economic development organizations, and neighborhood improvement districts.</p>	<p>Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) – Federal grants funding to assist in creating or rehabilitating shelter space for the homeless. Eligible are local governments; local governments on behalf of private, non-profit organizations. Used for creation or rehabilitation of shelter space for the homeless, the purchase of machinery, equipment, furniture and appliances for homeless shelters, the provision of new social services, or the development or upgrade of shelter space.</p>	<p>Amount – \$50,000 minimum and no maximum. Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>

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Enterprise Zone Program – Grants to financially disadvantaged communities for preparing and implementing business development strategies within municipal Enterprise Zones. Eligible are municipalities, redevelopment authorities, non-profit economic development organizations, or other non-profit organizations on a case-by-case basis. Use for business development surveys; Business development strategy/preparation; Revolving fund business

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Export Finance Program (EFP) – The Pennsylvania Export Finance Program provides small businesses with access to pre-export working capital and post-export accounts receivable financing through a direct loan program. Eligible are small businesses (250 employees or less) exporting goods or services internationally. It is used for working capital financing, accounts receivable financing, revolving lines of credit.

Contact – Area Loan Organizations; Team Pennsylvania Export Network at (888) 483-2672; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Family Savings Account Program – Provides grants to community-based non-profits to establish programs that provide matching funds to a low-income person’s own savings. Participants may receive up to \$2000 in matching funds, must save for at least 12 months to 24 months/36 months (depending on contract period). Lifetime limit of match for one person is \$2000.

Contact – Karhryn Rulli – 720-7331; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Film Tax Credit Program – A project is eligible if at least 60 percent of the project’s total production budget is used for Qualified Pennsylvania production expenses. Refer to the program guidelines for a listing of qualified Pennsylvania production expenses. The amount of the tax credit available for an eligible project is equal to 25 percent of Qualified Pennsylvania production expenses for the project.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

First Industries Fund – The First Industries Fund is a grant and loan program aimed at strengthening Pennsylvania’s agriculture and tourism industries. The First Industries Fund is part of PA Grows, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture’s new initiative designed to assist agricultural producers in gaining access to the capital they need to begin, continue, or expand their businesses. Eligible for planning grants, loans and loan guarantees for the agriculture and tourism industries. Used for Agriculture & Tourism Loans: Land and building acquisition and construction; Machinery and equipment purchase and upgrades; Working capital; Operation of Revolving Loan Funds (RLFs) by Regional organizations – Grants: Plan-

Contact – Area Loan Organizations, DCED Customer Service (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com or the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Web site: www.agriculture.state.pa.us.

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ning and redevelopment – Loan Guarantees: Large-scale projects that demonstrate regional impact; deploy new or innovative technologies; demonstration of significant job creation

Floodplain Land Use Assistance Program – The program provides grants and technical assistance to encourage the proper use of land and the management of floodplain lands. Local governments may apply for 50 percent of eligible costs. There is no maximum dollar limit.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Growing Greener II – Main Street and Downtown Redevelopment Grants to municipalities and nonprofits to help a community’s downtown redevelopment effort, focusing on the improvement of downtown sites and buildings. The eligible projects may include approaches that assist in business development and/or public improvements in core communities. Typical grants average between \$250,000 and \$500,000; no required match level, but matching should be demonstrated. No minimum or maximum.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Guaranteed Free Training Program (GFT-WEDnetPA) – Basic skills and information technology training for new employees and new and expanding businesses. Basic skills include up to \$450 per trainee and \$75,000 per company. Information Technology includes up to \$700 per trainee and \$50,000 per company. Trainees must be residents of Pennsylvania and be employed in Pennsylvania. Participating trainees must earn more than 150 percent of current minimum wage.

Contact – WednetPA: 14 state universities and S.W. Center, 15 PA community colleges, Penn College of Technology, N.C. Industrial Technical Education Center, University of Pittsburgh at Bradford, Gtr. Altoona and Lancaster County Career/Tech Centers; www.wednetpa.com; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

H2O PA – Flood Control Projects – Projects which involve construction, improvement, repair or rehabilitation of all or part of a flood control system. A minimum of \$500,000 or more and a maximum amount of \$20 million for any project. Eligible is the Commonwealth, independent agencies, municipalities or municipal authorities.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

H2O PA – High Hazard Unsafe Dam Projects – Projects which involve the repair, rehabilitation, or removal of all or a part of a high hazard unsafe dam. A minimum of \$500,000 or more and a maximum of \$20,000,000 for any project. Multi-year grants may not be given for more than (6) six years. Eligible ar Municipalities, Municipal Authorities, the Commonwealth, Independent Agencies.

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H2O PA – Water Supply, Sanitary Sewer and Storm Water Projects – Activities to assist with the construction of drinking water, sanitary sewer and storm sewer projects. A minimum for \$500,000 or more and a maximum of \$20,000,000 for any project. Multi-year grants may not be given for a period of more than six (6) years and shall not exceed a total of \$20 million for any project. Eligible are Municipalities; Municipal Authorities

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

High Performance Building Program – Activities to assist with the construction or renovation associated with a high performance building. Loans: Loans for high performance building projects for small businesses shall not exceed \$2 million. Loans for individual residence projects shall not exceed \$100,000. Grants: Grants for high performance building projects shall not exceed \$500,000 or 10% of the total eligible building construction/renovation costs, whichever is less. Guarantees: Grants shall not exceed \$2 million for a small business and \$100,000 for an individual and have a term of not more than five years. The grants funds may only be drawn upon in the event the grant recipient defaults on its financing and there is a deficiency in collateral for the lending institution to collect upon. Eligible is a small business or an individual.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Home Ownership Choice Program – An incentive of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) to finance new, single-family home construction in blighted areas of the Commonwealth. A sponsoring partnership must exist of the municipal entity, a for-profit building/developer and a non-profit builder/developer. HCP funding must be matched by the sponsoring organization on at least a one-to-one basis. 50 percent of the match requirement being provided by the municipality. Project proposals must be submitted to PHFA by specific deadlines.

Contact – PHFA, www.phfa.org, Robert Bobinckek at (717) 780-1801

HOME Program – Federally funded program provides local governments with loan and technical assistance to expand the supply of decent and affordable housing for low and very low-income Pennsylvanians. A 25 percent local match on project costs from non-federal resources for existing housing is required. A 30 percent local match is required for new construction. Maximum grant is \$500,000. Local governments, which are not in HUD participating jurisdictions and local governments on behalf of private and non-profit and for-profit housing development corporations are eligible to apply.

Contact – DCED at (717) 720-7402; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

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Housing and Redevelopment Assistance (HRA) – Program provides state-funded grants for community revitalization and economic development activities to occur on a local level. Specifically, this program assists communities in becoming competitive for business, retention, expansion and attraction. It also funds projects that assist with community revitalization in the area of housing and low-income housing. Local governments, redevelopment authorities and housing authorities are eligible to apply. There is no minimum or maximum amount and grants average between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Industrial Sites Reuse Program – Grant and low-interest loan financing to perform environmental site assessment and remediation work at former industrial sites. Eligible are public entities, private nonprofit economic development entities, and companies involved in reuse of former industrial land. Entities that did not cause or contribute to environmental contamination are eligible also. It is used for Phase I, II and III environmental assessments; remediation of hazardous substances. Grants and loans up to \$200,000 for environmental assessments; Grants and loans up to \$1 million for remediation with interest rates of 2 percent. Letter of intent is required.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Infrastructure and Facilities Improvement Program – A multi-year grant program that will provide grants to certain issuers of debt in order to assist with the payment of debt service. Eligible are authorities that issue debt for tax increment financing; redevelopment authorities; convention center authorities, including municipal authorities formed for the purpose of convention center activities; and the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority. Used for payment of debt service incurred by the authority relating to debt issued for the project

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Infrastructure Development Program (IDP) – Provides grant and low-interest loan financing for public and private infrastructure improvements. Loans and grants up to \$1.25 million.

Contact – Local industrial development authorities; Local municipal authorities; Redevelopment authorities; Local development districts; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

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Innovation Grant – Innovation Grants are designed to assist academic medical institutions, non-profit research institutions, and Pennsylvania IHEs with preference given to KIZ-participating IHEs, to improve their performance in transferring technology from their institutions to the market-place. The technology areas of focus will be the same as those adopted by the KIZ Partnership as their priority areas where appropriate.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Innovation Partnership (IPart) – Assistance for early-stage PA technology companies applying to Federal Funding opportunities such as SBIR/STTR. Eligible are early-stage PA technology companies working with an IPart Partners organization. Used for federal proposal preparation assistance.

Contact – Refer to program Web site for Partner Organizational Contacts at www.newpa.com.

Job Creation Tax Credits – Program provides a \$1,000-per-job tax credit to businesses that will create new jobs in the Commonwealth within three years. Must create at least 25 new jobs or new jobs equaling at least 20 percent of the existing work force.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Keystone Innovation Grant – Keystone Innovation Grants provide funding to encourage the technology transfer and commercialization of intellectual property between Pennsylvania’s technology-oriented businesses and entrepreneurs and Keystone Innovation Zone (KIZ)-participating Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs). The Keystone Innovation Grant program is a companion program to the Keystone Innovation Zone (KIZ) program. Eligible are KIZ-participating IHEs. Keystone Innovation Grants are designed to assist Pennsylvania’s IHEs that are members of the KIZ Partnerships improve their performance in transferring technology from their institutions to the marketplace. The technology areas of focus will be the same as those adopted by the KIZ Partnership as their priority areas.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Keystone Innovation Starter Kit – Keystone Innovation Starter Kits are designed to recruit new, top-level research faculty to Pennsylvania academic medical centers and institutions of higher education to accelerate the development of a cluster of companies and employees in emerging and growing technology areas. The Starter Kit program is a companion program to the Keystone Innovation Zone (KIZ) program. Eligible are KIZ participating institutions of higher education, academic medical centers and research institutions.

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Keystone Innovation Zone (KIZ) – Provides grant funds to community/university partnerships to generate job growth through tech transfer and entrepreneurship. Focused around campuses and property around college and universities. Partnerships must include: institution of higher education, economic development organizations, private sector businesses, business support organizations, commercial lending institutions, venture capital, and foundations. Recommended partners include: local government organizations and work-force development organizations. Zone must be geographically identified with links to institutions of higher education. Grant funds will be used for Zone coordination, strategic planning, personnel costs, hiring of consultants and administration of the zone. Companies located in tax zones, in operation less than 8 years and fall under the industry sector focus are eligible to apply for state tax credits

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Keystone Opportunity Zones (KOZ) – Provides state and local tax abatement to businesses and residents locating in one of the 12 designated zones. Eligible are qualified businesses, property owners and residents. Qualified means you satisfactorily meet the necessary criteria listed in the Act. It is used for businesses, property owners and residents that are located in a KOZ, KOEZ/KOIZ are eligible to receive significant state and local tax benefits.

Contact – Regional Zone Coordinators; Customer Service Center, KOZ Online Application; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund – State grants to improve the physical facilities of public libraries. Joint applications are required from a sponsoring municipality (or Councils of Government and authorities approved by the participating local governing body of the COG or authority) and a state-aided public library. Used to construct new library buildings, renovate or rehabilitate existing facilities and make library buildings accessible for persons with disabilities. Requires a dollar for dollar match.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Land Use Planning and Technical Assistance Program (LUPTAP) – Provides grants for the preparation of community comprehensive plans and the ordinances to implement them. It promotes cooperation between municipalities. Approval must be obtained PRIOR to start of comprehensive plan. Applicants are to provide a minimum 50 percent match of cash or in-kind services.

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Local Development Districts – Provides technical assistance for businesses seeking to expand their markets. Identifies resources for community development projects and activities. Provides regional solutions for local government needs. Small businesses; municipalities, community organizations.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Local Government Capital Project Loan Program – Provides low interest loans for the purchase of equipment and facility needs to small local governments. Fifty percent of the total cost of purchasing equipment up to a maximum of \$25,000 or 50 percent of the total cost for purchase, construction or renovation of municipal facilities up to a maximum of \$50,000.

Contact – Sharon Grau at (888) 223-6837; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Local Share Assessment Fund (Gaming Funds) Luzerne County – As required under Act 71 (the Gaming Act), DCED has developed program guidelines for Local Share Account funds in Luzerne County. Eligible applicants include any municipality in Luzerne County, with preference given to host municipality (Plains Township) and contiguous municipalities, including Bear Creek Township, Forty Fort Borough, Jenkins Township, Kingston Borough, Laflin Borough, Laurel Run Borough, Wilkes-Barre City, Wilkes-Barre Township and Wyoming Borough. Uses will vary based on location, but funds are generally used for community and economic development projects.

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Local Share Assessment Fund (Gaming Funds) Monroe County – As required under Act 71 (the Gaming Act), DCED has developed program guidelines for Local Share Account Funds in Monroe County. Eligible applicants include any municipality in Monroe County, as well as those counties and municipalities contiguous to Monroe County. Economic development and redevelopment authorities in Monroe County and the contiguous counties (Carbon, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Northampton, Pike, and Wayne) are also eligible. (NOTE: The total local share account funds will be divided into two equal funds: one for Monroe County and the other for projects in contiguous counties.) Uses will vary based on location, but funds are generally used for community and economic development projects.

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Local Share Assessment Fund (Gaming Funds) Washington County – As required under Act 71 (the Gaming Act), DCED has developed program guidelines for Local Share Account funds in Washington County. Eligible applicants include Washington County, as well as economic development and redevelopment authorities within Washington County. Uses will vary based on location, but funds are generally used for community and economic development projects.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Machinery and Equipment Loan Fund (MELF) – Low-interest loan financing to acquire and install new or used machinery and equipment or to upgrade existing machinery and equipment. Loans of up to \$5 million or 50 percent total eligible project costs, whichever is less.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Main Street Program – A five-year program designed to help a downtown economic development effort. Municipalities and redevelopment authorities are eligible. Grants total \$115,000 over a five-year period. Match required.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Market Access Grant (MAG) – Designed to enhance the capability of small and mid-sized Pennsylvania companies to increase export sales. The Pennsylvania Market Access Grant (MAG) is a valuable tool available to qualifying companies seeking financial assistance and foreign market entry support. Eligible are export-ready Pennsylvania companies in good standing. The MAG program is designed to provide flexibility and encourage innovative use of funds to meet the specific international marketing needs of the applicant. Examples: trade mission participation, trade show exhibition, consultant fees for web site internationalization, training and workshops (CE Mark, CSA, ISO, etc.

Contact – Regional Export Network; Center for Trade Development; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) – Tax credit program to encourage businesses to donate capital that can be used to provide eligible services to low-income persons or distressed neighborhoods. Eligible are non-profits and for profit businesses. A project must serve low-income persons or residents of economically distressed neighborhoods. Projects must fall under one of the following categories: community services, crime prevention education, job training or neighborhood assistance.

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Neighborhood Assistance, Enterprise Zone Tax Credit (NAP-EZP) – An incentive program that provides tax credits to businesses investing in or making physical improvements to properties located within designated enterprise zones. Eligible is any business or industry, including insurance companies, utilities, banks, savings and loans. Used for real property improvements such as rehab, expansion or physical improvements to buildings or land located within designated enterprise zones.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Neighborhood Assistance, Neighborhood Partnership Program (NAP/NPP) – Corporate tax liability credit for businesses that sponsor a neighborhood organization to develop and implement a neighborhood revitalization plan by contributing a substantial amount of cash per year over an extended period of time. Eligible are non-profits and for profit businesses. Programs must serve clients who are low-income and residents of economically distressed neighborhoods specified by the neighborhood organization. Projects must fall under one of the following categories: Housing; education; health and social services; community development; job training; crime prevention; and community participation.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

New PA Venture Capital Investment Program – Loans to venture capital partnerships to invest in growth-stage PA companies. Venture capital investment firms are eligible. Used for investment in young job-producing companies; investments must be made in underserved areas defined as outside the Philadelphia MSA and those with populations below 1 million. Amounts are variable and to be determined by the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

Contact – Commonwealth Financing Authority; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

New Pennsylvania Venture Guarantee Program – Guarantees to top-tier venture capital partnerships for investments in growth stage PA companies. Venture Capital partnerships are eligible. It is used for Guarantees on the first losses of equity investment made in Pennsylvania companies.

Contact – Refer to Commonwealth Financing Authority; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Opportunity Grant Program – Provides grant funds to create or preserve jobs within the Commonwealth. Projects must offer substantial economic impact; 4:1 private match required.

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<p>Pennsylvania Accessible Housing Program (PAHP) – Provides grants to local entities to carry out home modification programs that will enable low- and moderate-income persons with physical disabilities of all ages to make their home more accessible. No minimum or maximum; grants average \$250,000.</p>	<p>Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Capital Access Program (PennCAP) – Loan guarantee through participating banks to be used to support a wide variety of business purposes. It is used for land, building, equipment, working capital. Guaranteed loans up to \$500,000.</p>	<p>Contact – Participating banks. Check with DCED on banks in your region., (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Community Development Bank Loan Program (PCD Bank) – Debt financing for Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs). Eligible are public funds (25 percent) matched with private sector funds (75 percent) to create a loan pool for eligible CDFIs; state accredited community development financial institution. CDFI must meet state accreditation standards and program underwriting guidelines. Minimum two years lending experience. Focus on economic development and job creation.</p>	<p>Contact – DCED Center for Business Financing, (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority (PEDFA) Tax Exempt Bond Program – Tax-exempt and taxable bonds, both in pooled transactions and stand-alone transactions, to be used to finance land, building, equipment, working capital and refinancing. Eligible is manufacturing; nonprofit 501(c) (3); energy; solid waste disposal; wastewater treatment; transportation facilities; assisted living/housing. Program is used for land and building acquisition; building renovation and new construction; machinery and equipment acquisition and installation; designated infrastructure.</p>	<p>Contact – Industrial Development Authorities and Corporations, (866) GO-NEWPA (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority (Taxable) (PEDFA) – Tax-exempt and taxable bonds, both in pooled transactions and stand-alone transactions, to be used to finance land, building, equipment, working capital and refinancing. Loans no less than \$400,000, up to 100 percent of project costs.</p>	<p>Contact – Industrial development authorities and corporations, (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.</p>

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Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority (PIDA)
 – Low-interest loan financing through industrial development corporations for land and building acquisition, construction and renovation resulting in the creation or retention of jobs. Loans up to \$2 million (within Enterprise Zones, Act 47 communities, Brownfield sites, and Keystone Opportunity Zones, up to \$2.25 million).

Contact – local industrial development corporations, (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank (PIB) - Low-interest loans for the design, engineering, right-of-way and repair, reconstruction and construction of public highways, bridges, public and private airports and railroads and public transportation systems. Eligible are all public highways and bridges as well as airports, rail freight and public transportation facilities are eligible to apply. Used for roadway and bridge construction and repair, traffic signals, roadway drainage improvements, airport runways, hangars and equipment, railroad track, equipment and signals, and public transportation capital facilities and purchases.

Contact – Pennsylvania Department of Transportation at www.dot.state.pa.us.

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PennVEST) – Low-interest loans for design, engineering and construction of publicly and privately owned drinking water distribution and treatment facilities, storm water conveyance and wastewater treatment and collection systems. Up to \$11 million per project for one municipality; Up to \$20 million for more than one municipality; Up to \$2 million for upfront (5 year loan) design and engineering; Up to 100 percent of the eligible project costs; average project size is \$1.5 million.

Contact – www.pennvest.state.pa.us. Refer to PennVEST section of the directory for further details; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority (PMBDA) – Low-interest loan financing to business owned and operated by ethnic minorities. Can be used for land and building acquisition, building construction and renovation, machinery and equipment acquisition and installation, working capital.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

Pollution Prevention Assistance Account (PPAA) – Assistance for small businesses that helps implement pollution prevention and energy efficiency projects, enabling these businesses to adopt or install equipment or processes that reduce pollution or energy use. 75% of total eligible project cost, up to a maximum of \$100,000

Contact – local area loan organizations, local industrial resource centers; or (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com.

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Rail Freight Assistance (RFA) – Grants to build or repair rail lines or spurs. Up to \$750,000 or no greater than 75 percent of total cost, whichever is less, for maintenance projects; Up to \$100,000 or no greater than 50 percent, whichever is less, for construction projects. Local match: 25 percent for maintenance, 50 percent for construction; Agreement to maintain active rail operations for 5 years.

Contact – PennDOT www.dot.state.pa.us. Bureau of Rail Freight. All applications must be filed electronically. Refer to Department of Transportation section of the directory for further details; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Regional Investment Marketing – The Regional Investment Marketing (RIM) Grant Program is intended to reinforce the linkages between state and regional efforts to promote business expansion and to attract new investment to Pennsylvania, and focus regional economic development efforts on industries and industry sub-sectors where the likelihood of success is greatest. More specifically, RIM is designed to foster a shared vision of the importance of marketing the Commonwealth as a whole as a destination of choice for investment and promoting the attributes and assets of individual regions within that context. In addition, the program is designed to advance an investor-oriented and data-driven approach to marketing to attract investment, including the use of regional marketing areas as an organizing principle in structuring marketing initiatives.

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To qualify an applicant must be a Pennsylvania-based non-profit organization that represents a regional alliance of economic development, business, industry, labor, academic and/or community entities whose service areas and impact is spread across a minimum of three counties for purposes of the grant proposal. DCED encourages applications from regional alliances which can demonstrate sound financial management capacities and organizational experience in economic development marketing. DCED expects applications from regional alliances which have a particular emphasis on business attraction and business expansion in the regional markets which were benchmarked in the GC Study. Refer to the GC Study posted under ‘Important Resources’ on the homepage.

Regional Marketing Partnership Grant Program - The purpose of the Regional Marketing Partnership Grant Program provides funding for sound marketing efforts and partnership development to promote Pennsylvania. Two types of grants are available: place-based and experience-based. Eligible expenses include all activities associated with marketing a destination such as advertising, public relations, printing, postage, etc. It is desirable that the applicants not be a

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If you have any questions, please e-mail Janice Collier at jacollier@state.pa.us.

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TPA, but preferably a 501 c 3 or 501 c 6 or similar entity, whose board is represented by the counties and or TPA's of the marketed region or a statewide association.

Research and Development Tax Credit – Allows companies holding qualifying Research and Development Tax Credits to apply for approval to sell those tax credits and assign them to the buyer(s). It is used for applied research and development expenditures. 10 percent tax credit of company's increased research and development expenses over a base period (prorated to not exceed \$15 million annual cap for all businesses); Up to 20 percent of total pool set aside for small businesses. Applicable to CNI, CSFT and PIT tax liability; unused credits may be carried over for up to 15 succeeding taxable years.

Contact –GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Second Stage Loan Program – Loan Guarantees for working capital for 2- to 7-year-old manufacturing, biotech, and technology-oriented companies. Pennsylvania banks are eligible. Preference will be given to guarantees for working capital; land, building, machinery and equipment also eligible. Program Guidelines to be approved and issued by Commonwealth Finance Authority.

Visit www.newpa.com to confirm. Banks will be required to enroll in the program through DCED; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Section 108 Program - Section 108 enables states and local governments participating in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program to obtain federally guaranteed loans to fund large economic development projects and undertake revitalization activities. Under Pennsylvania's initiative to use Section 108 the loans are guaranteed by the Commonwealth, committing the use of future CDBG funds to pay off the loan in case of default. Eligible for Loan Guarantees as security for federal loans; Local governments that are not designated by HUD as urban counties or entitlement municipalities. Used for acquisition, rehabilitation, relocation, clearance, site preparation, special economic development activities, certain public facilities and housing construction.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Shared Municipal Services Program (SMSP) – Provides grant funds that promote cooperation among municipalities. Also encourages more efficient and effective delivery of municipal services on a cooperative basis. No minimum or maximum; grants range between \$10,000 and \$25,000; 50 percent match required.

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Small Business Development Centers (SBDCs) – Technical assistance and consulting services to current and prospective entrepreneurs. Areas of expertise range from business plan development and implementation to issue areas related to current business operations.

Contact – Local small business development centers; www.pasbdc.org.

Small Business First (SBF) – Provides funding for small businesses (100 or fewer employees), including low-interest loan financing for land and building acquisition and construction, machinery and equipment and working capital. Loans up to \$200,000 or 50 percent of total eligible project costs, whichever is less. Maximum loan amount for working capital is \$100,000, or 50 percent of total eligible project costs which ever is less.

Contact – Area loan organizations, (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Solar Energy Program – Activities to promote the generation and use of solar energy and the manufacture or assembly of solar equipment. Loans: Loans for component manufacturers of solar energy generation equipment up to \$35,000 for every new job created within three years after approval of the loan. Loans for solar energy generation or distribution projects shall not exceed \$5 million or \$2.25 per watt, whichever is less.

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Grants: Grants for component manufacturers of solar energy generation equipment up to \$5,000 for every new job created by the business within three years after approval of the grant. Grants for solar energy generation or distribution projects, solar research and development facilities, and solar thermal projects shall not exceed \$1 million or \$2.25 per watt, whichever is less. Grants for planning and feasibility studies shall not exceed 50% of the total cost of the planning project or \$175,000, whichever is less. Guarantees: Grants shall not exceed \$30 million and have a term of not more than five years. In the event of a default, the grant will pay up to 75% of the deficiency. Eligible is a business; an economic development organization; or a political subdivision, includes municipalities, counties and school districts.

Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Guarantee Program – Promotes and stimulates the general economic welfare of various regions and communities in the Commonwealth and assists in the development, redevelopment and revitalization of Brownfield and Greenfield sites in accordance with the TIF Act. Eligible are all municipalities and their authorities, including boroughs, townships, towns, counties and home rules that issue TIF bonds to fund local economic development projects.

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Water Supply and Wastewater Infrastructure Program (PennWorks) – A program to ensure safe water supply and proper wastewater infrastructure. Eligible are municipalities, industrial development corporations, municipal authorities, investor-owned water or wastewater enterprise are eligible. It is used for water and sewer projects not used solely for residential purposes.

Contact – (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Weatherization Assistance Program – A federal program, which works to minimize the adverse effects of high energy costs on low-income, elderly and handicapped citizens through client education activities and by providing high quality weatherization services. Non-profit organizations and local governments are eligible to apply.

Contact – DCED Karl Kimmel, (717) 787-1984; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

Workforce Investment Act of 1998 – A federal program that provides job training to eligible individuals. Provides private and public sector employers up to 50 percent of wage rate for employees while in training and up to actual costs of classroom training, training-related and supportive services.

Contact – www.paworkforce.state.pa.us or local Career Link center; (866) GO-NEWPA / (866) 466-3972 or [ReadySet Succeed@newPA.com](mailto:ReadySetSucceed@newPA.com).

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Community Recreation and Conservation Projects - Grants are awarded to municipalities and authorized non-profit organizations for recreation, park and conservation projects. These include the rehabilitation and new development of parks and recreation facilities (development projects); acquisition of land for active or passive park and conservation purposes (land acquisition projects); and technical assistance for feasibility studies, trails studies, conservation plans, site development planning, and comprehensive recreation, greenway and open space planning (planning projects). The majority of sources used for funding community projects require a 50% match except for some technical assistance grants and development projects eligible as small community projects whose total project cost is \$60,000 or less. The small community development projects provide a municipal applicant with a population of 5,000 or less with an alternate method of funding with a focus on playground rehabilitation to meet current safety and accessibility standards.

Information is available at any DNCR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

Circuit Riders – These projects provide grant funds for county(ies), multi-municipal organizations or COGs to hire a professional, full-time staff person. The circuit rider’s purpose is to initiate new programs and services for a county and municipalities that individually do not have the financial resources to hire a professional staff person. The intended result of such a hiring is to increase the ability of county and local officials to more efficiently and effectively meet their recreation, park, greenway, open space and/or natural resource conservation needs.

Circuit Rider grant applications are accepted 12 months a year. Requires Peer to Peer study first.

Information is available at any DCNR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

Land Trust Grants – Grants are awarded to plan for or acquire open space, critical habitat and natural areas. Eligible applicants for land trust projects are pre-qualified non-profit land trusts and conservancies. The majority of funding sources used for funding land trust projects requires a 50% cash match and or land donation value. Priority is given to protecting critical habitat areas.

Information is available at any DNCR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

Peer-to-Peer Technical Assistance – These projects help municipalities improve their park, recreation and conservation services through a collaborative process. Projects are accomplished through contracts with experienced park, recreation and conservation professionals from nearby communities working closely with local leaders. Examples of eligible projects include the forming of a new

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intergovernmental recreation and park agency (which is a high priority for DCNR); improving management of a specific facility like a community center, trail, or pool; conducting an overall management assessment of an agency's park and recreation services, and park and recreation board training and development.

DCNR applications are accepted at any time of the year. Information is available at any DCNR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

Pennsylvania Recreational Trails Grant Program (PRTP)

– Grants are awarded to develop and maintain recreational trails and related facilities for motorized and non-motorized recreational trail use. Eligible applicants include federal and state agencies, local governments and non-profit and for profit organizations. Match requirements for Pennsylvania Recreational Trails Program Grants are up to 80% grant money and 20% project applicant money. “Soft match” (credit for donations of materials or services) is permitted from any project sponsor. Eligible project categories include: maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails; development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages; purchase and lease of recreational trail construction and maintenance equipment; construction of new recreational trails.

Information is available at any DCNR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

Rails-to-Trails Projects – Grants are awarded to plan, acquire or develop rail-trail corridors. Eligible applicants include municipalities and non-profit organizations established to preserve and protect available abandoned railroad corridors for use as trails. Funding used for rails-to-trails projects requires a 50% cash or in-kind match, except for acquisition projects, for which in-kind match is not eligible.

Information is available at any DCNR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

River Conservation Projects – Grants are awarded to develop river conservation plans, as well as, implementation projects involving acquiring land, planning and/or developing facilities such as trails, pavilions, and fishing access areas along river corridors. Eligible applicants include municipalities, counties, municipal and inter-municipal authorities, and river support groups. River support groups must be non-profits, which are designated to act on behalf of interested municipalities. Implementation grants are available to carry out projects or activities defined in an approved river conservation plan. Grants require a 50% match.

Information is available at any DCNR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

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Snowmobile and All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) – Grants are awarded to include feasibility studies for proposed acquisition and development projects and plans; renovation, construction, and maintenance of snowmobile trails and ATV trails and related facilities, and purchase and lease of trail construction and maintenance equipment. Depending on project type, eligible applicants include municipalities, non-profit and for-profit organizations.

Information is available at any DCNR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

Technical Assistance Projects - Grants are awarded to develop, promote or conduct training or education programs; prepare and distribute technical assistance or educational manuals, brochures or videos and/or otherwise provide for the training and education of both professionals and the general public on a local, county, regional or statewide issue related to implementation, training or education programs for recreation, park, natural resource conservation, natural areas protection, land and open space, greenways and trails.

Information is available at any DCNR Bureau of Recreation and Conservation regional office.

BUREAU OF FORESTRY

Bureau of Forestry Grants – Grant Funding from the U.S. Forest Service and administered through DCNR, Bureau of Forestry is available to rural volunteer fire companies that serve populations of 10,000 or less. The grant is a 50 percent match with a maximum grant amount of \$7,500. A priority of project funding is for the purchase of wildfire suppression equipment and protective clothing. Grants can also be awarded for maintenance of federal excess equipment, wildfire training, dry hydrants and mobile and portable radios. Grants cannot exceed 50 percent of the actual expenditures during any on fiscal year; maximum grant is \$7,500. Matching funds required.

Priority on applications goes to seeking funds for projects that include the purchase of wildfire suppression equipment and protective clothing.

Contact – Charles C. Choplick, Program Specialist, at (717) 787-2925 or visit the Bureau of Forestry at www.state.pa.us Keyword: “forests”

PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON THE ARTS (PCA)

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Arts Organizations and Arts Programs (AOAP) and PPA Program Stream – Support for eligible arts organizations and arts programs that have consistently received PCA funding is available through the AOAP Program Track and PPA Program Stream.

Eligibility is by invitation. Organizations must meet eligibility requirements and be notified by the PCA in order to apply. The AOAP Track funds over 200 organizations with an average fiscal size over \$200,000. PPA Program Stream funds over 350 organizations with an average fiscal size under \$200,000.

Deadline – AOAP – December 5, annually and PPA Program Stream – March 1st, annually.

Entry Track – This program serves as the point of entry for organizations or programs to the Arts Organization and Arts Program Track (AOAP) (see AOAP program description, above), as organizations and arts programs must be invited to apply to the AOAP Track. Entry Track supports eligible arts organizations and arts programs that generally have a history of at least one-year of consistent arts/cultural programming. PCA staff is available to Entry Track organizations for consultation and assistance. Potential applicants interested in this track must contact the PCA prior to the deadline to schedule a phone interview and to receive additional information.

Organizations who may not meet the eligibility requirements of the Entry Track may be eligible for application to the Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts (PPA) program. PPA offers both ongoing support and arts projects funding opportunities.

Who can apply – Generally, an organization is eligible to apply if at the time of application the arts organization or program has: an average fiscal size over \$200,000; at least one year of ongoing stable arts programming; non-profit [501(c) (3)], tax-exempt corporations, a unit of government, or school district providing arts programming and/or arts services in Pennsylvania. An arts program may apply through a fiscal sponsor to the Entry Track. An organization is NOT eligible to apply to Entry Track if the organization is: currently funded by a Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts (PPA) regional Partner, or will apply to a PPA Partner within the same funding period; planning to conduct a one-time only arts project.

Deadline – December 5th, annually.

Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts (PPA) – Project Stream – Through 17 regional Partner organizations across the state, the PCA re-grants state arts funds to support a wide variety of local and community arts activities. Implemented in 1997, the PPA program was designed with the goal of expanding the availability of state arts dollars to local and regional communities throughout the Commonwealth. Through PPA Partner organizations, a streamlined application process, and ongoing technical support, the PPA program has increased access to state arts dollars throughout all 67 Pennsylvania counties.

Activities supported through PPA awards include, but are not limited to, local and regional celebrations and festivals; classical, jazz, opera and community band concerts; theater

Who can apply – Nonprofit arts organizations that have nonprofit 501(c) (3) status from the IRS; emerging arts organizations, including those that have applied for but have not yet received 501(c) (3); community-based organizations, entities of local government and churches or faith-based organizations that present arts activities to promote artistic enrichment and appreciation for Commonwealth residents; individual artists (age 18 or older) or a consortia of artists who present arts activities to promote artistic enrichment and appreciation to residents of Commonwealth.

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productions; visual arts exhibitions and workshops; visiting authors and poets; hands-on art experiences for children and youth; and arts programs at heritage events, libraries, schools and senior citizen centers across the Commonwealth.

Applications for funding are available in the spring from your regional PPA Partner. To determine the appropriate regional Partner organization for your project, see the list at: www.pacouncilonthearts.org/pca.cfm?id=6&level=Third&sid=13.

Note – For additional consultation as to whether your project is eligible for PPA funding, contact your local PPA Partner organization for additional information and application assistance.

Deadline – June 30th, annually.

Preserving Diverse Cultures Division – The Preserving Diverse Cultures (PDC) Division supports organizational stabilization and expansion of arts and cultural programming in culturally specific communities. The division focuses on the development of culturally-specific organizations and the training of capable administrators therein.

Eligible organizations include those whose mission is deeply rooted in and reflective of the African American, Asian American, Hispanic/Latino, and Native American perspectives. The applicant's programs, perspective, and staff must be representative of those communities.

First-time applicants are encouraged to contact PDC Program Director, Charon Battles, at: (717) 787-1521, prior to completing an application.

SUPPORT FOR ARTISTS:

PennPAT – The purpose of Pennsylvania Performing Arts on Tour (PennPAT) is to increase opportunities for professional Pennsylvania-based performing artists to obtain successful touring engagements. Through a multi-layered approach that includes grants to presenters, grants to artists, training for artists and marketing support, PennPAT seeks to nurture the diverse ecology of presenting and touring. PennPAT offers support for touring engagements with PennPAT roster artists to presenters in: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, U.S. Virgin Islands, and West Virginia.

Created as a unique public/private partnership administered by Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, PennPAT continues to garner funding and guidance from its four founding partners: Vira I. Heinz Endowment, The William Penn Foundation, Pennsylvania Council on the Arts and The Pew Charitable Trusts. www.pennpat.org.

Who can apply – Individual artists and presenters must be Pennsylvania residents. Performing arts companies must either be incorporated in Pennsylvania, or if not incorporated, at least 50 percent of the artists must be Pennsylvania residents. College and university-based performers must perform regularly off-campus for professional fees to be eligible. Artists selected for inclusion in the 2011 PennPAT Artist Roster will be eligible for all roster benefits for one year – from January 2011 through December 2011.

Contact – Katie West at: (215) 496-9424.

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Professional Development & Consulting – A limited pool of funds is available to organizations throughout the year to address specific artistic, programmatic, administrative or technical needs. Funds are generally used to hire consultants to assess a specific issue and recommend action.

Additionally, the PCA offers funding for professional growth opportunities. Most are non-matching awards. The maximum award amount is \$2,000 per organization, per year.

Contact – The PCA at: (717) 787-6883.

Deadline – Rolling

The Directory of Pennsylvania Artists in Education – The *Directory of Pennsylvania Artists in Education* is an annual publication featuring those artists who have been accepted into the PCA's Arts in Education (AIE) artist-in-residence program. Schools and community organizations throughout the Commonwealth use the Directory to identify artists to work in their organizations. The *Directory of Pennsylvania Artists in Education* is available online as a searchable database – www.pacouncilonthearts.org/aie/search_for_artists.cfm.

All applications for listing in the Directory of Pennsylvania Artists in Education are accepted and reviewed on a regional basis, through 12 regional AIE Partner organizations across the state. To obtain guideline and application materials to apply for inclusion in the *Directory of Pennsylvania Artists in Education*, artists should contact the AIE Partner for their region (see the list online at: www.pacouncilonthearts.org/aie/partner_resources.cfm or contact the PCA at 717-525-5547. These regional AIE Partner organizations recruit, select, train, place and evaluate the artists in their regions.

Who can apply – Individual artists and artistic ensembles or companies may apply to be listed in the *Directory of Pennsylvania Artists in Education*. Artists in all disciplines are eligible to apply for inclusion in the Directory and to perform AIE residencies that are funded in part by the PCA. Preference is given to Pennsylvania residents, although outstanding artists from other states will be given consideration.

Note – Artists and companies or ensembles who intend to work in multiple disciplines must demonstrate their qualifications and be approved by the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts to work in EACH discipline. Only artists who will be available to conduct residencies of ten or more days should apply. If you are a renewing artist, your residency activity should be substantial over the last three-year period in the Directory.

Deadline for application to the Directory of Pennsylvania Artists in Education is determined by each respective regional Partner on an annual basis.

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ADULT BASIC & LITERACY EDUCATION

Act 143 of 1986 – provides fund for adult literacy programs that will enable out-of-school youth and adults 17 years of age and older who are nonreaders or who read below the 5th grade level or who lack basic English language proficiency to improve their basic skills in order to increase their prospects for a more productive life and expand the availability of adult literacy, family literacy and other adult education programs, including volunteer programs, in the Commonwealth.

Application Deadline – March 17

Contact – Bureau of Adult Basic & Literacy Education at: (717) 787-6344.

Act 143 of 1986 for a Family Literacy Program – Provide funds through the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the establishment of local Even Start projects by integrating early childhood and adult education for parents into a unified family program and assist children and adults from low-income families to meet challenging education performance standards.

Application Deadline – March 13

Contact – Bureau of Adult Basic & Literacy Education at: (717) 787-6344.

Act 143 of 1986 for the Pennsylvania Literacy Corps Program – Provides funds for grants to support the Pennsylvania Literacy Corps Program. Grant funds are available in amounts up to \$35,000 per program to support collaborative efforts between institutions of higher education and adult basic and literacy education providers.

Application Deadline – March 13

No more than 10 percent of any grant to an eligible agency may be used for support services or administration.

Contact – Bureau of Adult Basic & Literacy Education at: (717) 787-6344.

Even Start Family Literacy – Provide funds through the Pennsylvania Department of Education for the establishment of local Even Start projects by integrating early childhood and adult education for parents into a unified family program and assist children and adults from low-income families to meet challenging education performance standards.

Application Deadline – March 13

Contact – Bureau of Adult Basic & Literacy Education at: (717) 787-5532

Requires a local contribution/matching funds in addition to the requested grant amount. The Even Start statute requires a graduated increase in the local share, which ranges from 10 percent (in the first year) to 50 percent (in years five through eight.)

Move Up, Services for Welfare Recipients – provides funds (\$6 million from the Department of Welfare and \$1.5 million from the Department of Education) to support integrating literacy instruction into welfare programs. Services support individuals becoming self-sufficient, including obtaining the skills and knowledge they need for training and job-search programs as well as those necessary to obtain and retain a job.

Application Deadline – May

Available in 23 counties.

Services must be responsive to requirements of welfare system.

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Section 223, State Leadership of the Workforce Investment Act, Title II – Provides funds for the establishment of adult education and family literacy programs that will assist adults to become literate and obtain the knowledge and skills necessary for employment and self-sufficiency; assist adults who are parents to obtain the educational skills necessary to become full partners in the educational development of their children, and; assist adults in the completion of a secondary school education.

Application Deadline – Late April (Letter of intent)/ Late May (Grant Application)
 Not more than 12.5 percent of the state’s allotment shall be used for State Leadership Activities. Not more than 5 percent of a local applicant’s grant may be used for administrative costs, unless a higher percent is approved in advance.
Contact – Bureau of Adult Basic & Literacy Education at: (717) 787-5532

Workforce Investment Act of 1998 Section 231 Funds for Adult Basic Education – Provides funds for the establishment of adult education and family literacy programs that will assist adults to become literate and obtain the knowledge and skills necessary for employment and self-sufficiency; assist adults who are parents to obtain the educational skills necessary to become full partners in the educational development of their children, and assist adults in the completion of a secondary school education. The federal share of a grant will be 75 percent of the total cost of the program. The applicant must provide 25 percent match of the total cost of the program. The local match may be in kind.

Application Deadline – March 17
Contact – Bureau of Adult Basic & Literacy Education at: (717) 787-6344.

COMMONWEALTH LIBRARIES

Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund (Public Libraries) – Provides matching grants to municipalities for up to \$500,000 for the construction and renovation of public library facilities.

Letter of intent due last business day of January.
Application Deadline – Full application due last business day of June.
 Funds may not be used for routine maintenance or for furniture and equipment unless part of an overall construction/renovation project.
Contact – Bureau of Library Development/ Division of Library Improvement at: (717) 783-3124.

Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) NETshare – Funds may be requested for networked information access, cooperative efforts and resource sharing, or services to special groups. A separate focused category may be included for school libraries.
 Funding may not be used for construction/renovation, projects that have already begun, or operating expenses.

Application Deadline – First Friday of September
Contact – Bureau of Library Development/ Division of Library Improvement at: (717) 783-5746.

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21st Century Community Learning Center Grants
 – Provides funds for the establishment of community learning centers that provide academic, artistic and cultural enrichment opportunities for children, particularly students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools, to meet state and local standards in core academic subjects; to offer students a broad array of activities that can complement their regular academic programs; and to offer literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.

Application Deadline – June
 Grants are awarded for a three-year period depending on federal funding.
Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 783-6466.

Education for Homeless Children & Youth Program – designed to minimize the disruption in the educational lives of homeless students. Requires each funded site designate a homeless education liaison to coordinate services between the school, shelter and community agencies; develop and implement a local tracking component; develop or revise a procedure for the prompt resolution of disputes regarding enrollment and placement of homeless students; address the educational barriers outlines in PA’s Education of Homeless Children & Youth State Plan.

Application Deadline – July
 Funds are restricted to the coordination and delivery of educational services that will ensure enrollment and success in school for children and youth experiencing homelessness.
Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 772-2066.

DROPOUT PREVENTION

Successful Students’ Partnership – Provides funds to school districts to assist districts in the development of strategies to help students stay in school, graduate and transition to employment or post-secondary education.

Application Deadline – Spring 2008 –
 Grants are awarded for a 3 year cycle.
 May be used for planning and program implementation. Funds are not intended to provide sustained, long-term operational support for program services or capital improvements.
Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 783-6466.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Head Start State Supplemental – state investment to supplement federal Head Start funding so that the successful program can reach more families.

Annual renewals in April, limited to Federal Head Start Programs.
Contact – Office of Child Development and Early Learning at: (717) 346-9327.

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PA Pre-K Counts – Funds are available to child care programs participating in Keystone Stars at a Star 2 or higher, Licensed Nursery Schools, Head Start programs, and school districts to provide early learning opportunities to children ages three and four. A priority of this program will be on children who are at risk of future academic failure. Priority in funding is granted to approved providers that received grant funds in the immediately preceding school year and have met the program standards.

Application Deadline – Late April (Letter of intent)/ Late May (Grant Application)
Contact – Office of Child Development and Early Learning at: (717) 346-9327.

FOOD AND NUTRITION

After School Snack Program – Provides federal reimbursements for snacks served that meet meal pattern requirements. A National School Lunch Program participant must operate the program. Sponsor must provide care in an after-school setting that includes regularly scheduled education or enrichment activities in organized, structured and supervised environments.

Application Deadline – Anytime during school year
 Funds may not be used for construction or land/building purchases. Sponsors may not have more than three months operating costs on hand.
Contact – Bureau of Budget & Fiscal Management, Division of Food & Nutrition at: (717) 787-3186.

Child and Adult Care Food Program – Provides reimbursement for meals served to enrolled participants in non-residential child or adult care facilities to improve the diets of children and adults, and to develop healthy eating habits.

Application Deadline – Throughout the Year
 Facilities must be licensed or approved in order to participate. For-profit, non-residential child or adult care centers must receive Title XX or Title XIX funding for at least 25 percent of either enrolled participants or the licensed capacity, whichever is less to be eligible to participate.
Contact – Bureau of Budget & Fiscal Management, Division of Food & Nutrition at: (800) 331-0129 or send e-mail to: still@state.pa.us.

National School Lunch Program – Provides federal and state reimbursements for school lunches served that meet nutrient standards and meal pattern requirements. Children are eligible for paid, free, or reduced price meals based on family income and household size.

Application Deadline – Anytime during school year
 Funds may not be used for construction or land/building purchases. Sponsors may not have more than three months operating costs on hand.
Contact – Bureau of Budget & Fiscal Management, Division of Food & Nutrition at: (717) 787-3186

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School Breakfast Program – Provides federal and state reimbursement for school breakfasts served that meet nutrient standards and meal pattern requirements. Children are eligible for paid, free, or reduced price meals based on family income and household size.

Application Deadline – Anytime during school year
 Funds may not be used for construction or land/building purchases. Sponsors may not have more than three months operating costs on hand.
Contact – Bureau of Budget & Fiscal Management, Division of Food & Nutrition at: (717) 787-3186.

Secondary Level Interdisciplinary Curriculum (SLIC) – an interdisciplinary curriculum containing lessons for the following subject areas: Algebra, American History, Biology, Business Education, Chemistry, Consumer Math, Environmental Science, English, Family & Consumer Sciences, and Health. Each lesson can be taught as a stand-alone lesson or as part of an interdisciplinary unit.

Application Deadline – Readily available
Contact – Nutrition Education & Training Program at: 1 (800) 331-0129 or (717) 787-7698.

Special Milk Program – Provides federal reimbursements for milk served to eligible children. Schools that do not participate in the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Programs may participate in the milk program. Schools that have split-session kindergarten and do not have access to meal service may participate in the milk program. Children are eligible for paid or free milk based on family income and household size.

Application Deadline – Anytime during school year
 Funds may not be used for construction or land/building purchases. Sponsors may not have more than three months operating costs on hand.
Contact – Bureau of Budget and Fiscal Management, Division of Food & Nutrition at: (717) 787-3186.

Summer Food Service Program – Provides reimbursement for meals served by non-profit, public and governmental agencies to children through age 18 attending activities at approved SFSP sites. The primary intent of the program is to improve the diets of children so that they may return to school in the fall ready to learn.

Submitted & Approved Prior to Start of Applying Agency’s Summer Program
Application Deadline – Only available during the summer months
 Program sponsors must be non-profit, public or governmental agencies and program sites must be located in a geographic area determined by census or school data to meet income eligibility requirements, or meet established eligibility through alternate means.
Contact – Bureau of Budget and Fiscal Management, Division of Food & Nutrition at: 1 (800) 331-0129 or send e-mail to: sstill@state.pa.us.

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HIGH SCHOOL REFORM

Dual Enrollment – Locally administered program that allows high school students to concurrently enroll in postsecondary courses and to receive both secondary and postsecondary credit for that coursework. The local programs are run through partnerships between school entities and eligible postsecondary institutions Pennsylvania’s dual enrollment program also emphasizes early college, middle college, and gateway to college programs. State funds will be targeted to at-risk students, academically challenged school districts, and the Project 720 sites.

Application Deadline – February 15

Contact – Bureau of Teaching & Learning Support at: (717) 783-4799.

LEARN AND SERVE AMERICA

Learn and Serve America: K-12 School-Based Program – Infuses service-learning activities into K-12 academic curricula as a means of enhancing student achievement and promoting personal growth. Service learning is a teaching methodology by which students learn and develop through active participation in thoughtfully organized service that is based on classroom learning, but is conducted to meet the needs of the school and/or local community.

Application Deadline – Spring 2007

Funds may not be used for construction or other items unrelated to program operation.

Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 783-6466.

MIGRANT EDUCATION

Child Care for Migrant Children – Supports day care services for migrant students in Pennsylvania.

Application Deadline – July 1

Funds can only be used for services to migrant students and families who meet eligibility criteria and have arrived to school district within the last 18 months.

Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 783-6466.

Education of Migrant Laborers’ Children – Supports programming for services to highly mobile interstate migrant students in Pennsylvania. Funds summer programs for migrant students in coordination with school districts in program sites with highly mobile interstate migrant students.

Application Deadline – July 1

Funds can only be used for services to migrant students and families who meet eligibility criteria.

Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 783-6466.

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Education of Migratory Children – Supports programming through five local operating agencies for services to over 14,000 migrant students in Pennsylvania. Year-round supplemental programs in coordination with school districts throughout Pennsylvania.

Application Deadline – July 1
 Funds can only be used for services to migrant students and families who meet eligibility criteria.
Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 783-6466.

OTHER VARIOUS MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Math and Science Partnerships – 100 percent federally funded competitive program providing assistance to Higher Education institutions and LEAs for professional development in math and science.

Application Deadline – Spring of each year for previously awarded grantees.
Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning/ Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.

Reading First – 100 percent federally funded competitive grant to assist LEAs and schools with the implementation of a Scientifically Based Reading Program in grades K-3.

Application Deadline – July 1
Contact – Bureau of Teaching & Learning Support Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.

Rural and Low Income Schools – 100% federally funded program providing funding to supplement other No Child Left Behind programs. Funds are made available to rural LEAs only.

Application Deadline – July 1
Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning/ Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.

Title I – 100 percent federally funded supplemental education program that provides financial assistance to local educational agencies to improve educational opportunities for educationally deprived children.

Application Deadline – July 1
 Funding may not be used for construction.
Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning/ Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.

Title I, Part D – Delinquent Youth – 100 percent federally funded program providing supplemental educational services to children and youth in correctional institutions and community day programs.

Application Deadline – July 1
Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning/ Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.

Title II, Part A – Improving Teacher Quality – 100 percent federally funded supplemental educational program that provides financial assistance to improve the skills of teachers and the quality of instruction in core academic subjects in public and private elementary and secondary schools, and to hire teachers to reduce class size.

Application Deadline – July 1
 Funding may not be used for construction.
Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning/ Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.

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<p>Title II, Part D – Enhancing Education Through Technology (EET) – 100 percent federally funded program that provides financial assistance to local educational agencies. To accelerate the implementation of statewide educational technology plans. Tech Plans are designed to integrate technology fully into school curriculum so that all students become technologically literate in reading, math, science, and other core academic subjects essential for success in the 21st Century.</p>	<p>Application Deadline – July 1 Funding may not be used for construction. Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning/ Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.</p>
<p>Title III – Language Acquisition – 100 percent federally funded program for LEAs to concentrate and deliver language instruction education programs to students whose primary language is not English. Services are also provided for immigrant children and youth.</p>	<p>Application Deadline – July 1 Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning/ Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.</p>
<p>Title V, Part A: Innovative Programs – 100 percent federally funded supplemental program that provides support for activities that encourage school reform and educational innovation. Of the state allocation, 85% is used for local educational agencies and 15% is for program administration and state-use.</p>	<p>Application Deadline – July 1 Funding may not be used for construction. Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning/ Division of Federal Programs at: (717) 783-2193.</p>
<p>Qualified School Construction Bond Program – The American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax Act of 2009 authorized the creation of Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCBs), a new tax credit bond program which provides interest free financing for qualifying school districts by giving a tax credit to buyers of these bonds. School districts must meet high tax or growth criteria to be eligible.</p>	<p>Application deadline for qualifying school districts is April 1, 2010. Contacts – Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of Budget and Fiscal Management, Division of School Facilities, at: (717) 787-5480, ra-schoolfacilities@state.pa.us. For more information – www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/american_recovery_and_reinvestment_act/17696/qualified_school_construction_and_qualified_zone_academy_bond_programs/635506.</p>
<p>Qualified Zone Academy Bond Program – The American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax Act extended and expanded the QZAB program for 2008 and 2009. This federal program allows for certain schools, known as education zone academies, to finance the renovation of school facilities, purchase equipment, and, if allowed by state law, provide up-to-date technology and instructional materials on an interest-free basis through the allocation of tax credits.</p>	<p>Application deadline for qualifying school districts is April 1, 2010. Contacts – Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of Budget and Fiscal Management, Division of School Facilities at: (717) 787-5480, ra-schoolfacilities@state.pa.us.</p>

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For more information – www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/american_recovery_and_reinvestment_act/17696/qualified_school_construction_and_qualified_zone_academy_bond_programs/635506.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Act 101 of 1971 (Higher Education Equal Opportunity Act) – The Higher Education Equal Opportunity Program (Act 101), established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 1971, encourages institutions of higher learning to admit low-income students who, due to poor performance on standardized tests, inadequate high school preparation or both, would not normally be admitted. These institutions recruit highly motivated students who show the potential to succeed in college with adequate support (counseling, tutoring, remediation and summer programs). The goal of Act 101 is to help these institutions provide opportunities for under-prepared students seeking a college degree.

Application Deadline – June 8, 2007
 Act 101 funds may not be used for the following: Program director’s salary; Direct financial aid, student stipends, tuition, room and board; Modification or furnishing of campus or community facilities; Costs (including salaries) related to courses not specifically created for Act 101 students and approved by the program director; Professional training programs not related to Act 101 job functions; Partial or total salary of staff whose primary functions are to serve the total student population (examples: admissions, counseling, financial aid, learning center).

Contact – Office of Equal Educational Opportunity/Act 101 State Office at: (717) 787-4637.

Eligible Partnerships of Title II of No Child Left Behind – Higher Education – program that focuses on equipping teachers and principals. This is a competitive program administered by the Division of Program Services in the Bureau of Postsecondary Services, Office of Postsecondary and Higher Education.

Application Deadline – Varies
 At a minimum an “eligible partnership” shall include: (i) A private or state institution of higher education and the division of the institution that prepares teachers and principals; (ii) A school of arts and sciences; and (iii) A high-need local educational agency.

Contact – Bureau of Postsecondary Services, Teaching and Learning Improvement Programs, Division of Program Services at: (717) 772-3623.

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A Consolidated Application for Funding under the Accountability Block Grant, Educational Assistance Program and the Accountability to Commonwealth Taxpayers programs

Application Deadline – May 19

Contact – Bureau of Teaching and Learning at: (717) 773-9294.

The Pennsylvania Department of Education is supporting schools and districts in reaching the goal of 100% proficiency through the establishment of the Pennsylvania Pact (PA-Pact). PA-Pact provides resources for schools and districts to invest in proven practices that will ensure that all students achieve greater academic success. Through PA-Pact, school districts create a single application for up to three separate funding sources:

- The Accountability Block Grant (ABG): Provides school districts with financial assistance to implement effective educational practices and initiatives to improve student achievement. Grant categories: pre-kindergarten and kindergarten; social and health services; tutoring assistance; academic performance of subgroups; science and applied-knowledge; professional education; literacy and math coaching; incentives for certified teachers; research based improvement strategies.
- The Educational Assistance Program (EAP), and
- The Accountability to Commonwealth Taxpayers (ACT) – a school district’s increase above the annual inflation index of the Basic Education Funding under Section 2502.49

PREGNANT AND PARENTING

Pregnant & Parenting Teens ELECT (Education Leading to Employment Career Training) – Assists pregnant and parenting teens to stay in school until graduation. All participants must be receiving Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) welfare benefits and/or food stamps.

Continuation Grants – non-competitive Funds may not be used for activities/services otherwise available to TANF or food stamp recipients on a non-reimbursable basis; regular high school services, which a Local Education Agency (LEA) is required by law, regulation, or other rule to provide to all residents; equipment or renovations for daycare facilities; child care and transportation.

Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 346-9399.

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REGIONAL SUMMER SCHOOLS OF EXCELLENCE

Regional Summer Schools of Excellence – Provides seed money to local education agencies to satisfy a need for regional summer enrichment programs for students in grades K-12 who possess outstanding skills, display unusual ability, and/or are identified as talented or gifted. Fifteen grants of up to \$5,000 are awarded. The program must operate between July 1 and August 31.

Application Deadline – On or about December 1

Individuals and for-profit agencies are not eligible. Agencies or organizations may submit no more than one proposal each.

Contact – Monica Washington, Bureau of Teaching and Learning Support Division of Professional Development at: (717) 783-5670.

SAFE SCHOOLS

Safe & Drug Free Schools & Communities – Program that supports the LEA efforts in prevention of violence and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Programs must be based on a thorough needs assessment of the violence and drug problems; establish a local advisory council to establish measurable goals; implement violence prevention programs which are research based to prevent and/or reduce violence and drug use; and evaluate the program in respect to achievement of goals.

Application Deadline – June 30

Funding may not be used for Construction or Treatment Services.

Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 772-2813.

Safe Schools Initiative – Provides funding to develop a plan through a planning process or implement and enhance activities that prevent or reduce violence by and against youth on school property and/or on transportation to and from school and is designed to meet local needs based on risk-focused, data-driven assessment results.

Application Deadline – Summer

Contact – Bureau of Community & Student Services at: (717) 772-2813

SPECIAL EDUCATION

ACCESS – Is a streamlined process to gain Medical Access reimbursements for the cost of providing related services to students. Funds may be used to enhance or enlarge special education and health services.

Application Deadline – Ongoing

Funding may not be used: for programs or services outside the LEA special education program; to make capital improvements to property; to supplant programs or personnel.

Contact – Bureau of Special Education at: (717) 783-6913.

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<p>Early Intervention – A 12-month program that provides early intervention/special education to all eligible young children 3-5 with disabilities and/or developmental delays.</p>	<p>Application Deadline – July 1, prior to each school year</p> <p>Funds must be used for education of preschool children with disabilities or developmental delays.</p> <p>Contact – Office of Child Development and Early Learning at: (717) 346-9320.</p>
<p>Extraordinary Special Education Expenses (Contingency Fund) – Provides partial reimbursement for the implementation of the Individual Education Plan (IEP) for a student with severe disabilities.</p>	<p>Application Deadline – March 1</p> <p>Costs attributable to services for which the school district is already receiving state reimbursement are not eligible for contingency fund reimbursement.</p> <p>Contact – Bureau of Special Education at: (717) 783-6913.</p>
<p>Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B – Supplemental programs for students with disabilities ages 3 through 21 enrolled in programs of special education. Funds may be used to supplement programs of special education for students with disabilities in areas which include, but are not limited to, assistive technology, extended school year services, personnel training and parent training.</p>	<p>Application Deadline – July 1, prior to each school year</p> <p>Funds may not be used to supplant state or local funds in the aggregate. Funds may not be used to pay for such costs as tuition, transportation or construction.</p> <p>Contact – Bureau of Special Education at: (717) 783-6913.</p>
<p>Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Section 619 – Supplemental programs for students with disabilities and/or developmental delays ages 3 through 5 enrolled in programs of early intervention special education.</p>	<p>Application Deadline – July 1, prior to each school year</p> <p>Funds may not be used to supplant state or local funds in the aggregate. Funds may not be used to pay for such costs as tuition, transportation or construction.</p> <p>Contact – Office of Child Development and Early Learning at: (717) 346-9320.</p>
<p>Transition to Employment for Students with Autism – To develop outcome based competitive employment models to build capacity for system wide reform and improve employment outcomes for students and youth on the autism spectrum. School based career development models with proven strategies to expand measurable employment outcomes will sustain and expand local effort.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To build capacity with agency and school staff to provide effective, evidence based employment development 	<p>Application Deadline – August 8</p> <p>Contact – Bureau of Special Education at: (717) 783-6913</p>

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- programs for students and youth on the autism spectrum.
- To establish evidence based service delivery models for replication in other parts of the state.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 – The new Act authorizes the legislation through Fiscal Year 2012, for a total of six years. While the bulk of the law is very similar to the 1998 Perkins Act, there are some significant changes in content and focus. Several themes are evident throughout accountability for results and program improvement at all levels, increased coordination within the CTE system, stronger academic and technical integration, connections between secondary and postsecondary education, and links to business and industry.

Application Deadline – August 31
 Contact – Bureau of Career and Technical Education at: (717) 783-6981.

(9) Required Uses of Funds:

- Strengthen the academic and career and technical skills of students participating in CTE programs through the integration of academics with CTE programs.
- Link CTE at the secondary level and the postsecondary level.
- Provide students with strong experience in and understanding of all aspects of an industry.
- Develop, improve, or expand the use of technology in CTE.
- Provide in-service and pre-service professional development programs to teachers, faculty, administrators, and career guidance and academic counselors who are involved in integrated CTE programs.
- Develop and implement evaluations of the CTE programs carried out with Perkins funds.
- Initiate, improve, expand and modernize quality CTE programs, including relevant technology.
- Provide services and activities that are of sufficient size, scope and quality to be effective.
- Provide activities to prepare special populations, including single parents and displaced homemakers for high-skill, high-wage or high-demand occupations that will lead to self-sufficiency.

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Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 – Tech Prep – Grants are awarded to eligible consortia of secondary and postsecondary agencies to develop and implement Tech Prep programs that: combine at a minimum 2 years of secondary education with a minimum of 2 years postsecondary education in a non-duplicative, sequential course of study; integrate academic, and vocational and technical instruction, and utilize work-based and work site learning.

Application Deadline – May 29 – Applicants must complete an e-grant application accessed from the PDE Web site. Tech Prep Coordinators travel is limited to within the Commonwealth.

Contact – Bureau of Career and Technical Education, (717) 346- 9735 or send e-mail to swill@state.pa.us.

College and Career Counseling – Grant program taps the collaboration and leadership skills of academic leaders and school counselors to create a vibrant career exploration, career planning and goal setting process for each and every student in grades 8-12. Grant applicants will be expected to create a student-centered career development system facilitated by the school counselor(s) or other academic leader(s). The Department will be monitoring the applications to demonstrate both systemic reform in a district's or school's career development system and a substantive evaluation system that will ensure each year increasingly large percentages of students are prepared for college and career success upon graduation. Schools will provide all students with a college preparatory sequence of courses as defined in Project 720.

Application Deadline – April 18

Contact – Bureau of Career and Technical Education at: (717) 772-4857.

New Choices/New Options Program – Provides career development services for single parents, displaced homemakers, single pregnant women and individuals interested in nontraditional career-technical education; Offers services to assist individuals in finding nontraditional jobs or occupational training program that will enable individuals to support themselves and their families; supports high skill/high wage/demand/priority occupations; Offers career counseling and support services to help participants prepare for the job market. All services are offered free of charge.

Application Deadline – 30 Days from Announcement of Funding

Eligible expenditures are defined in the guidelines. Program Guidelines are distributed to eligible entities. They are also available on the PDE website.

Contact – Bureau of Career and Technical Education at: (717) 772-4851.

Professional Personnel Development Centers – Provides an alternative education preparation system for vocational-technical teachers: teacher pre-service; teacher in-service; continuous teacher professional development services; support research in career and technical education.

Application Deadline – May 25

Restrictions apply only as to the eligibility of the institution and the list of eligible expenditures.

Contact – Bureau of Career and Technical Education/Department of Education at: (717) 783-6592.

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Vocational-Technical Equipment Updates – Program to assist area vocational – technical schools and school districts offering approved vocational – technical programs to purchase equipment that meets industry standards for the purpose of providing training to students.

Application Deadline – May 25 Grants will be awarded on a matching basis, one state dollar (\$) for every local dollar (\$1). The local match can be supported by either local school funds or contributions from business and industry. Federal funds may not be used as a match.

Contact – Bureau of Vocational-Technical Education at: (717) 772-4853.

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ENERGY

Alternative Fuels Incentive Grants – Grants for municipalities and others for costs associated with implementing alternative fuel program.

Applications Available – April
 Applications Due – June
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Energy Policy and Technology Deployment at (717) 783-8411

Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority Grants – In general, PEDDA provides grants and loan guarantees for alternative energy projects and related research referring to deployment projects, manufacturing or research involving the following types of fuels, technologies or measures: solar energy; wind; low-impact hydropower; geothermal; biologically derived methane gas, including landfill gas; biomass; fuel cells; coal-mine methane; waste coal; integrated gasification combined cycle, and; demand management measures, including recycled energy and energy recovery, energy efficiency and load management.

Applications Available – April
 Applications Due – June
 Contact – PA Energy Development Authority at (717) 783-8411

Pennsylvania Energy Harvest Grant – Funding emphasizes Energy efficiency and renewable energy. The grant will fund innovative technology like climate change migration, ground level and municipalities, county conservation ozone migration, enhancement of biological diversity and toxins reduction.

Applications Available – April
 Applications Due – June
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Energy Policy and Technology Deployment at (717) 783-8411

Small Business Advantage Grant Program – Provides 50% matching grants, up to a maximum of \$7,500, to enable a Pennsylvania small business to adopt or acquire energy efficient or pollution prevention equipment or processes.

Applications Available – July
 Applications Due – August
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Energy Policy and Technology Deployment, Small Business Ombudsman at (717) 783-8411

The Small Business Pollution Prevention Assistance Account (PPAA) Loan Program – Provides low interest loans to small businesses undertaking projects (located within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania) that reduce waste, pollution or energy use. Loans will be used to fund 75 percent of the total eligible project cost, up to a maximum of \$100,000. Small businesses with 100 or fewer full-time employees are eligible. The loan interest rate is 2% and has a maximum term of 10 years.

Open
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Energy Policy and Technology Deployment, Small Business Ombudsman at (717) 783-8411

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Environmental Education Grant Program – Reimbursements for schools, non-profits and other organizations for promotion of environmental education activities up to \$10,000.

Pre-Applications Available – October
 Pre-Applications Due – December 12
 Full Applications Due – March 6
 Contact – DEP Director of Environmental Education at (717) 772-1828

West Nile Virus Control Program – Grants to counties provide funds to counties to conduct West Nile Virus mosquito surveillance and control activities.

Applications Available – September
 Applications Due – October
 Contact – DEP Vector Management at (717) 346-8242

SEWAGE MANAGEMENT

Act 537 – Sewage Facilities Planning Grants – Municipalities, counties and authorities reimbursements for 50% of cost for new (or updated) sewage plan.

Open
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulations, Division of Planning and Permits at (717) 787-8184

Act 537 – Sewage Program Enforcement Grants – Municipalities and local agencies reimbursements for 50% of cost to 85% of eligible expenses for performing sewage plan enforcement activities.

Applications Available – December 15 annually
 Applications Due – March 1 annually
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulations, Division of Planning and Permits at (717) 787-8184

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Act 13 – Underground Storage Tank Environmental Cleanup Program – Reimbursement for costs up to \$4,000 with a \$1,000 deductible of corrective action to assist owners of underground storage tanks with a capacity of 3,000 gallons or less used for storing heating oil for consumption on the premises where stored. The tank owner is subject to a \$1,000 deductible.

Open
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Storage Tanks at (717) 772-5551

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<p>Act 101 – County Planning Grants – Counties eligible for 80 percent reimbursement for preparation of waste management plans required by Act 101 and pollution prevention education activities.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Waste Minimization and Planning at (717) 787-7382</p>
<p>Act 101 – Host Municipal Inspector Reimbursement (Municipal) – Payment for 50 percent of cost for host municipality to employ certified inspector for landfill or resource recovery facility.</p>	<p>Applications Available – December Applications Due – March 31 Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Program Development at (717) 787-9870</p>
<p>Act 101 – Host Municipality Review of Permit Applications – Up to \$10,000 grant for host municipalities for independent review of permit applications for a new landfill, resource recovery facility to or expansion of an existing landfill or resource recovery facility.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management at (717) 787-7381</p>
<p>Act 101 – Recycling Coordinator Grants – Reimbursements of 50 percent of county recycling program.</p>	<p>Applications Available – December Applications Due – April 30 Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Waste Minimization & Planning at (717) 787-7382</p>
<p>Act 101 – Recycling Grants (902) – Municipalities and counties are eligible for 90 percent reimbursement toward establishing a municipal recycling program.</p>	<p>Applications Available – March Applications Due – April Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Waste Minimization & Planning at (717) 787-7382</p>
<p>Act 101 – Recycling Performance Grants – Grants awarded to municipalities based on weight and type of materials recycled in previous calendar year.</p>	<p>Applications Available – Spring Applications Due – September 30 Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Waste Minimization & Planning at (717) 787-7382</p>
<p>Act 108 – Technical Evaluation of HSCA Remedial Action (HSCA) – Evaluation Grants for HSCA Sites Reimbursement of \$50,000 for municipalities to conduct an independent evaluation of proposed remedial response at a HSCA site.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Remediation Services at (717) 783-9475</p>

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<p>Act 108 – (HSCA) Host Municipality Siting Incentive – Payment to municipalities serving as host to a hazardous waste treatment facility.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Hazardous Waste Management at (717) 787-6239</p>
<p>Act 108 – (HSCA) Host Municipality Siting Reviews – Reimbursement of \$50,000 to host municipality and host county for independent review of permit application for commercial hazardous waste disposal facility.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Hazardous Waste Management at (717) 787-6239</p>
<p>Act 108 – (HSCA) Host Municipal Inspector Reimbursement – Payment for 50 percent of cost for host municipality to employ a certified inspector at commercial hazardous waste treatment facility.</p>	<p>March 31 Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Program Development at (717) 787-9870</p>
<p>Composting Infrastructure Development Grant – Reimburses for-profit business entities (whether established or start-up) and nonprofit organizations located and operating in Pennsylvania that use organic materials limited to yard waste and food waste feedstock collected in Pennsylvania. The grant aims to increase the volume of organic materials being inverted and composted and assist businesses to increase their use of organic materials.</p>	<p>Applications Available – May Applications Due – July Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Waste Minimization & Planning at (717) 787-7382</p>
<p>Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program – Counties, municipalities and other entities engaging in HHW collection and disposal programs are eligible for 50% reimbursement.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Waste Minimization & Planning at (717) 787-7382</p>
<p>Illegal Dump Cleanup – Provide financial assistance for a maximum of \$25,000 with a match of 50% to assist in the cleanup of illegal dumps on public lands, state-owned lands, and third party sites.</p>	<p>Applications Available – October Applications Due – January Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Municipal and Residual Waste at (717) 787-8690</p>
<p>Independent Review of Permit Application/Siting Plan Review – Reimbursement for independent review of commercial hazardous waste disposal facility applications.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Hazardous Waste Management at (717) 787-6239</p>

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<p>Recycling Markets Infrastructure Development Grant— Provides reimbursement for equipment costs associated with increasing the use of recycled content in products by for-profit business entities (whether established or start-up) and non-profit organizations located and operating in Pennsylvania.</p>	<p>Applications Available – May Applications Due – July Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Waste Minimization & Planning at (717) 787-7382</p>
<p>Storage Tank Pollution Prevention Grant Program (Pump & Plug UST) – Grants available to owners of six or fewer underground tanks that will no longer be used.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Division of Storage Tanks at (717) 772-5599; (800)-42-TANKS</p>
<p>Waterline Grant – Cleanup of contaminated water sources at a HSCA site.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waste Management, Remediation Services at (717) 783-9475</p>
<h3>WATER-RELATED PROGRAMS</h3>	
<p>Coastal Zone Management Program Grants – Program for municipalities with direct impacts on Lake Erie or the Delaware River Estuary.</p>	<p>Applications Available – August Applications Due – October Contact – DEP Water Planning Office at (717) 772-5619</p>
<p>Enactment & Implementation of Stormwater Management Plans – Reimburse municipalities for costs incurred in the adoption or revision of ordinances or regulations and other actual administrative, enforcement, and implementation costs incurred in complying with the Pennsylvania Stormwater Management Act (1978 Act 167) and the companion regulation governing stormwater management grants and reimbursements (25 Pa. Code 111).</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Watershed Management at (717) 705-6346</p>
<p>Federal Flood Protection Cost Share Projects – Up to 50 percent non-federal share can be funded for flood protection projects designed by federal agencies.</p>	<p>Open Contact – DEP Bureau of Waterways Engineering at (717) 787-3411</p>
<p>Flood Protection Grant Program – Provides funds to government entities responsible for the operation and maintenance of flood protection projects for non-routine maintenance, project improvements and specialized equipment.</p>	<p>Applications Available – January Applications Due – April Contact – DEP Bureau of Waterways Engineering at (717) 787-3411</p>

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Growing Greener Watershed Restoration and Protection Grants – Grants to assist citizen groups, conservation districts and local governments in developing and implementing watershed remediation plans or watershed restoration projects and protective measures.

Applications Available – January
 Applications Due – Mid April
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Watershed Management at (717) 772-5807

Non-point Source Pollution Control Projects Funding (319 Grants) – Projects that address impaired waters through implementation, education, monitoring, demonstration or innovative practices to control or reduce non-point sources of pollution.

Applications Available – January
 Applications Due – April
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Watershed Management, Division of Watershed Protection at (717) 772-5807

Pennsylvania Flood Protection Program – Design and construction of flood protection projects deemed economically justifiable under the state capital budget process.

Open
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Waterways Engineering at (717) 787-3411

Stormwater Management Planning and Implementation Grants – DEP provides financial and technical assistance to counties for development, and to municipalities for implementation, of watershedbased storm water management plans under the Stormwater Management Act (1978 Act 167). The financial assistance consists of grants and reimbursements that cover 75% of the allowable costs for storm water management plans covered under the Act.

Open
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Watershed Management at (717) 705-6346

Stream Improvement Program – State provided design and construction projects to eliminate imminent threats due to flooding and streambank erosion.

Open
 Contact – DEP Bureau of Waterways Engineering at (717) 787-3411

ENVIRONMENTAL-RELATED RESOURCES

Below are some general areas to look for assistance for various environmentally-related projects from watershed management, alternative energy, open space, recycling, etc.

League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania – Water Resources Education Network – WREN makes connections between Pennsylvania citizens and water resources information.

www.wren.palwv.org/

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection’s Office of Small Business Ombudsman –

- Serves as the primary advocate for small businesses within the PA Department of Environmental Protection.

www.depweb.state.pa.us/enintech/cwp/view.asp?a=1413&Q=502456&enintechNav=|

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- Assists small businesses in realizing the potential cost savings of pollution prevention versus pollution control.
- Provides confidential assistance to small businesses within the Commonwealth needing help with environmental issues.
- Provides compliance assistance and pollution prevention pamphlets and fact sheets for small businesses.
- Provides information to small businesses needing financial assistance to implement pollution prevention practices and comply with environmental regulations.

Pennsylvania Small Business Development Centers’ Environmental Management Assistance Program (EMAP) – The EMAP is a no-cost, confidential statewide service for small businesses. They can help with environmental compliance concerns as well as assist you in your efforts to “green your business.”

www.askemap.org/

PENNVEST – Since its inception, PENNVEST has continued its service to the communities and citizens of Pennsylvania by funding sewer, storm water and drinking water projects throughout the Commonwealth. These projects not only contribute to improving Pennsylvania’s environment and the health of its people, they also provide opportunities for economic growth and jobs for Pennsylvania’s workers. Areas of assistance: Drinking Water, Wastewater and Storm water Loans; On-Lot Sewage Disposal Funds; Brownfield Redevelopment

www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/pennvest/9242

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It is the mission of DGS to provide high quality services at a good price to support the operation of state government. DGS is the state’s purchaser of commodities and services, the manager of capital expenditures for buildings, and the entity that maintains and protects our facilities. In addition, the department aims to make government friendlier for its users, expand opportunity for minority and women-owned businesses, and reduce operating costs for the agencies of state government.

COSTARS – This program permits local public procurement units registered with the program and state-affiliated entities to purchase goods and services from Department of General Services contracts.

A complete list of the currently registered communities and organizations that can use the state contracts, as well as more information about the COSTARS program itself, is available at:

www.dgs.state.pa.us/costars or by calling (866) 768-7827.

Please note that the Software Licensing Program no longer exists. It has been replaced by access, through the COSTARS program, in the software contracts.

The **Bureau of Supplies and Surplus Operations** offers municipalities a number of programs to help stretch limited budget dollars.

The **1033 Excess Property Program** provides your law enforcement agency an excellent opportunity to acquire excess Department of Defense equipment and supplies to use in the line of duty. Body armor, photographic equipment, computers, night vision goggles, vehicles, and many other valuable protective items can be acquired to protect the men and women who protect your community. The property itself is a donation from the Federal Government. However, you do incur a service charge to cover the state’s cost of administering this program.

Contact – Bureau of Supplies & Office Surplus, Law Enforcement Property Program at: (717) 525-5803, www.dgs.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/law_enforcement_1033_excess_property_program/

The **1122 New Property Program** enables your law enforcement agency to purchase new equipment and supplies suitable for counterdrug activities using Federal contracts. Because of its volume purchasing power, the Federal Government receives tremendous discounts on many of the items commonly used by local law enforcement agencies.

Our agency will research the federal contracts and provide quotes to you. You do incur a service charge of \$500 or 4 percent of the sale price, whichever is less, to cover the state’s cost of administering this program.

Contact – (717) 787-6197, www.dgs.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/law_enforcement_1122_new_property_program/

The Federal Surplus Property Program

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offers a virtually limitless variety of property to municipalities and other nonprofit organizations within Pennsylvania. From paper clips to battle ships, from computers to concrete block, we can meet your property needs through this program.

The property itself is donated to your municipality from the Federal Government. You do incur a service charge, however, to cover the state's cost of administering the program.

Phone – (717) 787-9724, www.dgs.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/federal_surplus_property_program/.

The **Fixed Price Sales Vehicles Program** enables our Bureau to offer General Services Administration fleet vehicles to your municipality before these vehicles go to public auction. Cars, trucks, vans, alternative fuel vehicles, pick-up trucks, ambulances, and fire trucks are all available through this program.

You may choose from stock vehicles or submit your requests for vehicles to our office.

Phone – (717) 525-5805, www.dgs.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/price_sales_vehicle_program/.

The **State Surplus Property Program** offers Commonwealth-owned office equipment and supplies through our warehouse at 2221 Forster St. in Harrisburg, and offers a variety of items on-line through eBay (www.ebay.com/seller_id/pastatesurplus). Sales are open to the general public. Store hours are 9 AM to 2:45 PM, Monday through Friday.

Surplus Auctions are sometimes held across the Commonwealth. Additionally, we offer off-road equipment, bridge equipment, dump trucks, and other maintenance equipment to municipalities before these items are offered for sale to the general public.

To register for the municipal sales, please visit our on-line auctioneer, Asset Auctions, at: www.asset-auctions.com/padgs to register your municipality and to receive notices of up-coming auctions.

Taxpayers at large may register for public sales at: www.asset-auctions.com, or call (717) 787-9068.

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www.health.state.pa.us Phone: 1 (877) PA-HEALTH / 1 (877) 724-3258

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The Pennsylvania Department of Health is involved in numerous health and well being assistance opportunities. Eligible participants in our programs range from individuals to health care practitioners and or facilities.

Web visitors can quickly and conveniently access current health statistics, request a copy of a birth certificate, browse through the department's catalog of publications, locate the nearest local health department and learn the latest information on public health issues at their finger tips.

The Department of Health has published a comprehensive guide entitled the Health & Human Services Resource Guide. The guide is a 36-page booklet designed to inform individuals about human resources that may be readily available in their area. This information is also available at the department's Web site www.health.state.pa.us. Once at the Web site, go to the top right hand corner of the homepage and conduct a site search using the keyword "Resource Guide."

The Pennsylvania Department of Health has also compiled an "Access to Healthcare Guide" to serve as a one-stop manual for individuals who are either uninsured or underinsured in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to identify potential points of health-care service. The following highlights each program. This information is also available at the department's Web site at www.health.state.pa.us. Once at the Web site, go to the top right hand corner of the homepage and conduct a site search using the keyword "Access to HealthCare Guide."

PRIMARY CARE SITES

Department of Veterans Affairs Facility Directory – This site is a storehouse of facility information within 1,128 VA facilities, maintained on a regular basis by editors and administrators nationwide throughout the VA network.

www1.va.gov/directory/guide/home.asp?isFlash=1

Free PA Senior Medical Clinics – Free Medical Clinics is a collaborative effort of concerned citizens and health care professionals who recognize the importance of affordable health care to the growth and development of a community.

www.paseniorcenters.org/information/free_clinics.htm

Health Resources and Services Administration – HRSA can help you find a health center in your community. These health centers serve all who walk through their doors, regardless of ability to pay.

www.ask.hrsa.gov/pc/

Medical Student Run Clinics – The goal of the MSCA is to have EVERY medical/osteopathic school associated with a student-run clinic as a means for students to serve the community and to use as a learning environment. Here you will find links to all of the student-run clinics around the country.

www.student-clinics.org/cliniclist.html

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<p>National Nursing Centers Consortium – Nurse-Managed Health Centers make health care in America work. All across the country, there is a growing movement of committed nursing professionals who are bringing excellent health care to vulnerable communities.</p>	<p>www.nationalnursingcenters.com/membership/penn.html</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Association for Community Health Centers (PACHC) – The PACHC (previously known as the PA Forum) was established in 1981 as a private non-profit organization. These community-owned and operated rural and urban centers provide quality health care that is both affordable and accessible.</p>	<p>www.pachc.com/</p>
<p>Volunteers in Health Care Links Page – Volunteers in Health Care staff have prepared the following list of links useful to those serving the uninsured.</p>	<p>www.volunteersinhealthcare.org/links.htm</p>
<p>Volunteers in Medicine Institute – VMI promotes and guides the development of a national network of free clinics emphasizing the use of retired medical and lay volunteers to care for the “working uninsured” within a culture of caring so that everyone in a community has access to health care.</p>	<p>www.vimi.org/alliances.shtml#pa</p>
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<p>Pennsylvania Dental Association Dental Clinic Directory – The PDA is frequently contacted by members, the public and elected officials for information on the availability of low-cost dental care.</p>	<p>www.padental.org/</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Dental Association Senior Dental Care Program – The Senior Dental Care Program offers reduced-cost dental care to eligible Pennsylvania senior citizens by dentists who are members of the Pennsylvania Dental Association (PDA).</p>	<p>www.padental.org/</p>
<p>ToothWoman.Net – ToothWoman Network, a 501(c) 3 non-profit corporation, works to improve health through oral health education. With special emphasis on women, children, seniors and people with disabilities, we strive to educate all people about the importance of improving oral health, preventing disease and trauma to the mouth, and understanding the relationship of the mouth to the rest of the body.</p>	<p>www.toothwoman.net/er/index.html</p>

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adultBasic – Recognizing the need to provide quality healthcare coverage that is accessible and affordable to the Commonwealth’s uninsured adult population, adultBasic was launched in 2002 to cover the basic healthcare needs of Pennsylvanians age 19-64 who have no health insurance and who meet certain eligibility requirements. (Administered by the PA Department of Insurance.)

Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) – CHIP is Pennsylvania’s program to provide quality health insurance for children of working families who otherwise could not afford it. (Administered by the PA Department of Insurance.)

Mental Health Services – Do you have questions about how to get Mental Health or Substance Abuse services in Pennsylvania? Read all about it in the new manual which is an easy to use guide to Mental Health Services in Pennsylvania. The guide gives answers to questions often asked about finding and getting Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in the state. It also gives information on the services that are available, how to find those services, using medical assistance to get services and people and groups that can help you if you have trouble getting services. (Administered by the PA Department of Public Welfare.)

Office of Medical Assistance Programs (OMAP) – A wide variety of healthcare programs for Pennsylvanian’s eligible to receive medical assistance. (Administered by the PA Department of Public Welfare.)

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Breast and Cervical Cancer Section – HealthyWoman Program (HWP) – This program provides screening and diagnostic services for the detection of cancer and pre-cancerous conditions of the breast or cervix for eligible women.

Contact – Telephone toll-free:
1 (877) PA-Health / TTY: 1 (800) 332-8615;
www.PAHealthyWoman.com.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program – This program provides comprehensive services to families with children under the age of six that includes lead screening, testing, follow-up and case management.

Contact – Joseph McLaughlin, Division of Child and Adult Health Services, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 772-2762.

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<p>Child Orthopedics Program – This program provides services including diagnosis, treatment, therapy, outpatient follow-up, inpatient surgery, orthopedic/prosthetic appliances, and durable medical equipment to eligible children with orthopedic conditions.</p>	<p>Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>Chronic Renal Disease Program (CRDP) – This Program provides life-saving care and treatment for children and adults with end-stage renal disease. The program provides dialysis services, renal transplantation, medical management, inpatient and outpatient services, home dialysis supplies and equipment, medications, and limited patient transportation.</p>	<p>Contact – LuAnn Cartwright, Division of Child and Adult Health Services, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 772-2762.</p>
<p>Cleft Palate Program – This program supports the direct payment for services against a fee schedule for diagnostic tests, treatment, therapy, outpatient follow-up, and inpatient surgery and care to eligible children with cleft conditions.</p>	<p>Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>Comprehensive Specialty Care Program, Participating Provider Agreements (PPA) – Through these agreements, the Department pays for limited medical services for adults and children with Hemophilia, Cystic Fibrosis, Spina Bifida, Cooley’s Anemia, Cleft Palate, and for those who require Child Rehabilitation, Cardiac, Hearing/Speech, and Home Ventilation services.</p>	<p>Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>Cooley’s Anemia Program – This program provides comprehensive multi-disciplinary medical services to patients of all ages with Cooley’s Anemia.</p>	<p>Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>Cystic Fibrosis Program – This program supports medical centers that provide comprehensive services to children and adults with cystic fibrosis. This program also provides assistance with prescription drugs for adults and children with cystic fibrosis if they lack the insurance coverage for such medications.</p>	<p>Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>Drug and Alcohol Programs – Develops and implements programs for the prevention, intervention, treatment, and case management of drug and alcohol abuse and dependence. Programs are implemented and services are provided through grant agreements with the 49 Single County Authorities (SCAs) who, in turn, contract with private service providers. SCAs provide administrative oversight to the local contracted</p>	<p>Contact – Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Programs, (717) 783-8200, www.health.state.pa.us/addiction.</p>

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programs, funded with state and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funds. The Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Programs also conducts statewide training programs for persons employed in community-based drug and alcohol programs.

Family Planning Program – Clinical services are provided at local clinics and include physical exams, routine gynecological care, contraceptives, cancer screening and examinations, general health screening, sexually transmitted disease (STD) diagnosis, treatment, education and counseling, and HIV/AIDS education and screening.

Contact – Kelly Holland, Division of Child and Adult Health Services, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 772-2762.

Gambling (Problem and Compulsive) – The Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Programs develops programs related to public education, awareness, and training regarding compulsive and problem gambling, as well as the treatment and prevention of compulsive and problem gambling. In addition, the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Programs provides mini-grants to qualified individuals, agencies and organizations for the purpose of educating and increasing public awareness local communities about problem gambling and the availability of treatment.

Contact – Gambling Addiction Treatment Hotline, toll free phone: 1-877-565-2112. To apply for Mini-Grants, contact: Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Programs, (717) 783-8200, www.health.state.pa.us/gambling.

Genetic Services Program – This program provides genetic screening, pre-conceptual health assessment, genetic counseling and referral services. The program targets low income individuals who are at-risk for transmitting, affected with, or concerned about a genetic disorder. It enables individuals to make informed health decisions and ensures them access to comprehensive genetic services.

Contact – Adeline Barwick, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143 or contact the Special Kids Network for the phone number of the nearest provider in your area: 1 (800) 986-4550; TTY 1 (877) 232-7640.

Head Injury Program – This program provides rehabilitation services to adult residents of Pennsylvania who experienced a traumatic brain injury after July 2, 1985.

Contact – Nicole Adams, Division of Child and Adult Health Services, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 772-2762.

Toll Free Number – 1 (866) 412-4755.

Hearing and Speech Program – This program provides diagnosis, treatment, habilitation prostheses, and other services including remediation of speech, language and hearing problems.

Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.

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<p>Hemophilia Program – This program provides comprehensive services including diagnosis, treatment, therapy, outpatient follow-up, and blood products for children and adults with hemophilia.</p>	<p>Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>Home Ventilator Program – This program provides services for children under 21 years of age with chronic respiratory failure who require ventilator assistance and live at home rather than in institutional or long term care facilities.</p>	<p>Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>HOPWA – Federally-funded program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development provides housing assistance and related supportive services for low-income persons with HIV/AIDS and their families. Services include, but are not limited to, housing information and referral, tenant-based rental assistance, short-term rent, mortgage, and utility payments, and supportive services (e.g., security deposits, case management, drug and alcohol abuse treatment).</p>	<p>Contact – Joanne Valentino, PHP Administrator, Division of HIV/AIDS, (717) 783-0572.</p>
<p>Immunization Program For Children, Adolescents And Adults – All recommended childhood immunizations are made available to children and adolescents who have no medical homes or resources for payment through a network of public clinic sites. Tetanus/diphtheria, influenza and pneumococcal vaccines are made available to adults who have no resources for or access to these immunizations.</p>	<p>Contact – Heather Stafford, RN, BSN, Director, Division of Immunizations, (717) 787-5681.</p>
<p>Lead Hazard Control Program – This program creates lead safe homes for low-income families with children under age six. This includes conducting inspections, risk assessments and lead hazard control.</p>	<p>Contact – Cynthia Dundas or Faith Blough, Division of Child and Adult Health Services, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 772-2762.</p>
<p>Love'em with a Checkup Program – This program consists of two informational and referral help lines. Healthy Baby 1 (800) 986-2229 provides pregnant women with information about where to get early and regular prenatal care. Healthy Kids 1 (800) 986-5437 provides parents with information about where to obtain primary health care for their children and information about infant care and breast feeding.</p>	<p>Contact – Michelle Connors, Division of Community Systems Development and Outreach, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 772-2763.</p>

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<p>Pennsylvania Cancer Education Network – This program provides free public education about prostate, skin, ovarian and colorectal cancers.</p>	<p>Contact – Telephone toll-free: 1 (877) PA-Health / TTY: 1 (800) 332-8615.; www.PACancerEducationNetwork.com.</p>
<p>Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) Program – Provides free and confidential testing for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) such as Chlamydia, gonorrhea, HIV, and syphilis. Also provides treatment, education, surveillance, and epidemiology resources to prevent and intervene in the transmission of STDs.</p>	<p>Contact – James Besong, STD Program Manager, Division of TB/STD, Bureau of Communicable Diseases, (717) 787-3981.</p>
<p>Sickle Cell Disease Program – This program provides comprehensive medical treatment and psychosocial services, care coordination, and education to children and adults with sickle cell disease.</p>	<p>Contact – Ellen Bierbower, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>Special Kids Network – This is a statewide information and referral helpline service that connects individuals and families of children with special health care needs in obtaining needed services. The helpline number is 1 (800) 986-4550; TTY 1 (877) 232-7640.</p>	<p>Contact – Michelle Connors, Division of Community Systems Development and Outreach, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 772-2763.</p>
<p>Spina Bifida Program – This program provides complete comprehensive services including diagnosis, treatment, therapy, outpatient follow-up, and inpatient surgery and care to children and adults with Spina Bifida.</p>	<p>Contact – Michael Blumenthal, Division of Newborn Screening and Genetics, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-8143.</p>
<p>Tobacco Prevention and Control – This comprehensive program provides statewide, regional, community and school-based tobacco prevention and cessation programs, chronic disease programs, evaluation and is responsible for the implementation and enforcement of both the youth access to tobacco law and the PA Clean Indoor Air Act. In addition, free one-on-one cessation counseling is available to tobacco users, with customized protocols for pregnant women and youth (age 14-17 years) through the PA Free Quitline – 1 (800) QUIT NOW, 1 (800) 784-8669). This quitline, along with a companion Web site, www.determinedtoquit.com provides additional tools and resources for quitting tobacco use.</p>	<p>Contact – Judy Ochs, Director, Division of Tobacco Prevention and Control, (717) 783-6600.</p>

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Tuberculosis (TB) Program – The TB Program has overall responsibility for statewide TB control efforts, including surveillance, case investigation, morbidity reporting, and diagnostic treatment and prevention services. Free and confidential TB services are available at State Health Centers and at all County and Municipal Health Departments.

Contact – Wes Ruhrig, Director, Division of TB/STD, Bureau of Communicable Diseases, (717) 787-6267.

Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC) – This is a health and nutrition program for pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women and children under age five. WIC provides nutrition counseling and a nutritional food package for women and children to supplement their dietary intake during critical stages of growth and development in order to prevent health and nutrition problems.

Contact – Bonnie Mellot or your local WIC agency, Division of Women, Infants and Children, Bureau of Family Health, (717) 783-1289 or 1 (800) WIC-WINS.

The following is a list of Department of Health programs where grant opportunities may be available. Information is readily available at the department’s Web site at www.health.state.pa.us. Since program guidelines and eligibility are constantly evolving, the department recommends that interested entities review the Web site or contact the appropriate person listed with each program.

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PHHSBG – Block Program Services	Leslie Best
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Primary Health Care Practitioner	Martin Raniowski
Loan Repayment Program.....	Martin Raniowski
Rural Hospital Flexibility Program.....	Martin Raniowski
J-1 Visa Waiver Program.....	Martin Raniowski
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Health Work Force Reports	Martin Raniowski
State Health Improvement Plan.....	Martin Raniowski
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Breastfeeding Mini-Grants	Michelle Connors
Child Health	Carolyn Cass
Genetic Counseling.....	Adeline Barwick
MCH Lead Poisoning Prevention and Abatement	Carolyn Cass
MCHSBG – Program Services.....	Melita Jordan
Women, Infants and Children (WIC).....	Greg Landis
Family Health Special Projects	Melita Jordan
Newborn Screening and Followup.....	Carolyn Ellison
Newborn Hearing Screening	Mary King Maxey
Drug and Alcohol Programs	Robin Rothermel
Gambling (Problem and Compulsive)	Robin Rothermel
Tuberculosis Screening and Treatment	Wes Ruhrig
Tuberculosis Control Program	Wes Ruhrig
Renal Dialysis	Carolyn Cass
Services for Children with Special Needs.....	Michelle Connors
Adult Cystic Fibrosis	Adeline Barwick
Cooley’s Anemia	Adeline Barwick
Arthritis Outreach and Education.....	Leslie Best
Asthma Program.....	Leslie Best
Hemophilia	Adeline Barwick
Lupus	Leslie Best
Sickle Cell	Adeline Barwick
Osteoporosis Prevention and Education	Leslie Best
Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation	Leslie Best
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adultBasic Health Insurance – adultBasic provides basic health insurance for adults meeting certain income and other eligibility requirements and who do not have health-care coverage, including Medicaid. The program is administered by the Pennsylvania Insurance Department through contracts with six insurance companies throughout the state. adultBasic offers basic benefits, including preventative care, physician services, diagnosis and treatment of illness or injury, in-patient hospitalization, out-patient hospital services, emergency accident and medical care.

Individuals enrolled in the program pay a premium of \$35 per month, which will be \$36 effective March 1, 2010.

Additional information, including eligibility criteria is available on the department’s Web site at: www.insurance.pa.gov.

Interested individuals may apply on-line at: www.compass.state.pa.us, by phone at 1 (800) GO-BASIC or by calling 1 (800) GO-BASIC to receive a paper application, which will be mailed.

*****There is currently a waiting list for enrollment. However, individuals determined to be eligible for adultBasic and are placed on the waiting list, have the option to purchase the adultBasic coverage at the Insurance Department’s cost for non-subsidized adultBasic coverage and will receive the same benefits as those offered through the program.*

Catastrophic Loss Benefits Continuation Fund (AUTO CAT FUND) – The Catastrophic Loss Benefits Continuation Fund (Auto CAT Fund) continues benefits for medical treatment and rehabilitative services, previously provided by the Catastrophic Loss Trust Fund, for injuries arising out of the maintenance or use of a motor vehicle between October 1, 1984 and December 31, 1989.

In addition to other eligibility criteria and before being eligible for benefits, the claimant must incur \$100,000 in medically necessary and reasonable medical and/or rehabilitative expenses. Benefits are capped at \$50,000 per year with a \$1,000,000 lifetime maximum.

Except for workers’ compensation the Auto CAT Fund is the primary payor for eligible claimants and coordinates benefits with health and other insurance carriers. Insurers may confirm whether the Auto CAT Fund is the primary payor on a particular claim by contacting the current third party administrator.

Additional information on filing a claim, benefits and eligibility requirements are available on the Department’s Web site at www.insurance.pa.gov or calling the Auto CAT Fund at (717) 787-4919.

CHIP (Children’s Health Insurance Program) – This program provides free or low-cost comprehensive health care to children under the age of 19 whose families make too much money to qualify for Medicaid and are not otherwise covered by health insurance. CHIP has expanded to cover all kids and that means that now, no family makes too much to be eligible. The cost of coverage is based on family income. Families with household incomes below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines (e.g., \$44,100) receive CHIP coverage at no cost. Families with household incomes above 300% of the federal poverty guidelines (e.g., \$66,151) pay the actual cost of coverage. Families with incomes in between pay between 25% and 40% of the cost, depending upon income. The requirement that children must have been without health insurance for six months prior to CHIP coverage is waived in a number of

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Additional information is available on the Department’s Web site at: www.chipcoverspakids.com.

Currently, there is no waiting list for the CHIP Program.

Families may apply on-line at: www.compass.state.pa.us, by phone at: 1 (800) 986-KIDS or by calling 1 (800) 986-KIDS to receive a paper application, which will be mailed.

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circumstances, including children under age 2, children in households with incomes below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines, and children who lost or are losing private health insurance coverage because their parents or guardians lost health insurance obtained through employment.

Quality comprehensive health-care benefits provided by CHIP include, immunizations, routine check-ups, diagnostic\ testing, prescription drugs, dental, vision and hearing services, emergency care, maternity care, mental health benefits, up to 90 days of hospitalization in any year, durable medical equipment, substance abuse treatment, partial hospitalization for mental health services, rehabilitation therapies and home health care.

Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Fund –
The Storage Tank and Spill Prevention Act, Act 32 of 1989 created the Underground Storage Tank Indemnification Fund (USTIF) to assist owners and operators in meeting the insurance requirement.

The USTIF makes claim payments, presently up to \$1,500,000 per tank per occurrence, to eligible underground storage tank (UST) owners or operators for damages caused by a release from their UST.

To be eligible, the release must have occurred on or after February 1, 1994 and meet other eligibility requirements set forth in the Act. The USTIF also indemnifies tank owners for third party liability that may occur when the release from a UST has injured another person or that person’s property.

Additional information on filing a claim, benefits and eligibility requirements are available on the Department’s Web site at www.insurance.pa.gov or by calling the USTIF at: 1(800) 595-9887 (PA) or (717) 787-0763.

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Pennsylvania Conservation Corps (PCC) Project Grant Program – Grants to carry out projects related to recreation, conservation and historical preservation (non-profit agencies in cities of the first class may also apply, but only for projects involving the removal of graffiti and the repair of institutional vandalism.)

Grant recipients receive the services of a PCC crew (all wages paid) for one year. May also receive the funds to pay for the materials and contracted services needed (municipalities and school districts must supply a 25% cash match)

Applications for this grant are taken annually in the Fall.

Contact – Pennsylvania Conservation Corps at: (888) 577-4722 or e-mail to pcc@dli.state.pa.us.

Independence Capital Access Network (ICAN) – The ICAN Fund provides grants to small employers (with 100 employees or less) for reimbursement of costs associated with necessary accommodations to hire, retain and promote workers with disabilities. Such accommodations include: site or building modifications, specialized or adapted machinery, transportation modifications, or specialized training. The maximum annual grant is \$50,000.

Approved grant applications require an executed agreement between the recipient and the ICAN Program.

The business may proceed with the accommodation(s) after ICAN contractual procedures are completed.

The business must submit invoices or receipts to the ICAN Program for reimbursement.

Contact – Ray Walker, ICAN Program, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation at: (717) 787-5735.

Industry Partnership – This grant program supports the development of new and emerging Industry Partnerships. An Industry Partnership is a multi-employer collaborative that brings together management and employees to improve competitiveness of the companies. Effective partnerships facilitate companies to come together to aggregate training and educational needs. Partnerships can help companies identify and work together to address common organizational and human resource challenges – recruiting new workers, retaining incumbent workers, implementing high-performance work organizations, adopting new technologies, and fostering experiential on-the-job learning.

Guidelines are available on: www.paworkforce.state.pa.us.

Contact – Dan Kuba at: (717) 705-8821 or Terri Kaufman at: (717) 705-8821.

Industry Partnership Worker Training Program – Grants will be made available to assist emerging and existing Industry Partnerships in identifying the training needs of the companies by developing effective and responsive training solutions that will enhance participating companies’ competitive position. Incumbent Worker Grants will help the development and training implementation strategy by

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Contact – Terri Kaufman at: (717) 705-8821 or Dan Kuba at: (717) 705-8821.

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supporting training to generate cutting edge skills needed by employers while promoting opportunities and advancement of workers and job seekers.

Individual Training Account (ITA) – An ITA is a mechanism authorized by the Workforce Investment Act, which is intended to finance occupational skills training for participants to become gainfully employed or reemployed. Customers approved for training may use their ITAs to purchase occupational skills training slots in any program on the statewide list.

The specific parameters for ITAs are established by each Local Workforce Investment Area, which may include a maximum duration of training, cost of training, or other requirements.

Pell Grants – Pell grants, as well as most federal student aid, are awarded on the basis of financial need. The amount that an individual receives is based on a formula that includes the cost of attendance minus the Expected Family Contribution. The student must be enrolled in a program of organized instruction or study that leads to an academic, professional, or vocational degree or certificate, or other recognized educational credential.

CareerLink Staff and the training providers with which local areas work can provide guidance on how participants can apply for Pell grants and other student aid. There also are various Web sites that provide instructions on the application process.

Trade Adjustment Assistance – The Trade Act’s Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) program helps trade-affected workers who have lost their jobs as a result of increased imports or shifts in production out of the United States. TAA can provide funding for tuition, books and supplies for classroom training, and basic or remedial education, which may include training in literacy or English as a second language.

Occupational Training is targeted to a specific occupation and provided to help certified workers secure employment at a skill level similar to, or higher than, their layoff employment, and sustain that employment at the best wage available.

Based on the individual’s existing skills and labor market conditions, training will be of the shortest duration necessary to return the individual to employment, with a maximum duration of 104 weeks. TAA can also pay 50% of the salary for on-the-job training and customized training designed to meet the needs of a specific employer or group of employers.

More information on TAA benefits is available by calling the UC Service Center or visiting a Pennsylvania CareerLink and requesting the pamphlet, UCP-11 or UCP-11 (A), Assistance for Workers Under the Trade Act of 1974. If you have any questions regarding this program or would like to apply for these benefits, please contact the UC Service Center or visit a Pennsylvania CareerLink.

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Health Coverage Tax Credit — The Health Coverage Tax Credit is a federal tax credit that pays 65% of the health plan premium for eligible individuals enrolled in qualified health plans. The benefit can be received as a tax credit or an advanced payment. This benefit is available to TAA eligible individuals, ATAA eligible individuals (those getting wage subsidy), recipients of Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporation (PBGC) benefits age 55 or older, and qualified family members. The TAA eligible individual must be eligible to receive Trade Readjustment Allowances (TRA) under the Trade Program; be collecting Unemployment Insurance (UI) or TRA and while collecting UI or TRA; must be enrolled in TAA approved training or have completed TAA approved training, or have a waiver from training.

In addition to the criteria that qualify an individual to apply for HCTC, there are also criteria that define a qualified health plan. The insurance must meet one of the four following criteria:

1. COBRA continuation coverage
 2. Individual coverage in which the worker is enrolled at least 30 days prior to separation from the job that qualified him/her for TAA
 3. State qualified plan
- Coverage under the TAA eligible worker’s spouse’s health plan where the spouse’s employer pays less than 50% of the health plan coverage.
- To apply for benefits, contact the HCTC Customer Contact Center toll free at: (866) 628-HCTC.

Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance (ATAA) — The Trade Act establishes ATAA as an alternative assistance program for older workers certified eligible to apply for TAA. This program is effective for petitioners who request that workers be certified for the ATAA program, and do so at the time the petition is filed. ATAA is designed to allow TAA eligible workers for whom retraining may not be appropriate and who find reemployment, to receive a wage subsidy to help bridge the salary gap between their old and new employment. To receive the ATAA benefits, workers must be TAA and ATAA certified and must file the application for ATAA within two years of the first day of qualifying reemployment.

More information on TAA benefits is available by calling the UC Service Center or visiting a Pennsylvania CareerLink and requesting the pamphlet, UCP-II or UCP-II (A), Assistance for Workers Under the Trade Act of 1974. If you have any questions regarding this program or would like to apply for these benefits, please contact the UC Service Center or visit a Pennsylvania CareerLink.

An individual must meet the following requirements for participation in the ATAA program:

- Be at least 50 years old at the time of reemployment.
- Be reemployed by the last day of the 26th week after the worker’s qualifying separation from the TAA/ATAA certified employment.
- Not be expected to earn more than \$50,000 annually from the reemployment.
- Be reemployed full-time.
- Not return to work from which the worker was separated.

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The ATAA supplement shall cease:

- If the individual’s annualized reemployment wage is projected to exceed \$50,000.
- If the individual has received \$10,000 in ATAA benefits.
- If the worker has reached the end of the two-year eligibility period.

Workers who begin receiving payments under the ATAA program cannot receive other TAA benefits and services except for relocation allowances and the Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC).

TAA Job Search and Relocation Allowances – In addition to training-related benefits, the TAA Program also can assist with workers’ expenses incurred in seeking employment outside a certified worker’s normal commuting area if a suitable job is not available in the area.

Job search allowances reimburse 90% of the total costs of allowable travel and subsistence, up to \$1 250. If workers have to relocate to accept employment out of the commuting area, TAA can reimburse them 90% of the cost to move them and their families and includes a lump sum payment equal to three times the worker’s average weekly wage (but no more than \$1,250) to help them get settled.

More information on TAA benefits is available by calling the UC Service Center or visiting a Pennsylvania CareerLink and requesting the pamphlet, UCP-11 or UCP-11 (A), Assistance for Workers Under the Trade Act of 1974. If you have any questions regarding this program or would like to apply for these benefits, please contact the UC Service Center or visit a Pennsylvania CareerLink.

Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) – The WOTC provides a private-for-profit employer with tax savings as an incentive to hire job seekers with barriers to employment. WOTC targets short- and long- term TANF recipients; Food Stamp recipients; veterans on Food Stamps; disabled veterans; recent vocational rehabilitation customers who received services through a state plan for vocational rehabilitation or the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA); Supplemental Security Income recipients; ex-felons; designated community residents and summer youth living in a Renewal Community, Empowerment Zone, Enterprise Community, or Rural Renewal Community.

For most target groups mentioned above the WOTC is 40% of the first \$6,000 in wages, for a maximum credit of \$2,400 (exceptions to these amounts apply to some target groups). A new hire must be employed at least 180 days or 400 hours. A partial credit of 25% is permitted for employees working between 120 and 399 hours.

Additional information, forms and instructions, can be downloaded from www.dli.state.pa.us. Click on “Businesses and Organizations;” click on “Financial Incentives/Resources;” click on “Employment Tax Credits;” click on “Work Opportunity Tax Credit” or contact a representative at a PA CareerLink Office, Pennsylvania County Assistance Office, PA Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, or the Tax Credit Coordination Services at: 1 (800) 345-2555.

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Employment Incentive Payment (EIP) – The EIP tax credit offers a three-year graduated tax credit to private-for-profit employers that hire Pennsylvania residents who are recipients of cash assistance from the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, or who are recent customers of a State Office of Vocational Rehabilitation or the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

The first-year credit is 30% of the first \$9,000 paid to the employee; the second year is 20% of the first \$9,000 and the third year is 10% of the first \$9,000 plus additional amounts if the employer provides or reimburses for child care or transportation to work.

To receive the full credit the employee must remain on the payroll for the full year. If the employee voluntarily quits, becomes disabled or is terminated for a just cause, the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue will pro-rate the tax credit.

Additional information, forms and instructions, can be downloaded from www.dli.state.pa.us. Click on “Businesses and Organizations;” click on “Financial Incentives/Resources;” click on “Employment Tax Credits;” click on “Employment Incentive Payment Program” or contact a representative at a PA CareerLink Office, Pennsylvania County Assistance Office, PA Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, or the Tax Credit Coordination Services at: (800) 345-2555.

Scholars in Service to Pennsylvania – Scholars in Service to PA is an AmeriCorps Education Award Only program. This means that participating students enroll as AmeriCorps members on a part-time basis and receive a partial Education Award at the end of their term. Students who complete 450 hours of service in 1 year earn an award of \$1,415. The award can be used to pay for any legitimate educational expenses at their current undergraduate institution or to pay for future educational expenses.

The application is due to PennSERVE on December 3, 2009.
Visit www.statepa.us, keyword PennSERVE for more information.

AmeriCorps – The Governor’s Office of Citizen Service provides grants to community-based, faith-based and educational institutions to operate ArneriCorps programs designed to address unmet needs at the community level.
Grants are awarded annually. There is a 24% initial match requirement. These are federal funds and subject to federal as well as state regulations.

PennSERVE anticipates awarding several AmeriCorps grants for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. Grant applications are due by 3 p.m. on December 3, 2009.

Learn and Serve – The Learn and Serve grants are provided to community-based organizations, and grantees are required to develop and implement programs that link community service and education. There is a match requirement. These are federal funds and subject to federal as well as state regulations.

PennSERVE currently has no Learn and Serve grants available.

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<p>Planning/Capacity-Building Grants – The Planning/Capacity-Building grants for community-based, faith-based and educational institutions to develop the infrastructure necessary to operate an AmeriCorps grant, and to build capacity.</p>	<p>There is a match requirement. These are federal funds and subject to federal as well as state regulations.</p> <p>PennSERVE currently has no Planning/Capacity-Building grants available.</p>
<p>PennSERVE Special Grants – Awarded on rare occasions. The terms of these special grants are dictated by the funding source and PennSERVE acts primarily as a pass-thru and oversight agency.</p>	<p>For additional information on grant opportunities, and on the types of programs currently funded, visit www.pennserve.state.pa.us.</p>
<p>Job Training Fund Equipment Grant – Pennsylvania’s human capital strategy has focused on education for our citizens that stresses both academic rigor and industry relevance. The focus of the Equipment Grant is to ensure that students are training on equipment that is found or will be found in the competitive industries of today and the future. In addition, the legislation specifically requires that funds be earmarked for 6th, 7th, and 8th class counties and that eligible entities are non-profit training providers and public educational institutions. This year the funds will be limited to equipment purchases in high priority occupations and targeted industry clusters. Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry is making the funds available to eligible entities based on a competitive application process; a maximum grant award will be \$200,000 and it requires a 1:1 funding match.</p>	<p>Guidelines are available on: www.paworkforce.state.pa.us.</p> <p>Contact – Dan Kuba at: (717) 705-8821.</p>
<p>Regional Career Education Partnerships for Youth (RCEPs) – The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania established Regional Career Education Partnerships for Youth (RCEPs) to help students (and their parents) make informed choices about the education and training they need to pursue careers in high growth industries so that they can acquire jobs that are in demand and earn higher wages. These RCEPs work to give students better opportunities to gain the knowledge and skills critical for success in college and careers</p> <p>Over the past two years, almost 235,000 students have connected to more than 9,000 businesses that provide them with career awareness and work-based learning opportunities like job shadowing, mentoring, paid and unpaid internships, and apprenticeships. It is proven that when these kinds of experiences are combined with rigorous academics and career-related skills development; students are more successful in high school and through post secondary education, and ultimately on the job.</p>	<p>Contact – Toni Strong at: (717) 705-8819.</p>

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Employers visit classrooms and talk to students about the knowledge, skills, and education levels that they will need to get the good paying jobs of the future. Employers also work with teachers to help develop lesson plans and even open their doors to provide teachers and counselors, educators in the workplace opportunities, many times offering Act 48 credits.

Pennsylvania Center for Health Careers – The Pennsylvania Center for Health Careers is an initiative of the Pennsylvania Workforce Investment Board and serves as a catalyst to develop action-oriented strategies to respond to Pennsylvania’s short and long-term health care workforce challenges. The initiatives of the Center for Health Careers focus on four distinct issues currently affecting health care: increasing the capacity of Pennsylvania’s nursing education system; retaining healthcare workers in healthcare professions; responding to the demand for critical allied health professionals; and addressing the needs of direct care workers.

Contact – David Ranck at: (717) 525-5596.

Pennsylvania’s health care workforce is projected to grow by more than 6,000 positions each year through 2014. In order to sustain this growth and meet Pennsylvania’s health care needs in the near future, an estimated 15,000 health care job openings will need to be filled each year in addition to addressing critical labor shortages already in existence in such fields as nursing, pharmacy, medical technology, and direct care. The demand for health care services and a strong, dependable workforce will also intensify as the leading edge of the baby boom generation turns 65 in 2011 and the current health care workforce retires at increasing rates. The center’s objective is to address these critical issues affecting the health care setting and respond with innovative solutions in an effort to ensure the growth and stability of the future healthcare workforce.

Nursing Shortage Initiative Grants – Provides a new source of financial support for non-profit, tax-exempt schools of nursing. The intent of this program is to enable schools to quickly increase their nursing enrollment by funding additional faculty, providing assistance for current faculty to complete degrees, or allowing faculty members to hire graduate assistants to teach nursing students.

Guidelines are available on: www.paworkforce.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/pa_center_for_health_careers/12946.

Contact – Dan Kuba at: (717) 705-8821.

The Commonwealth’s Workforce Development agencies are working together to keep Pennsylvania competitive and create opportunity for our citizens. For more information about any of these programs, or other workforce development initiatives, contact the Workforce Development Office at (717) 705-5866.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Education Assistance Program (Act 11 of 2000) – This public service grant provides funds to help cover the cost of tuition for eligible Pennsylvania National Guard members who attend approved institutions of higher learning located in Pennsylvania.

Grants are available to eligible PA National Guard members for 100 percent of the tuition cost for full-time students (12 or more credits) at a State System of Higher Education (SSHE) school. Those members attending a non-SSHE school would be eligible to receive the equivalent amount, \$2,777, or their actual tuition cost, whichever is less per semester. PA National Guard members that do not possess a bachelor's degree and are enrolled as a part-time student (3 to 11 credits) can receive 100 percent of their tuition or \$1,851 per semester, whichever amount is less; those members possessing a bachelor's degree would be eligible to receive 50 percent of their tuition or \$925 per semester, whichever amount is less.

Members that were deployed to a combat zone will have their eligibility for EAP extended for a period of one year or for one additional month for each month of service, whichever is longer. Eligible EAP members who were ordered to active Federal service or active State duty will have the deadline for making grant payments extended for one additional month for each month of service after the member is discharged or released under honorable conditions from the PA National Guard.

Eligible members discharged after 11 September 2001 because of a line of duty injury will have extended EAP benefits for 6 years from the date of the "Medical" discharge.

Contact – PA Dept. of Military & Veterans Affairs, Education Center at: 1 (866) 920-7902.

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Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program – Program assists rural, urban, and suburban fire departments throughout the U.S. Funds are used to increase the effectiveness of firefighting operations, to improve firefighter health and safety programs, and to establish or expand fire prevention and safety programs.

Must obtain a DUNS number.
For additional information go to the U.S. Fire Administration Web site:
www.usfa.fema.gov.

Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Planning and Training Grants – The purpose of this grant program is to increase effectiveness in safely handling hazardous materials accidents and incidents, enhance implementation of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA), and encourage a comprehensive approach to emergency training and planning by incorporating unique challenges of responses to transportation situations.

Contact – PEMA Grants Coordinator at:
(717) 651-2014

All 67 counties are eligible to apply. These grants require a 20 percent county match; the match may be accomplished with county or state Hazardous Materials Response Fund grants, or as a “soft-match”, such as the value of in-kind contributions. Counties may receive grants in both planning and training programs. Grants under this program are on a reimbursable basis – expenditures are reimbursed after completion of activities or contractual obligations.

Hazardous Materials Response Fund – The fund is designed to provide supplemental emergency preparedness funding for chemical emergency plans by Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs) and industry, acquisition of hazardous materials response team equipment, public Right-to-Know education, chemical industry awareness and compliance, and training and exercises. All 67 counties are eligible.

Contact – PEMA Grants Coordinator at:
(717) 651-2014

Radiological Emergency Response Fund (RERF) – Provides funding for the development of a detailed fixed nuclear emergency response plan for areas surrounding each nuclear electrical facility, nuclear fabrication and away-from-reactor storage facility located in the Commonwealth; the training and equipping of state and local emergency response personnel; the periodic exercise of accident scenarios and the procurement of specialized supplies and equipment.

Contact – PEMA Grant Coordinator at:
(717) 651-2014.

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Radiation Transportation Emergency Response Fund (RTERF)

The fund provides grants to the 47 counties that have an approved Nuclear Regulatory Commission/Commonwealth of Pennsylvania route for the shipment of spent nuclear fuel within 5 miles of their jurisdictional borders. Financial assistance is provided to respond to accidents involving the shipment of spent nuclear fuel. Counties may apply one time during a fiscal year for a maximum grant amount of \$5,000.

Contact – PEMA Grants Coordinator at: (717) 651-2014.

Note – Grants are not currently available under this program due to insufficient funds in the dedicated account. These funds are generated by user fees.

PEMA is the point of contact for required forms when a state and federal disaster has been declared. Individuals can readily obtain the following forms: Individual Assistance Forms, Public Assistance Forms, Federal Public Assistance References and Forms, Hazard Mitigation Forms, Hazardous Material Forms and 911. The following Web page is a direct link to these forms:

www.pema.state.pa.us/pema/cwp/browse.asp?a=585&bc=0&c=45241&pemaNav=|#911.

Volunteer Fire Company and Volunteer Ambulance Service Grant Program – Grants range from \$2,500 to no more than \$15,000 per volunteer fire company applicant, or more than \$10,000 per volunteer ambulance service, unless the applicant is comprised of two groups that had previously merged.

Applications deadlines for each fiscal year vary.

For more information on the grant process or to apply online, visit the Office of the State Fire Commissioner Web site at: www.osfc.state.pa.us. Anyone needing assistance with the application may contact the OSFC at: ra-vfcvasgp@state.pa.us.

Volunteer Loan Assistance Program – The Volunteer Loan Assistance Program (VLAP) provides loans at a fixed 2 percent interest rate to volunteer fire, ambulance and rescue companies for the acquisition, rehabilitation or improvement of apparatus, facilities and equipment.

For more information contact Cheryl Ritter, VLAP Coordinator, (717) 651-2205, critter@state.pa.us or the VLAP staff at 1 (800) 670-3473 or (717) 651-2200 or via e-mail using fire@state.pa.us.

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The grants listed are from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Any grant that an entity applies for in the state of Pennsylvania is administered through the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA).

Contact – James F. Powers, Jr.,
 Pennsylvania Office of Homeland Security
 2605 Interstate Drive
 Harrisburg, PA 17110
 (717) 651-2715

The following information is from www.dhs.gov/

The Department of Homeland Security enhances the ability of states, local and tribal jurisdictions, and other regional authorities in the preparation, prevention, and response to terrorist attacks and other disasters, by distributing grant funds. Localities can use grants for planning, equipment, training and exercise needs. These grants include, but are not limited to areas of

Contact – The Office of Grants & Training
 810 Seventh St., N.W., Washington, DC
 20531

G&T Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID), 1 (800) 368-6498, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST, Monday-Friday, Fax: (202) 786-9920

Questions or Comments –
askcsid@dhs.gov

- Port Security
- Critical Infrastructure Protection
- Regional and Local Mass Transit Systems
- Equipment and Training for First Responders
- Homeland Security Grants

The Office of Grants and Training, a component of the Preparedness Directorate, as part of its mission, oversees the distribution of these grants. For more information on these and other grants contact the Office of Grants and Training.

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Educational Assistance Program for Pa. National Guard
 – Provides tuition assistance for students who enter into a service commitment with Pa. National Guard, typically for a period of six years. The maximum award for a full-time student is equivalent to the institution tuition or the PASSHE tuition (100 percent) charged to a Pennsylvania resident, whichever is less.

Contact – 1 (800) GO GUARD or visit:
www.paguard.com.

Horace Mann Bond-Leslie Pinckney Hill Scholarship Program – Scholarship to graduates of Lincoln University and Cheyney University who enter law, medicine, podiatry or dentistry at Temple University, Penn State University or the University of Pittsburgh.

Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at: 1 (800) 692-7392.

Students should apply for a Pennsylvania State Grant & Federal Pell Grant by filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each academic year.

Pennsylvania State Grant Program – Grants to eligible Pennsylvania residents in need of financial aid to attend an approved postsecondary school as an undergraduate student.

Full Time: Up to \$4,120 per year for full-time students at a Pennsylvania school or up to \$526 at an out-of-state school (veterans eligible for up to \$701 at an out-of-state school).

Part Time: Up to \$2,060 per year for part-time students at a Pennsylvania school or up to \$263 at an out-of-state school (veterans eligible for up to \$350 at an out-of-state school).

Veterans: Qualified veterans of the U. S. Armed Forces are eligible for special consideration for a Pennsylvania State Grant while enrolled at least half time as an undergraduate student.

Application Deadline – May 1 – immediately preceding academic year.

File a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year.

Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at: 1 (800) 692-7392.

Academic Competitiveness Grant – The Academic Competitiveness Grant was made available for the first time for the 2006-2007 school years for first-year college students who graduated from high school after January 1, 2006, and for second-year college students who graduated from high school after January 1, 2005. An Academic Competitiveness Grant provides \$750 for the first year of study and \$1,300 for the second year. All recipients must also be Federal Pell Grant eligible.

Eligible students must have completed a rigorous secondary school program of study (after January 1, 2006, if a first-year student, and after January 1, 2005, if a second-year student).

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Additionally, first-year students cannot have been enrolled previously as a regular student in an ACG-eligible college program when still in high school and second-year students must have successfully completed the first year and have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

Postsecondary Educational Gratuities Program – Grant program assists children of Pennsylvania police officers, firefighters, rescue and ambulance squad members, correction employees, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and National Guard members who died in the line of duty, by providing a waiver of tuition, fees, and room and board charges at Pennsylvania state-owned, state-related and community colleges.

Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at: 1 (800) 692-7392.

Available for a maximum of five academic years to students whose parents have died in the line of duty since January 1, 1976.

POW-MIA Program – Provides special state grants to children of a member of the U.S. Armed Forces who served on active duty after January 31, 1955 and who has been a prisoner of war or reported missing in action and was a Pennsylvania resident for 12 months prior to active duty service.

Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at: 1 (800) 692-7392

Private Scholarships – Funds provided by civic clubs, professional organizations, labor unions and private businesses.

Review the financial aid section of the college catalog for more information. Check out www.EducationPlanner.org.

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program – Federal program that provides funds to offer merit scholarships to high school seniors.

Application Deadline – May 1
Must be in the top 5 percent of high school class, have a 3.5 GPA or higher, and have a combined SAT score of 1150 or an ACT score of 25 or above.

Contact – PHEAA at: 1 (800) 692-7392 or (717) 720-2800

National SMART Grant – The National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent Grant, also known as the National Smart Grant is available during the third and fourth years of undergraduate study to students who are enrolled on at least a half-time basis and are eligible for the Federal Pell Grant and who are majoring in physical, life, or computer sciences, mathematics, technology, or engineering or in a foreign language determined critical to national security.

Students should check with their school’s financial aid office regarding the National Smart Grant.

The student must also be enrolled in the courses necessary to

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complete the degree program and to fulfill the requirements of the intended eligible major in addition to maintaining a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0 in coursework required for the major. The National SMART Grant award which can provide up to \$4,000 per award year is in addition to the student's Pell Grant award.

Teach Grant Program – Through the College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007, Congress created the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program that provides grants of up to \$4,000 per year to students who intend to teach in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves students from low-income families. The first TEACH Grants were awarded to eligible students beginning in the 2008-2009 school year.

Students should contact the financial aid office to inquire about the schools participation in the TEACH Grant program.

In exchange for receiving a TEACH Grant, the student must agree to serve as a full-time teacher in a high-need field in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves low-income students. As a recipient of a TEACH Grant, you must teach for at least four academic years within eight calendar years of completing the program of study for which you received a TEACH Grant.

IMPORTANT: If you fail to complete this service obligation, all amounts of TEACH Grants that you received will be converted to a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan. You must then repay this loan to the U.S. Department of Education. You will be charged interest from the date the grant(s) was disbursed.

LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAMS

Agricultural Education Loan Forgiveness – State program helps agriculture and veterinary medicine graduates repay their student loans (up to \$2,000 per year for each year of qualifying employment – \$10,000 lifetime maximum limit). Eligibility now includes borrowers in their first year of full-time employment teaching an agriculture curriculum.

Application period – July 1 to Nov. 15. Applicants must hold a degree in a field related to the production of agricultural products or veterinary medicine; or a current teacher certification in agriculture from a Pa. institution.

Contact – PHEAA, Agriculture Education Loan Forgiveness Program at: 1 (800) 233-0557.

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Federal Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program – Provides up to \$5,000 in loan forgiveness for eligible full-time elementary and secondary school teachers (up to \$17,500 for highly qualified mathematics, science and special education teachers of children with disabilities).

Contact – PHEAA at: 1 (800) 692-7392.

NEW ECONOMY TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS (NETS)

Students must complete a FAFSA each year in order to be considered for NETS aid.

SciTech Scholarship Program – Provides up to \$3,000 (tuition and mandatory fees, room and board and a \$700 allowance for books) per year for a maximum of three years to students who are enrolled full time in certain majors to educate and retain a workforce of highly trained technology experts

Application Deadline – December 31 of current academic year.
 Must be enrolled full time as at least a sophomore, and have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average or higher at the time of application. Must maintain 3.0 grade point average and must agree to work full-time in Pennsylvania after graduation, one year for each year a scholarship is received.
Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at: 1 (800) 692-7392.

Technology Scholarship Program – Provides up to \$1,000 (tuition and mandatory fees, room and board and a \$700 allowance for books) per year to persons who do not seek a four-year education but want to succeed in a technology-based economy. The Technology Scholarship is available to full and part-time students.

Application Deadline – December 31
 Must maintain at least a 3.0 cumulative grade point average. Must agree to work full-time in Pennsylvania after graduation, one year for each year a scholarship is received.
Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at: 1 (800) 692-7392.

FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Federal Pell Grant – Federal (non-repayable) grant funds available, depending upon financial need. Provides up to \$5,350 annually.

Must apply using a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at: 1 (800) 692-7392.

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<p>Federal Perkins Loan – Loans of up to \$4,000 annually for undergraduate students at 5 percent interest rate with up to a 10-year repayment option. Graduate students may borrow up to \$6,000 annually.</p>	<p>Check with the financial aid officer of the college you attend for program specifics.</p>
<p>Federal PLUS Loan – Long-term loans that provide funds to cover the difference between educational costs and other financial aid for dependent undergraduates.</p>	<p>Contact – PHEAA Student Loan Department at: 1 (800) 692-7392.</p>
<p>Federal Stafford Loan – Long-term, low-cost education loans to students from private lending institutions for their program of study.</p>	<p>Must apply using a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Contact – PHEAA Student Loan Department at: 1 (800) 692-7392.</p>
<p>Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) – Grants ranging from \$100 to \$4,050 annually for undergraduate students. Priority given to students who receive Federal Pell Grants.</p>	<p>Contact – PHEAA State Grant & Special Programs Division at: 1 (800) 692-7392.</p>
<p>FEDERAL PROGRAMS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES</p>	
<p>VA Dependents Educational Assistance Program – Provides funds to students who are the children of a parent who has a permanent disability or who died as a result of service in the U.S. Armed Forces.</p>	<p>Contact – Local Veterans Administration Office.</p>
<p>Vocational Rehabilitation Program – Provides financial aid and support services to students with hearing, sight and other disabilities.</p>	<p>Contact – Local Vocational Rehabilitation Office.</p>
<p>OTHER</p>	
<p>Institutional Assistance Grants Program – Payments are based on the number of full-time equivalent state grant recipients certified as enrolled at IAG-eligible institutions during the academic year. Eligible institutions must be independent, operated not for profit and approved for purposes of the Pennsylvania State Grant Program and must not be a state-owned college or university, a state-related university or a community college. For the last several years, the appropriation legislation has excluded any institution that is the recipient of a direct state appropriation.</p>	

PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

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SINGLE FAMILY HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS

Access Home Modification Program – Provides non-interest bearing second mortgage loans (from \$1,000 to \$10,000) to assist persons with disabilities or who have a family member(s) living in the household with disabilities who are purchasing homes and need to make accessibility modifications. This program provides a deferred payment loan, with no interest, and no repayment, as long as the buyer occupies the home as a primary residence.

Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174 or www.phfa.org.

Closing Cost Assistance Program – Deferred payment non-interest bearing closing cost assistance loan of up to \$3,000. It’s a no-interest second mortgage that does not require repayment until the first mortgage is paid in full or the home is sold, refinanced, transferred (except transfers by inheritance or between spouses), or is no longer occupied as the borrower’s primary residence.

Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174 or www.phfa.org.

Future Home Buyer Program – Program designed to help teach high school students the importance of budgeting, the use of credit and the ramifications of abuse of credit and inform them of some of the everyday legal concerns they may soon face.

Contact – (717) 780-4033

HERO – Homeowners’ Equity Recovery Opportunity – Designed to improve the financial situation of Pennsylvanians who are not able to afford their current mortgage payments. The HERO program is an option for those homeowners not eligible for the REAL Program due to credit issues or owing more than their home is worth.

Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174.

HOMEstead Second Mortgage Program – Provides non-interest bearing second mortgage loans for down payments and closing costs. Loans range from \$1,000 to \$15,000. No repayment is required until payoff of the first mortgage or sale, transfer or non-owner occupancy of the property and are forgiven on an annual basis over five years. Not available in all areas of the Commonwealth.

Limited to first time home buyers with incomes at or below 80 percent of their county’s median income.

Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174 or www.phfa.org.

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<p>Keystone Home Loan PLUS Program – Offers PHFA’s lowest rate financing, below-market origination fees and closing cost assistance for families with children, persons with disabilities or buyers having incomes at or below approximately 80 percent of their county’s median income for the county in which they plan to purchase their first home.</p> <p>Applicants who meet additional eligibility requirements may also be eligible for closing cost assistance of up to \$3,000. No origination fees are charged for these loans. Available with conventional, FHA, VA and RDHS loans types.</p>	<p>Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174 or www.phfa.org.</p>
<p>Keystone Home Loan Program – Provides 30-year, fixed-rate home mortgage loans with lower-than-market interest rates to qualifying home buyers and closing cost assistance up to \$1,500.</p>	<p>Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174 or www.phfa.org.</p>
<p>PENNVEST – Individual On-Lot Sewage System Loans – Program provides up to \$25,000 for 20-year, very low interest rate loans to homeowners for the repair or upgrade of malfunctioning on-lot sewage systems in rural areas. These loans are insured under the FHA Title I Home Improvement Loan Program. Family income may not exceed 150 percent of the statewide median household income, adjusted annually for inflation.</p>	<p>Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174.</p>
<p>Purchase-Improvement Program – Program allows borrowers to make up to \$15,000 in home improvements in conjunction with the purchase of a home with an agency first mortgage loan. This can include repairs, alterations or modifications to improve the basic livability, accessibility, energy efficiency or safety of the property.</p>	<p>Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174 or www.phfa.org.</p>
<p>REAL – Refinance to an Affordable Loan Program – Provides a refinancing option to homeowners with an unaffordable mortgage. It offers an attractive 30-year fixed rate, flexible credit underwriting, and 100 percent financing.</p>	<p>Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174.</p>
<p>Renovate & Repair Program – Homeowners may borrow up to \$35,000 for as long as 20 years to make repairs and improvements to their homes. Provides attractive financing as well as assistance with construction management.</p>	<p>Contact – PHFA’s Homeownership Programs Division at: 1 (800) 822-1174 or www.phfa.org.</p>

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MULTIFAMILY RENTAL HOUSING PROGRAMS

Construction Loan Program – Program makes below market-rate construction loans available to sponsors of rental housing projects who have permanent take-out financing from other lenders. At least 20 percent of the residents of the development must have incomes that do not exceed 80 percent of the area’s median income.

Contact – PHFA’s Development Division at: (717) 780-3876.

Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program – Provides owners of and investors in affordable rental housing developments with tax credits that offer a dollar-for-dollar reduction in their tax liability (the credit may be taken for up to ten years). Provides federal tax incentives for the development and preservation of affordable multifamily housing for families of lower income, senior citizens, handicapped individuals and homeless persons.

Contact – PHFA’s Development Division at: (717) 780-3876 or Tax Credit Program Department at: (717) 780-3948.

PennHOMES Program – Program, offers interest-free, deferred payment loans to support the development of rental housing for residents who meet income guidelines. The loans can be structured as primary or secondary mortgage loans. The source of the funds for the program include Agency reserves and federal HOME dollars provided as a subrecipient to the Department of Community and Economic Development.

Contact – PHFA’s Development Division at: (717) 780-3876.

Taxable and Tax Exempt Bond Financing – Program provides financing at competitive rates to developers building, rehabilitating, or preserving rental housing developments. The rates are made competitive through the sale of Agency tax exempt and taxable bonds. Mortgage provided through Agency bond proceeds must be secured by a first lien position on the property.

Contact – PHFA’s Development Division at: (717) 780-3876.

Preservation through Smart Rehab Program – Program provides funding for capital improvements related to energy efficiency to reduce operating costs for viable existing affordable multifamily properties. The funds will be repaid through the energy cost savings generated by the improvements.

Contact – PHFA’s Development Division at: (717) 780-3876.

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OTHER PROGRAMS

First Time Homeownership Counseling – Provides funds for Homebuyer Workshops and Pre-purchase Counseling with the goal of expanding homeownership opportunities, educating consumers about the home buying experience, predatory lending and creating a network of counselors covering all phases of the homeownership experience.

Contact – Andrea Cunningham,
(717) 780-3839.

HEMAP – Homeowners’ Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program – Program was created to prevent widespread mortgage foreclosures and distress sales of homes which result from default caused by circumstances beyond a homeowner’s control. The program provides temporary loan assistance to help bring delinquent mortgage payments current and may provide continuing assistance for a maximum of 24 or 36 months.

Contact – PHFA’s HEMAP hotline at:
1 (800) 342-2397.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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<p>Child Welfare Systems of Care Program – \$500,000 federal grant awarded as a demonstration project to enable child welfare to build an infrastructure that supports cross systems collaboration in planning for children and families served by multiple agencies.</p>	<p>Contact – DPW at: (717) 214-9545.</p>
<p>Children’s Trust Fund – Grants that provide funding to community-base organizations to develop new and innovative prevention-focused programs to improve overall family functioning and prevent child abuse and neglect. The board issues annual requests for proposals for grant applications.</p>	<p>Contact – The Children’s Trust Fund at: 1 (800) 833-5196.</p>
<p>Developmental Disabilities Council – Provides funding to demonstrate new ways to go about providing services and supports; to break down barriers; to design new systems and to bring about community regeneration.</p>	<p>Contact – DPW at: 1 (877) 685-4452.</p>
<p>Employment and Job Training for Welfare Clients – Provides employment and training programs through-out Pennsylvania for welfare clients through contracts with organizations qualified to offer such programs.</p>	<p>Contact – DPW at: (717) 787-4048.</p>
<p>Human Services Development Fund – Provides counties with a flexible source of funding to be used within the seven human services programs for which the counties are responsible: Adult Services, Aging, Children & Youth, Drug and Alcohol, Homeless Assistance and the Community Mental Health/Mental Retardation programs.</p>	<p>Contact – DPW at: (717) 772-2521.</p>
<p>Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) – Assistance to help individuals and families pay for winter heating bills. Two types of statewide grants are offered: cash and crisis. Cash grants are based on income, family size, type of heating fuel and heating regions. Crisis grants are awarded to families with heating emergencies, such as mechanical breakdowns or unexpected fuel shortages. Neither grant must be repaid. No lien is placed on the property of families obtaining the grants.</p>	<p>The program opens in November and closes in March or whenever funds are depleted, whichever occurs first.</p> <p>Contact – The Office of Income Maintenance at: (717) 783-3063 or local county assistance office or 1 (866) 857-7095.</p>
<p>Pennsylvania Access Grant Program – DPW and DCED Program that provides low- and moderate-income persons with permanent disabilities increased accessibility in their current home by undertaking modifications to the home.</p>	<p>Contact – (717) 214-5341 Web site – www.newPA.com</p>

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Supported Work Program – DPW and DCED Program that prepares and assists public assistance recipients to obtain unsubsidized employment and provides work opportunities for post-24 month cash assistance recipients. Through Community Action Agencies, basic support services, such as transportation and child care reimbursement, are provided.

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Contact – (717) 787-8613.

Web site: www.newPA.com.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

www.revenue.state.pa.us

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Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program – The Property Tax/Rent Rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The Property Tax/Rent Rebate program was dramatically expanded in 2006 to increase rebate amounts and give rebates to more older and disabled Pennsylvanians. The expansion increased the income limit from \$15,000 to \$35,000 for homeowners and boosted the maximum standard rebate for both homeowners and renters from \$500 to \$650. Since the program’s expansion, the number of eligible applicants has more than doubled, and about 600,000 residents are expected to benefit from rebates this year.

Applicants can exclude one-half (1/2) of their Social Security income, so people who make substantially more than \$35,000 may still qualify for a rebate.

Homeowners can receive:

Renters can receive:

Income	Maximum Standard Rebate	Income	Maximum Standard Rebate
\$0 to \$8,000	\$650	\$0 to \$8,000	\$650
\$8,001 to \$15,000	\$500	\$8,001 to \$15,000	\$500
\$15,001 to \$18,000	\$300		
\$18,001 to \$35,000	\$250		

Now that slots gaming has generated enough revenue to provide general property tax relief for all Pennsylvania homeowners, additional benefits are available through the Property Tax/Rent Rebate program to senior homeowners who need it the most – those with high property tax burdens and those living in cities of high tax burden. In fact, an estimated 68,000 senior homeowners will have property taxes completely eliminated as supplemental property tax rebates through the Property Tax/Rent Rebate program combine with general property tax relief.

These supplemental rebates, equal to 50 percent of each qualifying taxpayer’s standard rebate, are automatically calculated and awarded to homeowners in Pittsburgh, Scranton and Philadelphia with eligibility incomes of \$30,000 or less, as well as homeowners in the rest of the state who meet the same income-eligibility requirement and pay more than 15 percent of their household incomes on property tax bills. About 187,000 claimants are eligible for supplemental rebates totaling an estimated \$48.5 million in additional property tax relief.

Property Tax/Rent Rebate information and applications are available by calling 1 (888) 222-9190 or visiting www.papropertytaxrelief.com. The deadline to apply for a rebate on property taxes or rent paid in 2009 has been extended until December 31, 2010.

Research and Development Tax Credit – Allows a taxpayer who incurs Pennsylvania qualified research and development expense in a taxable year to apply for a research and development tax credit. Businesses qualifying for the federal Research and Development tax credit and making research and development investments in Pennsylvania are eligible. A tax credit (of 10 percent for large businesses and 20 percent for small businesses) is granted based on the company’s increased research and development expenses over a base period. The credit is prorated to not exceed \$20 million annual cap in 2009-2010 and \$18 million annual cap in 2010-2011 for all businesses. Up to 20 percent of total pool is set aside for small businesses. The credit is applicable to CNI, CSFT and PIT tax liability. Unused credits may be carried over for up to 15 succeeding taxable years.

Contact – Pennsylvania Department of Revenue, (717) 787-8201.

Also allows companies holding qualifying Research and Development Tax Credits to apply for approval to sell those tax credits and assign them to the buyer(s).

Contact – Department of Community and Economic Development, Colton Webber (717) 720-1393

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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HAVA County Grant – The federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) includes substantial funding to assist states and their potential subdivisions to accomplish many of HAVA’s mandates. The Department of State received Pennsylvania’s share of these funds. The department has established guidelines for the disbursement of these federal subsidies.

Only counties may apply. Funding can be used for the procurement and replacement of voting systems and for polling place accessibility.

Under the Commonwealth’s State Plan, each county must complete a County Plan before it can receive a grant from the Commonwealth’s share of requirements payments under Title II of HAVA, which by far represents the largest pool of Federal funding under HAVA.

Contact – Commissioner, Bureau of Commissions, Elections and Legislation, Room 210 North Office Building, Harrisburg PA 17120.

Phone – 717.346.9006

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BUREAU OF AVIATION

Aviation Development Program – State funded program that provides funds for airport development. This program is funded out of the Aviation Restricted Account which is comprised of a state tax on jet fuel sold in Pennsylvania. Eligible projects are funded up to 75 percent state, 25 percent local funds. Available only to public use airports.

Contact – Lori Lubic, (717) 705-1223, e-mail: llubic@state.pa.us.

Capital Budget /Aviation Transportation Assistance Program – State funded program that provides funds for improvement projects to airports with public sponsors. Federally eligible projects can be funded up to 75 percent and non-federally eligible for 50 percent. The remaining share is paid by the local sponsor/owner. Letters are sent to eligible sponsors prior to release. Available only to airports with public sponsors. Projects must be in an active Capital Budget bill.

Contact – Lori Lubic, (717) 705-1223, e-mail: llubic@state.pa.us.

Federal Airport Improvement Program – Federally funded program administered by the Bureau of Aviation as a block grant state. Provides funds for airport development. Eligible projects are funded with 95 percent federal, 2.5 percent state and 2.5 percent local funds. Available to general aviation and non-primary commercial airports that are either publicly owned or designated relievers.

Qualifying airports must be listed in the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS).

Contact – Lori Lubic, (717) 705-1223, e-mail: llubic@state.pa.us.

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank-Aviation (PIB) – Revolving loan fund administered by PennDot for eligible airport development at public-use airports. Interest rate is one-half the prime lending rate. Maximum loan term of 10 years.

Contact – Hugh McGowan, (717) 787-5798, e-mail: hmcgowan@state.pa.us.

Real Estate Aviation Tax Rebates – Program funded through tax on aviation gas (for propeller-driven piston aircraft) and limited to taxes collected in the previous year. Provides reimbursement equal to the amount of local real estate taxes paid for aviation-related areas (non-revenue producing). Eligible grant requests exceeding funds available are prorated.

Application Deadline – February 1 for taxes paid the preceding year.

Contact – Lori Lubic, (717) 705-1223, e-mail: llubic@state.pa.us.

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BUREAU OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

Highway Safety Grant Program – Federally funded program that provides funds for highway safety initiatives. Eligible grant recipients must be governmental units. Local matching funds may be required based on the section of funding per NHTSA.

Grants are awarded to support Pennsylvania’s Comprehensive Strategic Highway Safety Improvement Plan (CSHSIP). Funds are granted to perform data driven and result oriented specific activities to implement strategies identified in the CSHSIP.

September 30 – Grant proposals must be submitted in writing to be considered by the Safety Advisory Committee (SAC).

Grantees are required to adhere to all pre-approval criteria to include; concise problem identification, agency qualifications, and a detailed action plan. Additionally, all grantees must comply with all reporting requirements as well as participation in intermittent and final performance assessments.

Contact – Lou Rader, (717) 783-1901, e-mail: lrader@state.pa.us.

BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Motor Vehicle Titling and Registration for Totally Disabled Veterans – Vehicles of totally disabled veterans whose disability has been certified as service-connected will not be charged a fee for the titling and registration of their vehicle. Documentation certifying disability from the service unit of the armed forces in which the veteran served or by the United States Veterans’ Administration as being service connected needs to be attached to the MV-1 (for initially titled vehicles) or to the registration renewal form issued by the Department.

Contact – PennDOT Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Riverfront Office Center, 1101 S. Front St, Harrisburg, PA 17104; phone: 1 (800) 932-4600. www.dmv.state.pa.us.

Reduced Motor Vehicle Registration – Retired persons can register their automobiles for a \$10 fee instead of \$36 fee. Those eligible must be a retired Pa resident receiving Social Security or pension/annuities that do not exceed \$19,200 annually. A completed MV-371 is required.

Contact – local county Area Agency on Aging or PennDOT Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Riverfront Office Center, 1101 S. Front St., Harrisburg, PA 17104; phone: 1 (800) 932-4600.

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BUREAU OF RAIL FREIGHT, PORTS AND WATERWAYS

Capital Budget Rail Freight Assistance – State funded program that provides financial assistance to railroads and users of the rail freight transportation system for rail freight maintenance and construction projects.

An annual grant program with a current funding allocation of \$30 million. Only entities that have an authorization in a current Capital Budget Act are eligible to apply.

Eligible types of project include rail maintenance and construction. Maximum state funding for both types of projects is 70 percent of the total project cost, but shall not exceed the line item amount authorized by the specific capital budget bill containing the budget authorization.

Applications typically accepted mid summer through early fall of each year. Applications deadlines can be found on PennDOT’s Web site at: www.dot.state.pa.us.

Applications must be submitted electronically via the PennDOT Grant Management System. To access the application, go to: www.dot34.state.pa.us/egrants.

Contact – Heather Polek, (717) 783-8763, e-mail: hpolek@state.pa.us.

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank (PIB) for Rail Freight Projects – This is a PennDOT operated revolving loan fund that offers flexible financing opportunities for eligible transportation improvement projects throughout the Commonwealth.

Rail Infrastructure Construction and Rehabilitation projects are the types of projects financed. The interest rate on PIB loans is fixed at one-half the prime lending rate with terms up to 10 years.

Applications may be submitted at any time and are considered on an ongoing basis. The PIB Handbook, which contains additional information and the PIB loan application are available at: www.dot.state.pa.us.

Contact – Hugh McGowan, (717) 787-5798, e-mail: hmcgowan@state.pa.us.

Rail Freight Assistance Program (RFAP) – Provides state funded financial assistance for investment in rail freight infrastructure to preserve rail freight service and stimulate economic development through the generation of new or expanded rail freight service.

RFAP is an annual grant program with a current funding allocation of \$11 million. The maximum state funding for any project is \$700,000, or no greater than 70 percent of the actual total project cost, whichever is less. The funding for the construction portion of any project can not exceed \$250,000. The final grant award will be based upon actual bid costs or agreed upon prices if work is to be performed by your own labor forces.

Types of projects eligible for funding:

- Maintenance – includes replacement of ties, rail, plates, turnouts & other track materials. See PennDOT’s Web site (www.dot.state.pa.us) for more details.
- Construction – consists of the cost to purchase ties, rail, ballast & other track material to construct a railroad line (where none exists) or rail associated facility.

Applications typically accepted late summer through fall of each year. Applications deadlines can be found on PennDOT’s Web site at: www.dot.state.pa.us.

Applications must be submitted electronically via the PennDOT Grant Management System. To access the application, go to: www.dot34.state.pa.us/egrants.

Applications compete for funding and all projects are scored and ranked and receive funding based on the total score received. (We typically receive double the amount of funding requests for the available funding.)

Contact – Heather Polek, (717) 783-8763, e-mail: hpolek@state.pa.us.

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BUREAU OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Public Transportation Operating Assistance – State funding is provided to help cover the operating costs of the 53 transit systems offering fixed route public transportation in the Commonwealth. Routine maintenance of facilities and vehicles is also eligible under this program. Funding is distributed based on a legislative formula. Local matching funds must be provided in order to receive funding.

Application Deadline – June 30.
 Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or lacollins@state.pa.us.

TRANSIT CAPITAL ASSISTANCE

State funding is provided to local operators of public transportation systems to cover the costs of capital improvements which include purchase/overhaul of public transportation facilities and vehicles (including buses, rail passenger vehicles, administrative and maintenance facilities, shop tools, equipment, two way communication systems, transfer centers, bus shelters, etc.). All capital projects must be included in the state capital program to be eligible for funds. Funds are distributed based on need in the following programs.

Asset Improvement Program – Funds distributed based on needs as determined by the Department. This program will require a local match.

Legislation enacted July 2007
 Application Deadline – To be determined
 Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or lacollins@state.pa.us.

Capital Improvements Program – Funding distributed by formula to transit agencies based on ridership. This program requires no local match.

Legislation enacted July 2007
 Application Deadline – To be determined
 Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or lacollins@state.pa.us.

Community Transportation Capital Equipment – State and federal funds are available annually for the purposes of replacing and/or upgrading equipment used to provide community transportation/shared ride services. Funds may also be used to purchase, construct and/or renovate shared-ride office and maintenance facilities.

Application Deadline – January 31
 Eligibility – All counties except Allegheny and Pittsburgh are eligible to apply for these funds.
 Contact – John Levitsky, (717)787-1206 or jlevitsky@state.pa.us.

Free Transit Program for Senior Citizens: Senior citizens may ride free on local fixed route bus, trolley, subway elevated and commuter rail services during all hours of service. Senior citizens will pay \$1 per trip for commuter rail service.

Application Deadline – No deadline
 Eligibility – A person must be at least 65 years of age to qualify for free transportation on a participating transit system. All providers of fixed route transportation services are eligible to participate.
 Contact – John Swindler, (717)346-9983 or jswindler@state.pa.us.

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Intercity Bus Assistance Program – PennDOT contracts with municipalities and private intercity bus companies to provide scheduled, fixed route service along routes which are considered essential links in the regional/statewide network of intercity bus services, but which cannot be financially supported solely from user fares. Intermodal terminals that are publicly owned may receive capital funding under this program. This program provides both state and federal funds and requires a match equivalent to state funding for operating assistance.

Application Deadline – No deadline
 Contact – Robert Sharp, (717) 783-9461 or rosharp@state.pa.us.

Intercity Rail Passenger Program – PennDOT contracts with AMTRAK for rail passenger service in the Philadelphia-to-Harrisburg corridor to complement services provided within the Commonwealth by AMTRAK as part of their national rail passenger service network. Capital improvements and operating costs may be supported under this program.

Application Deadline – No deadline
 Contact – Robert Sharp, (717) 783-9461 or rosharp@state.pa.us.

New Initiatives – Funds may be available for capital funding for new or expanded fixed guideway systems that use and occupy a separate right of way or rail used exclusively for public transportation or high occupancy vehicles. This program will require local matching funds.

Legislation enacted July 2007
 Application Deadline – To be determined
 Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or lacollins@state.pa.us.

Rural Persons with Disabilities Program – This program provides reduced rates on shared-ride transportation services for persons with disabilities in selected counties in Pennsylvania. In those counties, shared-ride trips for persons with disabilities are discounted up to 85 percent if the trip is not eligible under any other funding program. The passenger pays at least 15 percent of the general public shared-ride fare on local shared-ride door-to-door advance reservation transportation service.

Application Deadline – May 1.
 Eligibility – Shared-ride transportation systems in all counties except Allegheny and Pittsburgh are eligible to apply for these funds.
 Contact – Eileen Ogan, (717) 787-1213 or eogan@state.pa.us.

To qualify for the reduced fare, persons with disabilities must present proof of disability to the local shared-ride provider in their county. Passengers must reserve their trip at least one day in advance and be willing to share the vehicle with other riders.

Shared Ride Program for Senior Citizens – This program enables senior citizens 65 years of age and older to use shared-ride, demand-responsive (normally door-to-door) services and pay only a small percentage of the regular shared-ride fare. A senior citizen or a sponsoring agency pays 15 percent of

Application Deadline – May 1.
 Contact – Eileen Ogan, (717) 787-1213 or eogan@state.pa.us.

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the shared-ride fare and State Lottery proceeds administered by the Department are used to reimburse the participating service provider up to 85 percent of the fare. There are no restrictions on the hours of use other than the service hours of the transportation providers.

A person must be at least 65 years of age to qualify for reduced fare transportation on a participating transit system. Passengers must reserve their trip at least one day in advance and be willing to share the vehicle with other riders.

Transit Capital Assistance for Purchase of Accessible Small Transit Vehicles (section 5310 Program) –

Private, non-profit organizations and dedicated public bodies may apply to pay 80 percent of the purchase costs of new wheelchair accessible vehicles and other related transportation equipment. The remaining 20 percent must be provided by the local applicant. Private, non-profit agencies, some urban and rural transit systems and counties with public transportation are eligible for funding under this program.

Public bodies must be a Shared Ride Coordinator in PennDOT’s Senior Citizens’ Shared Ride program.

Application Deadline – Flexible, but usually January 31.

Contact – Ben Brosius, (717) 787-1211 or bbrosius@state.pa.us.

Transit Research and Demonstration Projects: Funding is available for technical assistance, research projects and short term demonstration projects. Local transportation organizations and municipalities/counties are eligible to apply for this funding. Local funds equal to at least 3.33 percent of the state grant must be provided.

Application Deadline – N/A

Contact – LaVerne Collins, (717) 787-1214 or lacollins@state.pa.us.

Welfare to work (w2w) – State funds are available annually for the purpose of creating programs which address transportation related barriers that prevent low income individuals (incomes less than 235 percent of the Federal Family Poverty Income Guidelines) from accessing employment and being dependable workers. Eligible applicants are county/municipal governments (except Allegheny and Philadelphia), and transportation organizations/authorities. Funding is also available to match federal Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom grants from the Federal Transit Administration.

Application Deadline – March 30

Contact – John Levitsky, (717) 787-1206 or jlevitsky@state.pa.us.

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BUREAU OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Agility Program – This innovative, streamlined program is designed to make the most of limited resources by exchanging services between PennDOT District and County maintenance offices and public procurement units such as municipalities, charitable hospitals, school districts, metropolitan and rural planning organizations, volunteer fire departments, law enforcement agencies, state and federal government agencies, community colleges, etc. Agility allows the exchange of services, instead of money, between PennDOT and eligible partners. For example, PennDOT may patch potholes along a township road in exchange for having the township’s crew mow along state roads. The program has enabled local governments to accomplish more than they could have with their own limited resources and increased our collective effectiveness and efficiencies for the general public.

Agility Agreements have a contract life of five years and may be renewed in additional five year increments.

An Agility Agreement must be adopted at a public, advertised meeting of the Agility Partner. Services to be exchanged should be of a reasonably equal value and detailed on a single-page Work Plan and approved by PennDOT, the partner and AFSCME.

Contact – Toni Crawford, (717) 705-1333, e-mail: tccrawford@state.pa.us.

Highway Transfer (Turnback) Program – Governor Rendell enacted Act70 in July 2006, amending Act 1983-32 authorizing an increase in the annual maintenance payment rate for all Turnback roads from \$2,500 per mile to \$4,000 per mile. This annual maintenance payment is made in perpetuity for the maintenance of the roadway and is released in April of each year. The objective is to transfer the ownership of state-owned roads that are better suited for local traffic purposes, such as roads that have a low average daily traffic count or would benefit the municipality socially and economically. PennDOT either rehabilitates the roadway before the transfer takes place or provides the municipality with funding to rehabilitate the roadway to improve its quality and service life. Local officials must adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of the transfer. Each PennDOT district office has a turnback coordinator who can assist local governments.

Contact – John Williams, (717) 705-1188, e-mail: joanwillia@state.pa.us.

Pilot Roadside Beautification Project – This pilot project is a collaboration between PennDOT’s Bureau of Municipal Services’ Agility Center and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to streamline the installation process of beautification sites on roads and highway right-of-ways. The \$1M pilot project is 100 percent funded by the FHWA. A Design/Build landscape contractor designs and installs each site in partnership with PennDOT and a volunteer Beautification Sponsor Group. To date, there are eight (8) completed beautification sites. The landscape

Contact – Tammy McElfresh, (717) 705-1333, e-mail: tmcelfresh@state.pa.us.

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contractor maintains each site for a one-year Period of Establishment (POE). At the end of the POE, the site is turned over to the volunteer Beautification Sponsor Group which maintains the site for a 3-year minimum with an option to renew. Since this is a pilot project, only Engineering Districts 1-0, 2-0, 9-0, 10-0, 11-0, and 12-0 are participating. Approval is being sought to expand this pilot project to the remaining Engineering Districts.

Highway beautification not only enhances communities, it helps improve the quality of life for residents by attracting new investments and businesses. Academic studies show that beautified highways reduce stress, frustration, and aggression.

BUREAU OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH

PennDOT's Local Technical Assistance Program – PennDOT's Local Technical Assistance Program offers local governments practical training in efficient maintenance, essential traffic safety, and sound management practices for their roadways and bridges. Training is supplemented by one-on-one technical assistance via phone, email, and site visits and through publications highlighting recent practical technological advances. Most LTAP services are available at little or no cost to municipalities to help them meet their transportation needs.

Contact – Kim Ferroni, (717) 214-8685 or 1 (800) FOR-LTAP, e-mail: kferroni@state.pa.us or LTAP@state.pa.us.

CENTER FOR PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank – Highway/Bridge – This is a PennDOT operated revolving loan fund that offers flexible financing opportunities for eligible transportation improvement projects throughout the Commonwealth. Highway and Bridge projects must be otherwise eligible for state or federal funding. The interest rate on PIB loans is fixed at one-half the prime lending rate with terms up to 10 years. Applications may be submitted at any time and are considered on an ongoing basis. The PIB Handbook, which contains additional information and the PIB loan application are available at: www.dot.state.pa.us.

Contact – Hugh McGowan at (717) 787-5798, e-mail: hmcgowan@state.pa.us.

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Better Choice – This is a partnership between Pennsylvania Treasury, the Pennsylvania Credit Union Association and dozens of independent credit unions that offers consumers a fair and affordable alternative to predatory payday loans. Borrowers can apply for loans of up to \$500 with a fixed application fee of no more than \$25 and annual interest rates of no more than 18 percent. The term of the loans can be as long as 90 days, and borrowers can pay in installments during that period rather than having to make a single, lump sum payment. Better Choice loans are currently available from more than 215 credit union branch offices across the Commonwealth.

More information is available at www.pacreditunions.com or by calling 1-800-932-0661, ext. 5221.

INVEST Program – The INVEST program provides cash management for local governments and nonprofits. Similar in concept to money market funds, INVEST offers two highly rated short-term investment pools and custom pools for longer-term investment needs. INVEST’s portfolios are managed by Pennsylvania Treasury investment professionals, who also oversee the investment and custody of nearly \$80 billion in public funds. While INVEST funds are never commingled with state funds, Treasury can negotiate better rates by leveraging its purchase power for INVEST as well as its investment pool for state agencies. Treasury doesn’t seek a profit from INVEST, further helping to minimize costs to participants.

More information is available at www.patreasury.org. Call 1-866-300-4603 for the Local Government Investment Pool Application Form or the Community Investment Pool Application Form. All applications should be directed to: Pennsylvania Treasury, INVEST Program, Rm. G-22 Finance Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

Unclaimed Property – Each year, the Pennsylvania Treasury Department receives millions of dollars in unclaimed property, and works hard to return it to its rightful owners. Unclaimed property is any financial asset that has been left with a “holder,” such as a bank, insurance company, or other business or organization, without activity or contact for at least one year or longer. By law, after this time, holders must transfer unclaimed property to Treasury. The most common types of unclaimed property are savings or checking accounts, stocks, dividends, checks that have not been cashed, certificates of deposit, unclaimed insurance benefits, unused gift certificates, items abandoned in safe deposit boxes or held by police departments. Treasurer McCord and his staff currently seek the owners of nearly \$2 billion in unclaimed property. In 2009, Treasury returned \$107.6 million to nearly 83,000 owners – we want to help you put your money back in your wallet.

Individuals can search for unclaimed property at www.patreasury.org or by calling 1-800-222-2046. Claimants may also use the Web site to check the status of an unclaimed property claim.

Holders needing information about reporting unclaimed property by April 15th of each year may call Treasury at 1-800-379-3999 or visit www.patreasury.org for a copy of the Unclaimed Property Act and to download reporting forms and/or reporting software.

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Pennsylvania 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan – Sponsored by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and administered by the McCord Treasury, the Pennsylvania 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan (GSP) is a college savings plan that grows with tuition inflation. The GSP allows families to contribute enough to cover any portion of college (e.g. a credit, semester, year, or 4 years) today and have that portion covered tomorrow – no matter when or how much tuition rises in the meantime. Minor fees apply. Families saving through the GSP receive tax-deferred growth on earnings and tax-free withdrawals when funds are used for qualified educational expenses.

Pennsylvania taxpayers can deduct contributions to the GSP from their Pennsylvania taxable income up to \$13,000 per beneficiary per year. For married couples, contributions up to \$26,000 per beneficiary are deductible, provided each spouse has taxable income of \$13,000.

More information about the GSP is available at www.MakeCollegePossible.com or by calling 1-800-440-4000. The GSP guarantee is a guarantee of the GSP Fund and not the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Read the Disclosure Statement carefully for important information about the GSP.

Keystone HELP – The Keystone Home Energy Loan Program (Keystone HELP) offers affordable financing options that help Commonwealth homeowners conserve energy and save money on their utility bills. Eligible homeowners can obtain loans to purchase and install energy-efficient equipment or to implement whole-house improvements.

Information about applying for a Keystone HELP loan is available at: www.KeystoneHELP.com or by calling 1-888-232-3477.

*****Note***** Keystone HELP differs from the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), which provides grants to help low-income families pay their heating bills. More information about LIHEAP and about determining eligibility is available from the toll-free Stay Warm PA hotline, 1-866-550-4355 or the toll-free LIHEAP hotline at: 1-866-857-7095.

CENTER FOR RURAL PENNSYLVANIA

www.rural.palegislature.us

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The Center for Rural Pennsylvania – The Center for Rural Pennsylvania’s Board of Directors has awarded research grants to five Pennsylvania State University and three Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) university faculty as part of the Center’s 2010 Research Grant Program.

Contact – 625 Forster St., Room 902, Harrisburg, PA 17120, Phone: (717) 787-9555, E-mail: info@rural.palegislature.us, Web site: www.rural.palegislature.us

The 2010 research projects will examine emergency medical services, criminal offenders, attitudes toward renewable energy, transportation services available to rural military veterans for medical services, the impact of gas drilling on water supplies, the aspirations of rural youth, the Pennsylvania Main Street Program, and the Pennsylvania Small Business Development Centers.

The Center’s traditional Research Grant Program offers a maximum funding level of \$50,000 per project per year. Its Mini Grant Program offers a maximum funding level of \$10,000 per project for a nine-month period.

The grant awards under the traditional and mini grant programs are summarized below.

Measuring the Financial Viability and Sustainability of Emergency Medical Service Providers in Rural Pennsylvania

Dr. Jill Schumann Rumberger, Pennsylvania State University – Harrisburg

This research project will examine the viability and sustainability of rural Pennsylvania’s emergency medical services (EMS) providers. It will model the current and future staffing and financial health of EMS providers in rural counties. The researcher will use data from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and resources from the Pennsylvania Emergency Health Services Council to complete the study.

An Examination of Criminal Justice Offenders in Pennsylvania

Dr. AnnMarie Cordner, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania

This study will examine criminal justice offenders convicted between 1996 and 2007 to better understand crime in Pennsylvania. The researcher will use data from the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections, the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing and the U.S. Economic Research Service to study offenders with regard to rural/urban differences, domestic violence, substance abuse and sex offenses.

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Pennsylvanians' Attitudes Toward Renewable Energy

Dr. Clare Hinrichs, Pennsylvania State University

This research will measure Pennsylvanians' attitudes about renewable energy and their willingness to pay for it to increase renewable energy production in Pennsylvania.

The researchers will survey rural and urban residents and will conduct focus groups in selected rural communities to explore local attitudes and factors affecting support for and opposition to construction of renewable energy facilities.

Examination of Transportation Services Available to Rural Military Veterans for Medical Services

Dr. Marianne Hillemeier, Pennsylvania State University

This study will examine the location of medical services available to rural Pennsylvania veterans in proximity to their home location, and the transportation services enabling their access to healthcare and other social services to identify service-shortage and service-efficient areas. The researcher will use state and federal data sets for veterans from World War II to more recent veterans and returning service personnel.

Impact of Marcellus Gas Drilling on Rural Drinking Water Supplies

Dr. Elizabeth Boyer, Pennsylvania State University

As increased drilling of the Marcellus shale may represent a contamination risk to groundwater in Pennsylvania, this research project will examine 250 private water supplies statewide to determine if groundwater contamination is occurring, and, if so, whether drilling is the cause.

The results of this research may have implications for regulations to protect water supplies during gas drilling.

Rural Youth Education Project, Wave Four

Dr. Diane McLaughlin, Pennsylvania State University

The Rural Youth Education Project (RYE) is a longitudinal study of rural Pennsylvania school students to understand their educational and career aspirations and the factors influencing their aspirations. The research began in 2004, and in 2010-2011, the research will enter its fourth and final wave of data collection and analyses.

Sustaining Community Development: An Evaluation of Main Street Programs in Pennsylvania

Dr. Chad M. Kimmel, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania

This research will evaluate Main Street Programs in Pennsylvania to learn what factors and elements are

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associated with the long-term viability and sustainability of Main Street Programs. The researcher will gather data through surveys, reports and interviews with current and former Main Street participants.

Analysis of Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Use in Pennsylvania

Dr. Simon Condliffe, West Chester University of Pennsylvania

This mini-grant research project will analyze the clients who have used an SBDC. The researcher will use SBDC data to compare and contrast the characteristics of clients from rural and urban counties, and will identify whether the pattern of use is changing over time.

Preparing for the 2011 Research Grant Program

The Center for Rural Pennsylvania’s board is currently identifying topics for the 2011 Research Grant Program. After the topics have been identified, the Center will issue its Request for Proposals (RFP).

While the Center’s grant program is only available to faculty at the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education universities, Pennsylvania State University, and the regional campuses of the University of Pittsburgh, the Center encourages cooperation and collaboration between these faculty and other public or private organizations.

GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RURAL AFFAIRS

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Electrotechnology Applications Center – Provides confidential assistance to businesses and manufacturers to help them increase productivity, improve energy efficiency and achieve and maintain environmental compliance. Helps businesses gain a competitive advantage by applying alternative technologies to improve heating, drying, coating and curing processes.

Contact – Electrotechnology Applications Center
Phone – (610) 861-5081
Web site – www.etctr.com

Governor's Advisory Council on Rural Affairs – Promotes, coordinated efforts to expand economic and social opportunities for rural Pennsylvania. Council serves as an advocate for the equitable treatment of rural communities through a collaborative partnership of representatives from private and nonprofit sectors and local, state, federal government agencies.

Contact – Governor's Advisory Council on Rural Affairs
Phone – (717) 705-0431
E-mail – ruralpa@state.pa.us
Web site – www.ruralpa.state.pa.us

Rural Community Assistance Program – Resource for community leaders and others who need technical assistance services and training related to rural drinking water and wastewater treatment systems, solid waste programs, housing, economic development, comprehensive community assessment and planning, and compliance with environmental regulations. Staff are fluent in a number of languages and dialects.

Contact – PA Rural Community Assistance
Phone – (814) 333-2706
Web site – www.rcap.org

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www.oa.state.pa.us

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The **Office of Administration** provides efficient, responsive business services to agencies in Pennsylvania's executive branch of government to help each agency provide world-class services to Pennsylvania citizens and achieve its mission.

The Office of Administration:

- supports more than 70,000 Commonwealth employees, including salaries, benefits, diversity, training, workplace safety, labor relations and more
- manages www.employment.pa.gov, the Commonwealth online application system used to fill non civil service state jobs;
- directs the commonwealth's deployment of technology, including prioritization, infrastructure, security, applications, project assessment\management, staffing and more
- analyzes business processes and provides consulting services to help agencies increase quality and reduce the cost of providing services to citizens
- manages the commonwealth's public safety radio system to provide reliable communications among all of Pennsylvania's public safety organizations
- oversees planning and coordination among state agencies to ensure that critical government services continue during emergencies
- negotiates and consolidates business travel policies and services

OFFICE OF THE BUDGET

www.budget.state.pa.us

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Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP)

– The state’s RACP program is designed to aid community and economic development projects throughout the Commonwealth that demonstrate significant economic impacts to local and regional economies. The RACP program operates as a reimbursement program for eligible project costs including, but not limited to construction, land acquisition, permitting, and any interest costs accrued during construction. Capital projects eligible for RACP funding must have a total project cost of at least \$1 million, with a required 50 percent non-state match.

The process for securing RACP funds begins with the inclusion of a line item authorization for a specific project in the state’s Capital Budget, allocating a certain amount of funding to the project. Act 48 of 2008 amends the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act, increasing the Commonwealth’s debt ceiling by \$800 million, allowing more than \$1.6 billion in development projects to advance through RACP. Upon enactment of Act 38A of 2008 and Act 48 of 2008, all projects listed in the state’s current Capital Budget are eligible to submit a letter to Governor Rendell requesting the release of funds allocated in the line item. If a funding release is granted, the project is then eligible to submit an application for the project, and when approved, trigger the drawdown of funds.

Contact – Office of the Budget, at:
(717) 787-2542

Web site – www.newPA.com.

PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME & DELINQUENCY (PCCD)

www.pccd.state.pa.us

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Enhancement of Criminal Justice Advisory Boards (CJABs) – Provides funds to established CJABs to implement programs to address local needs and improve information sharing within the county.

Matching fund requirements are: 25% the first year, 50% the second and 75% the third.

Contact – PCCD Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements, Jackie Weaknecht at: (717) 265-8498.

School Resource Officer (SRO)/ Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) – Provides funds to assist police departments and school districts willing to work cooperatively to promote enhanced school safety and security.

Matching fund requirements are: 25% the first year, 50% the second and 75% the third.

Contact – PCCD Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements, Kathy Clarke at: (717) 265-8549.

County Intermediate Punishment Program – Provides funds to support county restrictive intermediate punishment programs consistent with approved county intermediate punishment plans.

Matching funds are not required.

Contact – PCCD Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements, Jeff Hubert at: (717) 265-8501.

Drug & Alcohol Treatment-based Restrictive Intermediate Punishment Program – Provides funds to support drug and alcohol assessment, evaluation and treatment services related to county intermediate punishment activities.

Matching funds are not required.

Contact – PCCD Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements, Jackie Weaknecht at: (717) 265-8498.

Justice Assistance Grant Program – Provides assistance to state and local units of government in implementing projects that offer high probability of improving the criminal justice system.

Matching fund requirements are: 25% the first year, 50% the second and 75% the third.

Contact – PCCD Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements, Tom D’Annunzio at: (717) 265-8452

Recovery Act Justice Assistance Grant Program – Supports all components of the criminal justice system, from multijurisdictional drug and gang task forces to crime prevention and domestic violence programs, courts, corrections, treatment, and justice information sharing initiatives. JAG funded projects may address crime through the provision of services directly to individuals and/or communities and by improving the effectiveness and efficiency of criminal justice systems, processes, and procedures. This is one-time only funding.

Matching funds are not required.

Contact – PCCD Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements, Tom D’Annunzio at: (717) 265-8452

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<p>Forensic Science Improvement Program – Provides funds to improve the quality, timeliness and credibility of forensic science services for criminal justice purposes. Matching funds are not required.</p>	<p>Contact – PCCD Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements, Tom D’Annunzio at: (717) 265-8452.</p>
<p>Substance Abuse Education and Demand Reduction Fund (SAEDRF) – Provides funds for proven approaches to public awareness, prevention, intervention, training, treatment and education services to reduce substance abuse and implement statewide programs to assist families in accessing such services. Funds to support this program will be made available by Act 36 of 2006 that establishes the SAEDRF.</p>	<p>Matching funds are not required. Contact – PCCD Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements, Jeff Hubert at: (717) 265-8501.</p>
<p>Federal VOCA Program – Provides funds that are used to provide direct services, e.g., crisis intervention, counseling, accompaniment, legal advocacy, shelter, etc., for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse and other serious crimes.</p>	<p>Matching fund requirement is 20% in-kind. Contact – PCCD Office of Victim Services, Jennie Siegler at: (717) 265- 8745.</p>
<p>State Rights and Services Act Program – Provides funds for system-based services for victims consistent with the Crime Victim’s Act and PCCD Standards (orientation/opportunities for input to and notice of pleas, sentences, releases/assistance with restitution and compensation). Funds are made available through \$25 penalty assessment on convicted/diverted offenders.</p>	<p>Matching funds are not required. Contact – PCCD Office of Victim Services, Natalie Novotny-Goles at: (717) 265-8735.</p>
<p>Stop Violence Against Women Program – Provides funds to improve the criminal justice system’s response to violence against women and to improve the services to women who are victims of violent criminal acts.</p>	<p>Matching fund requirement is 25 percent cash or in-kind. Contact – PCCD Office of Victim Services, Debbie Rollo at: (717) 265-8733</p>
<p>State Victims of Juvenile Offenders Program – Provides funds through an allocation from the Commonwealth Budget to encourage system-based services for victims of juvenile offenders consistent with the Crime Victim’s Act and PCCD Standards (orientation/opportunities for input to and notice of pleas, diversions, dispositions, releases/assistance with restitution and compensation).</p>	<p>Matching funds are not required. Contact – PCCD Office of Victim Services, Vicki Wagner at: (717) 265-8746</p>

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<p>Pennsylvania Weed and Seed Program – Provides funds to “weed out” violent offenders through intensive law enforcement and prosecution efforts, and then “seed in” prevention, intervention, treatment and development services to promote community revitalization using research-based violence prevention programs. The initiative helps to address capital needs for local community and economic development and restore neighborhood quality of life. Grants serve the fifteen current PA Weed and Seed sites.</p>	<p>Matching funds are not required. Contact – PCCD Weed and Seed Office, Nancy Chavez at: (717) 265-8462.</p>
<p>Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Program – Funds are used to provide grants to units of local government and private non-profits for a broad range of juvenile justice, delinquency prevention and JJDP Act Compliance Monitoring activities.</p>	<p>Matching fund requirement is 50% for construction only. Contact – PCCD Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Derin Myers at: (717) 265-8460.</p>
<p>Title V Risk-Focused Prevention – Provides funds to support community-based risk focused prevention initiatives.</p>	<p>Matching fund requirement is 50% cash or in-kind. Contact – PCCD Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Derin Myers at: (717) 265-8460.</p>
<p>Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Program – Provides funds to address the problem of juvenile crime by encouraging accountability-based reforms at the state and local level.</p>	<p>Matching fund requirement is 10% cash match, 50% for construction costs of permanent juvenile corrections facilities. Contact – PCCD Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Derin Myers at: (717) 265-8460.</p>
<p>Safe & Drug Free Schools & Communities – Provides funds for programs/projects that (1) prevent school violence/drug use; and (2) helps schools and communities create safe, disciplined, and drug-free environments that support academic achievement.</p>	<p>Matching funds are not required. Contact – PCCD Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Derin Myers at: (717) 265-8460.</p>
<p>Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws – Provides funds to support activities to address the issue of underage drinking. Funds are used for law enforcement activities as well as education opportunities for youth, law enforcement agencies and licensed distributors of alcoholic beverages.</p>	<p>Matching funds are not required. Contact – PCCD Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Derin Myers at: (717) 265-8460.</p>

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Research Based Violence Prevention – Provides funds for the implementation of Research Based programs designed to reduce the risk factors associated with delinquency.

Matching fund requirement is 25% cash or in kind in year three and 50% cash or in kind in year four.

Contact – PCCD Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Derin Myers at: (717) 265-8460.

Evidence Based Prevention and Intervention – Supports PA Resource Center for Evidence-based Prevention and Intervention Programs and Practices. Provides training and technical assistance for programs and for communities to implement and sustain the Communities That Care community assessment and planning process.

Matching fund requirements are: Program implementation grants require a 25% and 50% cash or in kind match in years three and four respectively. Technical Assistance grants are awarded match-free.

Contact – PCCD Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Derin Myers at: (717) 265-8460.

PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION FOR WOMEN (PCW)

www.pccd.state.pa.us

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Pennsylvania Commission for Women (PCW) – The mission of the Pennsylvania Commission for Women is to identify and advance the diverse needs and interests of Pennsylvania women and girls; to inform, educate and advocate for its constituents; and to provide opportunities to empower women and girls to reach their highest potential. The PCW encourages the development of and access to funding for small business enterprises owned or operated by women. The PCW serves as a liaison between government and nongovernmental groups and organizations whose purposes relate to the interests of women.

The Women’s Wellness Guide is a bi-lingual, touch-activated health care kiosk that incorporates information on the prevention and early detection of heart disease, weight management, diabetes, smoking, asthma, osteoporosis, domestic violence, depression, diet and exercise, lung, breast, cervical, ovarian, colon and skin cancers.

Contact – Room 503 Finance Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120, Phone: (717) 787-8128, E-mail: ra-pcwwebe-mail@state.pa.us, Web site: www.pcw.state.pa.us

PENNSYLVANIA FISH & BOAT COMMISSION (PFBC)

www.fish.state.pa.us/grants.htm

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The commission has a number of grant programs that provide funding in support of fishing, boating and aquatic resource conservation. The information listed in the grant directory also appears on the commission's Web page: www.fish.state.pa.us/grants.htm. Each grant has appropriate links for program description and grant details.

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Boating Facility Grant Program – Provides grants to county and municipal governments for the planning, acquisition, development, expansion and rehabilitation of public boating facilities located on the waters of the Commonwealth.

Boating Infrastructure Grant Program – Provides grants for transient moorage (tie-ups) serving recreational motorboats 26 feet and longer.

Clean Vessel Act (Pumpout Grant Program) – Helps fund the construction, renovation and maintenance of pumpout and dump stations to service pleasure boats.

Coldwater Heritage Partnership – Provides leadership, coordination, technical assistance and funding support for the evaluation, conservation and protection of Pennsylvania's coldwater streams.

Cooperative Nursery Grants – Provides monies for new construction, and additions and improvements to existing hatcheries within the PA Fish and Boat Commission's Cooperative Nursery program.

Erie Access Improvement Grant Program – Funding to assist non-profit and government organizations in the acquisition and development of angler access in the Erie watershed.

Landowner Incentive Program (LIP) – Federal funds to assist private landowners with protecting habitats of species in Pennsylvania's State Wildlife Action Plan.

Sinnemahoning Creek Watershed Restoration Grant Program – Funds to develop and implement projects that benefit fishing, boating, and aquatic resources in Cameron, Elk, Potter and McKean counties, with primary emphasis on projects within the Sinnemahoning Creek Watershed upstream from the confluence of the First Fork of Sinnemahoning Creek.

Sportfishing and Aquatic Resource Education Grants – Funds for organizations and local agencies involved in offering sportfishing and aquatic resource education programming.

State Wildlife Grant (SWG) Program – Federal monies for high-priority conservation projects for endangered, threatened and at-risk species across Pennsylvania.

Tulpehocken & Quittapahilla Watershed Grant Program – Monies for projects with the Tulpehocken and/or Quittapahilla Creek watersheds.

Valley Creek Watershed Grant Program – Funding for the restoration of the Valley Creek Watershed in Chester County, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION

www.pgc.state.pa.us

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State Wildlife Grants (SWG) Program – About \$40,000 is available for statewide competitive projects that provide multiple benefits to multiple fish and wildlife species. The funds will be used for agency-identified, high-priority, wildlife diversity efforts that implement the Wildlife Action Plan.

Contact – Patti Barber, (717) 787-5529 ext. 3326.

Web site – www.pgc.state.pa.us/pgc/cwp/view.asp?a=496&q=174268.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

www.pgcb.state.pa.us

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Local Law Enforcement Grant Program – Program provides grants to local law enforcement agencies to investigate violations of and enforce laws relating to unlawful gambling in this Commonwealth. \$2 million is available annually through the Gaming Fund. The term “local law enforcement agency” shall include the Pennsylvania State Police when conducting unlawful gambling enforcement and prevention activities in a municipality which does not have a municipal police department and in which the Pennsylvania State Police provide the municipality with primary police coverage.

Contact – (717) 346-8300, pgcb@state.pa.us or www.pgcb.state.pa.us.

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION (PHMC)

www.phmc.state.pa.us

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Certified Local Government Grant Program – Provides funds in the areas of: cultural resource surveys, national register nominations, technical and planning assistance, educational and interpretive programs, and staffing and training. Program is supported by Federal funds from the National Park Service and administer by PHMC, the State Historic Preservation Office.

Application Deadline – January 15
 All applicants must complete an e-grant application accessed through the PHMC Web site.
Eligibility – Funding is limited to Certified Local Governments.
Contact – Janice E. Stramara at: (717) 783-2838.

Keystone Historic Preservation Grant Program – Provides funding (in the categories of preservation, restoration and rehabilitation) to nonprofit organizations and local governments for capital improvements on historic resources listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD due to elimination of program funding by Legislature in FY 2009-2010.
 All applicants must complete an e-grant application accessed through the PHMC Web site.
Eligibility – Non-profit organizations and units of Local Government that own publicly accessible historic buildings. Private property owners are not eligible for funding under this program.
Contact – Karen Arnold at: (717) 783-9927.

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORY AND MUSEUM GRANT PROGRAM

Funding through the Museum Assistance Grant Allocation supports a variety of museum, history, archives and historic preservation programs by local governments and nonprofit organizations. Private individuals are not eligible for funding under this program. All applicants must complete an e-grant application accessed through the PHMC Web site.

All of the application deadlines for these programs are now ON HOLD due to delay in approval of FY 2009-2010 Commonwealth Budget and the possible elimination of all Museum Assistance grant funding. With the reduced funding allocated to the PHMC for Museum Assistance, all available funding was dedicated to General Operating Support grant category. Funds are not available to support the remaining programs at this time. Since FY 2006-2007, the Museum Assistance Grant allocation was reduced by almost 80%, from FY 2006-2007 level of \$6.135 million to present FY 2009-2010 level of \$1.279 million.

The 10 types of grants are:

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GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT GRANT CATEGORIES

General Operating Support Grants for Museums – Grants that require no match and are restricted to museums and historical organizations with annual operating budgets exceeding \$100,000 (excluding capital and in-kind services). Grant awards will not exceed \$150,000 or 10 percent of the museum’s most recently completed fiscal year operating budget if less than \$1,500,000. The grants are administered on a non-competitive basis and the awards are made annually based organizational eligibility and formula system to insure proportional award levels for all eligible organizations.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Due to delay in approval of Commonwealth Budget and the possible elimination of all Museum Assistance grant funding, the FY 2009-2010 application deadline was suspended until January 8, 2010.

Contact – Scott Doyle at: (717) 783-6012.

General Operating Support Grants for Official County Historical Societies – Grants for historical organizations that are certified by their county governments as the official county historical societies for their respective counties. No more than one organization in each county may be so certified. The society must receive funds from the county government to assist in paying the operating expenses of the organization. The grant is noncompetitive and requires a 50/50 cash match.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Due to delay in approval of Commonwealth Budget and the possible elimination of all Museum Assistance grant funding, the FY 2009-2010 application deadline was suspended until January 8, 2010.

Grants will not exceed the amount of money provided by the local county government in support of general operations; the maximum award will not exceed \$10,000.

Contact – Scott Doyle at: (717) 783-6012.

Statewide Organization Grants – Grants are awarded to organizations that function in a statewide capacity to the history, museum, historic preservation and cultural communities of Pennsylvania. Funding is used for a variety of activities to benefit the operation of these organizations and the programs they administer to benefit these communities.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Due to delay in approval of Commonwealth Budget and the possible elimination of all Museum Assistance grant funding, the FY 2009-2010 application deadline was suspended until January 8, 2010.

Matching funds are not required.

Contact – Scott Doyle at: (717)783-6012.

PROJECT GRANT CATEGORIES:

Archives and Records Management Grants – Grants are available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of Access and Preservation Programs, and County Records Improvement Programs. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process. Applicants may apply for up to \$15,000.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Funds are not available to support this program.

Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 requires no matching funds, and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.

Contact – Jerry Ellis at: (717) 787-3384.

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION (PHMC)

www.phmc.state.pa.us

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Collections Management Project Grants – Grants are available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of Educational and Interpretive Programs, Exhibit Planning and Design, Management and Conservation. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Funds are not available to support this program.
 Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 requires no matching funds, and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.
 Contact – Scott Doyle at: (717) 783-6012.

Education, Public and Local History Grants – Grants are available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of Public Programs, Research and Writing, and Educational Programs. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Funds are not available to support this program.
 Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 requires no matching funds, and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.
 Contact – Scott Doyle at: (717) 783-6012.

Historic Preservation Grants – Grants available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of Cultural Resource Surveys, National Register Nominations, Planning and Development Assistance, and Archaeology. The grants are awarded annually based on a peer review process. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Funds are not available to support this program.
 Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 requires no matching funds, and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.
 Contact – Karen Arnold at: (717) 783-9927.

Organizational Planning and Development Project Grants – Grants are available in two different amounts to support projects in the categories of increased organizational effectiveness through organizational study, system improvement, planning, and analysis. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Funds are not available to support this program.
 Grant amounts up to and including \$5,000 requires no matching funds, and amounts over \$5,000 and up to and including \$15,000 require 50/50 matching funds.
 Contact – Scott Doyle at: (717) 783-6012.

OTHER GRANT CATEGORIES

Statewide Conference Grants – Grants are awarded as “seed” money to organizations that plan and hold conferences relating to issues concerning the history, museum, historic preservation and cultural communities of Pennsylvania. Applications are accepted and awards are made throughout the year.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Funds are not available to support this program.
 Matching funds are not required.
 Contact – Scott Doyle at: (717) 783-6012.

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION (PHMC)

www.phmc.state.pa.us

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Technical Assistance Grants – Available to assist organizations in solving problems, increasing professionalism and building capacity funds. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made throughout the year based on a peer review process. The grants are administered on a competitive basis, and the awards are made annually based on a peer review process.

Application Deadline – ON HOLD. Funds are not available to support this program. Matching funds are not required. Contact – Scott Doyle at: (717) 783-6012.

Historical Marker Grants – Grants requiring a cash match (generally 50/50) are available to support the manufacture of approved state historical markers. The Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission approves historical marker nominations annually based upon the review of an independent panel of experts. Nomination forms can be obtained from the PHMC website or by writing the Historical Marker Program, Division of History, Commonwealth Keystone Building Plaza Level, 400 North S., Harrisburg, PA 17120-0093.

Application Deadline – January 5. The PHMC still administers the Marker program but funds are not available to support this program. Grants are only available for approved historical markers. The markers are approved on a peer review process and funds are awarded, as available, to eligible non-profit organizations or local governments on an annual basis. The cost of manufacture of markers is the sole responsibility of the approved nominator or local sponsor. Contact – Karen Galle at: (717) 705-4266.

PENNSYLVANIA HUMANITIES COUNCIL

www.pahumanities.org/

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The Pennsylvania Humanities Council, a nonprofit organization, inspires individuals to enjoy and share a life of learning enriched by human experience across time and around the world. Through programs and partnerships, PHC fosters the sharing of stories and ideas to increase understanding and a large vision of human life, community and possibility.

The PHC provides grants of varying sizes, a statewide speakers' bureau (Commonwealth Speakers) open to all nonprofits, several book discussion series custom-designed for public libraries, statewide media projects featuring the humanities, and other special events in the capitol and around the Commonwealth. For more information on the PHC's programs and its application guidelines, please visit its web site.

Contact – Pennsylvania Humanities Council

Phone – 1 (800) 462-0442

Web site – www.pahumanities.org

PENNSYLVANIA INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AUTHORITY (PENNVEST)

www.pennvest.state.pa.us

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<p>Advance Funding Program – Low Interest loans and possible supplemental grants to improve water management systems.</p>	<p>Contact – Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority at: (717) 787-8137 or visit www.pennvest.state.pa.us.</p>
<p>Brownfields Remediation – Low-interest loans to municipal or county governments or an affiliated industrial or economic development or redevelopment entity for the remediation of sites that have been contaminated by past industrial or commercial activity and pose a threat to local groundwater or surface water sources. A public entity may sponsor a project for which a private party wants to submit an application, provided that either the public entity or the private party has an ownership interest in the property to be remediated.</p>	<p>Contact – Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST) Phone – Brion Johnson at: (717) 783-6798. Web site – www.pennvest.state.pa.us.</p>
<p>Drinking Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Loans – Low-interest loans to communities or private firms for designing, engineering, and constructing publicly and privately owned drinking water distribution systems.</p>	<p>Contact – Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST) Phone – Brion Johnson at: (717) 783-6798. Web site – www.pennvest.state.pa.us.</p>
<p>Growing Greener Grants – Under this initiative, PENNVEST has grant funds available for drinking water, wastewater and storm water infrastructure projects. These are the same types of projects that PENNVEST has always funded. At this time, PENNVEST will be using these grant funds in its normal funding process.</p>	<p>Eligibility – Any municipality, authority or private entity that is eligible for Growing Greener grants under the PENNVEST program Contact – Paul Marchetti at: (717) 783-4496</p>
<p>On-lot Sewage Disposal Funds – Provides low-interest loans to homeowners for the rehabilitation, improvement, repair or replacement of an existing system located on a single family, owner-occupied property, which is the primary resident of the owner.</p>	<p>Contact – Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST) Phone – PHFA at: 1 (800) 822-1174 Web site – www.pennvest.state.pa.us.</p>
<p>PENNVEST Loans & Grants – PENNVEST provides low-interest loans and grants for new construction or for improvements to publicly or privately owned drinking water, storm water or sewer treatment facilities. PENNVEST also provides loan funding to remediate brownfields sites, as well as loan funding to individual homeowners for repair or replacement of their malfunction on-lot septic system.</p> <p>Many of the wastewater and drinking water projects funded by PENNVEST use federal dollars for design and construction. These dollars come with some strings attached that can increase the cost of the project for the community.</p>	<p>Officials and employees of municipalities with drinking water, wastewater, or storm water management systems; municipal water and sewer authorities; private water and sewer companies; elected officials; county planners; consulting engineers; and persons involved in economic development should attend a PENNVEST “How to Apply” seminar to learn about applying for funds.</p> <p>Eligibility – Any municipality, authority</p>
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PENNVEST conducts a financial analysis to determine the interest rates and the length of the repayment period on any loan, as well as whether any grant funding might be awarded for the project.

or private entity that is eligible under the PENNVEST program

Contact – Paul Marchetti at: (717) 783-4496

PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD (PLCB)

www.lcb.state.pa.us

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In 1999, the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board (PLCB) offered its first Grant Program to provide funds for colleges and universities to develop campus-community coalitions and utilize environmental management strategies to reduce the dangerous and underage use of alcohol. In providing these funds and technical assistance to these coalitions, the PLCB recognized that environmental change can be an especially effective strategy in preventing dangerous and underage drinking.

In 2001, the PLCB expanded its efforts and provided additional funding to communities through the Community Grant Program. These grants provided funding to eligible local community entities, organizations, municipalities, law enforcement departments, primary and secondary schools, and school districts throughout Pennsylvania for specially designated Underage Drinking prevention projects.

In 2006, the grants were merged into one grant program whereby colleges and universities, school districts, municipalities, law enforcement entities, and non-profit organizations could apply for the funds.

Grant projects must be directly related to alcohol issues that target the under-21 population and entail an environmental strategy, which addresses the inappropriate and excessive consumption of alcohol by minors.

The 2010-2011 grants will fund such projects as:

- Special Underage Law Enforcement Operations
- GIS Mapping (Geographic Information Systems)
- Collegiate Environmental Management Strategies to reduce dangerous drinking
- Curriculum and Program training in order to initiate / adopt evidence-based programs addressing underage drinking issues
- Alcohol and Athletes
- Environmental Scan and Court Watch
- Safe Homes Campaign

The 2009 Grant application process closed in February but will be available again in early 2010. These grants will provide funding to develop or enhance, implement, and evaluate campus- and/or community-based prevention strategies to prevent dangerous and underage drinking.

Grant funding is for one year (fiscal year July thru June) and is renewable based on funding availability and the program's progression thru the stages of environmental management strategies. The maximum award per grant recipient for fiscal year 2010 (July 2010 thru June 2011) is projected to be \$15,000.00.

A complete list of fundable activities and the grant application will be available on our Web site, www.lcb.state.pa.us/edu, when the grant application process is opened in early 2010.

If you any questions about this grant opportunity please contact Leslie Coombe, Director, Bureau of Alcohol Education at: lecoombe@state.pa.us or by calling (717) 772-1432.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

www.psu.edu

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Keystone Agricultural Innovation Center – Partnership designed to help Pennsylvania’s agricultural producers and small processors explore the marketing and manufacturing feasibility of value-added opportunities. Partnership of Penn State and PA Departments of Agriculture and Community and Economic Development, PENNTAP, Keystone Development Center, Kutztown Small Business Development Center, USDA Rural Development, PA Association for Sustainable Agriculture, PA Horticultural Association, PA State Grange, PA Retail Farm Market Association, Professional Dairy Managers of PA, Penn Ag Industries, Phillips Mushroom Farm, PA Farm Bureau, Amsterdam Produce Enterprises, Capital RC&D, Center for Rural Pennsylvania, Regional Economic Development District Initiatives of South Central PA, and PA Landscape and Nursery Association.

Contact – Pennsylvania State University
Phone – (814) 865-9542
Web site – www.cax/aers/psu.edu
 Offers a combination of education, technical assistance and support to producers who want to explore value-added possibilities, start a value-added business, expand entrepreneurial capabilities, or join together in a cooperative, farmer’s market, marketing alliance, or other type of value-added venture.

Penn State Cooperative Extension – Educational network that gives people in Pennsylvania’s 67 counties access to Penn State’s resources and expertise. Courses, workshops and other programming are made available to individuals and communities requesting assistance, and are tailored for local needs.

Contact – Penn State Cooperative Extension
Phone – (814) 863-3438
Web site – www.extension.psu.edu

Pennsylvania Technical Assistance Program (PENNTAP) – Helps Pennsylvania businesses improve competitiveness technical assistance and information to help resolve specific technical questions or needs that can be addressed within a limited amount of time.

Contact – Pennsylvania State University
Phone – (814) 865-0427
Web site – www.penntap.psu.edu

Plastics Technology Center – Provides product design and development services for business start-ups and existing small manufacturers.

Contact – Pennsylvania State University
Phone – (814) 452-0094
Web site – www.ptdc01.bd.psu.edu/index.html

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION (PUC)

www.puc.state.pa.us

The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission balances the needs of consumers and utilities to ensure safe and reliable utility service at reasonable rates; protect the public interest; educate consumers to make independent and informed utility choices; further economic development; and foster new technologies and competitive markets in an environmentally sound manner.

For many consumers, deciphering a utility bill or understanding how to shop for electricity can be a daunting undertaking. The PUC has consumer education specialists that travel the state, holding workshops and providing tips to remove the mystery behind utility bills and issues. Additionally, the PUC website is a great resource for shopping. The PUC has worksheets on its Web site (www.puc.state.pa.us – click on “Consumer Education” on the left) to help consumers when contacting suppliers as well as a list of questions consumers should ask competitive suppliers when contacting them. A list of suppliers also is available on the PUC website by clicking on “Electric Shopping” on the left side of the Web site’s home page and then clicking on “List of Suppliers.” Customers can scroll down to find the name of their electric company and click on it to access a list of competitive suppliers offering service in their area.

Brochures, speaking engagements, roundtable discussions and conferences are other ways used successfully to help consumers shop wisely for utility services. To find more information on upcoming events, check out the Consumer Education Events Schedule. On the web at: www.puc.state.pa.us/general/consumer_ed/consumer_ed_events.aspx.

Consumer Education Partnerships – The PUC partners with various companies and organizations to bring programs to consumers. Past partnerships have included the Utility Companies, State Agencies, AARP Chapters, Area Agency on Aging, Community-Based Organizations, Legislators, Consortiums, Health Care Agencies, Schools, Religious-Based Organizations, and Consumer Advocates

For more information or to schedule an educational workshop, seminar, staff training, or any other consumer education event, please contact our Consumer Education Specialists. **Contact** – Shari Williams at: (215) 560-6901, Christina Chase-Pettis at: (717) 772-8884 or Erika Dominick at (717) 787-4970. For informal complaints or termination issues please contact the PUC’s Bureau of Consumer Services (BCS) toll free hotline at: 1 (800) 692-7380.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Budget Billing – All residential customers may contact their electric or natural gas company and request budget billing at any time. Each monthly bill will be the same amount. The company may adjust the bill four times a year, up or down, depending on the customer’s usage.

Customer Assistance Program (CAP) – CAPs can lower your monthly utility bill. CAPs may also remove the amount you already owe. The different CAP names are shown beside the company names below. The company works with the customer to determine what the customer can pay verses the cost of energy used.

Customer Assistance Referral and Evaluation Program (CARES) – The CARES program helps customers with special needs. CARES may help you find ways to pay your utility bill. For example, special needs are customers who are experiencing family emergencies, divorce, unemployment, or medical emergencies. The goal is to provide support and direction to help customers pay their utility bills.

Hardship Funds – Utility company have hardship funds that provide cash assistance to utility customers to help them pay their utility bills. Hardship funds provide assistance grants to customers who “fall through the cracks” of other financial assistance programs, or to those who still have a critical need for assistance after the other resources have been exhausted. The funds make payments directly to companies on behalf of eligible customers.

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Low-Income Usage Reduction Program (LIURP) – LIURP helps low-income residential customers lower the amount of electricity or natural gas used each month. Typically, the company may install energy saving features in your home to help reduce bills. For example, smaller bills means your payment covers a greater portion of the bill, or perhaps covers the whole bill.

Assistance Qualifications – Customers must meet certain income limits and be payment-troubled to qualify for CAP, CARES, LIURP and Hardship Funds. Payment-troubled usually means customers have made a payment agreement with the company. The chart below shows the income levels at 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines customers must meet in 2009-2010 for CAP. The income levels are slightly higher for LIURP, CARES and Hardship Funds. Customers who meet these limits, should call their local electric or natural gas company for details to see if you qualify. Each company’s toll-free number is listed below

Household Size Annual Income Guidelines:

(Federal Poverty Income Guidelines are updated every February.)

Size of Household	150% of Poverty	Size of Household	150% of Poverty
1 person	\$16,245	6 persons	\$44,295
2 persons	\$21,855	7 persons	\$49,905
3 persons	\$27,465	8 persons	\$55,515
4 persons	\$33,075	For each additional person, add \$5,610.	
5 persons	\$38,685		

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) – LIHEAP is a federal program that provides financial assistance to low-income households to pay energy bills. In Pennsylvania LIHEAP is administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare (DPW) and consists of (3) components:

Cash Benefits: Helps low-income customers pay their home energy bill.

Crisis: Helps low-income customers meet home emergency situations and restore services if their service has been shut off.

Weatherization: Helps qualified low-income customers reduce their energy consumption through home improvements.

Note: Low-income customers who qualify for Cash and Crisis can receive both.

Your household income must be within certain limits to qualify. These limits are listed on DPW’s Web site at: www.dpw.state.pa.us/ServicesPrograms/LIHEAP/. If you have more questions about LIHEAP you may call your Local County Assistance Office or the toll-free LIHEAP hotline at: 1 (866) 857-7095 (individuals with hearing impairments may call the TDD number at: 1 (800) 451-5886).

TELEPHONE NUMBERS TO CALL - LIHEAP & UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Utility	Utility Assistance Programs
Allegheny Power (LIPURP)	1 (800) 207-1250
Duquesne (CAP)	1 (800) 393-7600

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Utility	Utility Assistance Programs
Met-Ed (CAP)	1 (800) 962-4848
PECO (CAP Rate)	1 (800) 744-7040
Penelec (CAP)	1 (800) 962-4848
Penn Power (CAP)	1 (800) 720-3600
PPL (OnTrack)	1 (800) 358-6623
UGI-Electric (LISHP)	1 (800) 844-9276
Columbia (CAP)	1 (800) 537-7431
Dominion Peoples (CA)	1 (800) 400-9276 (WARM)
Equitable (EAP)	(412) 395-3050 – Allegheny Co. 1 (800) 654-6335 – Outside Allegheny Co.
NFG(LIRA)	1 (800) 365-3234
PGW(CRP)	(215) 235-1000
PPL Gas (CAP)	1 (800) 652-0550
TW Phillips (EHF)	1 (866) 276-4055
UGI – Gas (LISHP)	1 (800) 844-9276
Pennsylvania American Water (H2O-Help to Others) (Dollar Energy Fund)	1 (800) 565-7293 – Wilkes-Barre (NE PA) 1 (800) 717-7292 – Mechanicsburg (Central & SE PA) 1 (800) 474-7292 – Pittsburgh (W PA)
Aqua (A Helping Hand)	(610) 376-6571 – Berks County (570) 265-6415 – Bradford County or (570) 278-3338 (215) 785-3296 –Bucks County (610) 436-4040 – Chester County (610) 874-8451 – Delaware County or (610) 583-9133 (814) 643-3010 – Juniata County (724) 658-7664 – Lawrence County 1 (800) 489-1633 – Mercer County (610) 277-6363 – Montgomery County (570) 644-6570 – Northumberland County (570) 622-1995 – Schuylkill County (717) 731-8120 – Scranton-Lackwanna Counties (570) 374-0181 – Union-Snyder Counties

To view each utility's Universal Service Plan in detail please go to: www.puc.state.pa.us/general/consumer_ed/energy_asst_progs.aspx and select the appropriate utility company.

MISCELLANEOUS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

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Electrotechnology Applications Center – Provides confidential assistance to businesses and manufacturers to help them increase productivity, improve energy efficiency and achieve and maintain environmental compliance. Helps businesses gain a competitive advantage by applying alternative technologies to improve heating, drying, coating and curing processes.

Phone – (610) 861-5081
 Web site – www.etctr.com

Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh Community Investment Programs – Work to foster affordable housing and community development opportunities in very low-, low- and moderate-income areas through advocacy, creative financing and technical assistance. Programs include the Affordable Housing Program (AHP), the Banking On Business (BOB) program, the Community Lending Program (CLP) and the Home Buyer Equity Fund (HBEF).

Phone – (800) 288-3400
 Web site – www.fhlb-pgh.com

Pennsylvania Downtown Center – Promotes and supports the vitality of Pennsylvania’s downtowns and traditional neighborhood business districts by providing local groups with the techniques and strategies needed to recapture or sustain their downtowns as a vibrant civic, social, and economic center of activity.

Phone – (717) 233-4675
 Web site – www.padowntown.org

University City Science Center – Accelerates technology commercialization, regional economic development, and the market availability of life-enhancing scientific breakthroughs by bringing together innovations, scientists, entrepreneurs, funding, laboratory facilities, and business services. Established in 1963 and headquartered in Philadelphia, the Science Center was the first, and remains the largest, urban research park in the United States. Its shareholders include 32 universities, research institutions, hospitals, and economic development organizations in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. Key Science Center programs include the QED Proof-of-Concept Funding Program; Quorum, a program that strengthens the Greater Philadelphia’s culture of technology commercialization by creating a forum for entrepreneurs and innovators to interact and exchange ideas; and the Port, a business incubator for life science and advanced technology new ventures. Graduate organizations and current residents of the Science Center have created more than 15,000 direct jobs that remain in the Greater Philadelphia region today and contribute more than \$9 billion to the regional economy annually.

For more information on Science Center programs please visit us at:
www.sciencecenter.org.

MISCELLANEOUS RURAL PROGRAMS

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American Farmland Trust – Works with landowners, communities, elected officials, states and the federal government to save the best land for agriculture, plan for its future and keep the land healthy.

Phone – (202) 331-7300
 Web site – www.farmland.org

Rural Community Assistance Program – Resource for community leaders and others who need technical assistance services and training related to rural drinking water and wastewater treatment systems, solid waste programs, housing, economic development, comprehensive community assessment and planning, and compliance with environmental regulations. Staff are fluent in a number of languages and dialects.

Phone – (814) 333-2706
 Web site – www.rcap.org

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

www.nationalservice.org/

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Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act – The Serve America Act reauthorizes and expands national service programs administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service. These programs include AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, Learn and Serve America students, and additional community volunteers mobilized and managed through the agency’s programs. The Serve America Act includes Silver Scholar Education awards provide a \$1,000 education award to an individual aged 55 or older who performs at least 350 hours of service. Transfer of education award earned in Subtitle C position or as a Silver Scholar is permitted for individuals 55 or older to the individual’s child or grandchild who meets the citizenship eligibility requirements for AmeriCorps and attains a high school degree before using. Recipient must use the education award within 10 years of its being earned.

Contact – Mary Strasser, The Curtis Center, 601 Walnut St., Suite 876 E, Philadelphia, PA 19106
Phone – (215) 597-2806
Fax – (215) 597-2807
E-mail – pa@cns.gov
Web site – www.nationalservice.gov/about/serveamerica/index.asp

Senior Corps – Senior Corps provides grants to local charities, schools, government agencies, faith-based organizations and other groups that work to strengthen their communities through senior volunteers.

Contact – www.seniorcorps.gov/for_organizations/funding/index.asp
 See contact information above.

AmeriCorps – AmeriCorps provides support to nonprofits, faith-based and community organizations, and public agencies committed to meeting critical needs in education, public safety, health, and the environment.

Contact – www.americorps.gov/for_organizations/funding/index.asp

Learn and Serve America – Do you have an idea for a service-learning project that will impact your community? Learn and Serve America provides grant support, primarily through intermediaries, to diverse school-community partnerships to develop and sustain service-learning projects. Generally, grants are for a period of three years, renewable annually, and contingent upon performance and the availability of funds.

Contact – www.learnandserve.gov/for_organizations/funding/index.asp
 See contact information above.

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA)

www.fema.gov 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant

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<p>Assistance to Firefighters Grant (CDFA Number: 97.044) – Provides assistance to local fire departments to protect citizens and firefighters against the effects of fire and fire-related incidents. (Fire departments and other first responders)</p>	<p>www.firegrantsupport.com/ Help Desk – 1-866-274-0960 or firegrants@dhs.gov Contact – Region III – Dustin Brosius, dustin.brosius@dhs.gov, 615 Chestnut St., 6th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19106, (215) 931-5718, Fax (215) 931-5539 Melissa Evans, melissa.evans@associates.dhs.gov, Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, 815 Copeland Way, PMB 34, Pittsburgh, PA 15232-2217, (412) 687-1331, (412) 216-4529</p>
<p>Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program – Improves preparedness to protect the people of certain communities in the unlikely event of an accident involving this country’s stockpiles of obsolete chemical munitions.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP) – Complements the FEMA National Preparedness Directorate’s other major grant programs to enhance regional response capabilities, mutual aid, and interoperable communications by providing technology and equipment, together with training and technical assistance required to operate that equipment, to public safety agencies in smaller jurisdictions and certain metropolitan areas.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Community Assistance Program, State Support Services Element (CAP-SSSE) (CDFA Number: 97.023) – Provides funding to States to provide technical assistance to communities in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and to evaluate community performance in implementing NFIP floodplain management activities.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Community Disaster Loan Program (CDFA Number: 97.03) – Provides funds to any eligible jurisdiction in a designated disaster area that has suffered a substantial loss of tax and other revenue.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) (CDFA Numbers: 97.02, 97.021) – Supports programs designed to improve capabilities associated with oil and hazardous materials emergency planning and exercising.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>

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<p>Cooperating Technical Partners (CDFA Number: 97.045) – Provides technical assistance, training, and/or data to support flood hazard data development activities.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Crisis Counseling (CDFA Number: 97.032) – Provides supplemental funding to States for short-term crisis counseling services to people affected in Presidentially declared disasters.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Disaster Legal Services (CDFA Number: 97.033) – Provides free legal assistance to disaster victims.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Disaster Unemployment Assistance Program (CDFA Number: 97.034) – Provides unemployment benefits and re-employment services to individuals who have become unemployed because of major disasters.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Emergency Food and Shelter Program (CDFA Number: 97.024) – Supplements the work of local social service organizations within the United States, both private and governmental, to help people in need of emergency assistance.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Emergency Management Institute (CDFA Numbers: 97.026, 97.027, 97.28) – Provides training and education to the fire service, its allied professions, emergency management officials, and the general public.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) (CDFA Number: 97.042) – Provides assistance for the development, maintenance, and improvement of state and local emergency management capabilities.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program – The FY 2008 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program is intended to improve emergency management and preparedness capabilities by supporting flexible, sustainable, secure, and interoperable EOCs with a focus on addressing identified deficiencies and needs.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>

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www.fema.gov 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant

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<p>Fire Management Assistance Grant Program (CDFA Number: 97.046) – Assistance for the mitigation, management, and control of fires on publicly or privately owned forests or grasslands, which threaten such destruction as would constitute a major disaster.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (CDFA Number: 97.029) – Provides funding to assist States and communities in implementing measures to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other structures insurable under the NFIP.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (CDFA Number: 97.039) – Provides grants to States and local governments to implement long-term hazard mitigation measures after a major disaster declaration.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) (CDFA Number: 97.067) – Enhances the capacity of State and local emergency responders to prevent, respond to, and recover from a weapons of mass destruction (WMD) terrorism incident involving chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive (CBRNE) devices and cyber attacks.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Individuals and Households Grant Program (Disaster Assistance) (CDFA Numbers: 97.048, 97.049, 97.05) – Provides money or direct assistance to individuals, families and businesses in an area whose property has been damaged or destroyed and whose losses are not covered by insurance.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Infrastructure Protection Program (IPP) – Assistance for a range of preparedness activities, including strengthening infrastructure against explosive attacks, preparedness, planning, equipment purchase, training, exercises, and security management and administration costs. (Last year active, 2008)</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Map Modernization Management Support (CDFA Number: 97.070) – Provides funding to supplement, not supplant, ongoing flood hazard mapping management efforts by the local, regional, or State agencies.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>

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<p>National Dam Safety Program (CDFA Number: 97.041) – Provides financial assistance to the states for strengthening their dam safety programs. (States)</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP) (CDFA Number: 97.082) – Provides financial assistance to the states for strengthening their dam safety programs. (States)</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>National Fire Academy Education and Training (CDFA Numbers: 97.018, 97.029) – Provides training to increase the professional level of the fire service and others responsible for fire prevention and control.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>National Flood Insurance Program (CDFA Number: 97.022) – Enables property owners in participating communities to purchase insurance as a protection against flood losses in exchange for State and community floodplain management regulations that reduce future flood damages.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>National Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Response System (CDFA Number: 97.025) – Provides funding for the acquisition, maintenance, and storage of equipment, training, exercises, and training facilities to meet task force position criteria, and conduct and participate in meetings within the National US&R Response System.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program (CDFA Numbers: 97.017) – Provides funds for hazard mitigation planning and the implementation of mitigation projects prior to a disaster event.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Public Assistance Grant Program (CDFA Number: 97.036) – Provides assistance to alleviate suffering and hardship resulting from major disasters or emergencies declared by the President.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>
<p>Reimbursement for Firefighting on Federal Property (CDFA Number: 97.016) – Provides reimbursement only for direct costs and losses over and above normal operating costs.</p>	<p>Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362 www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm</p>

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Repetitive Flood Claims Program (CDFA Number: 97.092) – Provides funding to States and communities to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to structures insured under the NFIP that have had one or more claims for flood damages, and that can not meet the requirements of the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program for either cost share or capacity to manage the activities.

Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362
www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm

Severe Repetitive Loss Program (CDFA Number 97.110) – Provides assistance to States and local governments in supporting actions that reduce or eliminate the long-term risk of flood damage to residential properties insured under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) that meet the definition of severe repetitive loss property, and to reduce losses to the National Flood Insurance Fund (NFIF) by funding projects that result in the greatest savings to the NFIF in the shortest time period.

Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362
www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm

State Fire Training System Grants (Source: U.S. Fire Administration) (CDFA Number: 97.043) – Provide financial assistance to State Fire Training Systems for the delivery of a variety of National Fire Academy (NFA) courses/ programs. (State Fire Training Systems)

Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362
www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm

Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act – Provides funding for training in emergency planning, preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery capabilities associated with hazardous chemicals.

Contact – 1 (800) 621-3362
www.fema.gov/government/grant/index.shtm

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Below are some general areas to look for grant assistance for fire, police, ambulatory, and other emergency services.

Homeland Security and FEMA resources – www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/grants/ – This site is a good source to explore for disaster recovery, equipment and resources for police forces, fire departments, ambulatory services, local governments, or transportation security. It should be noted that these grants tend to have early year deadlines. Another link that contains information about grants and training is www.cdp.dhs.gov/. The Homeland Security Department of Pennsylvania contact can be found at www.dhs.gov/xgovt/grants/states/pennsylvania.shtm.

Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) – www.firegrantsupport.com/

Fire Prevention and Safety Grants – www.firegrantsupport.com/fps/

Responders Knowledge Base – www.rkb.us/ – This resource provides emergency responders with a single source for integrated information on available equipment, equipment certification and standards, equipment training, cost resources, and reviews from other equipment users.

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IMLS American Heritage Preservation Program – Provides conservation project funding to archives, federally recognized Native American tribes, historical societies, libraries, museums, state library administrative agencies, state or local governments.

Grant Amount – Up to \$3,000
Grant Period – Up to one year
Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – September 15, 2010

www.ims.gov/collections/grants/boa.htm

Program Contact for Museums – Christine Henry, Senior Program Officer, at (202) 653-4674 or chenry@ims.gov.

Program Contact for Libraries – Kevin Cherry, Senior Program Officer, at (202) 653-4662 or kcherry@ims.gov

21st Century Museum Professionals – Museum professionals need high levels of knowledge and expertise as they help create public value for the communities they serve. The purpose of the 21st Century Museum Professionals program is to increase the capacity of museums by improving the knowledge and skills of museum professionals.

Grant Amount – \$15,000-\$500,000
Grant Period – Up to three years
Matching Requirement – 1:1 for all funds requested from IMLS
Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – March 15, 2010

www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/21centuryMuseums.shtm

Contact – Christopher J. Reich, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4685, E-mail: creich@ims.gov

Twinet G. Kimbrough, Program Specialist, Phone: (202) 653-4703, E-mail: tkimbrough@ims.gov

Connecting to Collections: Statewide Planning Grants – Provides conservation project funding to archives, historical societies, libraries, museums, regional organizations.

2010 Grant Amount – Up to \$500,000
2010 Grant Period – Up to two years
Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline: October 15, 2010
www.ims.gov/collections/grants/implementation.htm

Program Contact – Christine Henry, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4674, E-mail: chenry@ims.gov

Mark Feitl, Program Specialist, Phone: (202) 653-4635, E-mail: mfeitl@ims.gov

Connecting to Collections: Statewide Implementation Grants – funds a limited number of grants to implement the plans or models created with the Statewide Planning grants

2010 Grant Amount – Up to \$500,000
Grant Period – Up to two years
Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline: October 15, 2009

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	<p>Program Contact – Christine Henry, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4674, E-mail: chenry@ims.gov</p> <p>Mark Feitl, Program Specialist, Phone: (202) 653-4635, E-mail: mfeitl@ims.gov</p>
<p>Conservation Assessment Program – Provides conservation project funding to historical societies, museums, state or local governments.</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – December 1, 2009</p> <p>www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/conservAssessment.shtm</p> <p>Contact – Sara Gonzales 1012 14th St., NW, Suite 1200 Washington, DC 20005 Phone: (202) 233-0800 E-mail: sgonzales@heritagepreservation.org</p>
<p>Conservation Project Support – Provides funding for conservation and research projects to historical societies, museums, state or local governments.</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – October 1, 2009</p> <p>Regulations – Award amount up to \$150,000 on strict 1:1 basis for 2-3 years</p> <p>www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/conservProject.shtm</p> <p>Program Contact – Christine Henry, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4674, E-mail: chenry@ims.gov</p> <p>Mark Feitl, Program Specialist, Phone: (202) 653-4635, E-mail: mfeitl@ims.gov</p>
<p>Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program – This program supports projects to develop faculty and library leaders, to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians, to conduct research on the library profession, and to support early career research on any area of library and information science by tenure-track, untenured faculty in graduate schools of library and information science. It also supports projects to attract high school and college students to consider careers in libraries, to build institutional capacity in graduate schools of library and information science, and to assist in the professional development of librarians and library staff.</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – December 15, 2009</p> <p>Grant Amount – \$50,000-\$1,000,000</p> <p>Grant Period – Up to three years, except for doctoral program projects, which may be up to four years</p> <p>Matching Requirement – Fifty percent of total project costs. Funds requested for student support and for research projects are not subject to matching requirements.</p> <p>www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/21centuryLibrarian.shtm</p>

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Program Contacts – Kevin Cherry, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4662, E-mail: kcherry@ims.gov
 Charles (Chuck) Thomas, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4663, E-mail: cthomas@ims.gov

Museum Assessment Program – Provides funding for collections management, community engagement, and public programs to historical societies and museums.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – February 16, 2010
www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/museumAssessment.shtm
Program Contact – Jill Connors-Joyner, Assistant Director, MAP, American Association of Museums, 1575 Eye St., NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20005, Phone: (202) 289-9111; map@aam-us.org
Regulations – The program provides technical assistance for four kinds of assessments: (1) collections management; (2) governance; (3) institutional; and (4) public dimension. Assessments are funded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Museums for America – 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. Museums for America grants are designed to be flexible: funds can be used for a wide variety of projects, including: ongoing museum work, research and other behind-the-scenes activities, planning, new programs, purchase of equipment or services, and activities that will support the efforts of museums to upgrade and integrate new technologies.

Award amount of \$5,000-\$150,000 for 2-3 years on a 1:1 basis.
 Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline: November 2, 2009
www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/forAmerica.shtm
Contacts – Sandra Narva, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4634, E-mail: snarva@ims.gov
 Steven Shwartzman, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4641, E-mail: sshwartzman@ims.gov
 Reagan Moore, Program Specialist, Phone: (202) 653-4637, E-mail: rmoore@ims.gov
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The National Medal for Museum and Library Service (formerly the National Award) – Honors outstanding institutions that make significant and exceptional contributions to their communities. Selected institutions demonstrate extraordinary and innovative approaches to public service, exceeding the expected levels of community outreach and core programs generally associated with its services. The medal includes prizes of \$10,000 to each recipient and an awards ceremony to be held in Washington, DC.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – February 16, 2010

Award Amount – \$10,000

www.ims.gov/about/medals.shtm

Program Contact for Libraries – Michele Farrell, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4656, E-mail: mfarrell@ims.gov

Program Contact for Museums – Christopher Reich, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4685, E-mail: creich@ims.gov

Eligibility – Public or private nonprofit institutions are eligible to receive this award. Nominated institutions must be open to the general public for at least 120 days per year and be located in the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, or the Freely Associated States in the Pacific. Federally operated institutions are not eligible for the medal. A friends group associated with a single museum or library is not an eligible entity

National Leadership Grants – National Leadership Grants support projects that have the potential to elevate museum and library practice. The Institute seeks to advance the ability of museums and libraries to preserve culture, heritage and knowledge while enhancing learning.

Grant Amount – \$50,000–\$1,000,000; up to \$100,000 for planning grants

Grant Period – Up to three years

Matching Requirement – 1:1 for requests over \$250,000, except research projects. Cost sharing of at least one-third is encouraged for requests under \$250,000 and for research projects

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – February 1, 2010

www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/nationalLeadership.shtm

Program Contacts for Libraries – Rachel Frick, Senior Program Officer, Phone: (202) 653-4667, E-mail: rfrick@ims.gov

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www.archives.gov 1-866-272-6272 National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC)
 www.archives.gov/nhprc/ Grant info: www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/

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<p>Publishing Historical Records-Founding Era – The Commission supports ongoing projects to publish the records of the Founding Era of the United States. Strategies and Tools for Archives and Historical Publishing Projects.</p>	<p>Fiscal 2010 Year Deadline – June 5, 2009 www.archives.gov/nhprc/</p>
<p>State and National Archival Partnership Grants – The purpose of this grant program is to build a national archival network by strengthening archives and historical records programs in each of the states.</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2010 Draft Deadline – January 4, 2010 Fiscal Year 2010 Final Deadline – March 4, 2010 www.archives.gov/nhprc/</p>
<p>Publication Subventions – The Commission offers Publication Subventions to non-profit presses to publish volumes of NHPRC-sponsored or endorsed historical documentary editions.</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – September 4, 2009 www.archives.gov/nhprc/</p>
<p>Digitizing Historical Records – The Commission seeks proposals that use cost-effective methods to digitize nationally-significant historical record collections and make the digital versions freely available on the Internet.</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – June 5, 2009 www.archives.gov/nhprc/</p>
<p>Professional Development Grants for Archives and Historical Publishing – The Commission seeks proposals designed to improve the training and education of professionals in the archival and historical publishing communities.</p>	<p>Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – October 6, 2009 www.archives.gov/nhprc/</p>
<p>Archives-Basic Projects – The Commission seeks proposals for fundamental archival activities that promote the preservation and use of America’s documentary heritage.</p>	<p>Draft Deadline (optional) – August 3, 2009 Final Deadline – October 6, 2009 www.archives.gov/nhprc/</p>
<p>Archives-Detailed Processing Projects – The Commission seeks proposals for detailed processing and preservation of collections of national significance. The collections also should have high research demand or substantial preservation challenges.</p>	<p>Draft Deadline (optional) – August 3, 2009 Final Deadline – October 6, 2009 www.archives.gov/nhprc/</p>
<p>Strategies and Tools for Archives and Historical Publishing Projects – The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks proposals to develop new strategies and tools that can improve the preservation, public discovery, or use of historical records. Projects may also focus</p>	
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on techniques and tools that will improve the professional performance and effectiveness of those who work with such records, such as archivists, documentary editors, and records managers. Projects concerning records may focus on methods of working with any format including born-digital records. Publishing of historical records must focus on methods of presenting archival records as primary sources. The Commission does not fund projects focused on artifacts or books.

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Fiscal Year Deadline – October 5, 2009
www.nthpgrants.blogspot.com/2008/12/nara-strategies-and-tools-for-archives.html

NARA Publishing Historical Records CFDA 89.003 – The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks proposals to publish historical records of national significance. Projects may focus on the papers of major figures from American life or cover broad historical movements in politics, military, business, reform movements, the arts, and other aspects of the national experience. The historical value of the records and their expected usefulness to broad audiences must justify the costs of the project. Grants are awarded for collecting, describing, preserving, compiling, editing, and publishing documentary source materials.

Fiscal Year Deadline – October 5, 2009
www.nthpgrants.blogspot.com/2008/05/national-archives-and-records.html

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Learning in the Arts for Children and Youth (CFDA No. 45.024) – To advance arts education for children and youth in school-based or community-based settings. This category supports in-depth, curriculum-based arts education experiences that occur over an extended period. Projects must provide participatory learning and engage students with skilled artists, teachers, and excellent art. All projects must include the following components: 1) the opportunity for students and their teachers to experience exemplary works of art, in live form wherever possible; 2) study of the art experienced including the acquisition of skills for practicing the art form where appropriate; 3) the performance/making of art within the discipline(s) studied; and 4) assessment of student learning according to national or state arts education standards.

An organization may request a grant amount from \$5,000 to \$150,000.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – June 11, 2009
 Contact – (202) 682 5400
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Access to Artistic Excellence – To encourage and support artistic excellence, preserve our cultural heritage, and provide access to the arts for all Americans. This category supports projects that provide short-term arts exposure or arts appreciation for children and youth as well as intergenerational education projects.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – March 12 and August 13, 2009
 Contact – (202) 682 5400
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Challenge America: Reaching Every Community Fast-Track Review Grants – For support, primarily to small and mid-sized organizations, of projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations. Grants are for \$10,000. Funding is not available for curriculum-based instruction in the arts.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – May 28, 2009
 Contact – (202) 682 5400
www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

Education Leaders Institute – The Education Leaders Institute (ELI), established by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), brings together school leaders, legislators, policy makers, educators, consultants, and scholars to envision a healthy national education environment founded on powerful arts education programs. Leaders from up to five states will participate in a three-day conference.

Contact – (202) 682 5400
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Coming Up Taller – Nominate outstanding community arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America's young people.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – January 30, 2009
 Contact – (202) 682 5400

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The Arts on Radio and Television CFDA No. 45.024 – Supports projects for radio and television arts programs that are intended for national broadcast. Grants generally range from \$20,000 to \$200,000.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – September 3, 2009

Contact – (202) 682 5400

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National Services Grant Program Description – Limited funds are available for national services that are provided by membership organizations of state arts agencies and regional arts organizations. Funds are to be used for projects that provide leadership, training, planning, coordination, and information services that increase accountability. Support for National Services will come out of funds designated by the Congress for the state arts agencies and regional arts organizations. In reviewing requests, the Arts Endowment will use, to the extent applicable, the review criteria for the Regional Arts Plan component.

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American Masterpieces: Dance – Dance celebrates the extraordinary and rich evolution of dance and choreography in the United States. With its partners, New England Foundation for the Arts and Dance/USA, the Arts Endowment will sponsor select performances, tours, and educational programs that will reach large and small communities throughout the United States.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – October 8, 2009

Contact – (202) 682 5400

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Universal Design Leadership Project CFDA No. 45.024 – The Arts Endowment seeks to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with an organization that will carry out a project to increase understanding, acceptance, and practice of universal design within the design profession and by the American public. Proposed projects should focus on extending the appeal of universal design from the disability community into the mainstream of American design and American society. The project should educate designers and others including developers, city planners, and consumers on this important issue. The purpose of this Program Solicitation is to select an organization (Cooperator) to administer the Universal Design Leadership Project.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – February 19, 2009

Contact – (202) 682 5400

www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

Save America's Treasures CFDA No. 15.929 – Grants for preservation and/or conservation work on nationally significant intellectual and cultural artifacts and nationally significant historic structures and sites.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – May 22, 2009

Contact – (202) 682 5400

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Literature Fellowships CFDA No. 45.024 – Through Literature Fellowships to published creative writers and translators of exceptional talent in the areas of prose and poetry, the Arts Endowment advances its goal of encouraging and supporting artistic creativity and preserving our diverse cultural heritage. Creative Writing Fellowships enable recipients to set aside time for writing, research, travel, and general career advancement. Non-matching grants are for \$25,000. Translation Projects enable recipients to translate work from other languages into English. Non-matching grants are for \$12,500 or \$25,000, depending upon the artistic excellence and merit of the project.

Contact – (202) 682 5400
www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

International Literary Exchanges: Contemporary Literary Anthologies CFDA No. 45.024 – To support the publication of three literary anthologies featuring the work of writers from Mexico, Northern Ireland, and Pakistan. The purpose of this Program Solicitation is to select the Cooperator(s) that will work with the NEA on each country’s anthology project.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – February 20, 2009
 Contact – (202) 682 5400
www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

The Big Read – The purpose of The Big Read is to encourage literary reading. Big Read grants, ranging from \$2,500- \$20,000, are available to revitalize the role of literature in American culture. Organizations selected to participate in The Big Read will receive a grant, financial support to attend a national orientation meeting, educational and promotional materials for broad distribution, Organizers Guide for developing and managing Big Read activities, inclusion of your organization and activities on The Big Read Web site, and the prestige of participating in a highly visible national initiative. Approximately 200 organizations of varying sizes across the country will be selected in this cycle.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – February 3, 2009
 Contact – (202) 682 5400
www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

Arts Indemnity Program CFDA No. 45.201 – Provides indemnification against loss or damage for eligible art works, artifacts, and objects in international exhibitions.

(Multiple deadlines)
 Contact – (202) 682 5400
www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

American Masterpieces: Chamber Music CFDA No. 45.024 – This component of American Masterpieces will celebrate the extraordinary and rich evolution of chamber music in the United States. Through performances and related residencies, American chamber music of the highest quality – that otherwise would not be available – will be experienced by Americans in communities across the nation. Grants generally range from \$5,000 to \$75,000.

Fiscal Year Deadline – October 9, 2009
 Contact – (202) 682 5400
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Arts Journalism Institute (Dance) CFDA No. 45.024 – Program Solicitation to select an organization (Cooperator) to administer one NEA Arts Journalism Institute in Dance. The institute should have approximately 15 participants, and should last approximately two to three weeks.

Contact – (202) 682 5400
www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

International Arts Journalism Institute (Visual Arts) CFDA No. 45.024 – Program Solicitation to select an organization(s) (Cooperator(s)) to administer one NEA Arts Journalism Institute in the Visual Arts, specifically the past 150 years of American Art, which will involve 20-24 journalists/media commentators, half of which will be from regions such as the Middle East, the Far East, and North Africa; half from the United States.

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Arts Journalism Institute (Classical Music and Opera, Theater and Musical Theater) CFDA No. 45.024 – Program Solicitation to select an organization(s) (Cooperator(s)) to administer one NEA Arts Journalism Institute in Classical Music and Opera and/or one NEA Arts Journalism Institute in Theater and Musical Theater in the fall/winter of 2008-2009. Each institute should have approximately 25 participants, and should last approximately 12 days. The participants primarily will be journalists who work for small to mid sized print or broadcast media.

Contact – (202) 682 5400
www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

American Masterpieces: Presenting CFDA No. 45.024 – This component of American Masterpieces will celebrate the extraordinary and rich contribution that presenters make in American communities. Through American Masterpieces: Presenting, presentations of the performing, visual, media, design, and literary arts of the highest quality – that otherwise would not be available – will be experienced by Americans in communities across the nation. Grants generally range from \$10,000 to \$100,000.

Fiscal Year 2010 Deadline – September 24, 2009
 Contact – (202) 682 5400
www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

Literature Fellowships (CFDA No. 45.024) – Through Literature Fellowships to published creative writers and translators of exceptional talent in the areas of prose and poetry, the Arts Endowment advances its goal of encouraging and supporting artistic creativity and preserving our diverse cultural heritage. Creative Writing Fellowships enable recipients to set aside time for writing, research, travel, and general career advancement. Non-matching grants are for \$25,000. Translation Projects enable recipients to translate

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work from other languages into English. Non-matching grants are for \$12,500 or \$25,000, depending upon the artistic excellence and merit of the project.

American Masterpieces: Visual Arts Touring – 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 will be experienced by Americans in communities across the nation.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – September 17, 2009

Contact – (202) 682 5400

www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

Operation Homecoming: Literary Programming for Veterans and their Families CFDA No. 45.024 – This Cooperative Agreement will expand the Arts Endowment’s Operation Homecoming program, initiated in 2004, by providing support for approximately 25 writing workshops and related literary programming at Veterans centers, Veterans health facilities, and affiliated institutions across the country. (Several additional “test” workshops will be conducted during the developmental phase.) Wherever possible, local activity will be carried out through subgrants to local literary centers or other organizations that will work with the Cooperator. The NEA hopes that the involvement of local groups will lead to long-term relationships between these organizations and the Veterans organizations. This program will be carried out in cooperation with the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) and the Department of Defense (DOD), and with funding from The Boeing Company. It will focus on current U.S. troops and recent veterans, especially those who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan, and their families. The Arts Endowment plans to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with a Regional Arts Organization (the Cooperator) for this expansion of Operation Homecoming.

Contact – (202) 682 5400

www.arts.endow.gov/grants/index.html

Shakespeare in American Communities – Shakespeare for a New Generation gives high-school and middle-school students in underserved schools and communities throughout the United States exposure to high quality, professional productions of Shakespeare’s plays. Approximately 30 theater companies will receive matching grants to help support performances and educational activities in their communities, states, or regions for students from at least 10 schools. Arts Midwest invites proposals from non-profit professional theater companies to perform works by Shakespeare for

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students. Companies will be selected by a professional panel. The selected companies will receive financial support, as well as national recognition, as part of this initiative.

NEA Access to Artistic Excellence FY2010, Deadline CFDA 45.024 – Organizations that undertake a single short-term project in a year – a ten-day jazz festival, for example – could apply for that event, or they could identify certain components (such as the presentation of a key artist and the associated activities) as their project. Describe the activities for which Arts Endowment support is requested, and provide specific information on the artists, productions, venues, distribution plans, etc., that will be involved. Organizations may apply for any or all phases of a project, from its planning through its implementation. A project does not have to be new. Excellent existing projects can be just as competitive as new activities. Projects do not need to be large. The Arts Endowment welcomes small projects that can make a difference in a community or field.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – August 13, 2009

www.arts.endow.gov/grants/apply/Artsed.html

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Picturing America – By bringing high-quality reproductions of notable American art into public and private schools, libraries, and communities, Picturing America gives participants the opportunity to learn about our nation’s history and culture in a fresh and engaging way. The program uses art as a catalyst for the study of America – the cultural, political, and historical threads woven into our nation’s fabric over time. Picturing America is a free resource that provides each participating institution with a comprehensive package of materials that includes forty large, high-quality color reproductions of the selected masterpieces (24” x 36”), and a Teachers Resource Book providing a wide range of ideas and background information to support educators using the works of art in core subject areas. Additional resources and lesson plans available through PicturingAmerica.neh.gov.

www.picturingamerica.neh.gov/picturingamerica@neh.gov

To sign-up to receive additional information, visit: www.picturingamerica.neh.gov/subscribers.php

Picturing America School Collaboration Projects – Building on the national distribution of Picturing America, the NEH invites proposals for local and regional projects that foster collaboration between K-12 educators and humanities scholars to encourage engagement with the rich resources of American art to tell America’s story. The Picturing America School Collaboration Projects grant opportunity is designed to help teachers and librarians whose schools display the Picturing America images form connections with courses in the core curriculum.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – October 7, 2009

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/PASCP.html

We the People Program – The primary emphasis of the We the People program is upon grant-making to scholars, teachers, filmmakers, curators, librarians, and others who submit proposals for projects that explore significant events and themes in our nation’s history and culture.

www.wethepeople.gov/grants/index.html

We the People Bookshelf on “Picturing America” – As part of its We the People program, NEH is collaborating with the American Library Association (ALA) to present a program that encourages young people to read classic books and explore themes in American history, culture, and ideas. School libraries (K–12) and public libraries are invited to apply for a full set of books that embody the theme “Picturing America.”

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – January 30, 2009

Contact – American Library Association staff at 1 (800) 545–2433, ext. 5045, or publicprograms@ala.org. You can also contact the NEH at (202) 606–8337 or wethepeople@neh.gov.

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America’s Media Makers: Development Grants – Grants for America’s Media Makers support media projects that explore significant events, figures, or developments in the humanities and offer creative and new approaches to humanities content. America’s Media Makers projects promote active exploration and engagement for broad public audiences in history, literature, archaeology, art history, comparative religion, philosophy, and other fields of the humanities.

Development grants enable media producers to collaborate with scholars to develop the humanities content and format and to prepare programs for production. The product of development grants should be the refinement of the humanities ideas, a script, or a design document for (or a prototype of) digital media components or projects, or a prototype for a digital media project together with a detailed plan for outreach and public engagement in collaboration with partner organizations.

Application deadlines – January 13, 2010 and August 18, 2010.

Contact – the staff of NEH’s Division of Public Programs at (202) 606-8269 and publicpgms@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/AmMediaMakers_development.html

America’s Media Makers: Production Grants – Production grants support the preparation of a program for distribution. Applicants must submit a script for a radio or television program or a prototype or storyboard for a digital media project that demonstrates a solid command of the humanities ideas and scholarship about the subject. The script for a radio or television program or prototype or storyboard for a digital media project should also show how the narrative elements, visual approach, and interactive design combine to present the humanities ideas. Applicants must have consulted with the appropriate scholars about the project and obtained their commitment as advisers. Finally, applicants must have recruited the media team, including at a minimum the producer, director, writer, and, for a digital media project, the interactive designer.

Application deadlines – January 13, 2010 and August 18, 2010.

Contact – the staff of NEH’s Division of Public Programs at (202) 606-8269 and publicpgms@neh.gov.

Collaborative Research Grants – 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.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – October 29, 2009

Contact – the staff of NEH’s Division of Research Programs at (202) 606-8200 and collaborative@neh.gov.

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Challenge Grant – Challenge grants most commonly augment or establish endowments that support humanities activities in education, public programming, scholarly research, and preservation. Institutions may use the income from invested funds to meet ongoing humanities-related costs. Examples include faculty and staff positions, fellowships, lecture or exhibition series, visiting scholars or consultants, publishing subventions, maintenance of facilities, faculty and staff development, acquisitions, and preservation/conservation programs.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – May 5, 2009

Contact – the staff of NEH’s Office of Challenge Grants at (202) 606-8309 or at challenge@neh.gov.

NEH America’s Historical and Cultural Organizations: Implementation Grants CFDA 45.164 – Support projects in the humanities that explore stories, ideas, and beliefs that deepen our understanding of our lives and our world. The Division of Public Programs supports the development of humanities content and interactivity that excite, inform, and stir thoughtful reflection upon culture, identity, and history in creative and new ways. Grants for America’s Historical and Cultural Organizations should encourage dialogue, discussion, and civic engagement, and they should foster learning among people of all ages.

Application deadlines – January 13, 2010 and August 18, 2010

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/AHCOImplementationGuidelines.html

NEH America’s Historical and Cultural Organizations: Planning Grants CFDA 45.154 – America’s Historical and Cultural Organizations grants support projects in the humanities that explore stories, ideas, and beliefs that deepen our understanding of our lives and our world. The Division of Public Programs supports the development of humanities content and interactivity that excite, inform, and stir thoughtful reflection upon culture, identity, and history in creative and new ways.

Application deadlines – January 13, 2010 and August 18, 2010

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/AHCOPlanningGuidelines.html

Documenting Endangered Languages – The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the National Science Foundation (NSF) have joined forces on Documenting Endangered Languages (DEL), a new, multi-year effort to preserve records of key languages before they become extinct. More than 3,000 of the 6,000-7,000 currently used human languages are headed for oblivion, experts estimate.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – September 15, 2009

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/del.html

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Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants – NEH and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) invite applications to the Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants program. This program is designed to encourage innovations in the digital humanities. By awarding relatively low-dollar grants during the planning stages, the goal is to identify projects that are particularly innovative and have the potential to make a positive impact on the humanities.

Application Deadline – March 23, 2010
Contact – Questions about this request for proposals can be answered by the staff of the NEH Office of Digital Humanities (ODH) via e-mail at odh@neh.gov.
www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/digitalhumanitiesstartup.html

Enduring Questions – The Enduring Questions grant program supports a faculty member’s development of a new course that will foster intellectual community through the study of an enduring question. This course will encourage undergraduate students and a teacher to grapple with a fundamental question addressed by the humanities, and to join together in a deep and sustained program of reading in order to encounter influential thinkers over the centuries and into the present day.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – September 15, 2009
Contact – the staff of NEH’s Division of Education Programs at (202) 606-8463 and enduringquestions@neh.gov.
www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/EnduringQuestions.html

Scholarly Editions and Translations Grants – Grants support the preparation of editions of pre-existing texts and documents that are currently inaccessible or available in inadequate editions. Projects must be undertaken by a team of at least one editor and one other staff member. Grants typically support editions of significant literary, philosophical, and historical materials, but other types of work, such as musical notation, are also eligible.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – October 29, 2009
Contact – the staff of NEH’s Division of Research Programs at (202) 606-8200 and editions@neh.gov.
www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/editions.html

Fellowships – Fellowships support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to scholars and general audiences in the humanities.
 Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, and other scholarly tools.
 Fellowships support continuous full-time work for a period of six to twelve months. For more Fellowship grants, visit www.neh.gov/grants/grants.html.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – May 5, 2009
Contact – NEH’s Division of Research Programs at (202) 606-8200 or fellowships@neh.gov.
www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/fellowships.html

Fellowships at Digital Humanities Centers – Grants support collaboration between digital centers and individual scholars. An award provides funding for both a stipend for the fellow and a portion of the center’s costs for hosting a fellow. Awards are for periods of six to twelve months of continuous full-time research. The intellectual cooperation between the fellow and the center may take many different

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Contact – NEH’s Division of Research Programs at (202) 606-8200 or fdhc@neh.gov.
www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/fdhc.html

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forms and may involve humanities scholars of any level of digital expertise. Fellows may work exclusively on their own projects in consultation with center staff, collaborate on projects with other scholars affiliated with the center, function as “apprentices” on existing digital center projects, or any combination of these. Awards support projects at any stage of development.

Teaching Development Fellowships – Grants support college and university teachers pursuing research aimed specifically at improving their undergraduate teaching. The program has three broad goals: 1) to improve the quality of humanities education in the United States; 2) to strengthen the link between research and teaching in the humanities; and 3) to foster excellence in undergraduate instruction.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – October 1, 2009

Contact – NEH’s Division of Research Programs at (202) 606-8200 or TDfellowships@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/TDFellowships.html

Humanities Collections and Reference Resources – The Humanities Collections and Reference Resources program supports projects that provide an essential foundation for scholarship, education, and public programming in the humanities. Thousands of libraries, archives, museums, and historical organizations across the country maintain important collections of books and manuscripts, photographs, sound recordings and moving images, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, art and material culture, electronic records, and digital objects. Funding from this program strengthens efforts to extend the life of such materials and make their intellectual content widely accessible, often through the use of digital technology. Awards are also made to create various reference resources that facilitate use of cultural materials, from works that provide basic information quickly to tools that synthesize and codify knowledge of a subject for in-depth investigation.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – July 15, 2009

Contact – the staff of NEH’s Division of Education Programs at (202) 606-8380 and education@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/HCRR.html

Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities – These NEH grants support national or regional (multi-state) training programs for scholars and advanced graduate students to broaden and extend their knowledge of digital humanities. Through these programs, NEH seeks to increase the number of humanities scholars using digital technology in their research and broadly disseminate knowledge about advanced technology tools and methodologies relevant to the humanities. The projects may be a single opportunity or offered multiple times to different audiences, although the duration of a program should allow for full and thorough treatment of the topic.

Deadline – February 17, 2010

Contact – the NEH Office of Digital Humanities via e-mail at odh@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/IATDH.html

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Interpreting America's Historic Places: Implementation Grants

Interpreting America's Historic Places grants support public humanities projects that exploit the evocative power of historic places to explore stories, ideas, and beliefs that deepen our understanding of our lives and our world. The Division of Public Programs supports the development of humanities content and interactivity that excite, inform, and stir thoughtful reflection upon culture, identity, and history in creative and new ways. Interpreting America's Historic Places projects may interpret a single historic site or house, a series of sites, an entire neighborhood, a town or community, or a larger geographical region. Grants for Interpreting America's Historic Places should encourage dialogue, discussion, and civic engagement, and they should foster learning among people of all ages. To that end, the Division of Public Programs urges applicants to consider more than one format for presenting humanities ideas to the public.

Application Deadline – January 13, 2010 and August 18, 2010

Contact – the staff of NEH's Division of Public Programs at (202) 606-8269 and publicpgms@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/IAHPImplementation.html

Interpreting America's Historic Places: Planning Grants

Interpreting America's Historic Places grants support public humanities projects that exploit the evocative power of historic places to explore stories, ideas, and beliefs that deepen our understanding of our lives and our world. The Division of Public Programs supports the development of humanities content and interactivity that excite, inform, and stir thoughtful reflection upon culture, identity, and history in creative and new ways. Interpreting America's Historic Places projects may interpret a single historic site or house, a series of sites, an entire neighborhood, a town or community, or a larger geographical region. Grants for Interpreting America's Historic Places should encourage dialogue, discussion, and civic engagement, and they should foster learning among people of all ages. To that end, the Division of Public Programs urges applicants to consider more than one format for presenting humanities ideas to the public.

Application Deadline – January 13, 2010 and August 18, 2010

Contact – the staff of NEH's Division of Public Programs at (202) 606-8269 and publicpgms@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/IAHPPlanning.html

Landmarks of American History and Culture:

Workshops for College Community Faculty – As part of NEH's *We the People* program, the Landmarks of American History and Culture program supports series of one-week residence-based workshops for a national audience of community college educators. The workshops use historic sites to address central themes and issues in American history, government, literature, art history, and other related subjects in the humanities.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – March 17, 2009

Contact – the staff of NEH's Division of Education Programs at (202) 606-8463 or sem-inst@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/landmarksgcc.html

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Landmarks of American History and Culture:

Workshops for School Teachers – As part of NEH's *We the People* program, the Landmarks of American History and Culture program supports series of one-week residence-based workshops for a national audience of K-12 educators. The workshops use historic sites to address central themes and issues in American history, government, literature, art history, and other related subjects in the humanities.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – March 17, 2009

Contact – the staff of NEH's Division of Education Programs at (202) 606-8463 or sem-inst@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/landmarks.html

National Digital Newspaper Program: Request for Proposals – NEH is soliciting proposals from institutions to participate in the National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP). Ultimately, over a period of approximately 20 years, NDNP will create a national, digital resource of historically significant newspapers from all the states and U.S. territories published between 1836 and 1922. This searchable database will be permanently maintained at the Library of Congress (LC) and be freely accessible via the Internet. [See the beta prototype Web site, *Chronicling America: Historic American Newspapers* at www.loc.gov/chroniclingamerica/.] An accompanying national newspaper directory of bibliographic and holdings information on the Web site will direct users to newspaper titles available in all types of formats. LC will also digitize and contribute to the NDNP database a significant number of newspaper pages drawn from its own collections during the course of this partnership between NEH and the Library.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – November 3, 2009

Contact – Program questions should be directed to NEH's Division of Preservation and Access at (202) 606-8570 or preservation@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/ndnp.html

Preservation and Access Education and Training – Grants help the staff of cultural institutions, large and small, obtain the knowledge and skills needed to serve as effective stewards of humanities collections. Grants also support educational programs that prepare the next generation of conservators and preservation professionals, as well as projects that introduce the staff of cultural institutions to recent improvements in preservation and access practices.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – July 1, 2009

Contact – Program questions should be directed to NEH's Division of Preservation and Access at (202) 606-8570 or preservation@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/pet.html

Preservation and Access Research and Development – Grants support projects that address major challenges in preserving or providing access to humanities collections and resources. These challenges include the need to find better ways to preserve materials of critical importance to the nation's cultural heritage – from fragile artifacts and manuscripts to analog recordings and digital assets subject to technological obsolescence – and to develop advanced modes of searching, discovering, and using such materials.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – July 30, 2009

Contact – Program questions should be directed to NEH's Division of Preservation and Access at (202) 606-8570 or preservation@neh.gov.

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Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions

– Grants help institutions – particularly small and mid-sized institutions – improve their ability to preserve and care for their humanities collections, including special collections of books and journals, archives and manuscripts, prints and photographs, moving images, sound recordings, architectural and cartographic records, decorative and fine arts, textiles, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, furniture, and historical objects. Institutions such as libraries, museums, historical societies, archival repositories, arts and cultural organizations, and town and county records offices are encouraged to apply.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – May 14, 2009

Contact – Program questions should be directed to NEH's Division of Preservation and Access at (202) 606-8570 or preservation@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/PARD.html

Summer Seminars and Institutes – Grants support national faculty development programs in the humanities for school teachers and for college and university teachers. Seminars and institutes may be as short as two weeks or as long as six weeks. The duration of a program should allow for a rigorous treatment of its topic.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – March 3, 2009

Contact – the staff of NEH's Division of Education Programs at (202) 606-8463 or sem-inst@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/seminars.html

Summer Stipends – Summer Stipends support individuals pursuing advanced research that is of value to scholars and general audiences in the humanities.

Recipients usually produce articles, monographs, books, digital materials, archaeological site reports, translations, editions, or other scholarly tools.

Summer Stipends support full-time work on a humanities project for a period of two months.

Summer Stipends support projects at any stage of development.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – October 1, 2009

Contact – NEH's Division of Research Programs at (202) 606-8200 or stipends@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/stipends.html

***We the People* Challenge Grants in United States History and Culture** – Grants in United States History, Institutions, and Culture. This grant opportunity, part of NEH's *We the People* program, is designed to help institutions and organizations secure long-term improvements in and support for humanities activities that examine American history through the lens of the nation's founding principles. Proposals must demonstrate how the challenge grant would strengthen the institution's ability to explore significant themes and events in American history, so as to advance knowledge of how the founding principles of the United States have shaped, and been shaped by, American history and culture for more than two hundred years.

Application Deadline – February 3, 2010

Contact – the staff of NEH's Office of Challenge Grants at (202) 606-8309 or at challenge@neh.gov.

www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/CG_UShistory.html

NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

See Department of Interior: National Parks Service

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

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<p>Engineering Grants – Funds may be used for paying costs to conduct research, such as salaries and wages, equipment and supplies, travel, publication costs, other direct costs, and indirect costs. This program does not provide support for inventions, product development, marketing, pilot plant efforts, technical assistance, or research requiring security classifications</p>	<p>www.nsf.gov/funding/</p>
<p>Mathematical and Physical Sciences – research project grants in the following disciplines: astronomical sciences, chemistry, materials research, mathematical sciences, physics, as well as support for symposia and conferences. Basic research in multidisciplinary areas related to these disciplines is especially encouraged.</p>	<p>www.nsf.gov/funding/</p>
<p>Education and Human Resources – To provide leadership and ensure the vitality of the Nation’s science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education enterprise. The Education and Human Resources (EHR) component of the National Science Foundation sponsors programs that support the development of models and strategies for providing all students with access to high-quality STEM education.</p>	<p>www.nsf.gov/funding/</p>
<p>Biological Sciences – to increase scientific knowledge and enhance understanding of major problems confronting the Nation. Most of the research supported is basic in character. The program includes support of research project grants in the following disciplines: molecular and cellular biosciences, integrative organismal biology; environmental biology; biological infrastructure; and plant genome research.</p>	<p>www.nsf.gov/funding/</p>

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Aerospace Education Services Program (AESP) – A comprehensive project designed to reach out to the formal and informal education communities in all fifty states and the U.S. territories. The AESP staff consists of specialists who are professional educators assigned to each NASA center. The AESP specialists share NASA’s use of emerging instructional technologies and the motivating outcomes of NASA’s research, exploration and discovery with education communities and the public. It focuses on professional development that serves the elementary and secondary education community by providing classroom demonstrations, distance learning events, in-service training for educators, pre-service training for university students, and identification of appropriate NASA education resources. It also motivates students to continue their study of science and mathematics throughout their school career and encourages them to pursue the NASA workforce pipeline.

www.nasa.gov

Contact – Ms. Michelle Ferebee, Project Manager, Langely Research Center, Phone: (757) 864-5617, E-mail: michelle.t.ferebee@nasa.gov

www.aesp.psu.edu/

Technology Transfer – To insure that technologies resulting from Government-sponsored civilian aerospace research and development are made available to the widest extent practicable and appropriate for the Nation’s benefit. The NASA Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs provide an opportunity for small, high technology companies and research institutions (RI) to participate in Federal Government sponsored research and development (R&D) efforts in key technology areas. The program provides the small business researcher, or RI, with a technology or idea, the opportunity to adapt or apply that technology towards a specific subtopic for NASA mission needs. If the idea or technology is recommended by a Center in response to a topic or subtopic need, a Phase 1 contract will be negotiated. Search the NASA SBIR/STTR Archives Gateway for information on previous awardees, and their innovations. NASA will not accept unsolicited proposals.

www.technology.jsc.nasa.gov

Contact – NASA Johnson Space Center, Technology Transfer Office, Code AT, 2101 NASA Parkway, Houston, TX 77058, jsc-techtran@mail.nasa.gov, (281) 483-3809.

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<p>Food and Nutrition Services – This page provides an overview of the processes and activities associated with FNS’ discretionary grant opportunities. The second website includes grants in areas from Nutrition Education to Food Stamp Program Outreach Grants.</p>	<p>www.fns.usda.gov/fns/grants.htm www.fns.usda.gov/fm/Documents/GrantsOC.htm Contact – (215) 597-4333</p>
<p>Rural Development House & Community Facilities Programs – Loans to develop essential community facilities in rural areas and towns of up to 20,000 in population; available to public entities such as municipalities, counties, and special-purpose districts, as well as non-profit corporations and tribal governments.</p>	<p>www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/brief_cp_direct.htm Contact – (202) 720-4323</p>
<p>Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, Funding Mechanisms – grants for Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE), Organic Agriculture Research and Extension Initiative, Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR), Biotechnology Risk Assessment Grants (BRAG), Community Food Projects, and others.</p>	<p>www.csrees.usda.gov/business/business.html www.csrees.usda.gov/ProgViewFundingOps.cfm?prnum=11276 – for small farms Contact – (202) 720-4423</p>
<p>Farmers’ Market Promotion Program – to increase domestic consumption of agricultural commodities by improving and expanding, or assisting in the improvement and expansion of, domestic farmers markets, roadside stands, community-supported agriculture programs, and other direct producer-to-consumer market opportunities; and develop, or aid in the development of, new farmers markets, roadside stands, community-supported agriculture programs, and other direct producer-to-consumer infrastructures.</p>	<p>www.ams.usda.gov/fmpp</p>
<p>Invasive Species – Provides resources for general grants and funding information for invasive species. A listing of requests for proposals is available on the Request for Proposals page.</p>	<p>www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/toolkit/grantsrequests.shtml</p>
<p>Small Business Innovation Research – To stimulate technological innovation in the private sector, strengthen the role of small businesses in meeting Federal research and development needs, increase private sector commercialization of innovations derived from USDA-supported research and development efforts, and foster and encourage participation, by women-owned and socially disadvantaged small business firms in technological innovation.</p>	<p>www.csrees.usda.gov</p>

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Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education – To facilitate and increase scientific investigation and education in order to reduce the use of chemical pesticides, fertilizers and toxic materials in agricultural production; to improve management of on-farm resources to enhance productivity, profitability and competitiveness; to promote crop, livestock and enterprise diversification and to facilitate the conduct of research projects in order to study agricultural production systems that are located, in areas that possess various soil, climatic, and physical characteristics; to study farms that have been and continue to be managed using farm production practices that optimize the use of on-farm resources and conservation practices; to take advantage of the experience and expertise of farmers and ranchers through their direct participation and leadership in projects; to transfer practical, reliable and timely information to farmers and ranchers concerning sustainable practices and systems; and to promote a partnership between farmers, nonprofit organizations, agribusiness and public and private research and extension institutions.

www.csrees.usda.gov

Cooperative Extension Service – to help people improve their lives and communities through an educational process that uses scientific knowledge focused on issues critical to the economic, agricultural, societal, health/safety, and environmental progress of all Americans.

www.csrees.usda.gov

USDA Rural Housing Preservation Grants CFDA 10.433 – The Rural Housing Service (RHS) announces that it is soliciting applications under its Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) program. The HPG program is a grant program which provides qualified public agencies, private nonprofit organizations, which may include but not be limited to Faith-Based and Community Organizations, and other eligible entities grant funds to assist very low- and low-income homeowners in repairing and rehabilitating their homes in rural areas.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – July 10, 2009
www.rurdev.usda.gov/RHS/mfh/brief_mfh_hpg.htm

Community Foods Projects Competitive Grant Program – Community Food Projects should be designed to (1): (A) meet the food needs of low-income people; (B) increase the self-reliance of communities in providing for their own food needs; and (C) promote comprehensive responses to local food, farm, and nutrition issues; and/or (2) meet specific state, local, or neighborhood food and agriculture needs for (A)

Previous Deadline – May 18, 2009
 Contact – Elizabeth Tuckermanty, (202) 205-0241, etuckermanty@csrees.usda.gov.
www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/communityfoodprojects.cfm

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infrastructure improvement and development; (B) planning for long-term solutions; (C) the creation of innovative marketing activities that mutually benefit agricultural producers and low-income consumers or (D) Food Security Learning Center to support a grant to a non-governmental organization (NGO) to establish and operate a national information and education clearinghouse on community food security. Dollar for dollar matching required, except for T&TA projects.

Farmers Market Consortium Resource Guide – The latest U.S. agricultural census identifies the emergence of two trends in the farming sector – a consolidation of medium and large farms and an expansion in the number of small farms. The Resource Guide promotes a free flow of information between the programs that support farmers markets. It is divided into four types of projects: market development, producer training and support, consumer education and access, and market promotion. It describes each of these four types, followed by an overview of the participating programs and a list of the most recent projects that support farmers markets.

www.farmersmarketcoalition.org/wp-content/uploads/2008/01/fmc_resourceguide_august-2007.pdf

Value-Added Producer Grants (VAPG) – Grants may be used for planning activities and for working capital for marketing value-added agricultural products and for farm-based renewable energy. Eligible applicants are independent producers, farmer and rancher cooperatives, agricultural producer groups, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures.

www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/vadg.htm
www.rurdev.usda.gov/rbs/coops/VAPG%20NOFA%20REISSUE_09012009.PDF

For information, contact – USDA Rural Development, Pennsylvania State Office, One Credit Union Place, STE 330, Harrisburg, PA 17110-2912, (717) 237-2299

Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) – Since 1988, the Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) program has helped advance farming systems that are profitable, environmentally sound and good for communities through a nationwide research and education grants program.

www.sare.org/grants/

Contact – William Curran, Dept. of Crop and Soil Sciences, The Pennsylvania State University, 116 ASI Building, University Park, PA 16802, (814) 863-1014, E-mail: wcurran@psu.edu

Very Low-Income Housing Repair Loans and Grants – Section 504 loans and grants are intended to help very low-income owner-occupants in rural areas repair their properties.

www.rurdev.usda.gov

Contact – Lebanon Service Center, 2120 Cornwall Road, Suite 3, Lebanon, PA 17042-9782, (717) 273-9321

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www.commerce.gov (215) 656-7578 (215) 597-4603 Grants info: www.commerce.gov/grants

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Economic Development Administration’s (EDA) Local Technical Assistance Program (CFDA No. 11.303)
 – Provides grants to help distressed areas solve specific economic development problems. Web site includes other Investment Programs offered by the EDA such as the Global Climate Change Mitigation Incentive Fund and the Economic Development Assistance Programs.

Contact – (215) 597-4603
www.eda.gov/AboutEDA/Programs.xml
www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/FFON.xml

Grants for Public Works and Economic Development
 – Promote long-term economic development and assist in the construction of public works and development facilities needed to initiate and support the creation or retention of permanent jobs in the private sector in areas experiencing substantial distress.

Contact – (215) 597-4603
www.eda.gov/AboutEDA/Programs.xml
www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/FFON.xml

Trade Information Center – Offers information to those seeking export assistance from the federal government. Specialists advise exporters on how to locate and use government programs; guide businesses through the export process; direct businesses to market research and trade leads; provide information on domestic and overseas trade events and activities; explain sources of public and private export financing; help exporters locate reports and statistics on trade; and refer businesses to state and local trade organizations that can provide additional assistance.

Contact – (800) 872-8723 (USA-TRADE)
www.trade.gov/

University Centers Program – Provides grants and cooperative agreements to help colleges and universities use their own and outside resources to address economic development problems and opportunities in their area.

Contact – (215) 597-4603
www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/FFON.xml

Automated Flood Warning Systems (AFWS) CFDA 11.450 – to provide funding to communities with flood or flash flood problems that affect safety of life and property to assist them in creating, renovating, or enhancing Automated Flood Warning Systems (AFWS).

Contact – (631) 244-0112
www.noaa.nws.gov

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Air Force Defense Research Sciences Program (12.800)
 – manages the basic research investment for the U.S. Air Force (USAF). As a part of the Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL), AFOSR’s technical experts foster and fund research within the Air Force Research Laboratory, universities, and industry laboratories to ensure the transition of research results to support USAF needs. Using a carefully balanced research portfolio, research managers seek to create revolutionary scientific breakthrough, enabling the Air Force and U.S. industry to produce worldclass, militarily significant, and commercially valuable products.

www.wpafb.af.mil/library/factsheets/factsheet.asp?id=8981
Contact – Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 875 N. Randolph St., Suite 325, Arlington, VA 22203, publicaffairs@afosr.af.mil
 HQ Air Force Material Command/PKT, 4375 Childlaw Road, Suite 6, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433-5006, (513) 257-8934

Basic and Applied Scientific Research (CFDA 12.300(Navy) & 12.431 (Army)) – Basic and applied research in the physical, mathematical, environmental, engineering and life sciences providing knowledge necessary for the Navy to make informed decisions about further exploratory development to provide the technology base from which naval capabilities are drawn. Partial support of symposia in the listed disciplines. Programs to encourage careers in science and engineering by supporting outstanding graduate, undergraduate and high school students pursuing studies in areas of naval concern. Programs to increase science and engineering graduates from under-represented minority groups. Programs providing means for universities to buy major, high-cost research equipment.

Navy – Office of Naval Research, 800 North Quincy St., Arlington, VA 22217-5000.
Contact – ONR 22, (703) 696-2570
www.onr.navy.mil/
 Army – Dr. George Neece, U.S. Army Research Office, ATTN: AMXRO-RT, P.O. Box 12211, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2211, (919) 549-4204

Collaborative Research and Development (CFDA 12.114) To facilitate productivity-improving research and development and application of advanced construction technologies through collaborative research and development, field demonstration, licensing agreements, and other means of commercialization and technology transfer. Uses and Restrictions: Projects are based on ideas from the U.S. construction industry on how to improve productivity. Industry partners must agree to substantially produce and market products domestically. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers laboratory must perform a significant portion of each project.

Contact – Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CERD-C, 20 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20314-1000, David B. Mathis, General Manager, (202) 272-1846

Language Grant Program (CFDA 12.900) – To foster foreign language training of Americans. Must be an employee of a U.S. college, university or nonprofit institution as related to language.

Contact – Chief, Language Training, Department of Defense, National Security Agency, ATTN: E41, Fort George Meade, MD 20755-6000, (410) 859-6087.

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Mathematical Sciences Grants Program (CFDA 12.901)
 – The National Security Agency (NSA) is concerned over the declining percentage of American citizens taking degrees from U.S. graduate schools in areas of mathematics most strongly identified among individuals with cryptology. The NSA grant program seeks to stimulate developments in the field of cryptography and make careers in these fields of mathematics more attractive to Americans and to make NSA known as a possible employer of such mathematicians. Must be an employee of a U.S. college or university, the principal investigator must be at least a permanent resident of the U.S. Graduate students must be U.S. citizens or intending to become U.S. citizens.

October 15 is the deadline for submission of proposals with certain exceptions, such as conference applications for which there is no deadline.

Contact – Dr. Charles F. Osgood, Department of Defense, National Security Agency, ATTN: R51A, Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755- 6000, (301) 688-0400.

Emergency Rehabilitation of Flood Control Works or Federally Authorized Coastal Protection Works (CFDA 12.102) – To assist in the repair and restoration of flood control works damaged by flood, or federally authorized hurricane flood and shore protection works damaged by extraordinary wind, wave, or water action. Owners of damaged flood protective works, or State and local officials of public entities responsible for their maintenance, repair, and operation must meet current guidelines to become eligible for Public Law 84-99 assistance.

www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&mode=for m&tab=step1&id=b4bea60966c27373d0e3bf86de3fd451

Contact – Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CECW-OE, Washington, DC 20314, (202) 272-0251

Navigation Projects (CFDA 12.107) – To provide the most practicable and economic means of fulfilling the needs of general navigation, through projects not specifically authorized by Congress. Eligible applicants: States, political subdivisions of States or other responsible local agencies established under State law with full authority and ability to undertake necessary legal and financial responsibilities.

Contact – U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, Attn: CECW-PM, Washington, DC 20314-1000, (202) 761-1975

National Security Education-Scholarships (CFDA 12.551) (1) To equip Americans with an understanding of less commonly taught languages and cultures; (2) to build a critical base of future leaders both in the marketplace and in government service; (3) to develop a cadre of professionals with more than the traditional knowledge of language and culture; and (4) to enhance institutional capacity and increase the number of faculty who can educate U.S. citizens toward achieving these goals. Scholarship awards are given to degree-seeking undergraduate U.S. citizens enrolled in academic and professional programs at U.S. institutions of higher education. All NSEP scholarship recipients agree to seek employment in the federal government, and serve for a period of time equal to the length of the award but no less than one year.

Deadline specified in annual application, usually early January or February
www.borenawards.org/

Contact – Ms. Stacia Falat, National Defense University, National Security Education Program, Rosslyn P.O. Box 20010, 1101 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1210, Arlington, VA 22209-2248, (703) 696-1991, E-mail: nsepo@ndu.edu or Mr. Christopher Powers, Institute of International Education, NSEP David L. Boren Scholarship Program, 1400 K St., NW, Washington, DC 20005-2403, (800) 618-6737, E-mail: nsep@iie.org.

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<p>Flood Control Projects (CFDA 12.106) – To reduce flood damages through projects not specifically authorized by Congress. States, political subdivisions of States, or other responsible local agencies established under State law with full authority and ability to undertake necessary legal and financial responsibility.</p>	<p>www.cfda.gov/index?s=program&mode=for m&tab=step1&id=ea5978798f882a496a0e12d0e115cf80</p>
<p>Protection, Clearing and Straightening Channels (CFDA 12.109) – To restore channels for purposes of navigation or flood control. Eligible applicants: States, political subdivisions of States or other responsible local agencies established under State law with full authority and ability to undertake necessary legal and financial responsibilities.</p>	<p>Contact – (215) 737 4006 Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CECW-OD, Washington, DC 20314-1000, (202) 272-8835</p>
<p>Snagging and Clearing for Flood Control (CFDA 12.108) To reduce flood damages. Eligible applicants: States, political subdivisions of States or other responsible local agencies established under State law with full authority and ability to undertake necessary legal and financial responsibilities.</p>	<p>Contact – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CECW-PM, Washington, DC 20314-1000, (202) 761-1975</p>
<p>Protection of essential highways, highway bridge approaches, and public works (CFDA 12.105) – To provide bank protection of highways, highway bridges, essential public works, churches, hospitals, schools, and other nonprofit public services endangered by flood-caused erosion. Uses and Restrictions: Corps of Engineers designs and constructs the project. Each project selected must be engineering feasible, complete within itself and economically justified. Nonfederal interests are responsible for all project costs in excess of the Federal limit of \$1,000,000. Nonfederal sponsor must share in project costs, including cash and lands, easements, rights-of-way; utility relocations; hold and save the United States free from damages; and, maintain the project at local cost after completion.</p>	<p>Contact – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CECW-PM, Washington, DC 20314-1000, (202) 761-1975</p>
<p>Flood Plain Management Services (CFDA 12.104) – To promote appropriate recognition of flood hazards in land and water use planning and development through the provision of flood and flood plain related data, technical services, and guidance. Uses and Restrictions: Available information identifies areas subject to flooding and flood losses from streams, lakes, and oceans and describes flood hazard at proposed building sites. It can be used as a basis for planning flood plain use, for flood emergency preparedness planning, for hurricane evacuation and preparedness planning, for assistance in developing flood plain regulations, for setting</p>	<p>Contact – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CECW-PF, Washington, DC 20314-1000, (202) 761-0169</p>

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elevations for flood proofing, and implementing flood proofing measures, and for indicating areas to be acquired for open space. Activities also include interpretation of technical information and related planning assistance and guidance toward prudent use of flood plains. Services are available to States and local governments without charge, but within annual funding limitations on request. Services are available to Federal agencies on a fully reimbursable basis. Services are available to the private sector on a pay first basis.

Emergency Operations Flood Response and Post Flood Response (CFDA 12.103) – To provide emergency flood response and post flood response assistance as required to supplement State and local efforts and capabilities in time of flood or coastal storm. Uses and Restrictions: Emergency assistance is provided in all phases of flood response and post flood response to supplement State and local efforts. State and local governments must use their own resources to the maximum extent feasible, usually including the furnishing of common labor. No specific restrictions are placed on such assistance.

Contact – Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CECW-OE, Washington, DC 20314-1000, (202) 272-0251

Donations/loans of Obsolete Department of Defense Property (CFDA 12.700) – To donate or lend obsolete combat material to veterans’ organizations, soldiers’ monument associations, State museums, incorporated museums, and incorporated municipalities.

Contact – Appropriate Military Department, Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301 or contact your local military installation.

Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) – fund a billion dollars each year in early-stage R&D funding to small technology companies – projects that serve a DoD need and have commercial applications.

www.acq.osd.mil/osbp/sbir/
www.arl.army.mil/www/default.cfm?Action=6&Page=10
 Contact – (866) 724-7457

Procurement Technical Assistance For Business Firms – To increase assistance by the DoD for eligible entities furnishing PTA to business entities, and to assist eligible entities in the payment of the costs of establishing and carrying out new PTA Programs and maintaining existing PTA Programs.

www.dla.mil/db/amended2008scaa.pdf

Planning Assistance to States – To cooperate with any state in the preparation of comprehensive plans for the development, utilization and conservation of water and related land resources of drainage basins located within the boundaries of such state.

www.usace.army.mil/business.html
 Contact – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Attn: CECW-PF, Washington, DC 20314-1000, (202) 272-0169

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Military Medical Research and Development (CFDA 12.420) – To reduce illness and injury among U.S. military personnel on the battlefield through basic and applied medical research executed largely through grants and contracts with civilian educational and research institutions. Applicants must be a public, nonprofit institution/organization, other public institution/organization, private nonprofit institution/organization, specialized group, or quasi-public nonprofit institution/organization.

No overall program deadlines exist. Individual research areas may initiate deadlines which will be communicated upon review of the pre-proposal.
military-medical-research-and-development.idilogic.aidpage.com/military-medical-research-and-development/

Basic, Applied, and Advanced Research in Science and Engineering – (1) Discover new knowledge and gain better understanding in mathematical, physical, engineering, environmental, and life sciences, and other fields with good, long-term potential for contributing to technology for Department of Defense missions; (2) facilitate transition of research results to practical application for defense needs; (3) improve linkages between defense research and the civilian technology and industrial bases, to promote commercial application of the results of defense research and commercial availability of technology for defense needs; (4) foster education of future scientists and engineers in disciplines critical to defense; and (5) strengthen the infrastructure for research and related science and engineering education in those disciplines.

Deadlines for submitting proposals are specified in the individual relevant Broad Agency Announcements.
www.cfd.gov/index?s=program&mode=for m&tab=step1&id=bed2a6fb97c869ceccacba c2193bdc06

National Flagship Language Program Grants To U.S. Institutions Of Higher Education and Fellowships CFDA 12.550 and 12.553 – (1) To establish centers for the teaching of critical languages to the ILR level 3 (ACTFL Superior level) and beyond in Arabic, Chinese, Russian, Korean, Persian, Hindi, and Urdu; (2) To develop models for advanced language learning; (3) To test those models; (4) To stimulate institutional support and long term commitment to reforming language learning; and (5) To improve national capacity in critical languages. Any accredited U.S. institution of higher education is eligible to apply for a grant.

www.casl.umd.edu/nflp
 Contact – (703) 696-1991, E-mail: nsepo@ndu.edu

Broad Agency Announcement – is a competitive solicitation procedure used to obtain proposals for basic and applied research and that part of development not related to the development of a specific system or hardware procurement.

www.arl.army.mil/www/default.cfm?Action=6&Page=8

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Career and Technical Education – National Programs – To provide support for research, development, demonstration, dissemination, evaluation, and assessment activities aimed at improving the quality and effectiveness of career and technical education.

www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ovae/index.html <http://www.ed.gov/news/fedregister/announce/index.html>

Contact – Office of Vocational and Adult Education, (202) 245-7700, ovae@ed.gov

Arts in Education – To provide competitive grants that support the integration of the arts into the elementary and secondary school curriculum, with particular focus on improving the academic achievement of low-income students.

www.ed.gov/programs/artsed/index.html

Contact – Doug Herbert, doug.herbert@ed.gov, U.S. Department of Education, OIIm Improvement Programs, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Rm 4W343, LBJ Building, Washington, DC 20202-59, (202) 401-3813

International Research and Studies – To improve foreign language, area, and other international studies training through support of research, studies, experimentation, development of specialized instructional materials, and the publication of specialized materials developed as a result of research conducted under this program. Applicant Eligibility: Individuals, institutions of higher education, local and state education agencies, nonprofit organizations and other public and private organizations may apply.

www.ed.gov/programs/iegpsirs/

Application Deadline – January 12, 2010

Contact – Beth D. MacRae, International Education Programs Service, International Research and Studies Program (84.017), 1990 K St., NW, 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20006-8521, (202) 502-759

Charter Schools – The program supports the planning, development, and initial implementation of charter schools and the dissemination of information on charter schools. Charter schools provide enhanced parental choice and are exempt from many statutory and regulatory requirements. In exchange for this increased flexibility, charter schools establish plans to improve student academic achievement and to stimulate the creativity and commitment of teachers, parents, and the public. Applicant Eligibility: State Education Agencies.

www.ed.gov/programs/charter/index.html

Contact – Dean Kern, dean.kern@ed.gov, U.S. Department of Education, OII, Parental Options and Information, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Rm. 4W231, LBJ Building, Washington, DC 20202-6140, (202) 260-1882

Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education – To provide assistance for innovative programs that improve access to and the quality of postsecondary education. Applicant Eligibility: Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) and Nonprofit Organizations may apply.

The last competition was held in 2008, and its application deadline was May 5th.

www.ed.gov/programs/fipsecomp/

Contact – Donald Fischer, Coordinator, Comprehensive Program, (202) 502-7508, Donald.Fischer@ed.gov

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<p>Business and International Education Projects – To promote innovation and improvement in international business education curricula at institutions of higher education (IHEs) and promote linkages between IHEs and the business community.</p>	<p>Application Deadline – January 8, 2010. www.ed.gov/programs/iegpsbie/ Contact – Tanyelle Richardson, E-mail: tanyelle.richardson@ed.gov, U.S. Department of Education, OPE, International Education Programs Service, Business and International Education Program, 1990 K St., NW, Room 6017 Washington, DC 20006-8521, (202) 502-7626</p>
<p>Byrd Honors Scholarships – To provide scholarships to support postsecondary education to outstanding high school seniors who show promise of continued academic achievement in an effort to recognize and promote student excellence and achievement.</p>	<p>Application deadlines are set forth by state agencies. www.ed.gov/programs/iduesbyrd/ Contact – The Pennsylvania Department of Education, Tracy Malick, Education Administration Associate, Bureau of Teaching & Learning Support, 333 Market St., 8th Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333, (717) 783-5670, Fax: (717) 772-3621, E-mail: tmalick@state.pa.us</p>
<p>Federal Work-Study Program – To provide part-time employment to eligible postsecondary students to help meet educational expenses and encourage students receiving program assistance to participate in community service activities.</p>	<p>www.ed.gov/programs/fws</p>
<p>Barry Goldwater Scholarship And Excellence In Education Foundation – To honor former Senator Barry Goldwater through the operation of an education scholarship program, financed by a permanent trust fund endowment, designed to encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in mathematics, the natural sciences, and engineering.</p>	<p>www.act.org/goldwater</p>
<p>The H. Truman Scholarship – provides students with financial support for graduate study, leadership training, and fellowship with other students who are committed to making a difference through public service.</p>	<p>The foundation’s application deadline is February 3rd. Note: An applicant’s school will often have earlier deadlines. www.truman.gov</p>

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Javits Fellowships – To provide fellowships for graduate study in the arts, humanities, and social sciences to individuals of superior ability selected on the basis of demonstrated achievement, financial need, and exceptional promise. Fellowships are awarded to students intending to pursue a doctoral degree and may be awarded to students pursuing a master’s degree in those fields in which the master’s degree is commonly accepted as the terminal degree.

The last application deadline was October 3, 2008.

Note: Filing the FAFSA application is a prerequisite for this award and is done during the month of January.

www.ed.gov/programs/iegpsjavits/

Contact – Carmen Gordon and Sara Starke, U.S. Department of Education, OPE, Teacher and Student Development Programs Service, Jacob K. Javits Fellowships Program, 1990 K St., NW, Room 6089, Washington, DC 20006-8524, (202) 502-7542, E-mail: ope_javits_program@ed.gov

Federal Financial Aid – The Federal Student Aid office provides grants and loans to students pursuing postsecondary education. Visit their Web site to learn more about their programs.

www.studentaid.ed.gov/

Improving Literacy through School Libraries – To provide students with increased access to up-to-date school library materials, a well-equipped technologically advanced school library media center, and well-trained, professionally certified school library media specialists to improve literacy skills and achievement of students. Applicant Eligibility: Local education agencies (LEAs) in which at least 20 percent of students served are from families with incomes below the poverty line may apply.

www.ed.gov/programs/lsl/index.html

Transition to Teaching – To recruit and retrain highly qualified midcareer professionals (including highly qualified paraprofessionals) and recent graduates of institutions of higher education, as teachers in high-need schools, including recruiting teachers through alternative routes to teacher certification; and to encourage the development and expansion of alternative routes to certification under state-approved programs that enable individuals to be eligible for teacher certification within a reduced period of time, relying on the experience, expertise, and academic qualifications of an individual or other factors in lieu of traditional course work in the field of education. Applicant Eligibility: Institutions of Higher Education, Local Education Agencies, Nonprofit Organizations, and State Education Agencies.

The last application deadline was January 21, 2009.

www.ed.gov/programs/transitionteach/index.html

Contact – Patricia Barrett, patricia.barrett@ed.gov, U.S. Department of Education, OII, Teacher Quality Programs, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Room 4W302, LBJ Building, Washington, DC 20202-5960, (202) 260-0223.

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Teach for America: Transitional Grants and Loans – Grants and loans are awarded at the beginning of the summer institute and may be used to reimburse travel costs to the summer institute and regional inductions. Applicants can also use transitional awards to pay for personal and moving expenses (e.g., deposits on apartments) and necessary coursework, testing, and district processing fees.

For deadlines: www.teachforamerica.org/admissions/how_to_apply/how_to_apply.htm
www.teachforamerica.org/corps/

Teaching American History Grant – The goal of the program is to support programs that raise student achievement by improving teachers’ knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of American history.

The last application deadline was March 9, 2009.
www.ed.gov/programs/teachinghistory/index.html
Contact – Harry Kessler, (202) 708-9943, harry.kessler@ed.gov

Underground Railroad Educational and Cultural Program CFDA 84.345A – The purpose of the Underground Railroad Educational and Cultural (URR) Program is to help preserve the Underground Railroad’s legacy and to help demonstrate how the Underground Railroad’s widespread operations network transformed our Nation. In addition, the URR also promotes the formation of public-private partnerships to help disseminate information regarding the Underground Railroad throughout the United States.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – July 30, 2009.
www.nthpgrants.blogspot.com/2008/05/underground-railroad-educational-and.html

Doing Business with the Department of Education – This guide has been designed to provide prospective contractors with basic information about doing business with the U.S. Department of Education (ED).

www.ed.gov/fund/contract/about/booklet1.html

Forecast of Funding Opportunities Under the Department of Education Discretionary grant Programs – This document lists virtually all programs and competitions under which the Department (we) has invited or expects to invite applications for new awards and provides actual or estimated deadline dates for the transmittal of applications under these programs.

www.ed.gov/fund/grant/find/edlite-forecast.html

Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) – To provide fellowships through graduate academic departments, programs, and units of institutions of higher education to graduate students of superior ability who demonstrate financial need for the purpose of sustaining and enhancing the capacity for teaching and research in academic areas of national need, as designated by the Secretary. Applicant Eligibility: Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs)

The last application deadline was December 18, 2009.
www.ed.gov/programs/iegpsgaann/
Contact – Rebecca Green or Gary Thomas, U.S. Department of Education, OPE, Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need Program, 1990 K St., NW, 6th Floor, Washington, DC 20006-8524, (202) 502-7779, OPE_GAANN_Program@ed.gov

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www.ed.gov/fund/grants-apply.html?src=rt 1(800) USA-LEARN

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The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs – lists Requests For Grant Proposals (RFGPs) that have been published in the Federal Register and announced on Grants.gov relating to the department’s educational and cultural exchange programs. They will remain on this site until the closing dates. This site is updated whenever an RFGP opens or closes.

exchanges.state.gov/grants/open2.html

Civil Rights Training and Advisory Services – To provide technical assistance and training services to school districts to cope with educational problems occasioned by race, gender, and national origin desegregation.

Contact – Sandra Brown, School Support and Technology Programs, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, E-mail: Sandra.brown@ed.gov, (202) 260-2638

TRIO_Upward Bound (CFDA 84.047) – To generate skills and motivation necessary for success in education beyond high school among low-income and potential first-generation college students and veterans. The goal of the program is to increase the academic performance and motivational levels of eligible enrollees so that such persons may complete secondary school and successfully pursue and complete postsecondary educational programs. Institutions of higher education, public or private not-for-profit agencies, a combination of the above, and in exceptional cases, secondary schools may apply.

www.ed.gov/programs/trioupbound/
Contact – Gaby Watts, Federal TRIO Programs, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, gaby.watts@ed.gov, (202) 502-7545

Minority Science and Engineering Improvement MSEIP (CFDA 84.120) – To (1) Effect long-range improvement in science and engineering education at predominantly minority institutions and (2) increase the participation of underrepresented ethnic minorities, particularly minority women, in scientific and technological careers.

www.ed.gov/programs/iduesmsi/
Contact – Bernadette Hence, Office of Postsecondary Education, Institutional Development and Undergraduate Education Service, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, E-mail: bernadette.hence@ed.gov, (202) 219-7038

Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities_National Programs (CFDA 84.184) – To enhance the Nation’s efforts to prevent the illegal use of drugs and violence among, and promote safety and discipline for, students at all educational levels; and to support mentoring programs for at-risk children.

www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osdfs/programs.html#state
Contact – William Modzeleski, Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, William.Modzeleski@ed.gov, (202) 245-7831

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Foreign Language Assistance (CFDA 84.293) – To support innovative model programs of foreign language study in public elementary and secondary schools.

www.ed.gov/programs/flap/index.html

Contact – Rebecca Richey, Department of Education, OELA, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, Rebecca.richey@ed.gov, (202) 245-7133

School Dropout Prevention Program (CFDA 84.360) – To support effective, sustainable and coordinated dropout prevention and reentry programs in high schools with annual dropout rates that exceed their state average annual dropout rate. Middle schools that have students who continue on to these high schools are also supported. State educational agencies (SEAs) and local educational agencies (LEAs) serving communities with dropout rates above the State’s average annual dropout rate are eligible to apply for funding.

www.ed.gov/programs/dropout/index.html

Contact – Theda Zawaiza, Department of Education, OESE, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, E-mail: theda.zawaiza@ed.gov, (202)205-3783

Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) (CFDA 84.374) – To support programs that develop and implement performance-based teacher and principal compensation systems in high-need schools that include gains in student academic achievement as well as classroom evaluations conducted multiple times during each school year, among other factors. The compensation systems may also provide educators with incentives to take on additional responsibilities and leadership roles. Eligible applicants are local educational agencies (LEAs), including charter schools that are LEAs in their State, State educational agencies (SEAs), or partnerships of (1) an LEA, an SEA, or both, and (2) at least one non-profit organization. The fiscal agent must be the SEA or LEA.

www.ed.gov/programs/teacherincentive

Contact – April Lee, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, E-mail: april.lee@ed.gov, (202) 401-2266

Striving Readers (CFDA 84.371) – To raise student achievement by improving the reading skills of middle and high school students who are reading below grade level. Supports the implementation and evaluation of research-based reading interventions for struggling readers in Title I-eligible schools at risk of not meeting annual yearly progress requirements under the ESEA and/or that have significant percentages or numbers of students reading below grade level.

www.ed.gov/programs/strivingreaders/index.html

Contact – Marcia J. Kingman, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Room 3C118, Washington, DC 20202, E-mail: marcia.kingman@ed.gov, (202) 401-0003

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Mathematics and Science Partnerships (CFDA 84.366)

– To improve the academic achievement of students in mathematics and science by encouraging States, IHEs, LEAs, and elementary and secondary schools to participate in programs that: improve and upgrade the status and stature of mathematics and science teaching by encouraging IHEs to improve mathematics and science teacher education; focus on the education of mathematics and science teachers as a career-long process; bring mathematics and science teachers together with scientists, mathematicians, and engineers to improve their teaching skills; and develop more rigorous mathematics and science curricula that are aligned with state and local academic achievement standards that reflect expectations for postsecondary study in engineering, mathematics, and science.

www.ed.gov/programs/mathsci/index.html

Contact – Pat O’Connell Johnson, Academic Improvement and Teacher Quality Programs, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, E-mail: patricia.johnson@ed.gov, (202) 260-7813

Literacy through School Libraries (CFDA 84.364) – To provide students with increased access to up-to-date school library materials, a well-equipped, technologically advanced school library media center, and well-trained, professionally certified school library media specialists to improve literacy skills and achievement of students. Local educational agencies (LEAs) with a child poverty rate of at least 20 percent are eligible.

www.ed.gov/programs/lsl/index.html

Contact – Irene B. Harwarth, Department of Education, OESE, Academic Improvement and Teacher Quality Programs, 400 Maryland Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20202, E-mail: irene.harwarth@ed.gov, (202) 401-3751

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www.energy.gov/sciencetech/grants.htm

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Inventions and Innovation (I&I) – part of the U.S. Department of Energy’s Industrial Technologies Program (ITP), provides grants to independent inventors and small companies with sound ideas for socially beneficial projects and energy efficiency technologies. This assistance is provided at two levels: Up to \$50,000 for technologies in early-stage development and up to \$250,000 for technologies approaching the point of prototype. A listing of funding opportunities may be searched at: www1.eere.energy.gov/inventions/energytechnet/funding_sources/grant_funding.html. At present, I&I itself has no funding for its activities in fiscal year 2008, so it has announced no upcoming funding opportunity solicitations. I&I accepts proposals only during open solicitations. Please continue to visit the I&I Web site to check for information about any upcoming solicitations from other sources.

Much of the work of the Department of Energy’s **Office of Science (SC)** (www.science.doe.gov/) is supported through grants and contractual vehicles. This work is processed through the Office of Science Grants and Contracts Division (GCD) (www.sc.doe.gov/grants/grants.html) which serves as the principal acquisition, financial assistance (grants and cooperative agreements) and contract/grant management advisor to the Director of Science. The GCD provides independent analyses, advice and recommendations on procurement and assistance actions initiated by the SC; identifies problem areas, opportunities and management issues and makes recommendations; serves as the SC focal point in developing positions and responses to proposed Federal and DOE procurement and assistance regulations and business management policies and procedures; provides advice and guidance and serves as the SC contact point with DOE field offices, laboratories, universities, contractors, grantees and other Government agencies on SC policies and strategies with respect to acquisition, financial assistance and contract/grant management issues.

The department’s **Office of Nuclear Energy** (www.ne.doe.gov/) is a competitive peer-reviewed program to provide grants allowing nuclear engineering faculty and students to conduct innovative research in nuclear engineering and related areas. The awards run from one to three years and are granted in eight separate technical areas related to nuclear engineering: reactor physics, reactor engineering, reactor materials, radiological engineering, radioactive waste management, applied radiation science, nuclear safety and risk analysis, and innovative technologies for next generation reactors, space power and propulsion, or radiation sources. This type of research is vital to the academic community to help promote excellence in nuclear engineering and provide resolution to issues confronting nuclear engineering in general.

The **Office of Nuclear Energy** (www.ne.doe.gov/) also provides tuition, stipends, and practicums to outstanding graduate students studying nuclear engineering and health physics and undergraduate scholarships and practicums to students pursuing a nuclear engineering course of study to ensure that our country will have an adequate supply of trained nuclear scientists and engineers. As an element of this activity, the University Partnership Program pairs minority institutions with institutions offering a nuclear engineering degree to enable more minorities to enter the field of nuclear engineering.

The **Smart Energy Initiative**, (www.smartenergypa.org/) through grant programs provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry and the Chester County Workforce Investment Board, offers its partnering companies for financial support for training employees. Some of the benefits the Smart Energy Initiative Program offers to participants include financial assistance for training current employees, development of a stable industry workforce that provides good job opportunities to all residents in the region, establishment of education programs to supply a pipeline of qualified, entry-level workers, immediate access to an interconnected “web” of business resources, single point of contact for access to grant/loan programs (workforce development, facilities, new construction, etc.), access to high-quality technical expertise (provided by industry leaders), and international business support.

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The **Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)** works with business, industry, universities, and others to increase the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies. One way EERE encourages the growth of these technologies is by offering financial assistance opportunities for their development and demonstration. Visit: www1.eere.energy.gov/financing/index.html.

DOE offers loan guarantees for eligible projects, including renewable energy projects, that “avoid, reduce, or sequester air pollutants or anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases” and “employ new or significantly improved technologies.” For more information, visit the Web site of the DOE Loan Guarantee Program at: www.lgprogram.energy.gov/index.html.

Grants and Tax Incentives – The federal government offers an investment tax credit for the purchase and installation of qualifying small wind electric systems, worth 30% of the value of the system. For details, please see the Residential Renewable Energy Tax Credit page in the Database of State Incentives for Renewables and Efficiency (DSIRE) Web site. The federal government also offers a Renewable Electricity Production Tax Credit and Business Energy Investment Tax Credit for larger, utility-scale wind power installations. The Recovery Act of 2009 also established a cash grant exchange for the Investment Tax Credit; details of this program are still being finalized as of April 2009. Additional incentives may be available at the state level; visit the DSIRE database for more information. Small wind systems installed for agricultural applications may be eligible for federal funding through the U.S. Department of Agriculture; visit Wind Powering America’s Agricultural Community page for details. An overview of related incentives and funding opportunities is also available from DOE. Visit: www1.eere.energy.gov/windandhydro/financial.html.

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www.hhs.gov (202) 619-0257 Grant info: www.hhs.gov/grants/index.shtml & www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=AGENCYSEARCH&agency=HHS

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The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is the Federal government's principal agency for protecting the health of Americans and providing essential human services nationally and internationally, especially for those who are least able to help themselves. In support of its mission, HHS awards grants for more than 300 programs and has a budget of \$250 billion, making it the largest grant-awarding agency in the Federal government. GrantsNet (www.hhs.gov/grantsnet/) is designed to help the public navigate through the department's multiple Web sites that provide information about grants.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

www.dhs.gov (215) 931 5608 or 1 (800) 368 6498 Grants info: www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/grants/ or www.dhs.gov/xgovt/grants/states/pennsylvania.shtm or www.ojp.usdoj.gov/odp/grants_programs.htm (see FEMA or Dept. of Justice for additional grant information)

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The Department of Homeland Security enhances the ability of states, local and tribal jurisdictions, and other regional authorities in the preparation, prevention, and response to terrorist attacks and other disasters, by distributing grant funds. Localities can use grants for planning, equipment, training and exercise needs. These grants include, but are not limited to areas of

- Port Security
- Preparedness Grants
- Regional and Local Mass Transit Systems
- Equipment and Training for First Responders
- Homeland Security Grants

www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/grants/
The Office of Grants and Training, a component of the Preparedness Directorate, as part of its mission, oversees the distribution of these grants. For more information on these and other grants contact the Office of Grants and Training, 810 Seventh St., NW, Washington, DC 20531.

G&T Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID), 1 (800) 368-6498, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST, Monday-Friday, Fax: (202) 786-9920.

Questions or Comments – askcsid@dhs.gov

Urban Areas Security Initiative Nonprofit Security Grant Program (UASI-NSGP) – provides funding support for target-hardening activities to nonprofit organizations that are at high risk of terrorist attack and are located within one of the specific UASI-eligible Urban Areas.

Contact – 1 (800) 462-7585

Ploughshares Fund Grants – to support initiatives aimed at preventing the spread and use of nuclear weapons and toward their eventual elimination. We also support efforts to prevent conflicts that could lead to the use nuclear weapons and to promote conflict prevention as a necessary approach to stability. With the more than \$4 million contributed annually

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Contact – (415) 775-2244

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by individuals all over the country, Ploughshares Fund invests in a wide range of innovative and practical programs, from scientific research to media, to behind-the-scenes dialogue, to grassroots organizing and even lobbying.

Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP) – helps meet the equipment needs of smaller jurisdictions by providing communications interoperability, information sharing, chemical detection, sensors, personal protective equipment, technology, and training in using the equipment, devices, and technology. Eligible applicants include law enforcement agencies, fire, and other emergency responders who demonstrate that the equipment will be used to improve their ability and capacity to respond to a major critical incident or work with other first responders. Awardees must not have received equipment/funding under the Urban Areas Security Initiative or the Assistance to Firefighters Grants program for which the Award Date is October 1, 2005 or later. Awardees that have received grant assistance from FEMA under FEMA’s Interoperable Communications Equipment (ICE) program are not eligible for interoperable communications equipment under CEDAP. Organizations must submit applications through the Responder Knowledge Base (RKB) Web site at www.rkb.us.

For more information about CEDAP, including a detailed equipment catalog and application information, please visit the Responder Knowledge Base, www.rkb.us/, (703) 641-2078 or contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk at 1 (800) 368-6498 or askcsid@dhs.gov.

FY 2010 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) – A core mission of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is to enhance the ability of State, local, and tribal governments to prepare, prevent, respond to, and recover from terrorist attacks and other disasters. The Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) is a primary funding mechanism for building and sustaining national preparedness capabilities.

www.fema.gov/government/grant/hsgp/index.shtm

Contact – 1 (800) 462-7585

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www.hud.gov Grants info www.hud.gov/grants/index.cfm (215) 656 0500

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<p>Brownfield Economic Development Initiative – is designed to help local governments redevelop brownfields, defined in this NOFA as abandoned, idled, or underutilized real property, including industrial and commercial facilities, where expansion or redevelopment is complicated by the presence or potential presence of environmental contamination.</p>	<p>Previous deadline – June 16, 2009 Contact – David Kaminsky, Economic Development Specialist, Office of Economic Development, Community Planning and Development, 451 7th St., SW, Washington, DC 20410, (202) 708-3484, xtension 4612, e-mail: david_kaminsky@hud.gov.</p>
<p>Capacity Building for Community Development and Affordable Housing (CFDA 14.252) The purpose of the Capacity Building program is to enhance the technical and administrative capabilities of community development corporations (CDCs) and CHDOs to carry out community development and affordable housing activities.</p>	<p>For Assistance. Applicants may contact Karen E. Daly at (202) 708-1817 (this is not a toll-free number)</p>
<p>Mortgage Insurance: Homes – HUD insures lenders against loss on mortgage loans. These loans may be used to finance the purchase of proposed, under construction, or existing one-to-four-family housing, as well as to refinance indebtedness on existing housing.</p>	<p>www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/ins/singlefamily.cfm</p>
<p>Mortgage Insurance: Rental Housing – Insures lenders against the loss on mortgage defaults.</p>	<p>www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/hsgmulti.cfm</p>
<p>Community Development Block Grants/Brownfields Economic Development Initiative – To return Brownfield's to productive economic use by assisting units of general local government in carrying out economic development projects on contaminated land or buildings.</p>	<p>www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/economicdevelopment/programs/</p>
<p>Good Neighbor Next Door Sales Program – To improve the quality of life in distressed urban communities. This is to be accomplished by encouraging law enforcement officers, teachers, and firefighters/emergency medical technicians, and pre-Kindergarten Teachers whose daily responsibilities and duties represent a nexus to the needs of the community, to purchase and live in homes in these communities.</p>	<p>www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/reo/goodn/gnndabot.cfm</p>

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Department of Justice – www.usdoj.gov/10grants/ – The department offers funding opportunities to conduct research, to support law enforcement activities in state and local jurisdictions, to provide training and technical assistance, and to implement programs that improve the criminal justice system.

Office of Justice Programs Resource Guide – Provides information on OJP activities and programs and highlights resources available for collaborative relationships with criminal justice and community organizations. In effect, it offers a road map of opportunities for joint efforts and available assistance to communities at the state and local levels.

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ResGuide/

Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program (CEDAP) – CEDAP helps meet the equipment needs of smaller jurisdictions by providing communications interoperability, information sharing, chemical detection, sensors, personal protective equipment, technology, and training in using the equipment, devices, and technology. Awards are made to law enforcement and emergency responder agencies not currently eligible for funding through the Department’s Urban Areas Security Initiative grant program.

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/odp/equipment_cedap.htm

For more information about CEDAP, including a detailed equipment catalog and application information, please visit the **Responder Knowledge Base (RKB)** at www.rkb.us or contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk at 1 (800) 368-6498 or askcsid@dhs.gov.

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Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners Program – Assists states and local governments in developing and implementing substance abuse treatment programs in local and state correctional and detention facilities. It also assists states and local governments in creating and maintaining community-based aftercare services for offenders.

Contact – Michael Austin, (202) 304-7441, Michael.austin3@usdoj.gov

Anti-Gang Initiative

Contact – James Chavis, (202) 307-0688, james.chavis@usdoj.gov

Capital Case Litigation Initiative – Allows Bureau of Justice Assistance to provide training to defense counsel, local and state prosecutors, and state trial judges to improve the quality of representation and reliability of verdicts in state capital cases.

Contact – Kim Norris, (202) 307-2076, kim.noris@usdoj.gov

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The Gang Resistance Education And Training (G.R.E.A.T.) Program (42 U.S.C. § 13921) – A school-based, law enforcement officer-instructed classroom curriculum administered by the Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) in cooperation with the Department of Justice's (DOJ's) Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). The program's primary objective is prevention and is intended as an immunization against delinquency, youth violence, and gang membership. G.R.E.A.T. lessons focus on providing life skills to students to help them avoid engaging in delinquent behavior and violence to solve problems.

www.great-online.org/

Annual grant funding solicitations are normally announced in the last quarter of the year. Information regarding any FY 2010 G.R.E.A.T. funding will be made available on this web page.

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/great.html

Bureau of Justice Assistance, (202) 616-6500, Regional G.R.E.A.T. Office, Philadelphia Police Department, Community Relations Unit, 1328 Race St., 2nd Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19107, (215) 686-1477.

Supervisor – Sgt. Steve Naughton
Cpl. Karen Preston

Person of Contact – David Adams, (202) 514-5309, E-mail: David.Adams@usdoj.gov

Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program (42 U.S.C. 3797u(a)) – Provides resources to state, local, and tribal governments and state and local courts to establish or enhance adult drug courts and systems for nonviolent substance-abusing offenders.

Latest deadline – January 29, 2009

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/08DrugCourtsSol.pdf

Applicants are limited to states, state and local courts, counties, units of local government, and Indian tribal governments, acting directly or through other public or private entities

For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact Tim Jeffries, BJA Policy Advisor, at (202) 616-7385 or timothy.jeffries@usdoj.gov.

Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program – Administered by the Office of Justice Programs, Community Capacity Development Office (CCDO). This program furthers the Department's mission to prevent, control, and reduce violent crime, drug abuse, and gang activity. The Weed and Seed initiative comprises a community-based, comprehensive multi-agency approach to law enforcement, crime prevention, and neighborhood restoration. It is designed for designated areas with persistent high levels of serious violent crime (Part I) and corresponding social problems. Eligibility: Applications will ONLY be accepted from local, state, or tribal governments

Previous Year Application Deadline – December 1, 2009

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ccdo/funding/appl_kit.html

For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact CCDO at (202) 616-1152. This application must be submitted through www.grants.gov.

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or nonprofit organizations in communities with persistent high levels of serious violent crime (Part I) pursuant to this guide that have not previously received Weed and Seed Official Recognition (OR); and that do not include areas from or share any boundaries (in whole or in part) with a previously recognized Weed and Seed site.

W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship Program 2009 – The National Institute of Justice (NIJ) is the research, development, and evaluation agency of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and a component of the Office of Justice Programs (OJP). NIJ provides objective, independent, evidence-based knowledge and tools to enhance the administration of justice and public safety. NIJ solicits proposals to inform its search for the knowledge and tools to guide policy and practice.

The W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship Program seeks to advance knowledge regarding the confluence of crime, justice, and culture in various societal contexts. The Fellowship places particular emphasis on crime, violence, and the administration of justice in diverse cultural contexts within the United States.

Latest Deadline – January 21, 2009 11:59 pm EST

www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl000838.pdf

Eligibility – In general, NIJ is authorized to make grants to, or enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with, States (including territories), local governments, nonprofit organizations, profit organizations, institutions of higher education, and certain qualified individuals.

For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact Patrick Clark, Program Manager, (202) 353-9482, Patrick.Clark@usdoj.gov.

FY 2009 Victim Assistance Professional Development Fellowship Program – A competitive program that will award three grants of \$75,000-\$125,000 to individuals to provide direct operational assistance to crime victim organizations and agencies; design and develop innovative initiatives; develop and deliver training programs; and assist with evaluation and capacity building efforts. Fellowships specifically address sexual assault, human trafficking, public awareness, field outreach, and victims’ rights enforcement.

Latest Deadline – July 9, 2009 by 8 p.m. EST

Eligibility – Applicants must be individuals who demonstrate the financial and organizational capacity to manage this cooperative agreement. Applicants must demonstrate a unique capability and strong desire to reach and serve victims of crime through activities that are national in scope.

For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact Meg Morrow, Attorney-Advisor, at (202) 305-2986 or meg.morrow@usdoj.gov.

Helping Outreach Programs to Expand (www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/expandingoutreach/welcome.html) – The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime will provide up to \$10,000 each to grassroots community- and faith-based victim service organizations and coalitions to help them improve their outreach and services to crime victims, through support of program development, networking, coalition building, and

No deadline. Contingent upon funding availability.

Contact – Office for Victims of Crime, (202) 307-5983, Fax: (202) 514-6383 and (202) 305-2440.

Please send requests to: HOPE Program Manager, Office for Victims of Crime, 810 Seventh St., NW, Washington, DC 20531.

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service delivery. Funds may be used to develop program literature, train advocates, produce a newsletter, support victim outreach efforts, and recruit volunteers.

Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) – created by the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1998 is a unique U.S. Department of Justice initiative designed to provide a critical resource to state and local law enforcement.

Previous year application deadline – June 24, 2009
www.ojp.usdoj.gov/bvpbasi/home.html
 Contact – vests@usdoj.gov, Toll-Free: 1 (877) 758-3787

Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) – allows states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. See the Special Supplement at the end of this directory for further information about resources available to first responders.

Previous year application deadline July 9, 2009.
www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/jag.html
 For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact Tracey Willis, State Policy Advisor for Pennsylvania, (202) 305-1766, Tracey.Willis@usdoj.gov.

Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) grants – A series of grants designed to protect women from domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Programs include:

www.ovw.usdoj.gov
 Contact – Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), 800 K S., NW, Suite 920, Washington, DC 20530, (202) 307-6026, Fax: (202) 307-3911.

Abuse in Later Life Program – www.ovw.usdoj.gov/ElderAbuse2002programbrief.htm

Campus Grant Program – www.ovw.usdoj.gov/campus_desc.htm

Disability Grant Program – www.ovw.usdoj.gov/WomenwithFBrief2002.htm

Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders – www.ovw.usdoj.gov/arrest_grant_desc.htm

Legal Assistance for Victims Grant Program – www.ovw.usdoj.gov/lav_grant_desc.htm

Services Training Officers and Prosecutors (STOP) Grant Program – www.ovw.usdoj.gov/stop_grant_desc.htm

Supervised Visitation Grant Program – www.ovw.usdoj.gov/safehaven_desc.htm

Transitional Housing Grant Program – www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm

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Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program – Increases public safety by facilitating collaboration among the criminal justice, juvenile justice, mental health treatment, and substance abuse systems to increase access to treatment for this unique group of offenders.

Previous year application deadline – April 23, 2009. All applications were received through www.grants.gov.
www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/JMHCprogram.html
 For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact Rebecca Rose, BJA Policy Advisor, at (202) 514-0726 or Rebecca.Rose@usdoj.gov.

Protect Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) – A comprehensive, strategic approach to reducing gun crime in America. By linking together federal, state, and local law enforcement, prosecutors, and community leaders, PSN provides a multifaceted approach to deterring and punishing gun crime.

Previous year application deadline – July 13, 2009
www.psn.gov/
Contact – Jonathan Faley, (202) 514-2350, Jonathan.Faley@usdoj.gov

Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) – Grants funds programs aimed at reducing crime. Specific grants chance with each fiscal year with the exception of the Secure Our Schools (SOS) Program.

www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=34
Contact – U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, 1100 Vermont Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20530, 1 (800) 421-6770, E-mail: AskCOPSRC@usdoj.gov

Programs in 2008 include:

Secure Our Schools (SOS) – provides funds to law enforcement agencies to partner with schools for the purchase of safety equipment, staff and student training, and other security improvements.

Previous year application deadline – May 15, 2009
www.cops.usdoj.gov/default.asp?Item=240#sos

COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP) – Provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies having primary law enforcement authority to create and preserve jobs and to increase their community policing capacity and crime-prevention efforts.

Previous year application deadline – April 14, 2009.
www.cops.usdoj.gov/default.asp?Item=2108

Court Appointed Special Advocates Program-Training and Technical Assistance – The successful applicant will provide information, technical assistance, and training to volunteer advocates who represent abused and neglected children in dependency hearings and other child welfare system stakeholders at the local, state, regional, and national levels.

Previous Year Registration Deadline – May 5, 2009
www.ojjdp.ncjrs.gov
 For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact Cecilia Duquela-Fuentes, Program Manager, at (202) 514-9372 or Cecilia.Duquela@usdoj.gov.

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Court Appointed Special Advocates Program – Membership Services and Accreditation – The Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program ensures that abused and neglected children receive high quality representation in dependency court hearings. The successful applicant will provide information, technical assistance, and training to volunteer advocates who represent abused and neglected children in dependency hearings and to other child welfare system stakeholders at the local, state, regional, and national levels.

Previous Year Registration Deadline – May 5, 2009
www.ojjdp.ncjrs.gov
 For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact Cecilia Duquela-Fuentes, Program Manager, at (202) 514-9372 or Cecilia.Duquela@usdoj.gov.

Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity for Juvenile Drug Courts – The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), and the U. S. Department of Justice’s Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) in partnership with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJ), is accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2009 Grants to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity for Juvenile Drug Courts.

Previous Year Registration Deadline – May 5, 2009
www.ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/funding/FundingDetail.asp?fi=118
Contact – Kathleen Sample, Office of Program Services, Division of Grants Management, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, 1 Choke Cherry Road, Room 7-1089, Rockville, MD 20857. (240) 276-1407, kathleen.sample@samhsa.hhs.gov.

Child Abuse Training for Judicial and Court Personnel – Through this program, OJJDP seeks to provide judicial, legal, and social service professionals with the training and technical assistance needed to meet the numerous challenges facing juvenile and family courts.

Previous Year Registration Deadline – May 19, 2009
www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=46533&mode=VIEW
 If you have difficulty accessing the full announcement electronically at the Web site above, please contact: Cecilia Duquela-Fuentes, Program Manager, at (202) 514-9372.

Enforcing the Underage Drinking Laws Discretionary Program: Initiative to Reduce Underage Drinking – The initiative will provide funds to local civilian communities to implement research-based and promising practices to enforce underage drinking laws and prevent underage service personnel from consuming alcohol in collaboration with active duty bases implementing the underage component of the Air Force’s Culture of Responsible Choices program.

Previous Year Registration Deadline – May 21, 2009
www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=44548&mode=VIEW
 If you have difficulty accessing the full announcement electronically at the website above, please contact: Sharon Cantelon, Social Science Program Specialist, at (202) 616-3658.

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Field Initiated Demonstration Program – The purpose of the Field Initiated Demonstration Program is to foster innovations and advancements in juvenile justice-related practice at the local, state, and tribal government levels. The program’s goal is to demonstrate the practical implications for policy and practice of innovative programs that enhance juvenile justice and delinquency prevention.

Previous Year Registration Deadline – May 26, 2009

www.ojjdp.ncjrs.gov

For assistance with the requirements of this solicitation, contact Kerri Strug, Grant Program Specialist, at (202) 305-0702 or kerri.strug@usdoj.gov.

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www.doleta.gov Grants info: www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm

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Susan Harwood Training Grant Program – Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) awards grants to nonprofit organizations to provide training and education programs for employers and employees on the recognition, avoidance, and prevention of safety and health hazards in their workplaces.

Previous year deadline – July 24, 2009
www.osha.gov/dte/sharwood/index.html

Local Young Offender Planning Grants, State/Local Juvenile Offender Implementation Grants, and an Intermediary Juvenile Reentry Grant (SGA/DFA PY 08-09) – The Employment and Training Administration announces the availability of \$17.3 million for Young Offender Grants. The grants will be awarded through a competitive process for three categories of projects – (1) Young Offender Planning Grants to be awarded to local governments; (2) Juvenile Offender Implementation Grants to be awarded to state/local government partnerships; and (3) a Juvenile Offender Reentry Grant to be awarded to an organization with experience conducting demonstrations in multiple cities. The goal of the planning grants is to allow selected localities to develop comprehensive blueprints for serving both juvenile and young adult offenders returning from correctional facilities.

www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm

Community-Based Job Training Grants SGA/DFA PY 08-02 – The Employment and Training Administration (ETA), U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), announces the availability of approximately \$125 million in grant funds for Community-Based Job Training Grants. Community-Based Job Training Grants will be awarded through a competitive process to support workforce training for high-growth/high-demand industries through the national system of community and technical colleges.

www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm

YouthBuild Grants – provide disadvantaged youth with skills to achieve economic self-sufficiency in occupations in high demand and postsecondary education and training opportunities; opportunities for meaningful work and service to their communities; and opportunities to develop employment and leadership skills and a commitment to community development.

Previous Year Deadline – January 15, 2009
www.doleta.gov/grants/pdf/SGA-DFA-PY-08-07_YouthBuild.pdf

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www.doleta.gov Grants info: www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm

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Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) to Fund Demonstration Projects Targeting Dislocated Workers – (SGA/DFA PY 07-10) – The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Employment and Training Administration (ETA) announces the availability of approximately \$20 million to fund grants to State Workforce Agencies (SWAs) for demonstration projects targeting Workforce Investment Act (WIA) dislocated workers. This solicitation provides SWAs with the option to choose from four categories under which applicants can submit a single grant application. Entrepreneurship Opportunities for Dislocated Workers, programs will help individuals launch small businesses, Getting Ahead of the Curve: Raising Educational/Skill Levels of Workers in Declining Industries, Innovative Adult Learning Models for Dislocated Workers, projects will identify new and innovative ways to train unemployed workers, Preventing Dislocations of TANF Recipients Moving Into Entry Level Jobs Subject to Economic Churn.

www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm

Young Parents Demonstration Program (YPDP) SGA/ DFA PY 08-08 – The Young Parents Demonstration program provides educational and occupational skills training leading to family economic self-sufficiency to both mothers and fathers, and expectant mothers ages 16 to 24. Projects funded will be encouraged to serve young parents in high-risk categories, including those who are court-involved, in the child welfare or foster care system, homeless, or victims of child abuse.

www.doleta.gov/grants/pdf/SGA_DFA_PY0808.pdf

Transition Assistance Program – To provide employment instruction, information and assistance to separating and retiring military personnel and their spouses through domestic and overseas installations and or facilities by offering job search and other related services.

www.dol.gov/vets/programs/tap/main.htm

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www.dos.gov 202-647-4000

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Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs

Grants info: www.exchanges.state.gov/education/rfgps/menu.htm

Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor – The State Department’s Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor (DRL) awards the vast majority of its program funds through open competition. DRL publishes Requests for Statements of Interest (RSOIs) and Requests for Proposals (RFPs) on www.grants.gov and on the DRL Web site. RSOIs and RFPs are usually tailored to include specific target countries, themes and review criteria. On occasion when a very specific need or timeframe dictates, DRL may issue a limited source solicitation to qualified organizations with the required expertise and experience. Organizations may submit unsolicited proposals for countries or themes that are not covered in DRL’s RSOIs or RFPs, but please note that these proposals are considered on case-by-case basis as time, funding and priorities permit.

www.state.gov/g/drl/p/c23187.htm

For questions related to proposal submissions, please contact Vitessa Del Prete at (202) 261-8030 or delpreteva@state.gov, or Matt Steinhelfer at (202) 261-8018 or steinhelfermd@state.gov.

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American Battlefield Protection (CFDA 15.926) – Promote the protection and preservation of battlefield lands on American soil by funding non-acquisition preservation methods such as planning, education, survey and inventory.

www.nps.gov/history/hps/abpp/
www.nps.gov/history/hps/abpp/funding.htm
www.nps.gov/history/hps/abpp/LWCFAcquisitionGrants.htm
Contact – kristen_mcmasters@nps.gov or paul_hawke@nps.gov

Save America’s Treasures – To provide matching grants for preservation and/or conservation work on nationally significant intellectual and cultural artifacts and nationally significant historic structures and sites. Intellectual and cultural artifacts include artifacts, collections, documents, sculpture and works of art.

www.nps.gov/history/hps/treasures/

Private Stewardship Grants Program (CFDA 15.632) – Private landowners, individually or as a group, are encouraged to submit project proposals for their properties. Additionally, individuals or groups (for example land conservancies, community organizations, or conservation organizations) working with private landowners on conservation efforts are also encouraged to submit project proposals provided they identify specific landowners who have confirmed their intent to participate on the project or provide other evidence in the project proposal to demonstrate landowner participation will occur. In order to receive funding, projects will need to ensure that landowners are willing to allow the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service access to the project area in order to check on its progress when necessary. State government agencies are not eligible to receive PSGP funding (including as a subrecipient). State agencies are encouraged to assist landowners in developing Private Stewardship Grants Program project proposals, to provide cost share when feasible, or to participate in other ways on project implementation. However, State agencies are not eligible to apply for PSGP funding directly. Other non-Federal government entities or affiliate, including Counties or other local governments or State-supported universities, are eligible to apply for PSGP funding in order to assist private landowners in planning and implementing a project. As with other groups that apply on behalf of the private landowners, they must identify specific private landowners who have confirmed their intent to participate on the project or provide other evidence in the project proposal to demonstrate that private landowner participation will occur.

www.fws.gov/endangered/grants/private_stewardship/index.html
Contact – U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Consultation, Habitat Conservation Planning, Recovery and State Grants, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 420, Arlington, VA 22203, (703) 358-2061

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<p>Outdoor Recreation Acquisition, Development and Planning – To provide financial assistance to the States and their political subdivisions for the preparation of Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans (SCORPs) and acquisition and development of outdoor recreation areas and facilities for the general public, to meet current and future needs. Grants may be used for a wide range of outdoor recreation projects, such as picnic areas, inner city parks, campgrounds, tennis courts, boat launching ramps, bike trails, outdoor swimming pools, and support facilities such as roads, water supply, etc. Facilities must be open to the general public and not limited to special groups.</p>	<p>www.nps.gov/lwcf</p>
<p>U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Grant Programs for a Local Government</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/grants/local.html Contact – 1 (800) 344-WILD, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1849 C St., NW, Washington, DC 20240</p>
<p>U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Grant Programs for a Conservation Organization</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/grants/conserv.html Contact – 1 (800) 344-WILD, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1849 C St., NW, Washington, DC 20240</p>
<p>U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Grant Programs for Public or Private Groups or Individuals</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/grants/conserv.html Contact – 1 (800) 344-WILD, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1849 C St., NW, Washington, DC 20240</p>
<p>Historic Preservation Services – Grant programs available to non-profit organizations to fund historic preservation planning and building rehabilitation projects, public and educational programs, organizational planning and development, collections management, and general operating support.</p>	<p>www.artsnet.org/phmc Contact – Scott Doyle, Chief, (717) 783-6012; Stephanie Byrd, Clerical Assistant, (717) 214-7158</p>

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www.fms.treas.gov/faq/grants.html

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“Contrary to the impression of many people, the Treasury Department generally does not administer any financial assistance, loan, or loan guarantee programs to individuals or businesses nor does Congress set aside any monies for grants to start and/or expand a small business.”

New Markets Tax Credit program – The New Markets Tax Credit (NMTTC) Program permits taxpayers to receive a credit against Federal income taxes for making qualified equity investments in designated Community Development Entities (CDEs).

www.cdfifund.gov/what_we_do/programs_id.asp?programID=5

Contact – New Markets Tax Credit Support Line, (202) 622-6355

To qualify as a CDE, an organization must:

- be a domestic corporation or partnership at the time of the certification application;
- demonstrate a primary a mission of serving, or providing investment capital for, low-income communities or low-income persons; and
- maintain accountability to residents of low-income communities through representation on a governing board of or advisory board to the entity.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) matching grant program - a one-year matching grant program in consultation with the Taxpayer Advocate Service which offers free tax help for low-to-moderate income individuals for tax return preparation.

www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=184425,00.html

Contact – grant.program.office@irs.gov

Payments for Specified Energy Property in Lieu of Tax Credits

www.ustreas.gov/recovery/1603.shtml

Contact – 1603Questions@do.treas.gov

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FAA Open Solicitation – for research grants and cooperative agreements to pursue the long-term and short-term technical needs of civil aviation. Work performed through these proposals will also help to further objectives set forth in the FAA flight plan and the next generation air transportation system integrated plan.

Deadline – January 1, 2012
www.tc.faa.gov/logistics/grants/
Contact – GRANT ANALYST, Deanna Super, (609) 485-4424; GRANT ASSISTANT, Nicole Saiauskie, (609) 485-4781

Broad Agency Announcement for **Demonstration Projects and Technology Advancements for Railroad Research and Development Program** – This Broad Agency Announcement solicits proposals from private industry, non-profit organizations, states and local governments for projects addressing the adoption and application of new technology in railroad services which are a key focus in the Federal Railroad Administration’s (FRA) research and development program. A negotiated cooperative agreement may result from an accepted proposal/application.

Contact – Those interested strongly encouraged to first call the primary technical point of contact, Mr. Terry Tse (202) 493-6335, Fax: (202) 493-6333, terry.tse@dot.gov to discuss the prospective idea, its potential responsiveness to the BAA and potential for FRA interest.

Cost-sharing is preferred, but not mandatory. This is an unrestricted solicitation for demonstrations of various technologies or techniques related to the following areas: (1) grade crossing hazard mitigation system; (2) positive train control (PTC); (3) wireless communication system; (4) train tracking system; (5) risk assessment and hazard analysis; (6) PTC/communications enabling projects. The area of advanced train control and dispatching systems, such as PTC, is of particular interest. PTC uses microprocessors, advanced navigation and tracking systems, and wireless technology to interconnect the various segments of railroad operations to virtually eliminate train to train collisions and over-speed derailments, as well as to provide roadway worker protection.

Technologies most likely to facilitate the improvement of railroad services are those which will (1) improve safety by reducing human and technology failures; (2) bring about capital cost reductions and economy in producing equipment and facilities; (3) reduce operating costs of rail service by providing more efficient operations; (4) improve the reliability of equipment and infrastructure components by reducing failures and/or reducing false failure detections; (5) enhance the revenue-generating capability of high-speed operations by attracting greater ridership by reducing trip times, upgrading customer service quality, increasing reliability, or improving on time performance; and/or (6) enhance the social benefits and/or environmental aspects of high-speed rail.

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Dwight D. Eisenhower Graduate Fellowship Program (GRAD) – Provides funding for the pursuit of Master’s Degrees or Doctorates in transportation related fields. The program objective is to attract qualified students to the fields of transportation education and research, and advance transportation workforce development. The Program is intended to help upgrade the scope of knowledge of the entire transportation community in the United States and encompasses all modes of transportation. Other educational opportunities available at: www.fhwa.dot.gov/opd/universitygrants.htm#GAMTTEP

Most recent deadline – February 13, 2009
www.fhwa.dot.gov/opd/2009_grad_app.htm
Contact – Ms. Gwen Sutton, Program Manager, Universities & Grants Programs, Office of Professional and Corporate Development, HPC-32, 4600 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 800, Arlington, VA 22203, (703) 235-0538, Fax: (703) 235-0593

Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness – The purpose of the program is to increase the number of hazardous materials training instructors, thereby increasing the number of training instructors available to conduct hazardous materials responder training programs for individuals with statutory responsibility to respond to hazardous materials accidents and incidents.

Deadline – Applications usually due in July-August
hazmat.dot.gov/training/state/hmep/hmep.htm
Contact – If you have any questions, or would like additional information regarding the HMEP grant program, please contact the Grants Manager, Charles Rogoff at (202) 366-0001 or the Grants Specialist Windy Hamilton, (202) 366-8007.

Recreational Trails Program – To provide funds to the States to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both nonmotorized and motorized recreational trail uses.

www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/rectrails/

High Speed Ground Transportation – Next Generation High Speed Rail Program – To stimulate the implementation of High Speed Passenger Rail Systems.

www.fra.dot.gov/
www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2157

Railroad Research and Development – To foster long-range enhancement of the Federal Railroad Administration’s program of research in support of rail safety by developing cooperative research relationships between the administration and university organizations.

www.fra.dot.gov/
www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2157

Clean Fuels – To assist in financing the acquisition of clean fuel buses and related facilities for agencies providing public transportation and operating in an urbanized area designated as a non-attainment or maintenance area for ozone or carbon monoxide.

www.fra.dot.gov/
www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2157

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<p>University Transportation Centers Program – To provide grants to nonprofit institutions of higher learning for the purpose of establishing and operating university transportation centers that conduct research, education, and technology transfer programs addressing regional and national transportation issues.</p>	<p>www.utc.dot.gov/</p>
<p>Job Access: Reverse Commute – To provide grants to local governments, nonprofit organizations, and designated recipients of Federal transit funding to develop transportation services to connect welfare recipients and low-income persons to employment and support services. Job Access grants will be to finance planning, capital and operating cost of projects. The Reverse Commute grants will assist in funding the costs associated with adding reverse commute bus, train, carpool or service from urban areas, urban, rural and other suburban locations to suburban work places.</p>	<p>www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3550.html</p>
<p>Bus and Bus Facilities – provides capital assistance for new and replacement buses and related equipment and facilities.</p>	<p>www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3557.html</p>

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See: PA Department of Military and Veterans Affairs www.milvet.state.pa.us/DMVA/

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<p>Grant & Per Diem Program – VA's Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program is offered annually (as funding permits) by the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care for Homeless Veterans (HCHV) Programs to fund community agencies providing services to homeless Veterans. The purpose is to promote the development and provision of supportive housing and/or supportive services with the goal of helping homeless Veterans achieve residential stability, increase their skill levels and/or income, and obtain greater self-determination.</p>	<p>Contact – Roger Casey, VA Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program, Office of Mental Health Services (116E), VAHQ, 810 Vermont Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20420, 1 (877) 332-0334</p>
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Grant info: www.epa.gov/epahome/grants.htm

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<p>Funding and Financing for Brownfields – Existing facilities where redevelopment is complicated by real or perceived contamination. Due to budget limitations, no entity may apply for more than \$700,000 in assessment funding. The performance period for these grants is two years.</p>	<p>www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/matters.htm</p>
<p>Environmental justice grant programs – Provides financial assistance to eligible organizations to build collaborative partnerships, to identify the local environmental and/or public health issues, and to envision solutions and empower the community through education, training, and outreach.</p>	<p>www.epa.gov/Compliance/environmentaljustice/grants/index.html Contact – Reginald Harris US EPA, REGION 3, 1650 Arch St. (MC-3E00), Philadelphia, PA 19103, harris.reggie@epa.gov, (215) 814-2988</p>
<p>National Center for Environmental Research – Runs competitions for STAR grants, undergraduate fellowships, research contracts under the Small Business Innovative Research Program, and other research assistance programs.</p>	<p>www.epa.gov/ncer/</p>
<p>Environmental Education Grants – The Grants Program sponsored by EPA’s Environmental Education Division (EED), Office of Children’s Health Protection and Environmental Education, supports environmental education projects that enhance the public’s awareness, knowledge, and skills to help people make informed decisions that affect environmental quality. EPA awards grants each year based on funding appropriated by Congress. Annual funding for the program ranges between \$2 and \$3 million. More than 75 percent of the grants awarded by this program receive less than \$15,000.</p>	<p>www.epa.gov/enviroed/grants.html</p>
<p>Mid-Atlantic Diesel Collaborative – seeking applications from eligible entities to collaborate with EPA in studies or investigation projects in support of EPA’s Clean Automotive Technology Program.</p>	<p>www.dieselmidatlantic.org/diesel/</p>
<p>Fellowships and other student programs – Grants, Fellowships, Research Associateships and the Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) Program.</p>	<p>www.epa.gov/careers/stuopp.html</p>
<p>Conservation Grants – Seeking the implementation of conservation projects for federally listed threatened or endangered species.</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/conservation/grants/section6/index.html</p>

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<p>Recovery Land Acquisition – Looking for the acquisition of habitat in support of approved recovery goals or objectives for federally listed threatened or endangered species.</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/endangered/grants/section6/index.html</p>
<p>Habitat Conservation Planning Assistance – Grants which support the development of Habitat Conservation Plans for federally listed threatened or endangered species, proposed and candidate species, and unlisted species proposed to be covered by the Habitat Conservation Plan.</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/endangered/grants/section6/index.html</p>
<p>Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Land Acquisition – Seeking the acquisition of land associated with approved HCPs for federally listed threatened or endangered species, unlisted (including State-listed species), proposed and candidate species covered by the HCP.</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/endangered/grants/section6/index.html</p>
<p>North American Wetlands Conservation Act – Provides funding assistance to promote conservation of wetlands and associated habitats for migratory birds and other wildlife. The Standard Grants Program supports projects in Canada, the United States, and Mexico that involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats. The Small Grants Program operates only in the United States; it supports the same type of projects and adheres to the same selection criteria and administrative guidelines as the U.S. Standard Grants Program.</p>	<p>U.S. Standard Grants Deadline – March 6, and July 31, 2009 U.S. Small Grants Deadlines – October 29, 2009 www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA/index.shtm</p>
<p>Cooperative Conservation Initiative works to restore natural resources and establish or expand wildlife habitat.</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/grants/conserv.html</p>
<p>Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund ensures neotropical bird conservation by supporting programs in the United States, Latin America, and the Caribbean, and encourages international cooperation.</p>	<p>Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – November 2009 www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NMBCA/index.shtm</p>
<p>Urban Treaty for Migratory Bird Conservation supports a partnership agreement between the Service and a United States city to help conserve birds.</p>	<p>www.fws.gov/birds/urbantreaty.html</p>

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Grant info: www.epa.gov/epahome/grants.htm

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FY 2010 Boating Infrastructure Grant Program (BIG) – Provides grant funds to the states, the District of Columbia and insular areas to construct, renovate, and maintain tie-up facilities with features for transient boaters in vessels 26 feet or more in length, and to produce and distribute information and educational materials about the program. The BIG Program includes two funding tiers, Tier One (non-competitive) and Tier Two (nationally competitive). Under Tier One each state, the D.C. and insular area may receive funding for eligible projects up to \$100,000 annually. Tier Two funds are made available through a nationally competitive process.

Previous Year Application Deadline – September 25, 2009

wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/GrantPrograms/BIG/BIG.htm

Contact – Megan Debranski Kelhart, Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203, Office: (703) 358-2536, Fax: (703) 358-1780, Megan_kelhart@fws.gov

Climate Showcase Communities – The program will create lasting greenhouse gas reductions, foster collaborative partnership between communities and the Federal government, promote transfer of best practices among localities, and emphasize co-benefits of climate action.

www.epa.gov/RDEE/energy-programs/state-and-local/showcase.html

EPA RCRA State Implementation Support Grant CFDA 66.808 – The purpose of the assistance agreement is to promote and stimulate information exchange among State hazardous and solid waste officials, other State officials actively involved in the management of these wastes, and EPA officials to jointly resolve Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) implementation issues, and identify emerging issues that are at both State and Federal levels.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – June 11, 2009

nthpgrants.blogspot.com/2009/05/epa-rcra-state-implementation-support.html

State Innovation Grant Program – Financial assistance to state environmental agencies to help them test innovative approaches to improving results in permitting programs. Using the EPA grant program, states have tested and implemented a variety of new ideas to improve permit compliance and integrate voluntary stewardship approaches.

www.epa.gov/innovation/stategrants/currentcompetition.htm

For further information, please contact the State Innovation Grant Program staff in the National Center for Environmental Innovation: Sherri Walker, walker.sherri@epa.gov, (202) 566-2186; Gerald Filbin, filbin.gerald@epa.gov, (202) 566-2182.

Environmental Information Exchange Network & Grant Program – The Exchange Network Grant Program provides funding to states, territories and federally recognized Indian tribes to support the development of the Environmental Information Exchange Network. Now in the eighth year, EPA has awarded almost \$144 million in assistance agreements to build the National Environmental Information Exchange Network. All states, five territories, and 56 federally

www.epa.gov/Networkg/grants/index.html

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Grant info: www.epa.gov/epahome/grants.htm

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recognized tribes have received grants to facilitate their involvement in the development and implementation of the Exchange Network. Other entities, such as regional air pollution control districts, some public universities, and local governments that are delegated to implement environmental programs from their state in compliance with 40 CFR may apply.

Pollution Prevention Grant Program – EPA created the Pollution Prevention (P2) Grant Program (formerly Pollution Prevention Incentives for States) under the authority of the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990. The grant program provides matching funds to State and Tribal programs to support P2 activities across all environmental media and to develop State-based programs. EPA believes these environmental programs have the best opportunity to promote P2 because States have closer, more direct contact with industry and are more aware of local needs. The purpose of the P2 Grant Program is to give States and Tribes the capability to assist businesses and industries in identifying better environmental strategies and solutions for complying with Federal and State environmental regulations. It also aims to improve business competitiveness without increasing environmental impacts. The majority of P2 Grants fund State-based projects for technical assistance, training, outreach, education, regulatory integration, data collection, research, demonstration projects, and recognition programs.

Previous Fiscal Year Deadline – April 17, 2009

www.epa.gov/p2/pubs/grants/ppis/ppis.htm

Gateway to a variety of Watershed Protection and Wastewater Management Programs

www.epa.gov/water/funding.html

ENVIRONMENTAL-RELATED RESOURCES

Below are some general areas to look for assistance for various environmentally-related projects from watershed management, alternative energy, open space, recycling, etc.

Environmental Resources Management Foundation – Environmental Resources Management Foundation is a leading global provider of environmental, health and safety, risk, and social consulting services. They deliver innovative solutions for business and government clients, helping them understand and manage their impacts on the world around them.

www.erm.com/

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Grant info: www.epa.gov/epahome/grants.htm

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National Association of Counties – Five Star Restoration Matching Grants Program – The Five Star Restoration Program seeks to develop community capacity to sustain local natural resources for future generations by providing modest financial assistance to diverse local partnerships for wetland, riparian, and coastal habitat restoration.

www.naco.org/Template.cfm?Section=GrantsClearinghouse&template=/ContentManagement/ContentDisplay.cfm&ContentID=29191

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) – Restoration Center

www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/funding_opportunities/funding_ner.html
National and regional funding opportunities from non-NOAA funding sources – www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/funding_opportunities/nonfunding.html

Small Business Environmental Assistance Providers – This site contains a list of small business assistance providers and descriptions of these programs. Services provided by these organizations for small businesses include environmental compliance, pollution prevention, management, technology, and resources assistance. Links to program Web sites as well as state and local program Web sites are included.

www.smallbiz-enviroweb.org/AboutUs/providers.aspx

The Conservation Fund – The Conservation Fund forges partnerships to conserve America’s legacy of land and water resources. Through land acquisition, sustainable programs and leadership training, the Fund and its partners demonstrate balanced conservation solutions that emphasize the integration of economic and environmental goals.

www.conservationfund.org/

United States Army Corps of Engineers – The Army Corps of Engineers provides vital public engineering services in peace and war to strengthen our Nations security, energize the economy, and reduce risks from disasters.

www.usace.army.mil/

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<p>Please Note that the U.S. Small Business Administration does not offer grants to start or expand small businesses, though it does offer a wide variety of loan programs. More information about available loans is available at www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/index.html. Please visit our Private and Corporate section for further opportunities available to businesses.</p>	
<p>Small Disadvantaged Businesses – To ensure compliance with the constitutional standards established by the Supreme Court in Adarand Contractors, Inc vs. Pena, relative to Federal action programs that use racial or ethnic criteria as a basis for decision making.</p>	<p>www.sba.gov</p>
<p>Procurement Assistance to Small Businesses – To assist small business in obtaining a “fair” share of contracts and subcontracts for Federal government supplies and services and a “fair” share of property sold by the government.</p>	<p>www.sba.gov</p>
<p>Women’s Business Ownership Assistance – To fund private, nonprofit organizations to assist, through training and counseling, small business concerns owned and controlled by women, and to remove, in so far as possible, the discriminatory barriers that are encountered by women in accessing capital and promoting their businesses.</p>	<p>www.sba.gov/onlinewbc</p>
<p>Patriot Express Pilot Loan Initiative – The U.S. Small Business Administration has announced the SBA’s Patriot Express Pilot Loan Initiative for veterans and members of the military community wanting to establish or expand small businesses. The SBA and its resource partners are focusing additional efforts on counseling and training to augment this loan initiative.</p>	<p>www.sba.gov/patriotexpress/index.html Eligible military community members include: Veterans, Service-disabled veterans, Active-duty service members eligible for the military’s Transition Assistance Program, Reservists and National Guard members, Current spouses of any of the above, The widowed spouse of a service member or veteran who died during service or of a service-connected disability.</p>

WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF FAITH BASED AND COMMUNITY BASED INITIATIVES

See the following departments and agencies for funding opportunities:

U.S. Dept. of Education

U.S. Dept. of Labor

U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services

U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development

U.S. Dept. of Justice

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

U.S. Agency for International Development

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Abington Foundation – The trustees have identified two age groups, within the broad category of education, on which they plan to focus a significant portion of the foundation’s resources over the next few years. These areas represent critical periods in a child’s development: the early years, from birth to age 5, when major brain development occurs; and early adolescence, ages 10-15, when important education, career and lifestyle decisions are made. Trustees welcome grant requests that address the educational needs of these two age groups. The primary program areas include the following: education, health care, economic independence, and cultural activities.

www.fmscleveland.com/abington/subpages_fr.cfm?body=grantphil.cfm

E-mail: abington@fmscleveland.com

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation – Areas of interest: Science and Technology, Standard of Living and Economic Performance, Education and Careers in Science and Technology, Selected National Issues, The Civic Program.

Grant requests can be made at any time for support of activities related to foundation program areas and interests. The foundation is generally limited to supporting tax-exempt organizations.

www.sloan.org/programs/index.shtml

Andrea Cavitolo Foundation – The mission of the foundation is to support children’s medical and educational causes, as well as services for the elderly. Founded in 1995 the foundation supports organizations which provide services and resources to vulnerable children, students, and low-income senior citizens.

www.andreacavitolofoundation.org/

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation – The foundation currently makes grants in six core program areas: Higher Education and Scholarship; Scholarly Communications ; Research in Information Technology; Museums and Art Conservation; Performing Arts; Conservation and the Environment.

www.mellon.org/

Bread & Roses Community Fund – A unique gathering of activists committed to supporting social justice by raising and distributing funds. A public foundation, Bread & Roses has distributed over \$9 million to groups working for access to health care; economic justice; a clean, safe environment; civil and human rights; peace; and other social justice issues. In addition, they provide services, like technical assistance and leadership development, to grantees and donors. After 30 years of supporting change not charity, Bread & Roses remains committed to providing technical and financial resources to the voices of progressive activism.

www.breadrosesfund.org/

Contact – 1500 Walnut St., Suite 1305, Philadelphia, PA 19102, Phone: (215) 731-1107

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Bread & Roses is part of a larger movement of local and national organizations, technical assistance providers, think tanks, foundations and socially responsible business people that work for social change.

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation – Grants from the Foundation are made in: Civil Society, Environment, and Pathways Out of Poverty.

www.mott.org/

Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation – The Reeve Foundation Quality of Life Grants Program provides funding in three categories – Actively Achieving, Bridging Barriers, and Caring and Coping – towards research in curing spinal cord injuries and improving quality of life for those who have been paralyzed. Quality of Life Grants are generally awarded to non-profit organizations, with IRS 501(c)(3) status, that cater to paralyzed individuals and their families. Other organizations eligible include, for example, community parks, schools, Veteran hospitals, and tribal entities. The foundation also gives aid to larger organizations that advocate for victims of paralysis both on the local and national level.

www.christopherreeve.org/

Dolfinger-McMahon Foundation – A charitable trust administered by Duane Morris LLP, the foundation makes grants for the initiation or support of: experimental or demonstration projects; seed-money projects; projects which can reasonably be expected to be accomplished by a single grant in a relatively brief period of time; and emergency grants to an agency or particular project of an agency.

www.philaculture.org/resources/resource-service-providers/2236/dolfinger-mcmahon-foundation

Contact – Duane Morris, LLP, 30 S. 17th St., Philadelphia, PA 19103-4196, Phone: (215) 979-1768

ERM Group Foundation – The ERM Foundation supports environmental projects around the world through the provision of small grants and/or practical support. Programs wishing to receive funding from the foundation should be able to demonstrate at least one of the following benefits: carbon reduction, bio-diversity, water, and education. They are particularly interested in projects which offer additional social benefits to local communities. Grants are distributed by the Foundation in North America on an annual basis.

www.erm.com/About-Us/ERM-Foundation/

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Glaser Family Foundation – The foundation has chosen to create strategic initiatives in four program areas: how we measure progress; how we address the global HIV/AIDS pandemic; how we ensure diversity of voices in our media; and how we treat animals.

Eligible organizations: Non-profit, tax-exempt organizations certified under Section 501(c)(3) by the Internal Revenue Service. As a general rule, the Foundation awards grants to established organizations with a national focus, strong history of success and recognized leadership within its field.

www.glaserfoundation.org

To apply for a grant visit www.glaserfoundation.org/application/form.asp

If you have any questions about our process or the status of your application, please contact Melessa Rogers by e-mail: melessa@glaserprogress.org or phone: (206) 728-1050.

Heineman Foundation – The purpose of the foundation is to provide seed money to start-up projects and new projects within existing organizations for a maximum of three to five years.

The Foundation's general areas of interest are the following:

- Programs that enable economically challenged women to enter and remain in the workplace
- Environmental research that will help prevent, reduce and/or eliminate water degradation.
- Music as education and preserver of culture.
- Research into prevention of and treatment for childhood illnesses.
- Programs that enable youth to think, create, and communicate effectively.

www.heinemanfoundation.org/

Apply online – www.heinemanfoundation.org/application_process

E-mail: info@heinemanfoundation.org

International City/County Management Association (ICMA) – ICMA's mission is to create excellence in local governance by advocating and developing the professional management of local government worldwide. In addition to supporting its nearly 9,000 members, ICMA provides publications, data, information, technical assistance, and training and professional development to thousands of city, town, and county experts and other individuals throughout the world. One of ICMA's programs is the Public Library Innovation Grants, made possible by ICMA's partnership with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. They support projects developed by local governments that utilize their public libraries in addressing local needs and providing new services with lasting benefits to their communities.

For more information – visit: icma.org/main/bc.asp?t=0&bcid=1080

or contact ICMA at:

777 N. Capitol St., NE, Suite 500
Washington, DC 20002-4201, Phone: (202) 289-(ICMA)

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<p>J. Paul Getty Trust – Through strategic grants and programs, the foundation supports projects that advance the understanding and preservation of the visual arts.</p>	<p>www.getty.edu/grants</p>
<p>James S. McDonnell Foundation – Through the 21st Century Science Initiative, JSMF Funds in three program Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Studying Complex Systems ● Brain Cancer Research ● Understanding Human Cognition 	<p>www.jsmf.org/</p>
<p>Jerry Lee Foundation – The Jerry Lee Foundation is a philanthropy dedicated primarily to reducing crime and enhancing education through research on what works to achieve these goals. The Jerry Lee Foundation is committed to solving social problems associated with poverty, especially in American inner cities which suffer from concentrated poverty. The foundation’s special concerns are elementary education and crime, and its major strategy is to support the cause of research, to find out what works, what doesn’t work, and what may be promising.</p>	<p>www.jerryleefoundation.com/</p>
<p>John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation – The MacArthur Foundation supports creative people and effective institutions committed to building a more just, verdant, and peaceful world. In addition to selecting the MacArthur Fellows, we work to defend human rights, advance global conservation and security, make cities better places, and understand how technology is affecting children and society.</p>	<p>www.macfound.org/</p>
<p>John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation – Provides fellowships for advanced professionals in all fields (natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, creative arts) except the performing arts. Fellowships are not available for students. The foundation only supports individuals. It does not make grants to institutions or organizations.</p> <p>In 2008 the Foundation awarded 190 United States and Canadian Fellowships for a total of \$8,200,000 (an average grant of \$43,200). There were more than 2,600 applicants.</p>	<p>www.gf.org/</p> <p>How to Obtain an Application Form:</p> <p>BY MAIL – A request for an application form may be made by postal mail: John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, 90 Park Ave., New York, NY 10016 or by e-mail: fellowships@jsgmf.org. In either case, the request must include the applicant’s postal mailing address. Applications are sent only by postal mail.</p> <p>BY DOWNLOADING – An eligible applicant may download and fill out an Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) application form (to</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continued)</p>

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be printed out for submission by postal mail); eligibility to download is determined through a questionnaire on this Web site: www.gf.org/applic.html,

John Templeton Foundation – Serves as a philanthropic catalyst for research on concepts and realities such as love, gratitude, forgiveness and creativity.

www.templeton.org/

Focus areas: Natural Sciences; Human Sciences; Philosophy and Theology; Character Development; Freedom and Free Enterprise; Gifted Education; World Religions

Leeway Foundation – Leeway funds women and trans artists creating social change. The Leeway Foundation is committed to art making as an integral part of social change, to movement building, and anti-oppression work where Leeway is accountable, accessible, part of and governed by, the communities Leeway’s programs support. Leeway is guided by the values of fearlessness in action, speech, and self-examination and commits to breaking down boundaries and barriers with creativity, respect, and openness to the process.

www.leeway.org/

Liberace Foundation for the Performing & Creative Arts – Since 1976, the Liberace Foundation for the Performing and Creative Arts has awarded more than 5 million dollars in scholarship grants to more than 2200 students at over 110 colleges and universities.

www.liberace.org/liberace_foundation/

Medina Foundation – The foundation strives to improve the human condition by supporting organizations that provide critical services to those in need.

www.medinafoundation.org/

Nonprofit Finance Fund – Nonprofit Finance Fund (NFF) is a national leader in helping nonprofits strengthen their financial health and improve their capacity to serve their communities.

nonprofitfinancefund.org/

North Penn Community Health Foundation – The foundation identifies, selects and invests in programs and agencies that will improve the health, welfare and quality of life of children and families, older adults, people with disabilities and other disadvantaged populations in the community. The foundation values the individuals and agencies that work together in partnership to enhance

www.npchf.org/

Contact – 2506 N. Broad St., Suite 206, Colmar, PA 18915, Phone: (215) 716-5400

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the overall health of the community. The foundation is particularly interested in promoting innovative and sustainable initiatives that will improve the overall quality and availability of health and human services to meet the unique needs of at-risk populations in our community.

Pennsylvania Humanities Council – The Pennsylvania Humanities Council, a nonprofit organization, inspires individuals to enjoy and share a life of learning enriched by human experience across time and around the world. Through programs and partnerships, PHC fosters the sharing of stories and ideas—to increase understanding and a large vision of human life, community and possibility.

www.pahumanities.org/

Contact – Constitution Place, 325 Chestnut St., Suite 715, Philadelphia, PA 19106-2607, Phone: (800) 462-0442 (in Pennsylvania only), (215) 925-1005, E-mail: phc@pahumanities.org

Pew Charitable Trusts – The Pew Charitable Trusts is driven by the power of knowledge to solve today’s most challenging problems. Pew applies a rigorous, analytical approach to improve public policy, inform the public and stimulate civic life.

www.pewtrusts.org/

Pew has three overarching areas of interest:

- Improving public policy. Pew studies and promotes nonpartisan policy solutions for pressing and emerging problems affecting the American public and the global community.
- Informing the public. The Pew Research Center, a Washington-based subsidiary, is home to most of our information initiatives. It uses impartial, fact-based public-opinion polling and other research tools to track important issues and trends.
- Stimulating civic life. Pew supports national initiatives that encourage civic participation. In our hometown of Philadelphia, Pew supports organizations that create a thriving arts and culture community and institutions that enhance the well-being of the region’s neediest citizens.

Sarah Scaife Foundation – The foundation’s grant program is primarily directed toward public policy programs that address major domestic and international issues. There are no geographical restrictions. The foundation does not make grants to individuals for any purpose or to nationally-organized fundraising groups. Proposals for the following are usually declined: event sponsorships, endowments, capital campaigns, renovations, or government agencies.

www.scaife.com/sarah.html

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Stewart Huston Charitable Trust – The purpose of the trust is to provide funds, technical assistance and collaboration on behalf of non-profit organizations engaged exclusively in religious, charitable or educational work; to extend opportunities to deserving needy persons and, in general, to promote any of the above causes. The Stewart Huston Charitable Trust, a private foundation for Federal Tax purposes, is a perpetual charitable trust created under the Will of Stewart Huston.

www.stewarthuston.org/

Stockton Rush Bartol Foundation – The Bartol Foundation believes that everyone deserves access to the arts. Through their grant programs in the arts, they support organizations that provide creative opportunities to connect and engage, that give voice to a community's history and future, and that sustain and share a rigorous artistic process. In addition to their grantmaking, they lend their expertise and resources to programs that build the strength of cultural organizations while advocating for the inclusion of arts and culture in broader community strategies. They support individual artists, their cultural workers, through programs that strengthen their creative work so they can better contribute to community life.

www.bartol.org/

Contact – 230 S. Broad St., Suite 1003,
Philadelphia, PA 19102, Phone: (215) 545-4037

Susan G. Komen Foundation Helps fund breast cancer education, screening and treatment projects for those who need it most. Over the past five years, Komen for the Cure Affiliates – working in concert with local organizations – have awarded more than \$160 million in needs-based community grants.

ww5.komen.org/

The Annenberg Foundation – Exists to advance public well-being through improved communication. As a principal means of achieving this goal, the Foundation encourages the development of more effective ways to share ideas and knowledge. The Annenberg Foundation focuses on five major program areas: Education and Youth Development; Arts, Culture and Humanities; Civic and Community; Health and Human Services; and Animal Services and the Environment.

www.annenbergfoundation.org/grants/

The Carthage Foundation – The foundation confines most of its grant awards to programs that will address public policy questions concerned with national and international issues. There are no geographical restrictions. The foundation does not make grants to individuals. Proposals for the following are usually declined: event sponsorships, endowments, capital campaigns, renovations, or government agencies.

www.scaife.com/carthage.html

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The Henry Luce Foundation – The foundation pursues its mission today through the following grant-making programs: American Art; East Asia; Luce Scholars; Theology; Higher Education and the Henry R. Luce Professorships; the Henry R. Luce Initiative on Religion and International Affairs; Public Policy and the Environment; and the Clare Boothe Luce Program for women in science, mathematics and engineering.

www.hluce.org/home.aspx

The Pennsylvania Automotive Association (PAA) – The mission of the PAA Foundation is to support and promote the good works and charitable activities of the new retail motor vehicle industry in Pennsylvania and to fund and provide education and training for individuals to develop the skills necessary to work in the new retail motor vehicle industry in Pennsylvania.

For more information on making a donation, or on the advantages of establishing a Donor Advised or Benefactor Club Account, call: 1 (800) 242-3745.

Web site: www.paa-foundation.org

The PAA Foundation, formed by dealers, for dealers, believes that involvement with local charitable organizations benefits everyone involved. Dealer members of PAA have always supported their local communities and the people who have sustained their businesses. Since its inception, the PAA Foundation has awarded over \$2 million in charitable funds to community organizations and to scholarship recipients. In so many ways, dealers are at the heart of a vibrant community.

Union Benevolent Association – The Union Benevolent Association, the oldest Philadelphia charity in continuous existence and one of the oldest in the United States, was founded in 1831 and incorporated in 1837. Thus, it was one of the pioneers in the first great age of private charity in human history. Its purpose, as stated in the quaint language of the last century, was “the encouragement of industry, the suppression of pauperism, and the relief of suffering among the worthy poor.”

www.ubal831.org/index.html

Contact – Mr. Fernando Chang-Muy, Esq., Union Benevolent Association, 1616 Walnut St., Suite 800, Philadelphia, PA 19103, Office: (215) 763.7670, E-mail: info@ubal831.org

United Way of Pennsylvania – The United Way of Pennsylvania is an essential partner for local United Ways. Because we are focused on the needs of local United Ways, United Way of Pennsylvania is their voice for statewide human service and social issues. As consensus builders, UWP understands, influences, and resources public policy. Our mission is to assist and champion the efforts of local United Ways.

www.uwp.org/

Contact – 909 Green St., Harrisburg, PA 17102, Phone: (717) 238-7365, E-mail: info@uwp.org

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Valentine Foundation – A private foundation making grants to organizations or programs that empower women and girls to recognize and develop their full potential or which work to change established attitudes that discourage women and girls from recognizing their potential. The Valentine Foundation does not fund the following: organizations that are not determined to be a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, scholarships, endowments, capital campaigns, international initiatives, individuals, religious organizations for religious purposes, or political organizations for political purposes.

www.valentinefoundation.org

Contact – Executive Director: c/o Alexandra V. A. Frazier, 300 Quarry Lane, Haverford, PA 19401, Phone: (610) 642-4887, E-mail: info@valentinefoundation.org

Verizon – The Verizon Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Verizon Communications, supports the advancement of literacy and K-12 education through its free educational Web site: www.thinkfinity.org, and fosters awareness and prevention of domestic violence. In 2008, the Verizon Foundation awarded more than \$68 million in grants to nonprofit agencies in the U.S. and abroad. It also matched the charitable donations of Verizon employees and retirees, resulting in an additional \$26 million in combined contributions to nonprofits. Through Verizon Volunteers, one of the nation’s largest employee volunteer programs, Verizon employees and retirees have volunteered more than 3 million hours of community service since 2000.

For more information on the foundation, visit www.verizonfoundation.org.

Women’s Funding Network – The Women’s Funding Network is 135 organizations that fund women’s solutions across the globe. We give women the money and tools to transform their ideas into lasting change – in every critical area from combating poverty to achieving advances in healthcare, education and human rights.

www.wfnet.org/

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Minority Business Development Agency – The MBDA at the U.S. Department of Commerce is the only federal agency dedicated to advancing the establishment and growth of minority-owned firms in the United States. Through a network of minority business centers and strategic partners, MBDA works with minority entrepreneurs who wish to grow their businesses in size, scale and capacity. These firms are then better positioned to create jobs, impact local economies and expand into national and global markets. MBDA has spent more than four decades increasing the competitiveness of minority firms.

National Association for the Self-Employed – The National Association for the Self-Employed (NASE) awards Business Development Grants to help members stock their stores with inventory, purchase new equipment, kick off marketing campaigns and more. These grants provide stimulus funds to micro-business members.

www.nase.org/Home.aspx

Pennsylvania Open for Business – This resource gives entrepreneurs access to business information. Entrepreneurs can explore financial options, download many of the important forms necessary to start and expand a business, and electronically register a business with the Pennsylvania Departments of Labor and Industry, Revenue, and State.

www.paopen4business.state.pa.us/

Small Business Development Centers – The SBA helps fund SBDCs across the country to provide management assistance to current and prospective small business owners. SBDCs offer assistance to individuals and small businesses by providing a wide variety of information and guidance in central and easily accessible branch locations. The SBDCs also make special efforts to reach minority members of socially and economically disadvantaged groups, veterans, women and the disabled. To find an SBDC visit: www.sba.gov/aboutsba/sbaprograms/sbdc/sbdclocator/SBDC_LOCATOR.html. Locations in Kutztown, Wilkes-Barre, Bethlehem, Scranton and Lewisburg Pennsylvania.

Contact – 3819-33 Chestnut St., Suite 325, Philadelphia, PA 19104-3238, Phone: (215) 898-1219, E-mail: pasbdc@wharton.upenn.edu

The Enterprise Center – Founded in 1989 by the Wharton Small Business Development Center, The Enterprise Center provides access to capital, building capacity, business education and economic development opportunities to high-potential, minority entrepreneurs. Through our portfolio of business-acceleration initiatives, TEC seeks to better position

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minority enterprises to compete in the local, regional, and global economies. The Enterprise Center provides workshops to entrepreneurs.

Contact – 4548 Market St., Philadelphia, PA 19139, Phone: (215) 895-4000, Web site: www.theenterprisecenter.com/

Women’s Business Development Center – The WBDC, formed in 1995, fosters the development and retention of successful business by delivering resources that enable individuals to start new businesses and grow existing ones. WBDC facilitates the relationship between corporations, government and women-owned businesses to provide growth and sustainability through their Women’s Business Enterprise Council PA-DE-NJ, a marketing, procurement and certification assistance council. Depending on the type of business you are in and where you plan to operate, your business will be required to have various state and/or municipal licenses. The Philadelphia office offers business information.

www.womensbdc.org

Contact – 1315 Walnut St., Suite 1116, Philadelphia, PA 19107-4711, Phone: (215) 790-9232, E-mail: info@womensbdc.org

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Many companies have philanthropic efforts. You can learn more by visiting their Web site or contacting them about foundation/community grant giving.



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