

GRANTS *Update*

April 2014

Applying for a grant? Received a grant? Share the news!

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The Claudia Ann Seaman Awards for Young Writers and the CAS Hudson Valley Poetry Award

Application Deadline: April 15, 2014

The Claudia Ann Seaman (CAS) Awards for Young Writers were created by the Seaman family in memory of their daughter and sister, a young poet. The CAS Awards acknowledge excellence in teen writing nationally in poetry, fiction, and literary nonfiction. The CAS Awards are also pleased to acknowledge excellence in poetry locally with the Hudson Valley Poetry Award.

<http://cfhvny.org/Receive/Grants/Grant-Programs>

School Counseling Program Grant

Application Deadline: April 28, 2014

Federal funding is available to support elementary and secondary school counseling programs. Grants will be awarded to establish or expand elementary school and secondary school counseling programs. Competitive preference is provided for proposals that improve school/community engagement, school environment, and school safety and/or those that provide support for military families. For more information, visit:

<http://www2.ed.gov/programs/elseccounseling/applicant.html>

USDA 2015 Farm to School Grants

Letters of Intent Deadline: April 30, 2014

Award Notification: November 2014

The Department of Agriculture will award grants to support the operation, planning, and implementation of school gardens and the development and implementation of farm to school programs. New grants will also be awarded to support training and events focused on farm to school. For more information, visit:

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/farmtoschool/fy-2015-farm-school-grant-program-funds-available>

ING Unsung Heroes Awards

Application Deadline: April 30, 2014

Awards provide educators funding for innovative class projects. Full-time educators, teachers, principals, para-professionals, or classified staff with effective projects that improve student learning are eligible. Awards will be made to 100 finalists, at least one from each state. Those awards will be \$2,000 and additional awards are presented. For more information, visit:

<https://unsungheroes.scholarshipamerica.org/>

Youth Service-Learning Funded

Application Deadline: April 22, 2014

The Department of Labor through the YouthBuild program offers support to provide education, occupational skills training, and employment services to disadvantaged youth as they perform meaningful work and service to their communities. Approximately 75 projects will be funded. For more information, visit:

<http://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppld=251487>

Obesity Prevention Grants

Application Deadlines:

Letters of Intent - April 17, 2014

Final Application - June 19, 2014

The Agriculture and Food Research Initiative's Childhood Obesity Prevention program supports efforts to reduce the prevalence of overweight children and childhood obesity among children and adolescents between the ages of 2 to 19 by providing federal grants. For more information, visit:

<http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/afri.html>

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K-12 Service-Learning Project Grants

Application Deadline: May 2, 2014

Funds are available for student-led service-learning projects for: community safety and natural disaster preparedness, environmental responsibility, accessing higher education/closing the achievement gap, social health and wellness issues, financial literacy and economic inclusion, or arts and culture. These State Farm Youth Advisory Board grants range from \$25,000 to \$100,000. Applications must be submitted online.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.statefarmyab.com/>



NYSSBA's Be the Change for Kids Innovation Award

Application Deadline: June 2, 2014

The New York State School Boards Association will award \$5,000 awards for 21st Century learning models currently in place in three school districts. Award criteria include: the enhancement of student curiosity, creativity, critical thinking and/or civic responsibility, and the preparation of students for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics careers. Application must be submitted online.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.nyssba.org/clientuploads/BTCFK/innovation-award.html>

Dollar General Youth Literacy Grant

Application Deadline: May 22, 2014

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation supports literacy programs in communities served by Dollar General in 40 states. Youth Literacy Grants support schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations that work to help students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. For more information, visit:

http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/pages/youth_grants.aspx



Grants to Support STEM Projects

Application Deadline: May 31, 2014

Award Notification: Rolling

The Captain Planet Foundation in partnership with the Ray C. Anderson Foundation will award 16 grants of \$2,500 to schools or non-profits to support inquiry-based projects in STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) that use innovation, biomimicry / nature-based design, or new uses for technology to address environmental problems in their communities. For more information, visit:

<http://captainplanetfoundation.org/2014/01/ecotech/>

Home Depot Community Impact Grants

Application Deadline: August 15, 2014

The Home Depot provides support to nonprofit organizations and public service agencies that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their communities. Proposals for the following community improvement activities will be considered: repairs, refurbishments, weatherization, and modifications to low-income and/or transitional veteran's housing or community facilities including schools. Grants of up to \$5,000 are made in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services.

For more information, visit:

<https://corporate.homedepot.com/corporateresponsibility/HDFoundation/Pages/ComimpactGrant.aspx>

Did You Know?

Grants.gov is your place to FIND and APPLY for federal grants. The United States Department of Health and Human Services is the managing partner for Grants.gov.

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

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Lemelson-MIT InvenTeam Grant

Application Deadline: September 5, 2014
Award Notification for 2015 InvenTeams: October 15, 2014

The Lemelson-MIT Program awards InvenTeam grants of up to \$10,000 to teams of high school students, teachers, and mentors who invent technological solutions to real-world problems. Each InvenTeam of 5-15 high school students chooses its own issue to address, and they rely on inquiry and hands-on problem solving as they apply lessons from science, technology, engineering, and math to develop invention prototypes. Applicants are encouraged to consider needs of the world's poorest people when brainstorming invention ideas. Science, math, and technology educators at high schools and nonprofit educational organizations are eligible to apply. For more information, visit:

<http://web.mit.edu/inventteams/apply.html>

Student Achievement Grants

Application Deadline: October 15, 2014
Award Notification: January 2015

The NEA Foundation provides grants to improve the academic achievement of students in U.S. public schools and public higher education institutions in any subject area(s). The proposed work should engage students in critical thinking and problem solving that deepen their knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection. The grant amounts available are \$2,000 and \$5,000.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.nea.org/>

My School Wish Grants

Application Deadline: Ongoing

MySchoolWish is an online communication tool in which schools can list their school needs (i.e. football helmets, copy paper, books, etc.) on their FuelMySchool page. Members of the community can become a real-life genie by granting school wishes online.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.fuelmyschool.com/schools/>

Learning & Leadership Grants

Application Deadline: October 15, 2014
Award Notification: January 2015

The NEA Foundation provides grants to support public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education for one of the following two purposes: Grants to individuals fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research; or grants to groups fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment.

The grant amount is \$2,000 for individuals and \$5,000 for groups engaged in collegial study. All \$5,000 group grant applicants must include partner information. For more information, visit:

<http://www.nea.org/>

Wells Fargo Grants Support Education

Application Deadline: Rolling

The bank supports local communities across the country through grants and volunteer activities. Education, including K-12 achievement gaps, is one of the supported areas. Award notification is made usually within 120 days. To review the local funding guidelines and application procedures, visit:

https://www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/ny_guidelines

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Coca-Cola Foundation Grants

Application Deadline: Rolling

The Coca-Cola Foundation supports programs that focus upon, water stewardship, healthy and active lifestyle/nutritional education, community recycling, and education, including drop-out prevention and educational initiatives. All applications must be submitted online.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.coca-colacompany.com/stories/the-coca-cola-foundation>

Grants Promote Family Literacy

Application Deadline: Quarterly, Rolling

The Wish You Well Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations that promote family literacy. The focus of the Foundation is developing and expanding literacy and educational programs. Grants range from \$2,000 to \$10,000. Requests may be submitted at any time and are reviewed four times per year. For more information, visit:

<http://wishyouwellfoundation.org/apply/>



Webinars

Webinar participants must register at least 24 hours before the webinar.

To register for any of the webinars listed below, visit:

<https://www.grantsstation.com/Programs/WebinarOrder/Webinars.aspx>

Grants: How to Get Them and What to Do Next

April 10, 2014, 2:00 PM Eastern Time

Duration: 90 minutes

Fee: \$89.00 per person, \$150.00 per site

This webinar explores the ins and outs of grantseeking, providing some very specific advice about how to be successful at securing outside funding from both foundations and corporations. Topics covered include: types of grants, types of grant support, alternatives to cash grants, and how to determine where grants fit in your overall funding scheme.

Non-profit Accounting Basics for Grant Recipients

April 17, 2014, 2:00 PM Eastern Time

Duration: 90 minutes

Fee: \$89.00 per person, \$150.00 per site

Learn the necessary guidelines and procedures for developing an effective accounting system. Topics will include defining acceptable financial records, establishing internal control policies and procedures, and how to comply with the Financial Accounting Standards Board reporting requirements. This webinar is designed for non-profits that need information about basic accounting procedures.