



# 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](https://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.

### NYS Department of Health, Regional Alzheimer's Disease Caregiver Support Initiative

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), Office of Health Insurance Programs (OHIP), Division of Long Term Care (DLTC), Bureau of Community Integration and Alzheimer's Disease (BCIAD) and Alzheimer's Disease Program (ADP) announces the availability of funding for the Regional Alzheimer's Disease Caregiver Support Initiative. This initiative provides support to informal caregivers of individuals living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias (AD/D) and individuals living with AD/D. This opportunity will fund 11 grantees to implement and provide a comprehensive array of support services directed toward caregivers of individuals living with AD/D in the community. This includes allocating a portion of the total award to identify, engage and provide targeted outreach and services to members of an underserved community within the region the grantee is serving.

- **Eligibility:** Applications will be accepted from not-for-profit organizations and government entities authorized to do business with and available to provide services in New York State. These entities must have a demonstrated capacity and experience to serve individuals living with AD/D and their caregivers throughout the region for which they are applying. This demonstrated capacity should include service provision or the ability to partner with organizations demonstrating experience and capacity to uniquely serve individuals in the identified underserved community(s). These underserved communities may include, but are not limited to: racial and ethnic minorities, rural poor and other populations that experience significant barriers to accessing services. Partnerships of two or more organizations may apply for funding; however, one organization must be designated as the lead organization and applicant. The applicant may also establish contractual relationships with qualified subcontractor(s) to perform specified service provisions. For applicants applying to provide services to more than one region, a separate application must be completed for each region.

- **Deadline:** Oct. 15, 4 p.m. ET
- **Funding:** \$82.5 million in total funding
- **Contact:** Michael Lewandowski  
Email: [OHIPContracts@health.ny.gov](mailto:OHIPContracts@health.ny.gov)  
Phone: 518-473-4657



## NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, 2021 Environmental Restoration Program

The 2021 Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) program reimburses remediation design and construction costs of municipally owned brownfield sites. The purpose of the program is to provide grants to municipalities for the investigation and remediation of municipally owned properties known or suspected to be contaminated with hazardous substances or petroleum. The remediated properties may then be redeveloped for a variety of uses, including industrial, commercial, residential and recreational. In order to be eligible, the property must have been the subject of an environmental investigation under the New York State Environmental Restoration Program and have a DEC-issued Record of Decision (ROD) for the site. The project's purpose must be to implement the remedy described in the ROD or as subsequently modified based on new information in accordance with NYSDEC Division of Environmental Remediation Policy DER-2, Making Changes to Selected Remedies. All ERP grant opportunity questions should be emailed to the ERP 2021 Program Director at [derweb@dec.ny.gov](mailto:derweb@dec.ny.gov). DEC will accept questions regarding this grant opportunity until close of business on October 22, 2021.

■ **Eligibility:** Municipalities and municipalities acting in partnership with community-based organizations are eligible to apply. "Municipality" means a local public authority or public benefit corporation, a county, city, town, village, school district, supervisory district, district corporation, improvement district within a county, city, town or village, or Indian nation or tribe recognized by NYS or the United States with a reservation wholly or partly within the boundaries of New York State, or any combination thereof. The Municipality can apply only if it has a Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) and a NYS Vendor ID number in its own name and is registered in the NYS Grants Gateway. "Community-based organization" means a not-for-profit corporation, exempt from taxation under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, whose stated mission is promoting reuse of brownfield sites within a specified geographic area in which the community-based organization is located, which has 25% or more of its board of directors residing in the community in such area, and represents a community with a demonstrated financial need. Applicants must possess the knowledge, skills, and/or track record to successfully implement the project.

■ **Deadline:** Nov. 1, 3 p.m. ET

■ **Funding:** Up to \$10,000,000 of the Hazardous Waste Cleanup Account

■ **Contact:**  
Email: [derweb@dec.ny.gov](mailto:derweb@dec.ny.gov)  
(Please include "2021 Environmental Restoration Program" in the subject line of the email)  
Phone: 518-402-9764

## On the federal level...

### Department of Housing and Urban Development, Comprehensive Housing Counseling Grant Program

The purpose of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Comprehensive Housing Counseling (CHC) Grant Program is to provide funds to HUD-approved housing counseling agencies that provide counseling and advice to tenants and homeowners on property

maintenance, financial management and literacy, and other matters to assist program clients in improving their housing conditions, meeting their financial needs and fulfilling the responsibilities of tenancy or homeownership. This program plays an integral role in helping individuals and families obtain housing and stay in their homes through responsible homeownership or affordable rental housing. Housing counseling agencies are a critical safeguard to prevent housing scams and discrimination and serve as an important gateway to local, state, federal and private housing assistance and resources.

■ **Eligibility:** Applicant must be approved to participate in the HUD Housing Counseling Program prior to the NOFO issue date. In addition, State Housing Finance Agencies are eligible for this NOFO if they possess statutory authority to provide housing counseling throughout their entire state and adhere to all program requirements. Applicants and subgrantees are prohibited from receiving FY 2021 Housing Counseling Program grant funding from multiple sources. For example, receiving funding under this NOFO as both a direct grantee and as a subgrantee of an intermediary or SHFA is prohibited. Likewise, receiving funding under this NOFO as a subgrantee of two different intermediaries/SHFAs is prohibited.

■ **Funding:** Approximately \$51 million in total funding. HUD expects to make approximately 250 awards from the funds available under this NOFO.

■ **Deadline:** Oct. 14, 2021

■ **Contact:** Tracie Oaks  
Email: [Housing.Counseling@hud.gov](mailto:Housing.Counseling@hud.gov)  
Website: [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/spm/gmorgmt/grantsinfo/fundingopps/fy21\\_chc](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/spm/gmorgmt/grantsinfo/fundingopps/fy21_chc)

### U.S. Department of Agriculture, Conservation Outreach: Racial Equity and Justice Conservation Cooperative Agreements

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is providing up to \$50 million in cooperative agreements to help historically underserved farmers and ranchers invest in climate-smart agriculture and forestry. The Racial Justice and Equity Conservation Cooperative Agreements support two-year projects by entities and individuals that expand the delivery of conservation assistance to beginning, limited resource, socially disadvantaged and veteran farmers. The projects should help farmers and ranchers in implementing natural resources conservation practices that improve soil health, water quality, and environmental and economic performance of agricultural land, as well as provide habitat for local wildlife species of concern and build and strengthen local food projects that provide healthy food and economic opportunities. Projects should remove barriers to access and reach historically underserved groups through a combination of program outreach and technical assistance in managing natural resources that address one or more of the following four Natural Resources Conservation Service priority areas: local natural resource issues, climate-smart agriculture practices and principles, cultivating existing and new partnerships, and state and community-led conservation leadership for historically underserved agricultural producers, including educating and training students for careers in natural resources management.

■ **Eligibility:** Public, private and state-controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, Native American tribal governments and tribal organizations, and individuals are eligible to apply.

■ **Funding:** \$50 million in total funding

■ **Deadline:** Oct. 25, 2021

■ **Contact:**

Email: [NRCS-DCWA2-Outreach-and-Partnership-Division@USDA.GOV](mailto:NRCS-DCWA2-Outreach-and-Partnership-Division@USDA.GOV) (include RFA# USDA-NRCS-NHQ-REJ-21-NOFO0001121 in email subject line)

Website: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=335400>

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## On the private level...

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### National Association of School Nurses, Research Grants Program

The National Association of School Nurses (NASN) research grants program was established to encourage and support research regarding school nursing and the health of school-age children, as well as advance and fund quality school nursing practice and school-affiliated delivery of health care. School nurses who are engaged in the practice or leadership of school nursing and are current members of NASN are invited to apply for grants to further research into the field.

- **Eligibility:** The principal investigator or a member of the research team who participates in the entire process including proposal, design and implementation of the research project must be a: school nurse(s) engaged in the practice or leadership of school nursing and current member of NASN. Applications must be future (i.e. not completed) research projects. Applicant(s) must follow all instructions, inclusive of specified format and application completeness. Upon notification of receipt, the applicant must sign NASN's Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that lists expectations for the project. This includes submitting completed research results to The Journal of School Nursing (JOSN) following the guidelines outlined by The JOSN.
- **Funding:** The applicant will, upon receipt of award, submit a proposed one-year budget that will determine the amount allotted at appropriate time intervals (usually six months). The budget must be approved by the NASN Director of Research and a letter of exemption or approval from an institutional review board must be provided before funds are dispersed.

■ **Deadline:** Oct. 31, 2021

■ **Contact:**

Email: [awards@nasn.org](mailto:awards@nasn.org)

Website: <https://www.nasn.org/research/research-grants>

### MLB-MLBPA Youth Development Foundation Grants

Major League Baseball (MLB) and the Major League Baseball Players Association (MLBPA) joined together to form a charitable foundation with a shared goal of increasing participation in and expanding access to youth baseball and softball. The MLB-MLBPA Youth Development Foundation (YDF) has awarded millions of dollars in grants to community-based projects that encourage and empower youth through baseball and softball in underserved communities. In response to the rising costs to access youth sports and protect children's rights in sports, YDF funds capital projects, programming and education initiatives in the United States and internationally to ensure that all youth have an opportunity to play and learn through baseball and softball.

Organizations applying for funding must have a strong sense of mission, proven track record of increasing access to affordable youth baseball and/or softball, committed

leadership and a dedicated staff, and understanding and knowledge of the community and population served.

Interested applicants must submit an initial Letter of Inquiry (LOI) with proof of secured or projected funding to be considered for an application. Proposals are accepted year-round and grant decisions are made on a quarterly basis.

- **Eligibility:** Grants are awarded to organizations in the United States and internationally that are increasing participation in and access to youth baseball and softball. Applications are accepted throughout the year, and grant decisions are made by its Board of Directors on a quarterly basis.

■ **Funding:** Based on project

■ **Deadline:** Rolling

■ **Contact:** [YDF@mlb.com](mailto:YDF@mlb.com)

Website: <http://www.mlbp.org/programs>  
(new website to be announced)

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## Scholars Awards...

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### National Academy of Education, NAEEd/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Program

The annual NAEEd/Spencer Dissertation fellowship aims to strengthen research on education and learning by supporting early career scholars from a wide range of fields. The program supports a small group of outstanding advanced doctoral candidates so that they can devote themselves full time to the completion of their dissertation. This year, 35 fellowships of \$27,500 will be awarded to individuals whose dissertations offer fresh and constructive perspectives to the history, theory, analysis or practice of formal or informal education. Fellowships are not intended to finance data collection or the completion of doctoral coursework, but rather to support the final analysis of the research topic and the writing of the dissertation. In addition to the stipend, fellows participate in two professional development retreats, receive dissertation writing support, engage in opportunities designed to expand their networks, build research and career skills, and receive support for their transition into professional roles.

- **Eligibility:** Applicants need not be citizens of the United States; however, they must be candidates for a doctoral degree at a graduate institution within the U.S. All applicants must confirm via the online application that they will have completed all pre-dissertation requirements by June 1, 2022, and must provide a clear and specific plan for completing the dissertation within a one- or two-year time frame.

■ **Funding:** \$27,500 stipend

■ **Deadline:** Oct. 7, 2021 5 p.m. EDT

■ **Contact:**

Email: [info@naeducation.org](mailto:info@naeducation.org)

Website: <https://naeducation.org/naedspencer-dissertation-fellowship-program-guidelines/>

### American Council of Learned Societies, Luce/ACLS Dissertation Fellowships in American Art

The American Council of Learned Societies is inviting applications for its Luce/ACLS Dissertation Fellowships in American Art, which is supported by the Henry Luce Foundation.





The council will award seven fellowships for a non-renewable, continuous nine-to-twelve month term to be held between July 2022 and May 2024 to graduate students at any stage of their Ph.D. dissertation research or writing who are researching topics on the history of the visual arts of the United States. ACLS believes that humanistic scholarship benefits from inclusivity of voices, narratives and subjects that have historically been underrepresented or under-studied in academia and that institutional diversity enhances scholarship. Applications from Ph.D. candidates from all types of institutions in the United States are encouraged. Fellowships may be carried out in residence at the fellow's home institution or at another appropriate site for the research. Projects should be focused foremost on the art object and/or image and employ an art-historical or visual studies approach.

- **Eligibility:** Applicants must be a Ph.D. candidate at a U.S.-based university in art history or a related field, such as Native American and Indigenous Studies or African American Studies, and be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, Indigenous person residing in the United States through rights associated with the Jay Treaty of 1794, DACA recipient, asylee, refugee or individual granted Temporary Protected Status in the United States. Applicants must have a dissertation focused on a topic in the history of the visual arts of the United States, including all facets of Native American art, and have completed all requirements for the Ph.D. except the dissertation before beginning fellowship tenure. Applicants should not have previously applied for this fellowship more than once. Students preparing theses for the Master of Fine Arts degree are not eligible.
- **Funding:** \$38,000 per award, as well as an additional \$4,000 for travel and research
- **Deadline:** Oct. 27, 2021 9 p.m. EDT
- **Contact:**  
 Email: [fellowships@acls.org](mailto:fellowships@acls.org)  
 Website: <https://www.acls.org/Competitions-and-Deadlines/Luce-ACLS-Dissertation-Fellowships-in-American-Art>

## Grant writing

### Candid

Candid offers a variety of free trainings at its center in New York City, partner locations and online:

#### Introduction to Foundation Directory Online:

This class provides learning opportunities designed to develop skills, practices and behaviors that best prepare people working in the social sector for success.

#### 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 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 Project Budgets:

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

**Candid is actively monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and will make changes to its in-person programming as necessary. Please check Candid's website for updates.**

**In addition:** Classes are held at Candid, located at:  
 32 Old Slip, 24th Floor • New York, NY 10005  
[www.candid.org/contact-us](http://www.candid.org/contact-us)

**For a schedule of classes, visit:**  
[www.grantspace.org/training/search/format/live/location/new-york](http://www.grantspace.org/training/search/format/live/location/new-york)

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