



**U.S. House of Representatives  
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**Grants Alert June 2007**

**Administration for Children and Families:** The Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) is accepting applications for the Transitional Living Program (TLP) and for Maternity Group Homes (MGH). TLPs provide an alternative to involving runaway and homeless youth (RHY) in the law enforcement, child welfare, mental health, and juvenile justice systems. Each TLP must provide a safe and appropriate shelter for up to 18 months of services with adult supervision, life and interpersonal skill building, career and job skills guidance, counseling, and medical care as appropriate. MGHs provide the same services as a TLP in addition to providing parenting instructions and child care. Other services that are offered include, but are not limited to, transportation, family planning, abstinence education and pregnancy prevention services. Eligibility: State and local governments; nonprofits and faith-based organizations that meet the statutory definition. Deadline: July 30, 2007. For more information visit: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2008-ACF-ACYF-CX-0064.html>

**Department of Justice:** The Office for Victims of Crime announces the availability of funding under the National Crime Victim Assistance Program. The National Crime Victim Assistance Programs is to provide support to programs that have developed a national capacity to deliver assistance to victims of crime nationwide and to strengthen the ability of local law enforcement agencies and service providers to serve victims. Due to the legal constraints associated with the Crime Victim Fund, interest applicants may inquire with OJP about whether their proposed grant application complies with the requirements of the Crime Victims Fund. Eligibility: Nonprofits with or without a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education. Deadline: July 30, 2007. For more information visit: <http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/fund/welcome.html>

**National Endowment for the Arts:** Announces the availability of funding for art projects that may consist of one or more specific events or activities; it may also be a part of an applicant's regular season or activities. Organizations that undertake a single short-term project in a year -- a ten-day jazz festival, for example -- could apply for that event, or they could identify certain components (such as the presentation of a key artist and the associated activities) as their project. Describe the activities for which Arts Endowment support is requested, and provide specific information on the artists, productions, venues, distribution plans, etc., that will be involved. Organizations may apply for any or all phases of a project, from its planning through its implementation. A project does not have to be new. Excellent existing projects can be just as competitive as new activities. Projects do not need to be large. The Arts Endowment welcomes small projects that can make a difference in a community or field. Eligibility: Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S. organizations; units of state or local government may apply. Applicants may be arts organizations, local arts agencies, arts service organizations, local education

agencies (school districts), and other organizations that can help advance the goals of the Arts Endowment. To be eligible, the applicant organization must: Meet the Arts Endowment's "Legal Requirements." Deadline: Aug 13, 2007. For further information visit the Endowment's website at <http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/index.html>

**New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS):** OCFS is making available a series of grant opportunities to expand the availability of and/or improve the quality of care in regulated child care settings. The specific funding categories include: Child Day Care Center and School Age Start Up and Expansion Programs; Expansion of Hours of Existing Child Day Care Centers and School Age Child Care Programs; Health and Safety Grants; Innovative Programs Initiative and Accreditation Grants. Eligibility: All categories except for the Innovative Programs Initiative are open to not-for-profit and for-profit child day care centers, school age child care programs other not-for-profit organizations and government agencies. The Innovative Programs Initiative category is limited to government and not-for-profit organizations. Deadline: Applications for all program types, except Health and Safety grants \$15,000 and under, will be accepted on March 16, 2007 and July 14, 2007. Applications may be submitted for Health and Safety grants \$15,000 and under by the 10th of each month ending with submissions on June 10, 2007. For more information contact: Suzanne Sennett, Bureau of Early Childhood Services, 52 Washington Street, N. Building, Room 338, Rensselaer, New York 12144; phone (518) 474-9454.

**New York State Department of Environmental Conservation:** Acceptable projects are proposals to kill and/or permanently remove plants or animals that meet the definition of aquatic invasive species or aquatic nuisance species from water bodies or wetlands in New York State. Projects that kill or remove only a portion of the total population of a target species are eligible for consideration even though removal of only a portion of the target species population is something less than eradication. Projects that do not result in the death or removal of a target species as the main objective would not be eligible for funding assistance. Likewise, projects that are perceived as routine maintenance (e.g., knockdown or mowing of annual aquatic plants without attempting to eliminate them) are not likely to receive funding assistance. Successful grant applications must match State assistance grant funding on a 1:1 basis. Eligibility: Municipalities and not-for-profit corporations. Deadline: June 29, 2007. For more information: Contact Timothy Sinnott at 518-402-8970, by e-mail at [txsinnot@gw.dec.state.ny.us](mailto:txsinnot@gw.dec.state.ny.us); or visit: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/32861.html>.

**New York State Department of Environmental Conservation:** The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is requesting applications for state assistance under the Hudson River Estuary Grant program. Grant projects must relate to the implementation of priority goals identified in DEC's *Hudson River Estuary Action Agenda 2005-2009*. The *Hudson River Estuary Action Agenda 2005-2009* and the 2007 Hudson River Estuary Grant application are available for viewing and downloading on the DEC's web site ([www.dec.ny.gov](http://www.dec.ny.gov)). Eligibility: Grants are available to municipalities and not-for-profit corporations. Grant projects must be located within the geographic boundaries of the Hudson River Estuary and associated shore land. Deadline: June 29, 2007. For more information: Visit [www.dec.ny.gov](http://www.dec.ny.gov), call 845-256-3016 or e-mail: [HREP@gw.dec.state.ny.us](mailto:HREP@gw.dec.state.ny.us).

**U.S. Department of Labor:** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) announces the availability of approximately \$47 million in grant funds for YouthBuild Grants. YouthBuild Grants will be awarded through a competitive process. Grant funds will be used to provide disadvantaged youth with: the education and employment skills necessary to achieve economic self-sufficiency in occupations in high demand and postsecondary education and training opportunities; opportunities for meaningful work and service to their communities; and opportunities to develop employment and leadership skills and a commitment to community development among youth in low-income communities. As part of their programming, YouthBuild grantees will tap the energies and talents of disadvantaged youth to increase the supply of permanent affordable housing for homeless individuals and low-income families and to help youth develop the leadership, learning, and high-demand occupational skills needed to succeed in today's global economy. ETA hopes to serve approximately 2,900 youth participants during the first year of this initiative, with projects operating in approximately 90-100 communities across the country. Under this announcement, ETA will be awarding grants to organizations to oversee the provision of education and employment services to disadvantaged youth in their communities. This solicitation provides background information and describes the application submission requirements, outlines the process that eligible entities must use to apply for funds covered by this solicitation, and outlines the evaluation criteria used as a basis for selecting grantees. Eligibility: Community-based organizations; faith-based organizations; entities carrying out activities under this WIA, such as a local workforce investment board or One-Stop Career Center; community action agency; state or local housing development agency; an Indian tribe or other agency primarily serving Indians; community development corporation; state or local youth service conservation corps; or other relevant public or private non-profit entity that provides education or employment training and can meet the required elements of the grant. Deadline: July 3, 2007. For more information: Visit: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-7974.htm>.

**Administration for Children and Families' Office of Head Start:** The Administration for Children and Families' (ACF) Office of Head Start announces the availability of funds to implement the concluding phase of the Hilton/Early Head Start Training Program project. This grant will promote the adoption and continued use of practices developed under the Hilton/Early Head Start Training Program by Early Head Start and Head Start programs and their community partners. The grantee will identify existing activities by national, regional, and statewide stakeholders intended to improve inclusive early childhood service opportunities for young children with disabilities and their families in Early Head Start, Head Start, and other early childhood settings, and will work with these various stakeholders to demonstrate how Hilton/Early Head Start Training Program materials and practices would contribute to their efforts. Since its inception in 1997, the Hilton/Early Head Start Training Program has provided intensive training and follow-up coaching support to over 500 Early Head Start (EHS) and Migrant Head Start programs and their community partners (e.g., agencies implementing Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, preschool Head Start programs, child care providers, and parents of children with disabilities). Given these accomplishments, the Office of Head Start is interested in supporting this final phase of the project so that Hilton/EHS Training Program practices will have a sustained impact -- contributing as an integral part of ongoing efforts to increase and improve inclusive early childhood environments for young children with

disabilities. Eligibility: State governments, county governments, local governments, city or township governments, regional organizations, independent school districts, public and state-controlled institutions of higher education, Indian/Native American Tribal governments, (Federally recognized) Indian/Native American Tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized), Indian/Native American tribally designated organizations, public/Indian housing authorities, non-profits with 501(c)(3) IRS status (other than institutions of higher education), non-profits without 501(c)(3) IRS status (other than institutions of higher education), private institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations, and small businesses. Deadline: July 25, 2007. For more information: Office of Head Start Operations Center, c/o The Dixon Group, ATTN: Hilton/HS Project, 118 Q St., NE, Washington, DC 20002; Phone: 866-796-1591; e-mail: [OHS@dixongroup.com](mailto:OHS@dixongroup.com).

## **Foundations**

**Corning Incorporated Foundation:** The Corning Incorporated Foundation supports educational, cultural, and community service projects. The foundation also supports national programs and a matching gifts program. Eligibility: Organizations must be tax-exempt under 501(c)(3) or 509(a) IRS codes. Individuals, political activity, labor and veterans' organizations, religious groups, volunteers' emergency squads, athletic activities, advertising, and fundraising events will not be considered. Deadline: None. For more information: Contact Karen C. Martin, Associate Director, Corning Incorporated Foundation, MP-BH-07, Corning, New York 14831. You may also visit [www.corning.com/inside\\_corning/our\\_commitment/community/](http://www.corning.com/inside_corning/our_commitment/community/).

**The Allstate Foundation:** Allstate has partnered with the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) Fund to establish the Education and Job Training Assistance Fund. The fund channels small grants to survivors of domestic violence in order to achieve their educational and job-related goals. The fund is intended to help survivors achieve greater independence over their financial lives as well as establish options for the future. The fund supports career-advancement activities such as professional licenses, workforce tools, and additional job training. Examples include licensing fees; books and supplies for school; job skills training; tuition; requirements for jobs; registration fees; temporary child care so that the applicant can attend school, take a class, or look for employment; public transportation; and rental fees for computer time at a computer center. Eligibility: Any survivor of domestic violence is eligible to apply, although the fund requests that the application be completed by a local domestic violence program or a domestic violence coalition. Domestic violence coalitions and local programs must contact the NNEDV Fund to request an Education and Job Training Fund application form. Deadline: Open. For more information visit: [www.nnedvfund.org](http://www.nnedvfund.org).

**Google:** Announces the availability of its "In-Kind Advertising Services to Nonprofits." This program supports organizations that share the company's philosophy of community service worldwide in areas such as science and technology, education, global public health, the environment, youth advocacy, and the arts. Eligibility: 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations. Deadline: Open. For more information visit: [www.google.com/grants/](http://www.google.com/grants/).