



# GRANTS ACTION NEWS

Information on available state, federal and private grants

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## Questions?

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## On the state level...

All not-for-profit applicants must now pre-qualify on the NYS Grants Reform website at [grantsreform.ny.gov/grantees](http://grantsreform.ny.gov/grantees) in order to apply for certain New York State grant solicitations. Potential not-for-profit applicants are strongly encouraged to begin the process of registering and pre-qualifying immediately as this is a lengthy process.

### **New York State Office of Victim Services (OVS), Victims of Crimes Act (VOCA) Victim and Witness Assistance Grant**

This grant is intended to help support victim service providers to respond to the challenge of finding new solutions for serving victims of crime, developing innovative and comprehensive ways of meeting their needs and reaching underserved populations. OVS encourages innovation in the victim assistance field and supports ways to generate new ideas and new evidence of effectiveness that can add to the body of knowledge about what practices are effective for victim services. Focus must be on where the greatest needs are and, importantly, where the gaps in knowledge exist. Services such as restorative justice, transitional housing, human trafficking and trauma-informed care are a few of the programs that have potential to assist innocent victims of crime.

- **Eligibility:** Any new or existing victim assistance program run by either a government entity or a nonprofit organization can apply.
- **Funding:** \$195 million. Organization must show evidence of matching funds for its awards.
- **Deadline:** April 3, 2019, 2 p.m.
- **Contact:** Matt Courcelle  
Phone: 518-457-9022  
Email: [Matthew.Courcelle@ovs.ny.gov](mailto:Matthew.Courcelle@ovs.ny.gov)  
Web: <https://ovs.ny.gov/victim-assistance-program>



## New York State Dept. of Health, Doctors Across New York (DANY) Physician Loan Repayment and Physician Practice Support Programs

The NYS DANY Physician Loan Repayment and Physician Practice Support Programs help recruit physicians to serve underserved areas of the state by repaying medical school debts, paying the cost of joining or establishing a medical practice, or providing health care facilities with funding for compensation packages in order to hire new physicians. Funding is provided in exchange for a physician's commitment to work in an underserved area for a three-year period. The next service date to start is November 2019.

- **Eligibility:** Physicians in good standing who are citizens or legal residents of the United States; must be licensed to practice in New York by the time the service period begins (see application for other requirements). Health care facilities meeting all requirements can also apply for funds to be offered as part of a compensation package for new physicians.
- **Funding:** Up to \$40,000 per year per physician
- **Deadline:** April 4, 2019, 4 p.m.
- **Contact:** Karolyn Garafalo, Dept. of Health  
Email: [DANY2018@health.ny.gov](mailto:DANY2018@health.ny.gov)  
Web: [www.health.ny.gov/funding/rfa/inactive/17835/index.htm](http://www.health.ny.gov/funding/rfa/inactive/17835/index.htm) (for this year's grant opportunity announcement, go to [grantgateway.ny.gov](http://grantgateway.ny.gov) and search for Doctors Across New York).

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## On the federal level...

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### Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office for Victims of Crime, Integrated Services for Minor Victims of Human Trafficking Grants

Applications are invited for funding to support direct services to minor victims of all forms of human trafficking in the United States. Organizations granted funding will provide a comprehensive array of developmentally appropriate services that minor victims of human trafficking often need to ensure their safety, security and healing.

- **Eligibility:** States and local governments, tribal governments, nonprofits and nongovernmental organizations are eligible to apply.

- **Funding:** \$20 million
- **Deadline:** April 4, 2019
- **Contact:** B. Lindsay Waldrop, Victim Justice Program Specialist  
Phone: 202-353-0486  
Email: [Beatrice.L.Waldrop@ojp.usdoj.gov](mailto:Beatrice.L.Waldrop@ojp.usdoj.gov)  
Web: <https://ovc.ncjrs.gov/humantrafficking/announcements.html>

### Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living, Legal Assistance Enhancement Program for Older Adults

This funding opportunity is designed to enable legal assistance networks, including Older Americans Act-funded programs, in strengthening and enhancing legal assistance programs to older Americans with economic and social need. Enhancements made through this funding opportunity will support quantifiable and sustainable improvements to the delivery of a full range of legal assistance, from legal advice through representation to older adults.

- **Eligibility:** Domestic public or private nonprofit entities including state and local governments, Indian tribal governments and organizations (American Indian/Alaskan Native/Native American), faith-based organizations, community-based organizations, hospitals and institutions of higher education.
- **Funding:** \$1.5 million
- **Deadline:** April 29, 2019
- **Contact:** Eve LaManna  
Email: [eva.lamanna@acl.hhs.gov](mailto:eva.lamanna@acl.hhs.gov)  
Web: <https://acl.gov/grants/legal-assistance-enhancement-program>

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## On the private level...

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### The Amphion Foundation, Inc., 2019 Grant Program for Performing Ensembles

The Amphion Foundation was established in 1987 to encourage the performance of contemporary concert music, particularly by American composers, through support to performing and presenting organizations that have demonstrated sustained artistic excellence. Grants will support nonprofit performing ensembles for general operating support or special project support.

- **Eligibility:** Applicants must be a nonprofit amateur choral ensemble or youth choir performing contemporary

classical music at an exceptionally high artistic level.

- **Funding:** Grants of \$1,000 to \$7,500 are available; more may be available for certain types of groups.
- **Deadline:** April 1, 2019
- **Contact:**  
Phone: 212-461-6956  
E-mail: grantsmanager@amphionfoundation.org  
Web: www.amphionfoundation.org/programs/amphion-grant-program

### **The Impact Fund, Grants to Fund Impact Litigation Advancing Social, Economic, or Environmental Justice**

The Impact Fund awards grants quarterly to legal services nonprofits, private attorneys and/or small law firms who seek to advance justice in the areas of civil and human rights, environmental justice and/or poverty law.

- **Eligibility:** Must be a lawyer, legal firm or nonprofit legal organization working on a class-action or multi-plaintiff case in the areas of economic, environmental or social justice. Funding can only cover out-of-pocket litigation expenses, not attorney or staff time.
- **Funding:** Grants of up to \$50,000
- **Deadline:** April 9, 2019 (letter of interest deadline for summer grant; grants are made quarterly)
- **Contact:**  
Phone: 510-845-3473  
Email: grants@impactfund.org  
Web: www.impactfund.org

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## **Scholars awards...**

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### **Health Effects Institute, Walter A. Rosenblith New Investigator Award**

The Health Effects Institute is an independent research organization dedicated to supporting high-quality, impartial and relevant science on the health effects of air pollution. The Walter A. Rosenblith New Investigator Award provides funding for outstanding investigators who are beginning their independent research careers.

- **Eligibility:** Scientists of any nationality holding a Ph.D., Sc.D., M.D., D.V.M., or DrPH degree or equivalent are eligible to apply. At the time of application, the candidate should have two to seven years of research experience after obtaining the

highest degree and must be in an assistant professor or equivalent position in an academic or research institution.

- **Funding:** Up to \$500,000 over three years. The funds can be used to provide salary support for the investigator and supporting junior personnel as well as operating costs, including supplies and equipment.
- **Deadline:** April 15, 2019 (preliminary application)
- **Contact:** Annemoon M. van Erp  
Phone: 617-488-2346  
Email: avanerp@healtheffects.org  
Web: www.healtheffects.org/research/funding/rfa/18-2-walter-rosenblith-new-investigator-award

### **Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA), Research Infrastructure Grant**

Infrastructure grants are designed to support the development of tools, techniques and services of need to the neuromuscular research community. The main review criterion for this grant is need for the infrastructure to further research for the purpose of therapy development. Recipients of an MDA Infrastructure Grant must develop a plan to make this MDA-funded resource available to the research community and have a plan for sustaining the infrastructure beyond the period of MDA support. Examples of projects include: tissue banks to support the collection and storage of patient tissue for research purposes; antibody banks; development of core facilities (e.g., sequencing/phenotyping cores, vector production); and web-based databases.

- **Eligibility:** Applicants must hold an M.D., Ph.D., D.Sc. or equivalent degree and be a professional or faculty member at an appropriate educational, medical, corporate or research institution.
- **Deadline:** April 1, 2019 (letter of intent)
- **Funding:** Up to \$300,00 over 3 years
- **Contact:** Todd Swink,  
Grant Specialist  
Phone: 800-572-1717  
Email: tswink@mdausa.org  
Web: www.mda.org/science/funding-opportunities







# Grant writing

## The Foundation Center

The Foundation Center offers a variety of free trainings in its center in New York City and online, including the following:

### Introduction to Fundraising Resources & Databases:

Discover the resources offered at Foundation Center New York, both in-person and online. Learn about the NEW Foundation Directory Online, the most comprehensive prospect research tool with over 140,000+ grantmaker profiles, and receive a preview of Foundation Maps and Grants to Individuals Online. It's advisable to allow for time after the class for using the library at your own pace.

### Introduction to Finding Grants:

This class will provide an introduction for finding grants for nonprofits, including what funders are looking for and a hands-on guided online research session.

### Introduction to Proposal Writing:

This class provides a standard overview of how to write a proposal for a foundation grant and includes a hands-on personalized session in developing a proposal outline.

### Introduction to Project Budgets:

This class will provide you with step-by-step instructions on how to generate a standard project budget for a foundation proposal. Prior attendance to Introduction to Proposal Writing is strongly recommended.

**In addition:** Classes are held at the Foundation Center, located at:  
32 Old Slip, 24th Floor  
New York, NY 10005

**For a schedule of classes,** additional training opportunities, or for more information, call 212-620-4230 or visit [www.foundationcenter.org](http://www.foundationcenter.org).

Space is limited, so register as soon as possible.

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