

GRANT SEEKING & PROPOSAL WRITING RESOURCES



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SPECTRUM OF SOURCES

- **Federal**
 - **State**
 - **Private**

- **Community Foundations**
<http://www.communityfoundationlocator.com>

- **Education Foundations**
<http://www.cfef.net>

- **Private/Family Foundations**
(see various listings which follow)

- **Corporate Foundations, Corporate Giving Programs**
(see various listings which follow)

Always check past-funded proposals to see whom, where & what they are actually funding!

VARIETY OF APPROACHES

- **Educational institution**
- **Target population**
- **Recommended activity**
- **Facility**
- **To prevent a problem**
- **Research experiment**
- **Match need with collaborating partners/resources**

SEARCH ENGINES

➤ **Yahoo**

<http://www.yahoo.com>

➤ **Metacrawler**

<http://www.metacrawler.com>

➤ **Dogpile**

<http://www.dogpile.com>

➤ **Google**

<http://www.google.com>

➤ **Excite**

<http://www.excite.com>

➤ **Ask Jeeves**

<http://www.ask.com>

➤ **Mamma**

<http://www.mamma.com>

➤ **Vivisimo**

<http://www.vivisimo.com>

Please Note: Web site addresses and information can change. We strive to keep this document current; however, due to the dynamic features of the Web you may find that some information has changed since the last update.



IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Nearly all foundation and corporate grants must be provided through the district's or college's, foundation; not the school board or board of trustees.

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GRANTS-RELATED WEB LINKS & INTERNET RESOURCES

Federal & State Government Sources

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance [CFDA]

<http://www.cfda.gov>.

Catalog of State Financial Assistance

Statewide compendium of state projects that provide financial assistance to nonstate entities.

<http://www.state.fl.us/fsaa/catalog.htm>.

Florida Department of Education

Links to Department offices and programs.

<http://www.fldoe.org>

FirstGov.gov

<http://www.firstgov.org>

Grants.gov

<http://www.grants.gov>

Governor's Office

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

The International Society of Research Administrators

An exhaustive list of links to government funding sources, OMB circulars, federal grants forms, laws, regulations, Federal Register, CFR, FOIA, and Library of Congress

<http://www.srainternational.org/newweb/grantsweb/index.cfm>

U. S. Department of Education Grants Information

<http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/find/edpicks.jhtml?src=ln>

- Grant announcements and applications
- Grants forecast
- Grant awards database
- Guide to programs
- EDGAR
- Grant e-announcements Listproc@inet.ed.gov

***** Special Notice*****

Organizations applying for federal grants will be required to have a Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number for grants or cooperative agreements after October 1, 2003. The government plans to improve statistical reporting using this number. Organizations should verify that they have a DUNS number or take steps to obtain one at no cost. They should call the dedicated toll-free DUNS Number request line at 1-866-705-5711 or visit <http://www.dnb.com/us>.

GUIDE TO GRANT-SEEKING

The federal government publishes extensive information about grants

If there is one area where the federal government has been doing a very good job, it is in notifying the Internet-user about grant programs. The major government agencies affecting the education community, such as the Department of Education, Department of Health & Human Services, Department of Labor, etc., publish the following on their websites and links:

1. Announcements of current grant competitions
2. RFPs [Requests for Proposals], SGAs [Solicitation for Grant Applications], NOFAs [Notification of Funding Availability] or Federal Register announcements, which provide all the information you need to apply. [Often they provide the necessary forms for downloading.]
3. Updates and answers to questions during a competition
4. Information about previous grants and grantees, funded under the program authority
5. Full text of sample, successful proposals, or information about how to obtain copies of these documents
6. Calendar of upcoming grant competitions
7. Prevailing research, reports and/or best practices
8. Frequently-asked-questions, FAQs, regarding the agency and/or programs
9. Staff, their responsibilities and contact information
10. Policy memoranda
11. Newsletters
12. Links to professional organizations who implement their grants
13. "How-to" manuals on grant-writing

The "Granddaddy of Grant Guides" now is on the Internet

The ***Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance [CFDA]*** website at <http://www.cfda.gov> offers the following:

1. The most extensive list of federal grant programs [the hardcover edition had traditionally been the federal applicant's "bible"]

2. The entries include the following about programs: code number, legislative authority, objectives, types of assistance, uses and restrictions, eligibility requirements, beneficiary eligibility requirements, application and award process, range of processing time, appeals, renewals, funds allocation, matching, reports, range and average amount of assistance, number of past grants awarded, applicable regulations, contact particulars, abstract of a sample, funded project and general criteria for selecting proposals
3. First time user's guide
4. Browser categories arranged by function, agency, sub-agency, alphabetical by program title, applicant eligibility, beneficiary, program deadline, type of assistance, programs requiring State Clearinghouse Review, Budget Function Code.
5. Search mechanisms for specific types of programs
6. Guide to applying for federal grants
7. Manual, "Developing and Writing Grant Proposals"
8. Links to other federal government search engines and links, which are listed below and federal asset sales [federal surplus equipment].

The *Federal Register* publishes RFPs or their equivalents

This primary source of federal government information is published five times a week. The hardcover, with indexes, costs over \$600 per year, and constitutes a great deal of paper and searching work. This is because the *Register* includes Presidential documents, all official agency pronouncements and documents required for publication by Congressional Act. The *Federal Register* provides updates to the multi-book *Code of Federal Regulations*. Yet buried in there are the notices inviting applications for new awards, offering all the information you need to apply. [You do have to download Form 424 and a few other application forms separately, but you are told how to access them.]

The *Federal Register* is a good way to conduct background research on the department's perspectives of the various programs. In the publications of proposed rulemaking, the department's Secretary [read, "staff"] responds to public suggestions regarding changing rules. Here you can learn what the staff likes and does not like about the way the current program is run which can indicate future priorities.

All the above is available to you free at the ***Federal Register*** website:

<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html>

A new system of government links: Internet referrals made easy

Many state agencies will link you with their federal counterpart program and vice versa. They are available to you through the Florida Governor's home page, <http://www.MyFlorida.com> The federal government link takes you to FirstGov.gov, <http://www.firstgov.gov/> the federal government's official portal. There you can choose topics like "grants" or "data and statistics" for information you can use in your needs statement.

The U.S.D.E. grants websites is <http://www.ed.gov/fund/landing.jhtml?src=rt>. You also can access all state homepages and other valuable government contacts at <http://www.loc.gov/rr/news/stategov/stategov.html> The Department of Agriculture links grant-seekers to a search of funding programs for rural areas at <http://ocd1.usda.gov/nofa.htm>

Many private sources of funds operate like government sites

Several grants centers that inform you about private and corporate foundation grants also link you to federal sources of funds. Like the federal sites, many of the following provide several manuals, searches and other assistance to grant-seekers. They are—

Society of Research Administrator's GrantsWeb at <http://www.srainternational.org/newweb/grantsweb/index.cfm>
Grants Online
<http://gollygrantsonline.com/index.htm#Links%20to%20Jay%20Mendell's%20many%20web%20pages>.
School Grants at <http://www.schoolgrants.org/welcome.htm>
Grants for education at <http://www.eschoolnews.com/resources/funding/>
Teachers' tutorial and sources at <http://www.teachers.net/archive/grants.html>
Funds providers by state at <http://www.fundsnetsservices.com/regions.htm>
The Grantsmanship Center at <http://www.tgci.com>
Grantstation at <http://www.grantstation.com/>
Foundation Center at <http://www.fdncenter.org/funders/>
Council on Foundations at <http://www.cof.org>
Guidestar has many resources at <http://www.guidestar.org>

Private Sources*

**In some cases government sources are included*

After School Programs

After-school programs can engage youth in several different types of activities or to receive a variety of services. Many of these programs can be fairly expensive. The following websites provide ways to pull public and private programs together to pay for after-school programs:

Action Alliance for Children

<http://www.4children.org/chcare.htm>

Afterschol.gov

Connection to federal resources for programs during out of school hours.

<http://www.afterschool.gov/cgi-bin/home.pl>

Florida Partnership for School Readiness Florida Governor's office.

<http://www.fpsr-qi.org/>

Florida Workforce Board

The JC Penney, Charles Stewart Mott and Wallace-Reader's Digest Foundations fund after-school programs in conjunction with federal grant programs. TANF [Temporary Assistance for Needy Families] money can and is being used for after-school programs. These funds require an application to the regional workforce development board in Florida.

<http://www.workforceflorida.com/wages/wfi/boards/table.htm>.

Depending upon what an applicant wants to do in the after-school program, the following might include useful funding sources:

Learn and Serve and Foster Grandparent Program (to staff) <http://cns.gov> Reading is Fundamental (for books) through U.S.D.O.E.; Juvenile Mentoring Program (JUMP) and Safe School/Healthy School both through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, <http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org>; School Action Grant Program through the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, <http://www.samhsa.gov> Save the Children Fund's Americas Forgotten Children program serving at-risk children in low-income communities, <http://www.savethechildren.org> Programs offered in a public housing facility can be funded by the U.S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development, programs that emphasize the humanities can be funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, day care funders, U.S. DOE's Title I, library funders and the state Department of Juvenile Justice.

Partners who help with costs in many communities are ASPIRA, Boys & Girls Clubs, 4-H programs, park and rec.associations, state Juvenile Justice grantees, YMCA and YouthBuild.

Major League Baseball provides Baseball Tomorrow grants to increase the number of youth from ages 10 to 16 to participating in baseball and softball programs. Eligible recipients are non-profit, tax-exempt organizations involved in youth baseball and softball. Projects should significantly expand baseball or softball programs in a measurable way and be achievable within a specific time frame. Application deadlines for four funding cycles are January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1.

http://mlb.mlb.com/NASApp/mlb/mlb/official_info/community/btf.jsp.

Nike's Bowerman Track Program provides up to \$50,000 matching cash grants for track renovations. Applicants must show a need for track renovation or construction. Recipients are encouraged but not required to use Nike Grind material. Nike says they will make grants to organizations anywhere in the world, but most of the early grants have been in Oregon.

<http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26&item=bowerman>

Out of School Time Project

<http://www.financeprojectinfo.org/ost>

Public Welfare Foundation

The Public Welfare Foundation is a private organization that funds programs for disadvantaged youth, welfare reform and several special initiatives which provide innovative and lasting intervention for persons in poverty tracks. Proposals are funded on average from \$50,000 to \$100,000 but the proposed project should be sophisticated. The Foundation's goals would have to be accomplished naturally in an after-school setting.

http://www.publicwelfare.org/grants/grants/2003_grants.asp

Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers

School Districts and Community-based Organizations partner to provide a safe and educational environment for students after-school. Twenty-first Century School programs are linked to daytime curriculum and character-building activities.

<http://www.firn.edu/doe/curriculum/21century.htm>

Arts (Performing & Visual)

Coming Up Taller Awards

Each year ten awards of \$10,000 each are presented to Coming Up Taller Award honorees for exemplary programs fostering creative and intellectual development through the arts and humanities. Awards are sponsored by the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities in partnership with several foundations and businesses.

<http://www.cominguptaller.org/awards.html>

Florida Division of Cultural Affairs Grants

The Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs funds a variety of arts and cultural programs and awards. Information is available at (850) 487-0250.

<http://www.florida-arts.org/grants/index.htm>

Music Education Program Grants

The Mockingbird Foundation Inc. (MFI), funds music education programs for children. The foundation seeks to fund projects which encourage creative expression in all musical forms (including composition, instrumentation, vocalization, and improvisation), but will also support more basic needs within conventional instruction. MFI is particularly, though not exclusively, interested in funding programs which benefit disenfranchised groups. (831) 465-6989

<http://www.phish.net/mockingbird/funding/>

National Education Foundation [NEA] Fine Arts Awards

The NEA provides awards for teachers to implement projects in the visual and performing arts. In 2001, Florida teachers won three of the ten awards given in this category.

<http://www.nfie.org/grants.htm>

Mockingbird Foundation

The Mockingbird foundation, funded by Phish and their fans, supports music for education initiatives, children, and youth. More than \$170,000 in grants has been distributed nationwide to foster music programs. <http://www.mockingbirdfoundation.org/funding>

At-Risk Populations/ Special Needs

Citigroup Foundation Grants

The philanthropic arm of Citibank Corp., dedicates approximately 75 percent of its charitable contributions to community development and education programs. The foundation's K-12 giving focuses on strengthening education in low-income neighborhoods. Its grants emphasize the creation of "smarter schools" and "smarter classrooms." The "smarter schools" initiative supports improvements in the governance of public schools and higher standards for student performance. It also funds alternative schools that offer more individual attention to students, as well as mentoring and tutoring programs. The "smarter classrooms" initiative supports innovative classroom technologies and successful school-to-work programs. The Citigroup Foundation prefers to solicit proposals from grantees with demonstrated successes. Unsolicited proposals will be accepted, but a favorable decision is less likely.

<http://www.citigroup.com/citigroup/corporate/foundation/index.htm>

Education Foundation of America [EFA]

The EFA board prefers education programs aimed at resolving social service issues, helping students with learning disabilities, working with at-risk children and providing educational leadership for enhancing the learning environment. EFA also has a category of grants for assisting Native American communities, particularly educating children and the community as-a-whole and in sustaining the native culture.

<http://www.efaw.org>

For the Good of the Game grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations by the **United States Golf Foundation [USGA]** to involve disadvantaged youth and youth with disabilities in golf. Grants may be used for golf course and practice range access, golf instruction, golf equipment, including adaptive equipment, transportation and construction costs for alternative, beginner-friendly golf courses. Deadlines are late January and July 1, 2003.

<http://www.usga.org/aboutus/foundation/foundation.html>

Camry Music Education Fund Assists At-Risk Music Programs

In an effort to raise money for at-risk music education programs across America, Toyota established the Camry Music Education Fund. The fund generated over \$170,000 to help music programs that are in jeopardy due to lack of funding. The money from the Fund was given to MENC to distribute through the Fund for the Advancement of Music Education (FAME).

<http://www.menc.org/connect/toyota/main.html>

The Green Family Foundation

The Green Family Foundation funds projects that engage and empower disenfranchised communities. That is, projects that include and involve the people it seeks to benefit without imposing upon their dignity or their rights. They are committed to working with non-profit agencies and community leaders. The Foundation looks for programs that show potential and have developed long-term plans to sustain and even expand their efforts. In this sense, special consideration is given to entities that are able to secure matching funds and those that have a proven record of accomplishment within the community. The Foundation also supports and encourages the development of new and creative ways to respond to long-standing social

problems rather than merely funding existing programs. Visit the website for information on specific guidelines at <http://www.greenff.org/grantmaking.shtml>.

Hasbro Children's Foundation

Funding to improve the quality of life for disadvantaged children throughout the United States (birth to age 12) in areas of health, education, and social services. Also funds universally accessible play spaces. <http://www.hasbro.org/default.asp?x=hcf/hcf>

Tiger Woods Foundation

The foundation focuses on children, youth and families, and includes education which prevents or intervenes in problems. Projects are limited to urban cities and should be tailored to respond to the distinctive needs of at-risk groups. [See Target Stores, in **Arts**, for another Tiger Woods program.]

<http://www.twfound.org/grants/default.sps?itype=7609>

Toy Industry Foundation (TIF)

The Toy Industry Foundation (TIF) wants to make toys and play available to every homeless child across America. TIF wants to give these children a chance to experience the pleasure and creative thinking that result from play. TIF's mission is "to unite the toy industry as a catalyst in bringing joy, happiness, and comfort to children in need through the experience of toys and play." TIF's guiding principles are to: enhance the healthy development of homeless children living in North America and to promote the benefits of play through community outreach and collaboration. Incorporating the program objectives above, the TIF will fund projects that serve as models for other organizations and lend themselves to measurable evaluation, with results that may be disseminated to wide audiences. Visit http://www.toy-tia.org/Content/NavigationMenu/Toy_Industry_Foundation/Toy_Industry_Foundation.htm.

Whitney Houston Foundation for Children

The foundation "is dedicated to promoting positive self-image in children and youth by providing opportunities for them to learn and express themselves in safe, supportive environments." The method for achieving this goal is not dictated by the foundation. <http://www.whfoundation.com/>

Charter Schools

Walton Family Foundation, Inc., funding for Charter Schools

The foundation makes grants to charter schools and charter-school developers in the following areas: planning grants, start-up grants and expansion/sustaining grants. The foundation places no restrictions on the grants made with the exception of payments for facilities or renovation to facilities. The Walton Charter School office east of the Mississippi can be reached at (401) 845-8385.

http://www.wffhome.com/program_focus.htm#A.%20Charter%20School%20Initiative

Charter Schools which are 501©3 corporations are eligible for most grants in this document.

Demographics, Data & Resources

.... to support your Needs Statement

Agency for Workforce Innovation, Office of Workforce Information Services Source of Florida labor market information and statistics. <http://www.labormarketinfo.com>

Education Publications and Statistics
<http://www.fldoe.org/news/default.asp>

FirstGov
Federal grant information, useful data and reports. www.firstgov.gov

Florida Business Statistics
<http://www.florida-business-data.com/florida-population.htm>

Government Census Quick Facts
<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/12000.html>

Labor Market Data
<http://www.labormarketinfo.com/>

Living Standards and Labor Markets
<http://www.epinet.org/>

National Child Care Information Center Florida Demographics including state child care profiles and contact information.
<http://www.nccic.org/statedata/statepro/florida.html>.

Pricegrabber
Resource site for pricing items when developing a budget. <http://www.Pricegrabber.com>

Salaries
Resource site for determining salaries and benefits of project staff positions when developing budget. <http://www.salary.com>

Statistics and Research

Title I Programs Statistical Data http://www.firn.edu/doe/title1/pubs_data.htm

US Bureau of Labor Statistics <http://stats.bls.gov/>

US Department of Health and Human Services Joint Center for Poverty Research.
Newsletter includes policy summaries, list of publications; grant programs.
<http://www.icpr.org/index.html>

English / Journalism

American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE]

ASNE funds partnerships of a local subscription newspaper and a local high school lacking a student newspaper. A maximum grant of \$5,000 is used to equip the school with hardware and software needed to produce a school newspaper. Funding is from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation. The grantor likes to work with schools with high minority populations. ASNE also sponsors the Institute for Journalism Excellence to update educators knowledge on innovations in the industry. <http://www.asne.org/index.cfm?ID=3458>

The National Council of Teachers of English

This national association of English teachers provides various awards for writing and exemplary teaching in each of its divisions: elementary, middle, secondary and college. <http://www.ncte.org/about/grants>.

Environmental Education

Earthwatch Institute Education Awards

Offers fellowships for K-12 educators to join two-week field expeditions throughout the world. The institute aims to promote multidisciplinary science and social studies curriculum in schools nationwide as well as enrich teachers and enhance the academic experience of students. Supports the work of renowned scientists in the fields of archaeology, cultural diversity, endangered ecosystems, and biodiversity, & others. <http://www.earthwatch.org/grants/educators.html>

The National Geographic Society's Education Foundation

The foundation makes grants of up to \$5,000 each to help educators make an even greater impact in their classroom, school, district, and/or community through innovative geography education projects. http://www.nationalgeographic.com/education/teacher_community/get_grant.html

National Wildlife Federation

Offers an array of resources to k-12 educators, including materials and teacher training workshops for educators and school communities interested in creating or restoring wildlife habitat on their school grounds. <http://www.nwf.org/education>

Seaworld/Busch Gardens Environmental Excellence Awards

These awards provide \$10,000 each year to winning schools and \$5,000 to one teacher as well as field trips to these theme parks for students of winning projects designed to protect and preserve the environment. www.seaworld.org or www.buschgardens.org

US Environmental Protection Agency

http://www.epa.gov/oqd/grants/funding_opportunities.htm.

Youth Garden Grants

These grants are given to successful applicant schools who undertake child-centered garden plans with at least 15 children between the ages of three and eighteen. Grants include tools, seeds, plant materials, products and educational resources. www.kidsgardening.com

Faith-Based

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation

Provides capacity-building grants for organizations of faith-based groups to provide leadership training and community organization in low-income areas. [Additional community development funding has been provided in the Glades-Hendry County areas, home of the formerly Mott-directed U.S. Sugar. The foundation also has funded the large community foundations in Florida.] The foundation has very strict guidelines which must be followed, including innovative approaches that can be reproduced elsewhere.

<http://www.mott.org/programs/programs.asp>

Children's Defense Fund

For more than 15 years, the Children's Defense Fund has partnered with the religious community to nurture and protect children. "We seek to provide resources and support to help them put their faith into action for children." For information or assistance, call (202) 662-3589 or e-mail cdfinfo@childrensdefense.org.

<http://www.childrensdefense.org>

Health & Safety

Aetna Foundation Community Grants

Funding is provided out of regional allotments of funds to address children's health, women's health and disparities in health. Examples of types of programs are education and promotion programs to increase family awareness about the importance of immunizations and screenings and cultural competency training for health professionals. The deadline for proposals is June 28.

<http://www.aetna.com/foundation/communitygrants/rfp.htm>

The Allen Foundation

The Allen Foundation offers grants to support nutrition programs in health, education, training, and research areas nationwide. Priorities include: nutritional research, training children and young adults to lead a nutritionally balanced life for good health and development, training mothers during pregnancy to develop good nutritional habits, training individuals seeking to pursue nutrition-related careers, subsidizing nutrition publications and disseminating information on healthy nutrition practices. A small amount of funding may be requested for solving immediate emergency hunger and malnutrition problems. <http://www.allenfoundation.org>

Allstate Foundation Grants

Makes grants to nonprofit organizations, including public K-12 schools, for projects that are related to automobile and highway safety, homes and neighborhoods, and personal safety and security. Programs that raise awareness of poverty, child abuse, drugs, and violence prevention are eligible for consideration. Applicants should offer safeguards against gangs, guns, sexual harassment, and domestic violence. Grants typically range from \$5,000 to \$10,000. There are no deadlines.

<http://www.allstate.com/foundation>

Baxter International Foundation

This foundation focus is on the health of children through preventative programs and improving skills of health care providers. The majority of grants go to communities where Baxter and Allegiance employees live. Several Baxter instruments are produced in Largo.

<http://www.baxter.com/investors/citizenship/foundation/index.html>

Elton John AIDS Foundation & National AIDS Fund

The mission of the Elton John AIDS Foundation is to provide funding for educational programs targeted at HIV/AIDS prevention and/or the elimination of prejudice and other barriers affecting people living with HIV/AIDS. <http://www.aidsfund.org>.

http://www.eltonjohn.com/now/now_index.asp

Finish Line Youth Foundation

The Finish Line Youth Foundation provides funding for programs that support education, sports and exercise. These wellness programs place importance on living a healthy lifestyle, giving children confidence, leadership and teamwork skills. Visit

http://www.finishline.com/store/corporate_info/youthfoundation.jsp.

Healthy Community Resources

<http://www.communityresources.net>.

Library

American Association of School Librarians/American Library Association Awards (AASL /ALA) <http://www.ala.org/Template.cfm?Section=grantfellowship>

Ezra Jack Keats Foundation

Ezra Jack Keats Mini-grants are offered to School and Public Libraries that promote literacy and creativity in children. Curricula relating to the work of Ezra Jack Keats are given priority, but not required. Programs that will be considered are innovative or noteworthy workshops, lectures and festivals, as well as programs targeted at parents and pre-school children. Before applying, the foundation suggests that all applicants check out their website for ideas for mini-grants and to print out the application. The web-site is <http://www.ezra-jack-keats.org/programs/minigrants.htm>.

Grants and Awards for k-12 libraries and media centers

<http://falcon.jmu.edu/~ramseyil/libraries.htm#L>

IMLS Institute of Media and Library Services <http://www.ims.gov/>

Institute of Museum and Library Services Grants and State Library Grants

Grants and awards are made to libraries for systematic and ongoing commitment to public service through exemplary and innovative programs and community partnerships. One category funds library and museum collaboration. <http://www.ims.gov/grants/library/index.htm>

One grant, mentioned at the above site, is made to the state for issuing sub-grants to communities.

Those grants and similar projects are administered by the Secretary of State's office at

<http://dlis.dos.state.fl.us/bld/grants/index.htm>

International Association of School Librarianship

School library resources on the internet. <http://www.iasl-slo.org/linksiasl.html>

Librarians index to the Internet. <http://lii.org/>

Librarians Information Online Network (LION)

<http://www.libraries.phila.k12.pa.us/lion/>

National School Library Media Program

Recognizing that the mission of the school library media program is to ensure that students and staff are effective users of ideas and information, this program recognizes a variety of innovative library programs and staff. <http://www.ala.org/ala/aasl/aaslawards/natlsImprogram/aaslnational.htm>

RRDonnelley provides books and book series they publish for libraries in communities where they have manufacturing plants. In Florida, these communities are Boca Raton, Jacksonville, Maitland and Tampa. Proposals are accepted between January 1 and November 1 every year.

<http://www.rrdonnelley.com/wwwRRD/AboutUs/Community/CommunityGrant.asp>.

21 Century Librarian Recruitment and Education initiative

<http://www.ims.gov/grants/library/pdf/bs2-22.pdf>

Math & Science

Aerospace Industries [AIA] and the National Association for Rocketry [NAR] sponsor a **Team America Rocketry Challenge**. Teams design, build and fly a model rocket carrying two raw eggs to exactly 1500 feet. The grand prize is \$59,000. The next top ten teams compete for three \$2,500 grants to design, build and launch a rocket at NASA. Each of the top 25 teams is invited to send one teacher to an advanced NASA rocketry workshop. Rules for the 2004 contest will be available in September. <http://www.aia-aerospace.org/>

Camille and Henry Dreyfus Special Grant Program in the Chemical Sciences

Schools, colleges and universities can apply for funds to support curricular development and materials. "The Special Grant program is intended to advance the science of chemistry with the expectation that grant recipients will find continuing funding from other sources. However, proposals are invited in any area consistent with the Foundation's basic objectives in the chemical sciences and not covered by other Foundation programs." Past grantees have been postsecondary institutions, but many of their projects involve staff development for secondary teachers or innovative teaching methods. Inquiries are due in June and proposals due at the end of August.

<http://www.dreyfus.org/sq.shtml#eligibility>

Lockheed Martin Site includes educational initiatives sponsored by the corporation.

<http://www.lockheedmartin.com/wms/findPage.do?dsp=fec&ci=12908&sc=400>.

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation

This foundation funds initiatives in a local Lowe's community which address environmental concerns and improvement of community property. [The Lowe's foundation also funds educational scholarships for individuals seeking 2-year or 4-year training in construction trades.] The foundation recommends that potential grant applicants first contact the manager of their local Lowe's store. <http://www.lowes.com/lkn?action=pg&p=AboutLoves/Community>

MathSoft Educational Grant Programs

MathSoft, a provider of math, science, and engineering software, has two grant programs available: the StudyWorks Innovative Teaching Grant Program and the Conference Presenter Grant Program. Through the former, educators and schools can receive a lab grant for 25 Studyworks for Schools licenses as well as additional licenses for the school's media center. Interested applicants must submit a detailed proposal explaining how they would incorporate Studyworks into their curriculum. Grant recipients will receive a grant of \$100 or \$200 dollars. Fax: (617) 577-8829

<http://www.studyworksonline.com>

National Science Foundation

Provides funding and information for educational programs. www.nsf.gov

NWA [National Weather Association] Sol Hirsch Education Fund Grants

The NWA sponsors three \$500 grants each to K-12 teachers who improve the education of their students in meteorology. Grants can pay for equipment and supplies, courses or conference attendance. Applicants provide a description of proposed activities. Educators have won award in some other categories of the program.

www.nwas.org.

Program for Gender Equity in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology

The program seeks to broaden the participation of girls and young women in all fields of science, mathematics, engineering and technology (SMET) education by supporting research, demonstration, and dissemination projects that will lead to change in education policy and practice. Typical projects will investigate gender-related differences in learning; gender-related differences in educational experience, interest, and performance; and pedagogical approaches and teaching styles that are gender-neutral or encouraging to female students. The findings and outcomes of the program will lead to understanding, for example, how to maintain the interest of girls in science past middle school, how to bring more girls into elective high school mathematics and advanced placement science courses, and how to increase enrollments in undergraduate studies in SMET, particularly in physical sciences, engineering and computer sciences. The program offers one to three year grants.

http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf01130

Toshiba America Foundation's Grade 7-12 Grant Program

The Toshiba America Foundation encourages programs, projects and activities which have the potential to improve classroom teaching and learning of science, mathematics and the science and mathematics of technology. The Toshiba America Foundation has changed its giving priorities in favor of projects and proposals from individual or groups of classroom teachers in grade schools (7-12). Grade Levels Projects for grades 7-12 **ONLY** are eligible for funding. The Foundation is most interested in teacher-planned and led projects which take place in the classroom. Project Design Educators should implement and/or adapt existing programs, materials, techniques, curricula, etc. to meet local classroom needs rather than attempting to create new ones. The Large Grants Program awards grants of more than \$5,000 in March and September (with deadlines of Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, respectively) All applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the Foundation at any time before or during the proposal preparation process. Phone: 212/588-0820 Fax: 212/588-0824

<http://www.toshiba.com/taf>.

Toshiba Small Grants Program

Toshiba provides a maximum of \$1,000 each for **K-6 projects** which teachers conduct in addition to routine science and math units. Up to 75 grants are available. Projects may be conducted during the school day, before- or after-, but not as take-home projects, and cover at least three class sessions. Applicants should employ standards from National Council of Teachers of Mathematics and/or National Science Teachers Association. www.toshiba.com

Toyota Tapestry Program

Toyota provides 50 grants of up to \$10,000 each and a minimum of 20 mini-grants of \$2,500 each to K-12 science teachers for innovative science projects to be implemented in their schools over a one-year period. Three categories: environmental science education, physical science education and literacy and science education.

www.nsta.org/programs/tapestry/index.htm

Toyota TIME (Toyota's Investment in Mathematics Excellence)

Toyota also provides a maximum of \$10,000 for projects, to be completed within two years, which demonstrate creativity and innovation in teaching math. Up to 35 awards are available. Teacher-initiated projects may address curriculum development, business partnerships, staff development, after-school experiences, involvement of at-risk and minority students and state-of-the art teaching techniques. Co-sponsors are Toyota and the Mathematics Education Trust Fund.

www.nctm.org or <http://www.nctm.org/about/toyota/brochure.asp>

Urban Systemic Program in Science, Mathematics, and Technology Education

This is a K-12-based program that promotes systemic reform of science and mathematics education for all students. Also includes programmatic components that seek to foster partnerships between urban school districts and two-and four-year colleges and universities and embed research on educational practice and learning.

http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf0115

Multiple-Purpose

All-USA Teacher Team

USA TODAY provides \$2,500 cash awards to 20 outstanding K-12 educators, or instructional teams and their schools. Second and third team award winners receive national recognition but no cash. A teacher or instructional team may be nominated by anyone, other than themselves, who are familiar with their work.

http://www.usatoday.com/news/education/2003-01-13-allstar-teach-intro_x.htm

AT&T

Variety of company sponsored community, education, and technology grants, resources, and initiatives. <http://www.att.com/foundation/grants.html>

BankAtlantic Foundation

The BankAtlantic Foundation funds specific projects as well as general operations for programs within the areas of arts and culture, education and literacy, community and economic development, or social services. Visit the website at

<http://www.bankatlantic.com/CommunityInvestment/bafoundation.asp>.

Bank of America Foundation

A primary area of giving for the Bank of America Foundation is providing educational opportunities in literacy, school readiness, economic education, teacher preparation, need-based and merit scholarships and work readiness. Complete the eligibility quiz and apply online at

http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/index.cfm?template=fd_grantapp.

ClassLink Grants from Nokia

Sponsored by cell phone manufacturer Nokia and a consortium of cell phone service providers, the program gives cell phones and free calling time to classroom instructors. Designed to create additional in-class learning opportunities by enabling students to call subject matter experts during school time, and to provide instructors with emergency access to telephones to ensure their safety and the safety of their students. Among the innovative uses of the system has been a project in a private school in Florida that allows each teacher to place his or her homework assignment on wireless voice mail daily, so that parents can call in and confirm their children's homework assignments. Grants are made by individual local wireless providers; to find out if your provider is participating in the program, go to the ClassLink web site.

<http://www.wirelessfoundation.org/ClassLink/index.cfm>

Clorox Company Foundation

The foundation focuses on improving academic performance, preparing youth for the world of work and promoting positive relationships among youth from diverse cultural and ethnic groups. [Funds in communities where employees work: Tampa and Miami.

<http://www.thecloroxcompany.com/community/index.html>.

The Coca-Cola Foundation Grants

The mission of The Coca-Cola Foundation is to improve the quality of life in the community and enhance individual opportunity through education. They support educational programs primarily within three main areas: higher education, classroom teaching and learning, and international education. Programs support scholarships for aspiring students; encourage and motivate young people to stay in school; and foster cultural understanding. They support the higher education of deserving high school seniors through 50 National Coca-Cola Scholarships (\$20,000 each), 200 Regional Coca-Cola Scholarships (\$4,000 each), and the 400 Coca-Cola Two-Year College Scholarship Program (\$1,000 each).

http://www2.coca-cola.com/citizenship/foundation_guidelines.html

Darden Restaurants Foundation

The Darden Restaurant Foundation provides grants for education, social services/nutrition, and the environment. The restaurant chain includes Red Lobster, Olive Garden, Bahama Breeze and Smokey Bones BBQ, and is headquartered in Orlando. Grants are concentrated in, but not restricted to, the central Florida area. Many of the education grants support hospitality programs or scholarships for minority or business/hospitality students. Social services grants include operating support. An application is available at

http://www.dardenrestaurants.com/community/grant_request_form.html.

Dollar General Community Investments funds two programs: **Back-to-School** grants provide \$5,000 grants to assist schools in starting new programs or purchasing equipment, materials or software for their school library or literacy program. The deadline is August 15, 2003. The **Community Grants** program funds nonprofit organizations in the advancement of literacy, drop-out prevention and character education. The four deadlines for this program are in March, June, September and December.

<http://www.dollargeneral.com/community/communityinvestments.aspx>

Donors Forum

For charitable planning purposes and to promote philanthropy, this site offers resources and links to publications and other websites that provide information about philanthropy, grantmaking, and the nonprofit sector *in south Florida*. <http://www.donorsforumsf.org/>

First Data Western Union

The First Data Western Union Foundation supports educational, health and human service programs in the United States. The Foundation gives educational grants to support programs that provide basic literacy skills for adults and after-school tutoring for kids. Priority is given to schools who do not have the necessary resources to encourage their students to stay in school and succeed. For specific program guidelines visit <http://www.firstdatawesternunion.org>.

The Foundation Center

Philanthropic information for funding opportunities, grant seeking tools, proposal writing program www.fdncenter.org/funders/

Grantmakers in Florida

www.fundsnetsservices.com/florida.htm

The Grantsmanship Center

Provides daily grant announcements and links to many federal, state and private agencies providing funding. Also provides grant training. www.tgci.com

Hilton Hotel Chain

Funds education and youth programs nationally and in communities where the company has a presence. In Florida, the Grand Vacation Club part of Hilton is based in Orlando. In any community with a hotel in the Hilton family, (Hilton, Doubletree, Embassy Suites, Hampton Inn, Homewood Suites and Conrad) requests for in-kind contributions of hotel room nights should be made of the General Manager of the Hilton-branded property in your area.

http://www.hiltonworldwide.com/en/ww/company_info/philanthropy_citizenship.jhtml

Inspired Teacher Scholarships for Visual Learning

Inspired Teacher Scholarships for Visual Learning are available to defray the costs associated with attendance at a workshop, conference, or graduate course that focuses on visual learning and technology in education. Candidate must be an educator in a K-12 school. A minimum of one year of service is required. Twenty (20) scholarships of \$500 each will be awarded to selected candidates. <http://www.inspiration.com/prodev/index.cfm?fuseaction=scholarship>

JM Family Enterprises, INC.

JM Family Enterprises, INC. donates charitable gifts to 501(c)(3) organizations who are focused primarily on at-risk and disadvantaged youth, education, the arts and multi-cultural diversity. Since its inception in 1968, JM Family's hands-on approach has earned numerous awards. Charitable gift requests are reviewed as they are received. However, all organizations should allow 4 to 6 weeks for review and research of a charitable request. For specific program details visit the website at <http://www.jmfamily.com/community/charity.htm>.

John S. and James L. Knight Foundation

The Knight Foundation funds a variety of educational programs if and as they respond to needs of communities where Knight newspapers are published. In Florida, these communities are Boca Raton, Palm Beach County; Bradenton, Manatee County; Miami, Miami-Dade County and Tallahassee, Leon County. <http://www.knightfdn.org/>

Jordan Fundamental Grants Program

Awards \$2,500 each to grades 6-12 teachers who demonstrate creativity and high expectations in working with economically disadvantaged students. At least 40% of the school's student population must be eligible for free or reduced lunch. Applicants develop an original lesson plan or thematic unit and use grant funds for resource materials, equipment, transportation and similar costs related to the project. jordanfundamentals@csfa.org

Learn and Serve

Students learn through serving their communities. Students provide at least 40 hours of service in programs integrated with their school curricula. The grant pays for supplies and transportation and other means for students to participate.

<http://www.fsu.edu/~flserve/>

National Endowment for the Humanities "Extending the Reach" Grant Program

Special initiative to provide new resources for creative teaching, scholarship, public programming, and preservation efforts in the humanities by supporting initiatives in selected U.S. states and territories and by enhancing work in the humanities at Historically Black, Hispanic-serving, and Tribal universities. Nonprofit cultural and educational organizations in Alabama, Alaska, **Florida**, Idaho, Louisiana, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, Texas, Washington, and Wyoming are welcome to apply for grants. The program encompasses three categories: Consultation Grants, Preservation Assistance Grants, and Humanities Scholar-in-Residence Grants. Grants for Historically

Black, Hispanic-serving, and Tribal colleges and universities are also available in the categories of Institutional Grants and Faculty Research Grants. Applications for all programs are available online at the NEH Web site. Public Information Office (202) 606-8400 info@neh.gov ;
<http://www.nhalliance.org/neh/fy2003.pdf>

The Philanthropy News Network Online

Information for grant seekers and grant makers, links to private, corporate and community foundations .www.pnnonline.org

Random Acts of Kindness Foundation

Several Florida teachers have received Random Acts' awards. The foundation grants 10 awards of \$500 each for lesson plans from current and retired teachers who encourage students to experience the positive act of kindness in their classrooms.

www.actsofkindness.org

SchoolGrants

K-12 funding opportunities for federal, state and private sources

www.schoolgrants.org

Unsung Heroes Award

The first-prize winner receives \$25,000; the second, \$10,000; the third, \$5,000, and **up to 100 runners-up receive \$2,000 each**. Prizes are given for innovative lesson plans.

www.unsungheroes.com

Verizon has provided many grants for many purposes to education foundations in the state of Florida. Their grant categories are Verizon Reads, Verizon Connects and Verizon Works, including school-to-work programs and initiatives to help persons with disabilities through adaptive technology. The state contact for the program is James Marzano, External Affairs Manager, 8800 Adamo Drive, MC FLTC0010, Tampa, FL 33619 or e-mail at james.marzano@verizon.com. Grantseekers are required to apply on line at the Verizon Foundation website.

<http://foundation.verizon.com/>

Nonprofit's Fundraising Ideas/Resources

A variety of sites with listings of *creative ideas, helpful articles, and resources for fundraising campaigns.*

- <http://www.target.com>
- http://www.ideazone.com/FUNdraising_Idea_Notebook.html
- <http://www.fundraising-yellow-pages.com/>
- <http://www.fundsraiser.com/index.html>
- <http://www.nickelnews.com/comp/resources/>
- <http://www.fundsnetsservices.com/fundrais.htm>

Non-Monetary & In-Kind

The following non-monetary donations must be made through the district or college educational foundation.

Bank of America Foundation

The Bank of America Foundation matches employee contributions to local educational foundations as well as providing two hours of paid time per employee to volunteer in local schools each week. The Florida Contributions contact is Michelle Braun, Bank of America in Tampa.

<http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation/index.cfm>

CharityAmerica.com

An interactive philanthropy site where you can list items, services, volunteer networks, and projects that you want to make available to others in need, as well as accessing these resources for your own nonprofit needs. <http://www.charityAmerica.com>

Gifts-in-Kind International

Gifts-in-Kind serves as an Internet exchange between donors and recipients. They get large lots of goods from businesses and make them available free or for a great reduction in price to nonprofit organizations. There is an annual registration fee of \$125 for organizations with budgets under \$ one million and \$250 for organizations with budgets over \$ one million.

<http://www.giftsinkind.org>

Government Surplus

You can locate, even select, items from inventories of government surplus property through the following websites: <http://www.firstgov.gov/shopping/shopping.shtml> for sales. Florida access is <http://fcn.state.fl.us/surplus/html>

Guidestar matches nonprofit organizations with potential donors. The nonprofit must register with Guidestar to be available to donors in their communities or areas of interest. In addition, Guidestar serves as the registry for other some other brokers of donations.

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

Independent Sector

This organization of nonprofit and charitable groups provides a dollar value of volunteered hourly time, which is continually updated.

http://www.independentsector.org/programs/research/volunteer_time.html

Inkindex donation exchange

Inkindex, is similar to the above, routing donations from givers to recipients. Examples of donations are computers, software, designer clothes, books, office furniture, photographic equipment and cars. Registering with inkindex is free.

<http://www.inkindex.com>

Literacy Volunteers of America (LVA)

LVA is a national network of 366 locally-based programs, supported by State and national staff, dedicated to increasing literacy for adults and their families. Volunteers can help change lives by improving literacy.

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

Network for Good [incorporating Helping.org]

Network for Good accepts donations on the Internet, linking the donation with the donor's intended recipient. To be a recipient, the nonprofit must be registered with GuideStar. Another way the nonprofit is aided by GuideStar is that it could come up on a search by the donor who is unsure where to direct the donation. There is no charge to register. [To participate in Gifts-in-Kind's retail program, the nonprofit has to be registered with Guidestar also.- <http://www.Guidestar.org>,] <http://www.networkforgood.org/>

Student Leadership Network for Children (SLNC)

SLNC serves as the youth development and training arm of the Black Community Crusade for Children (BCCC). Young adults, trained through the Ella Baker Child Policy Institute, volunteer with child-serving organizations and mentor students.

<http://www.haleyfarm.org/leaders.html>

Parental Involvement

National Coalition for Parent Involvement

<http://www.ncpie.org>

Strengthen and Mobilize Communities

Ideas and resources for implementing change.

<http://ojjdp.ncjrs.org/action/sec6.htm>

Support the Family Involvement Partnership for Learning

Family/school partnership sample form.

<http://www.ed.gov/Family/BTS/pt12.html>

The Whole Child Project

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

Postsecondary

Albertsons Foundation

Albertsons' approaches educational funding out of concern for future employees. Scholarships and grants are aimed at postsecondary pursuits. Applicants should involve local Albertsons employees.

http://www1.albertsons.com/corporate/pr_communityinfo.asp?cat=4&subcat=1

Arthur Vining Davis Foundation

This Jacksonville-based foundation provides grants to private, postsecondary institutions all over the United States. The higher-education program emphasizes excellence in teaching, especially in the areas of humanities, science and math. The secondary-education program also funds colleges and universities to partner with school districts for staff development of secondary faculty. Public institutions are included as grantees in this program. Grants range from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

<http://jvm.com/davis/PROGRAMS.HTM#secondary>

Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America [CSFA]

CSFA raises funds and manages corporate funds to provide scholarships and funds to send students to four-year colleges or vocational schools. "Scholarship" prepares young people to plan for their postsecondary education. One contributor, Cargill, an agricultural company, provides other funds and services in Florida. Cargill efforts may be accessed by a link in the Local Partnerships section of Scholarship.

<http://www.scholarshipamerica.org/common/files/drcs99.pdf>

Horatio Alger Association Scholarships and Awards

Various scholarships and awards are offered for students to attend college. The students who are chosen "are young people who, despite past and present hardships, have demonstrated their integrity, perseverance, and an unwavering determination to succeed".

<http://www.horatioalger.com/edupro/edupro.htm>

Spencer Foundation

The Spencer Foundation funds educational research in the form of individual projects, institutional projects and fellowships.

<http://www.spencer.org/programs/index.htm>

Sprint Foundation

The foundation participates with local Sprint employees in raising funds for postsecondary institutions. Okaloosa-Walton Community College raised the Foundation's tenth largest matching gift in 2000 at \$21,000.

http://www.sprint.com/community/sprint_foundation/

Many of the entries in other categories fund postsecondary institutions as well as K-12.

Reading/Literacy

Barbara Bush Foundation

The Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy is seeking applications for their 2004 grant programs. Funding will help develop or expand projects that support family literacy. Priority will go to projects that build on existing expertise in adult literacy, parent education, children's pre-literacy or intergenerational literacy. All programs must promote families reading together and include a plan for evaluation. Visit the website at <http://www.barbarabushfoundation.com>.

Florida Department of State Library Literacy Grants

Grants are awarded on a competitive basis, one per region of the state, to support the development of innovative literacy programs in libraries. To be eligible, the public library must be eligible to receive State Aid to Libraries grants and have an accredited librarian to administer the grant.

<http://dlis.dos.state.fl.us/bld/grants/Literacy/Literacy.html>

International Reading Association

The International Reading Association offers a variety of programs and awards that promote the professional development, leadership training, and community service activities of its affiliates.

<http://www.thecloroxcompany.com/community/index.html>.

Laubach and Literacy Volunteers of America

Both programs train volunteers to teach people to read. The two are set to merge in late 2002.

<http://www.laubach.org>, <http://www.literacyvolunteers.org>

Nasdaq Teaching Awards

Nasdaq provides \$25,000 to a national winner, \$10,000 each to five regional winners and \$1,000 each to 20 regional semi-finalists who advance economic literacy. www.ncee.net

Reach Out and Read [ROR]

Grants are provided to buy books for potential sponsors of the Reach Out and Read program. Through ROR, pediatricians give books to children aged six months to five years at each of their checkups and explain to their parents the importance of reading. Volunteers show how literacy is enjoyable and beneficial to a person's health.

<http://www.reachoutandread.org>

Reading is Fundamental [RIF]

RIF works with the U.S. Department of Education and local organizations to help local projects buy books. There are several types of projects, some with private, financial participation. Through RIF, children from birth through high school can choose and keep several free paperback books each year. <http://www.rif.org/who/programs/default.msp>

UPS Foundation

UPS has granted eight-million dollars to fund over 315 literacy projects. The literacy initiative has partnered with School-to-Work and Welfare-to-Work programs as well as private companies, like Starbucks. <http://www.community.ups.com>

Youth Leaders for Literacy provides \$500 for literacy service projects beginning in early March and ending in early April. To be eligible, service projects must have some kind of activity scheduled (read-aloud session, trip to the library, book making, etc.) each week in that period of time. Youth Leaders for Literacy is a joint project of the National Education Association [NEA] and Youth Service America. Of the ten grantees the top three projects will be recognized with an additional \$500 each and a collection of children's books. The deadline is early December.

<http://www.nea.org/readacross/volunteer/youthleaders.html>

School Reform / Teacher Training

The Braitmayer Foundation

Funds curricular and school reform, preparation and inservice for teachers, and community partnerships which increase educational opportunities for students. For grants up to \$30,000, applicants submit a two-page letter of inquiry with legal and financial information to get invited to submit a full proposal by June 30. For grants up to \$10,000, applicants submit a three-page proposal, including timeframe, financial and legal information by June 30 or November 15.

<http://www.braitmayerfoundation.org/guid.htm>

Magna, a project of the *American School Board Journal*, provides awards for projects that will improve student learning. Projects must be developed with and involve the school board. They should be innovative, creative and capable of being replicated by other school boards.

Nominations are closed for 2003. <http://www.asbj.com/magna/intro.html>

Marco Polo Foundation and EDSITement

The Marco Polo foundation provides free distance and onsite professional development for K-12 teachers. The training focuses on methods and lesson plans for using the EDSITement material in economics, geography, humanities, mathematics, science and the arts. EDSITement is a partnership of the National Endowment for the Humanities, Council of Great City Schools, WorldCom Foundation and National Trust for the Humanities.

<http://www.marcopolo-education.org/about/mpef.aspx>

NFIE Innovation Grants

The NEA Foundation believes that educators in America's public schools, colleges, and universities are critical to change in education practice. Innovation Grants provide an opportunity for teachers, education support professionals, and higher education faculty to develop and implement innovations that significantly improve student learning. These grants will also provide a collegial opportunity for educators to reflect upon and learn from their experiences. Grants support two or more public school teachers, education support professionals, and/or faculty in public institutions of higher education who collaborate to develop and implement innovative ideas that result in high student achievement. The grant amount is \$2,000.. Grant funds may be used for resource materials, supplies, equipment, transportation, software, and professional fees.

<http://www.nfie.org/grants.htm>

School, Home and Office Products Association (SHOPA)

Kids in Need Teacher Grants provide funding for K-12 educators. The funds will help our nation's teachers to realize their dreams of providing innovative learning opportunities for their students. The Grants are funded by (SHOPA), (SHOPA) member companies, retail sponsors, education credit union sponsors, additional corporations and individuals interested in supporting educational excellence. Retail sponsors – JoAnn Stores throughout Florida - make the grant applications available at their outlets during the back-to-school season. For a list of other sponsors visit

http://www.shopa.org/shopa_foundation/sponsor.php and for general information visit <http://www.shopa.org/index.php>.

Gateway

Requests for Donations

http://www.gateway.com/about/corp_responsibility/giving.shtml.

Social Studies /History/ Geography

First Amendment Center, Association for Curriculum Development [ASCD] and Newsweek
These two organizations are working together on lesson plans that explain the First Amendment. In addition, teachers can win trips to a First Amendment Institute, receive teaching materials and receive a fully-paid classroom set (30 copies) of Newsweek for the school year as well as other Newsweek education benefits. <http://www.newsweekeducation.com>

California State University Lesson plans and resources for social studies teachers.
<http://www.csun.edu/~hcedu013/index.html>

History/Social Studies For K-12 Teachers.
Wide variety of internet sources. <http://www.execpc.com/~dboals/boals.html>

Indiana University, School of Education
Web-wide social studies sources <http://education.indiana.edu/~socialst/>

National Council for the Social Studies
<http://www.ncss.org/awards/>

National Geographic Society's Education Foundation
The foundation's teacher-grant program wants to improve students' geographic literacy and resource stewardship through innovative teaching techniques. For this program, the foundation has committed \$100,000 to make grants of up to \$5,000 each. Deadline is in June.
http://www.nationalgeographic.com/education/teacher_community/get_grant.html

Dirksen Center Grants
The Dirksen Congressional Center has an organizational commitment of long-standing to provide leadership in understanding Congress and its members and their role in the federal government. Two Center-sponsored grants programs support the work of others who share our interests.
http://www.dirksencenter.org/grants_overview.htm.

Social Studies School Service Online activities, links to resources.
<http://socialstudies.com/c/@3BoKVce2Cti7U/Pages/activities.html>

U.S. Department of Education and National History Day
The Department of Education provides grants for professional development in teaching American history. The National History Day staff will partner with a local applicant and assist in writing the proposal. <http://www.ed.gov/topics/topics.jsp?&top=Grants+%26+Contracts>
<http://nationalhistoryday.org/index.html>

Technology

AOL Time Warner Foundation Grants

This foundation supports technology-related projects in four major areas of priority. Equipping Kids for the 21st Century, Extending Internet Benefits to All, Engaging Communities in the Arts, and Empowering Citizens and Civic Participation. The foundation prefers to enter into sustainable strategic partnerships with organizations that have a demonstrated commitment to pioneering innovative ways of meeting these priorities. The foundation generally does not fund unsolicited proposals except in very special circumstances. Proposals are reviewed year-round, and they respond to requests within 8 to 12 weeks. (800) 818-1066

<http://aoltimewarnerfoundation.org/grants/grants.html>

Community Technology Centers

These grants establish or expand community technology centers in economically distressed urban and rural areas. Intended to provide access to technology and promote the use of technology among all populations in underserved areas, and often they are located in K-12 school districts. Local education agencies, consortia of nonprofit groups, and state education agencies are eligible to apply. This program was administered by the U.S. DOE, but now will be implemented by the state.

<http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/AdultEd/CTC/index.html>

Computers for Learning

Through its Computers for Learning program, the federal government has placed hundreds of thousands of surplus computers in schools across the country on a needs-first basis. Schools register and request equipment on the Computers for Learning web site, and federal agencies match their surplus equipment to schools with those needs. Most of the donated machines are older models—but as the government continues to upgrade its computer systems, the number of surplus Pentium computers will sharply increase. Computers and equipment are not refurbished by the government before being shipped to schools, nor are they covered by warranty. (202) 501-3846 <http://www.computers.fed.gov>

Intel Foundation Grants

Intel offers a wide range of support for many technology-and-science-related initiatives. On a national level, Intel funds programs that advance math, science, or technology education, promote science careers among women and underrepresented minorities, or increase public understanding of technology and its impact. Intel's Teach to the Future program has pledged \$100 million to train 400,000 teachers in the use of technology by 2003. <http://www.intel.com/community/grant.htm>

MCI WorldCom Foundation

Provides states and school districts with on-site professional development for K-12 teacher trainers on how to incorporate Internet content into the classroom. The training sessions use print and online materials developed by the MarcoPolo Partnership. <http://www.wcom.com/marcopolo/>

New Deal Foundation Grants

This foundation gives computers and/or free software licenses to schools and nonprofit groups that work with disadvantaged youth. The foundation promotes computer literacy and computer access for all. Sponsors of the organization have recycled and repaired thousands of used computers and distributed them in under-served communities.

http://www.techsoup.org/resources/index.cfm?action=resource.view_summary&resourceid=9

SMARTer Kids Foundation

SMARTer Kids provides grants and programs to assist educators in purchasing technology for their classrooms. Helps thousands of K-12 schools, higher-education facilities and technical institutions acquire interactive technology by increasing its affordability and accessibility. Calgary, AB, Canada (403) 802.2549 Fax:(403)228.2500 <http://www.smarterkids.org>

SMARTer Kids Foundation PREP Grant

The PREP Grant helps teacher-preparation and training facilities purchase their first SMART products. Pre-service and in-service facilities that ensure teachers have the skills and knowledge to fully integrate technology into the curriculum empower teachers to use technology as an effective and powerful tool for enhancing student learning. (403) 245.0333 info@smarterkids.org
<http://www.smarterkids.org/k12/prep/index.asp>

Sun Microsystems Academic Equipment Grant Program

Sun Microsystems provides donations of hardware systems to K-university institutions. Grants are provided in two focus areas: primary and secondary education; and university outreach to K-12. Priority will go to programs that use the "Sun Rays in Classroom programs", support institution-sponsored portals, use development hardware and software, or support servers other than Sun hardware, such as wireless. For specific information, visit their website at <http://www.sun.com/products-n-solutions/edu/promotions/grants>.

Tech Corps

Since 1995, privately-funded Tech Corps has provided no-cost assistance in maintaining their technology systems to schools connected to the internet. This program provides online, volunteer technical assistance to educators and school technology coordinators. Typically, a team of as many as 10 volunteers (each with a specialty, such as software or networking) will support a single technology coordinator, who may represent an individual school or an entire district.

<http://www.techcorps.org>

Tuition Free Computer and IT Training for Teachers

In an effort to help the Nation's teachers and others in education become computer-literate, Cyberlearning, with the support of Microsoft and other corporate funders, is offering the first 5,000 applicants full tuition scholarship of \$2,000 to take any or all of the 400+ Internet-based online personal computing and computer professional courses. Visit CyberLearning and click on "Free IT Training." Scholarship recipients will receive immediate access to all 400 online courses, an online library of the latest 1,000+ computer/information technology books, instructor assistance and course-specific chat areas. <http://www.cyberlearning.org/>

Verizon Foundation Grants

Verizon funds projects that focus on technology applications and programs in one or more of the following areas: literacy, the digital divide, economic and community development, women's issues, overcoming disabilities, and math and science education. Submit applications online @ <http://foundation.verizon.com>

Virtual Ink Corp., developer of mimio®

Each month Virtual Ink awards a free mimio® to the winning educator who submits the most original, innovative or creative entry incorporating the use of mimio at their school. Mimio® is a digital collaborative technology for PC and Mac platforms that attaches to any whiteboard and electronically captures everything that is written or drawn –in color and in real-time. Educators interested in entering the Think Ink contest can do so by visiting Virtual Ink's Web site and completing an entry form. Entrants should describe the creative ways in which they would incorporate mimio® to foster greater student-teacher collaboration and productivity within the classroom. <http://www.mimio.com/education>

Sample Proposals Online

➤ **Several School Grant Proposals**

http://www.schoolgrants.org/proposal_samples.htm

➤ **Links to 3 different types of successful proposals**

<http://www.npguides.org/guide/grants.htm>

➤ **Safety Grants**

<http://www.theideabank.com/onlinecourse/samplegrant.html>

➤ **21st Century Community Learning Center Grants**

http://users3.ev1.net/~schoolgrants/sample_proposals/21%20CC%20Grant%20Proposal.pdf

➤ **Environmental Justice & Environmental Education**

<http://www.epa.gov/enviroed/>

Funding Opportunities

from government and private sources for education programs

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Sign Up for ***Funding Opportunities*** E-mail Notices

On your computer, access the Internet and type in:

<http://www.fldoe.org>

- In the Shortcuts box, using the Site Index drop down menu, click on ***Paperless Comm.***, then click **GO**.
- Choose "Sign Up for E-mail Notices," Click on that, then follow the directions!
- For ***Funding Opportunities*** click in the "Publications" section of any "Interest Area."

Accessing the archives of ***Funding Opportunities***

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- In the Shortcuts box, using the Site Index drop down menu, click on ***Paperless Comm.***, then click **GO**.
- Click on ***Paperless Communications***.
- Choose "View Official Communications Archive."
- Type ***Funding Opportunities*** into the search line and click "Search."