

## April 2009 Grant Opportunities

### **Lowe's Charitable & Educational Foundation**

Grants range from \$5,000 to \$25,000

Priorities:

- Community Improvement: Projects such as; park and neighborhood beautification, building repair and landscaping, playgrounds, community clean-up initiatives, or outdoor learning environments.
- Public Education: Projects such as; construction and trade-related programs, landscaping and painting projects, and minor repairs of public school buildings

Deadlines vary by program. For more information contact: Lowe's Charitable & Educational Foundation, c/o Community Relations, 1000 Lowe's Blvd., Mooresville, NC 28117, #704-758-2831 or [www.lowes.com/community](http://www.lowes.com/community).

### **Nathan Cummings Foundation**

No grant limits. General funding about \$19.5 million.

Priorities:

- Art & Culture: Projects such as; social change, public policy, economic justice, corporate accountability and communication.
- Environment: Projects such as; sustainable communities, alliance building, environmental justice and institutional accountability.
- Health: Projects such as; well-being, barriers to care and links between physical health and social economic and psychological factors.
- Jewish Life and Values: Projects such as; social justice, tolerance, interfaith and Israel.
- Interprogram: Project such as; collaborations and integrated approaches among programs to build just communities.

Letters of inquiry can be sent anytime. Applications are due Jan. 15 and Aug 15 for review at spring and fall meetings. For more information contact Nathan Cummings Foundation 475 10th Ave., 14th Fl., New York, NY 10018, #212-787-7300 or [contact@nathancummings.org](mailto:contact@nathancummings.org) or [www.nathancummings.org](http://www.nathancummings.org).

### **W.K. Kellogg Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** The Foundation gives grants to a variety of projects that support children, families, and communities in need, including Education Health & Welfare and Civic Engagement.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** U.S. and worldwide groups. Seed money awards reflect the foundations' desire to create and nurture new programs in numerous locations. Successful requests get support from other sources and may be applied on a large scale. Grants for operating support, endowments, gifts and related investments are sometimes available.

**DUE DATE:** Apply anytime

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Funding sources are around \$358.9 million

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact W.K. Kellogg Foundation, 1 Michigan Ave. E, Battle Creek, MI 49017, #(269) 968-1611 or website: [www.wkkf.org](http://www.wkkf.org)

### **Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** Foundation has four priorities of:

- Environment Health: Reduce toxins and hold corporations accountable for their impact on the environment.
- Environmental Justice: Counter degradation of low-income communities.
- Sustainable Agriculture: Advocate for community food systems.
- Quality Women's Health: Policy initiatives to protect reproductive rights.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Only U.S. grant seekers. Noyes supports nonprofits working in low-income communities that cover multiple priorities or develop partnerships. Requests for endowments, capital construction, **fundraising and media programming are not accepted.**

**DUE DATE:** Inquiries are accepted year round.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Funding sources around \$3.5 million

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact: Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation, 6 E. 39th St., 12<sup>th</sup> Fl., New York NY 10016 or by e-mail at [noyes@noyes.org](mailto:noyes@noyes.org). Website: [www.noyes.org](http://www.noyes.org)

### **Public Welfare Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** Three competitive programs:

- Criminal Justice: Lower rates of incarceration and decrease prison population.
- Health Reform: Advocate for impaired healthcare system at state levels.
- Worker's Rights: Promote new job health and safety standards.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** U.S. nonprofits. No funds for international or endowment campaigns.

**DUE DATE:** Letters of inquiry should be sent six to eight weeks before proposal deadlines on Nov 14, March 23, and Jul7 27

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Funding sources around \$20.7 million.

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact Public Welfare Foundation, 1200 U St., NW, Washington, DC 2009, (202) 965-1800 or by e-mail at [info@publicwelfare.org](mailto:info@publicwelfare.org). Website [www.publicwelfare.org](http://www.publicwelfare.org)

### **The Annenberg Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** The Annenberg Foundation's primary grant-making interests are in education and youth, culture, the arts, and community and civic life.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** The foundation only considers organizations that are defined as public charities and are tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**DUE DATE:** The Annenberg Foundation accepts electronic letters of inquiry at all times during the year.

**INFORMATION:** For more information, go to:

[http://www.annenbergfoundation.org/grants/grants\\_show.htm?doc\\_id=210575](http://www.annenbergfoundation.org/grants/grants_show.htm?doc_id=210575)

### **General Service Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** Focus splits between two program issues:

- Human Rights & Democracy: Activities include, advocacy, education , outreach, research and policy analysis.
- Reproductive Health & Rights: Promotes leadership development, organizing, education and other women's well-being issues.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Grant seekers in the United States and Mexico. This foundation awards seed grants to new projects to encourage risk-taking and new strategies and ideas. Not supported: environmental issues, relief projects, unrelated research and publications, or Planned Parenthood affiliates.

**DUE DATE:** Letters of inquiry are accepted Feb 1 and Sept. 1

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Funding sources around \$3.1 million

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact: General Service Foundation, 557 N. Mill St., Suite 201, Aspen, CO 81611, (970) 920-6834 or by email at [info@generalservice.org](mailto:info@generalservice.org). Website [www.generalservice.org](http://www.generalservice.org)

### **Royal Caribbean Cruises Ocean Fund**

**SUMMARY:** Funds are given to groups working in Marine Conservation, including Research and Education.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** U.S. and international organizations. The foundation looks for projects that promote partnerships with other groups and have clear community benefits. Preference is given to groups with other funding sources. Overhead funds are not given.

**DUE DATE:** Letters of intent are due June 30.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Grants range from \$25,000 to \$50,000, no set maximum.

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact: Ocean Fund, c/o Royal Caribbean Cruises, 1050 Caribbean way, Miami, FL 33132, (305) 539-4460 or by email at [oceanfund@rccl.com](mailto:oceanfund@rccl.com). Website: <http://www.royalcaribbean.com/ourCompany/environment/oceanFund.do>

## **W.L.S. Spencer Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** Two Program areas:

- Arts: Education activities and outreach associated with contemporary art.
- Education: Programs keeping children in school and improving academically.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** U.S. organizations. The foundation offers seed, challenge and matching grants.

**DUE DATE:** Submit inquires anytime

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Funding sources around \$1.2 million

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact: W.L.S. Spencer Foundation, 1660 Bush St., Suite 300, San Francisco, CA 94109, (415) 561-6540 or by email at [mgregory@pfs-llc.net](mailto:mgregory@pfs-llc.net). Website: [www.pfs-llc.net/spencer/spencer.html](http://www.pfs-llc.net/spencer/spencer.html)

## **Energy Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** This funds supports Alternative Energy Research and Public Policy initiatives

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** U.S. and international groups. No grants for political activities, community energy projects, endowments, debt reduction, fundraising, capital constructions, renovations, technology development or demonstration projects.

**DUE DATE:** Proposals should be sent 12 weeks before board meetings in March, June, and November.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Grants up to \$600,000.

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact: Energy Foundation, 301 Battery St., 5th Fl., San Francisco, CA 94111, (415) 561-6700 or by email at [energyfund@ef.org](mailto:energyfund@ef.org). Website: [www.ef.org](http://www.ef.org)

## **RGK Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** The RGK Foundation awards grants in the broad areas of education, community, and medicine/health.

**DUE DATE:** There is no deadline for submitting an electronic letter of inquiry. Foundation staff review electronic letters of inquiry on an ongoing basis and typically respond within two days, but ask that applicants allow up to two weeks for a response.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIRMENTS:** Grants are made only to nonprofit organizations certified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) or Section 170 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code and classified as "not a private foundation" under Section 509(a).

**AWARD AMOUNT:** While the foundation does award some grants of more than \$25,000, it anticipates that most grants will be under \$25,000.

**INFORMATION:** <http://www.rgkfoundation.org/public/guidelines>

## **Brookdale Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** Funds go to Social, Arts, and Recreational activities for patients with Alzheimer's disease, their families and caregivers.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Grants can't be used to expand service capacity of existing respite programs, or for building, renovation, or capital improvements.

**DUE DATE:** Proposals are due July 1

**AWARD AMOUNT:** \$7,500, renewable for \$3,000 in the second year.

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact the Brookdale Foundation, 950 Third Ave., 19th Fl., New York, NY 10022, (212) 308-7355 or by email at [cm@brookdalefoundation.org](mailto:cm@brookdalefoundation.org). Website: [www.brookdalefoundation.org](http://www.brookdalefoundation.org)

## **Job Opportunities for Low Income Individuals (JOLI)**

**SUMMARY:** Program supports business development and expansion opportunities (including micro-enterprise and self-employment) in an effort to help Temporary Assistance for Needs Families (TANF) recipients and other low-income individuals to achieve economic sufficiency.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Applicants must be a nonprofit organization with 501 c3 or 501c4 status. Faith-based and community organizations are eligible to apply.

**DUE DATE:** May 8, 2009

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Grant amount ceiling is \$475,000. Total grant funding source is \$4,838,000 and 11 awards are expected to be made.

**INFORMATION:** Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2009-ACF-OCS-EO-0011.html>

## **The Hearst Foundations**

**SUMMARY:** The Hearst Foundations assist institutions in providing opportunities to underserved and underrepresented populations. The foundation's specific areas of interest include: Education, health, culture, social service.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Grant funds must be used for charitable purposes exclusively within the United States and territories. Private sector organizations are favored over those financed through taxation. Organizations serving larger geographical areas are favored over those of a neighborhood, grass-roots, or community-based nature.

**DUE DATE:** Ongoing

**INFORMATION:** For more information, go to: [http://www.hearstfdn.org/fp\\_home.html](http://www.hearstfdn.org/fp_home.html)

## **Skoll Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** The Social Entrepreneurship awards fund programs devoted to:

- Human Rights: Women's' rights, social equality and immigration
- Health: Disease control, healthcare access and population control.
- Environment: Water scarcity, global warming and biodiversity.
- World issues: Nuclear proliferation, drug trafficking and terrorism.
- Civic Responsibility: Ethics in labor and government,
- Socials Services: Housing and Education

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Nonprofits nationwide. This funder looks for models that can be replicated on a larger scale with long-term goals, along with a three-year track record. Not funded: film financing, endowments, or religious or political activities.

**DUE DATE:** Send applications anytime; the foundation chooses awards at the beginning of August and November.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Funding sources around \$13.4 million

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact: Skoll Foundation, 250 University Ave., Suite 200, Palo Alto, CA 94301 (650) 331-1031 or by email at [grants@skollfoundation.org](mailto:grants@skollfoundation.org). Website: [www.skollfoundation.org/skollawards/index.asp](http://www.skollfoundation.org/skollawards/index.asp)

## **Save Our History Initiative**

**SUMMARY:** The foundation awards funds to community organizations that team up to develop local history Education and Historical Preservation initiatives.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Funds usually go to libraries, museums, historical societies, archives, and preservation groups. High-rated applications clearly explain the project's importance to history and community.

**DUE DATE:** June 5

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Grants are up to \$10,000 each.

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact: Save Our History Initiative, c/o American Association for State a& Local History, 1717 Church St., Nashville, TN 37203, (615)320-3203 or by email at [info@saveourhistory.com](mailto:info@saveourhistory.com). Website: [www.history.com/minisites/saveourhistory](http://www.history.com/minisites/saveourhistory).

## **Charles Lafitte Foundation (CLF)**

**SUMMARY:** CLF's mission is to provide for and support inventive and effective ways of helping people help themselves and others around them to lead healthy, satisfying, and enriched lives. To fulfill this mission, the foundation acts as grant maker, innovator, and volunteer for four main programs: education, children's advocacy, medical issues and research, and the arts.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** The foundation funds organizations throughout the country but is limited to supporting 501(c)(3) institutions.

**DUE DATE: Application Deadline:** Letters of inquiry accepted on an ongoing basis. See Web site for more information.

**INFORMATION:** For more information, go to: <http://www.charleslafitte.org/applications.html>

### **Legion Child Welfare Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** Proposals are accepted for both new and established program working toward the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual Welfare of Children.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Programs should help children in multiple states. No grants for operation expenses, equipment, translating materials, personnel expenses or operation costs.

**DUE DATE:** Letter of intent are due June 1.

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Grants are as high as \$70,000

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis IN 46206, (317) 630-1202.

Website: [www.legion.org/cwf](http://www.legion.org/cwf)

### **Wellpoint Foundation**

**SUMMARY:** Improving health outcomes is the goal of the foundation. Projects receive funding if they focus on covering the uninsured. (Expand community healthcare access)

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Funds given to Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and other areas of company operations. This foundation supports ongoing programs with measurable outcomes and replicable models.

**DUE DATE: Apply by May 9, August 19, and October 1.**

**AWARD AMOUNT:** Funding sources around \$17.8 million

**INFORMATION:** For more information contact Wellpoint foundation 700 Broadway, 3rd Fl., Denver, CO 80273, (805) 557-6177 or by email at [james.kappel@wellpoint.com](mailto:james.kappel@wellpoint.com) . Website:

[www.wellpointfoundation.org](http://www.wellpointfoundation.org)

### **JPMorgan Chase**

**SUMMARY:** In 2007, JPMorgan Chase gave more than \$100 million through grants and sponsorships to thousands of not-for-profit organizations around the world. The company's three areas of interest are:

- community development -- encourage, sustain, and develop economic self-reliance,
- education -- help young people succeed in life and in work,
- arts & culture -- enrich communities with sponsorships and events focused on arts and culture.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** JPMorgan Chase funds only charitable, not-for-profit organizations as defined by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code

**DUE DATE:** There are no deadlines. The grant-application process begins with the submission of a simple-to-use online questionnaire.

**INFORMATION:** For more information, go to: <http://www.jpmorganchase.com/cm/cs?pagename=Chase/Href&urlname=jpmc/community/grants>