

## Innovation Grants to Support Professional Collaboration

### National Educators Association

The National Educators Association's Innovation Grants support collaborative efforts by two or more colleagues to develop and implement creative project-based learning that results in high student achievement. **ELIGIBILITY:** Public school teachers K-12.

**FUNDING:** Maximum award is \$5,000.

**DEADLINE:** June 1, 2006.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Visit [www.neafoundation.org/programs/grantguides.htm](http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/grantguides.htm).

## ...Grant Writing

### The New York and New Jersey Grantwriters Network

A new network of grantwriters who work with nonprofits has formed, called **The New York and New Jersey Grantwriters Network**. Through this network, you can search for information on available consultants who can help with grantwriting. This service is free to the nonprofit community and can be accessed through [www.npocentral.net](http://www.npocentral.net); after visiting

this web site, you can search the "**Quick Consultant Search**" for a grantwriter. You can also click on "**Resources**," then "**Where to find a Consultant**," and then select "**NY & NJ Grantwriters Network**."

## Nonprofit Works

Nonprofit Works helps organizations build their capacity to do more through, among other things, grant writing and management.

One of their upcoming classes is **Researching and Writing Grants**, which will be held in **Brentwood, New York, May 31 and June 1**. This two-day course is designed to demystify the grantwriting process for entry- and mid-level grantwriters.

Topics will include researching and selecting grants, approaching and developing relationships with grantmakers, planning programs prior to writing grants, preparing information commonly asked for in grant applications, building grant budgets, and tracking and following up grant applications.

The cost of the class is \$290 per person. For information on this and other courses available through Nonprofit Works, please visit their web site, [www.nonprofitworks.com](http://www.nonprofitworks.com), or contact them at 931 Park Avenue, Rochester, New York 14610; phone (585) 454-4910; fax (585) 454-4912; e-mail [mail@nonprofitworks.com](mailto:mail@nonprofitworks.com).

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## ...On the State Level

### Prevention of Childhood Overweight and Obesity – Activ8Kids!

#### New York State Department of Health

The New York State Department of Health's Division of Chronic Disease Prevention and Adult Health, Bureau of Health Risk Reduction announces the availability of funding under the Prevention of Childhood Overweight and Obesity – Activ8Kids! Initiative. This Request for Applications will implement three components of the Activ8Kids! Initiative: Part A – Centers for Best Practices; Part B – School and Community Partnership Initiatives; and Part C – Initiatives in Child Care Settings.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Public and private not-for-profit agencies and organizations, including, but not limited to, colleges or universities; academic centers, schools or school districts; hospitals, primary care networks, physician groups, health plans, and local public health agencies; voluntary associations; professional associations; and community-based organizations.

**FUNDING:** The Department of Health intends to distribute up to \$1,350,000 in the initial period of October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007, and, contingent upon the availability of funds, up to \$1,000,000 per year in the remaining 5-year cycle for multi-year projects. **DEADLINE:** Applications will be accepted through June 14, 2006 at 4:00 p.m.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** For an application and more information, contact Sherry Brown, at the New York State Department of Health, Division of Chronic Disease Prevention and Adult Health, Bureau of Health Risk

Reduction, Obesity Prevention Program, Riverview Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor West, 150 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204, or by phone at (518) 408-5126. You may also request an application by e-mail at [activ8kids@health.state.ny.us](mailto:activ8kids@health.state.ny.us), or by accessing the Department of Health's website, <http://www.health.state.ny.us/funding/>.

## ...On the Federal Level

### Electronic Records Projects

#### National Archives and Records Administration

This program provides funds to establish sustainable electronic records programs within archival institutions, establish and expand electronic records programs, and support electronic records-related professional education, conferences, consultancies, and similar efforts.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Individuals, non-profit, tax-exempt organization; institutions of higher education; local and state governments.

**FUNDING:** Awards normally are for one, two, or three years and have ranged between \$50,000 and \$300,000, depending on the nature of the project. **DEADLINE:** June 1, 2006.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Contact David Davis at (202) 357-5022 or visit <http://grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=7400>.

## Inside Info on...

- *Prevention of Childhood Overweight and Obesity - Activ8Kids!*
- *Electronic Records Projects*
- *Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program*
- *Bowler's Ed Youth In-School Bowling Program*
- *Grant Writing*

...and much more.

## Questions?

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## Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program

### Department of the Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

The Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program provides financial assistance on a competitive basis to landowners interested in restoring fish and wildlife habitat on their own lands. It is a goal of the program to secure at least 50 percent of project costs from non-Service sources, but this goal applies to the program as a whole, and does not have to be achieved on a project-by-project basis.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Nonprofits that do not have 501(c)(3) status, other than institutions of higher education; independent school districts; Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments); county governments; individuals; nonprofits having 501(c)(3) status, other than institutions of higher education; city or township governments; Federally recognized Native American tribal governments; for profit organizations other than small businesses.

**FUNDING:** Estimated total program funding is \$25,500,000 for an estimated 2,700 awards.

**DEADLINE:** September 30, 2006.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Visit <http://www.fws.gov/partners/pdfs/grantsgov06partners.pdf>, or contact Branch of Habitat Restoration, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 400, Arlington, VA 22203; (703) 358-2201. You may also contact Carl Schwartz, the New York State coordinator for this program, at 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, New York 13045; (607) 753-9334; fax (607) 753-9699; or e-mail [Carl\\_Schwartz@fws.gov](mailto:Carl_Schwartz@fws.gov).

## Challenge America: Reaching Every Community Fast-Track Review Grants

### National Endowment for the Arts

The Challenge America: Reaching Every Community Fast-Track Review Grants category offers support primarily to small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved

populations - those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Age alone (e.g., youth, seniors) does not qualify a group as underserved; at least one of the underserved characteristics noted here also must be present. This category, as an essential component of the Arts Endowment's goal of providing wide access to artistic excellence, supports local projects that can have significant effects within communities. Grants are available for professional arts programming and for projects that emphasize the potential of the arts in community development.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Independent school districts, state and local governments, institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, tribal governments, and special district governments.

**FUNDING:** Grants are for \$10,000 each.

**DEADLINE:** June 1, 2006.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Visit <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppId=7556>.

## ...Foundations and Organizations

### Bowler's Ed Youth In-School Bowling Program

#### The Bowling Foundation

The Bowler's Ed Youth In-School Bowling Program promotes lifelong physical activity by providing elementary and middle school teachers with free bowling curriculum enhanced with math, spelling, physics, and other important skills. Funds under this program can be used by teachers to purchase in-school bowling equipment or host an in-school bowling training seminar.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Educational institutions and nonprofit organizations serving youth.

**FUNDING:** Approximately \$20,000 in total grants will be awarded in 2006.

**DEADLINE:** June 1, 2006.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Visit [www.bowlingfoundation.com](http://www.bowlingfoundation.com).

## Arts, Reading, and Family Violence Prevention Grants

### Target

Target supports local giving in the categories of Arts, Reading, and Family Violence Prevention. The program awards Reading grants to schools, libraries, and nonprofit organizations, supporting programs such as weekend book clubs, after-school reading programs, and events encouraging family reading time. Arts grants are given to programs that bring the arts to schools or make it affordable for families to participate in cultural experiences, such as school touring programs, field trips to the theater or symphony, or artist residencies and workshops in schools. Family Violence Prevention grants support groups working to make individual homes and entire communities safer, such as child abuse counseling programs and shelters.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Applicants must be nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status; schools; or units of government.

**FUNDING:** Most grants average between \$1,000 and \$3,000. Funding is limited to the communities in which Target does business.

**DEADLINE:** May 31, 2006.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Applications are available at local Target stores and online at [www.target.com](http://www.target.com).

## Grants for Arts, Education, and Health Projects

### The Milagro Foundation

The Milagro Foundation seeks grant applications from community-based, grass-roots organizations that work with underprivileged children and youth in the areas of arts, education and health. Milagro focuses on three areas that help children and youth: live healthy lives through education and prevention of disease; live literate lives through learning; and live culturally enriched lives through arts education.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Milagro makes grants to grass-roots Federal tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations.

**FUNDING:** Most grant amounts are between \$2,500 and \$5,000 and do not exceed \$10,000.

**DEADLINE:** Decisions on grants are made three times a year – February, June and October – with grant deadlines usually at least two months prior to a Board meeting.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Visit [www.milagrofoundation.org/apply.asp](http://www.milagrofoundation.org/apply.asp). On the Foundation's web site, you can also see what types of funding has been distributed in the past. You may also write to Milagro Foundation, P.O. Box 9125, San Rafael, California 94912.

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