



PATHWAYS TO FUNDING

INFORMATION ON AVAILABLE FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL & PRIVATE GRANTS

Pathways To Funding is a monthly publication intended to provide organizations and individuals with support in finding and applying for federal, State, local and private grants.

Distributed by the NYS Senate Democratic Conference, this resource helps identify alternative funding opportunities, along with tips for easy navigation of the NYS Grants Gateway—an online portal for announcing upcoming and available State grants—and announcements of upcoming webinars on grant writing, helpful hints and other useful information. Included is a sample list of available federal, state, local, and private grants that will be updated on a continuous basis.

Non-profit, faith-based and community-based organizations, no matter the size, are encouraged to apply for grants to sustain their vital programs. If you need additional assistance, please contact Celeste Knight by phone at (518) 455-2707 or email at cknight@nysenate.gov.



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FEDERAL GRANTS:

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)

Grants to USA and territories nonprofit organizations and government agencies to reduce the amount of pollution emitted by diesel engines. Informational webinars are scheduled for May 2 and May 9. Questions will be accepted through June 9. Applicants are advised to initiate the required registrations well in advance of the deadline.

EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality is soliciting proposals nationwide for projects that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions in terms of tons of pollution produced by diesel engines and diesel emissions exposure, particularly from fleets operating at or servicing goods movement facilities located in areas designated as having poor air quality.

Further, priority for funding may be given to projects which result in outcomes that benefit affected communities, those that engage affected communities with respect to the design and performance of the project, and those which can demonstrate the ability to promote and continue efforts to reduce emissions after the project has ended.

Eligible diesel emission reduction solutions include verified emission control technologies such as exhaust controls, cleaner fuels, and engine upgrades, verified idle reduction technologies, verified aerodynamic technologies and low rolling resistance tires, certified engine replacements, and/or certified vehicle or equipment replacement.

Eligible diesel vehicles, engines and equipment may include buses, Class 5 – Class 8 heavy-duty highway vehicles, marine engines, locomotives and nonroad engines, equipment or vehicles used in construction, handling of cargo (including at a port or airport), agriculture, mining or energy production (including

stationary generators and pumps).

Grant funds may be used for clean diesel projects including:

- EPA verified technologies or certified engine configurations
- California Air Resources Board (CARB) EXIT verified technologies or certified engines
- Idle-reduction technologies that are EPA verified
- Aerodynamic technologies and low rolling resistance tires that are EPA verified
- Early engine, vehicle, or equipment replacements with certified engine configurations

Estimated Total Program Funding: \$11,000,000

Number of Grants:

EPA anticipates awarding approximately 2-8 cooperative agreements per Region under this announcement.

Estimated Size of Grant:

The amount of federal funding requested by an applicant must not exceed the amount specified for each Region in the table below.

Funding Limits (Maximum) by EPA Region:

- 1: \$950,000
- 2: \$1,000,000
- 3: \$1,000,000
- 4: \$1,100,000
- 5: \$1,300,000
- 6: \$2,100,000
- 7: \$750,000
- 8: \$1,200,000
- 9: \$2,500,000
- 10: \$500,000

Term of Contract: The estimated project period for awards resulting from this solicitation is expected to begin on January 1, 2018, with an expected project completion date of December 30, 2019.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

Additional Eligibility Criteria: Under this solicitation, only the following entities are eligible to apply

for assistance, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 16131 and CFDA 66.039:

- 1) A regional, State, or local agency, tribal government (or intertribal consortium) or native village, or port authority, which has jurisdiction over transportation or air quality.
- 2) A nonprofit organization or institution that:
 - represents or provides pollution reduction or educational services to persons or organizations that own or operate diesel fleets; or
 - has, as its principal purpose, the promotion of transportation or air quality.

Nonprofit organization, as defined by 2 CFR 200.70, means any corporation, trust, association, cooperative or other organization, not including Institutions of Higher Education that: (1) is operated primarily for scientific, educational, service, charitable or similar purposes in the public interest; (2) is not organized primarily for profit; and (3) uses its net proceeds to maintain, improve or expand its operations. While defined separately than “non-profit organization(s)” by 2 CFR Part 200, Institutions of Higher Education, hospitals, state, local and federally-recognized Indian tribal governments are, nevertheless, eligible to submit proposals under this RFP to the extent they fall within the definition above. For-profit colleges, universities, trade schools, and hospitals are not eligible to apply.

For-profit organizations are not an eligible entity for this funding opportunity. Additionally, nonprofit organizations described in Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that engage in lobbying activities as defined in Section 3 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 are not eligible to apply.

For the purposes of this RFP, “intertribal consortium” is defined as a partnership between two or more tribes that is authorized by the governing bodies of those tribes to apply for and receive assistance under this program. Intertribal consortia

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are eligible to receive assistance under this program only if the consortium demonstrates that all members of the consortium meet the eligibility requirements for the program and authorize the consortium to apply for and receive assistance by submitting to EPA documentation of (1) the existence of the partnership between Indian tribal governments, and (2) authorization of the consortium by all its members to apply for and receive the assistance.

Please note that although tribes are eligible to apply for funding under this RFP, the National Clean Diesel Campaign also expects to issue a separate FY 2017 DERA Tribal Competition Request for Proposals (RFP) in 2017.

Pre-proposal Conference:

EPA will host two Information Sessions regarding this Request for Proposals via teleconference/webinar, based on the schedule below. EPA will attempt to answer any questions in these public forums. Registration is not required, just click on links (see Contact Information below) to join the webinar.

>>Webinar #1 - May 2, 2017, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (ET)

>>Webinar #2 - May 9, 2017, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (ET)

Contact Information:

Access the May 9, 2017 webinar:
<https://epawebconferencing.acms.com/dera2017rfp2>

To access the webinar by phone:
Call In Number: 866-299-3188
Conference Code: 3439147#
Instructions: Use *6 to mute, #6 to unmute

Applicants may email written questions to: cleandiesel@epa.gov. Please type "RFP Question" in the subject line of your email.

Deadline: June 20, 2017 11:59 PM ET

Contact:

Faye Swift, DERA Grants and Policy Team Leader
Phone: (202) 343-9147
Email: swift.faye@epa.gov

USEPA, Office of Transportation and Air Quality
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW (6406A)
Washington, DC 20460
URL for Full Text (RFP): <https://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel/clean-diesel-national-grants>

U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Excess federal property is made available for USA Territories, State and local government agencies, and nonprofits such as those involved in health care, education, eldercare, homeless, youth, airports, museums, and libraries. All types of property are available except for land and other real property, certain naval vessels, and federal government records.

State agencies and public organizations seeking donations of surplus federal property should contact a SASP representative in their region. These State-run organizations coordinate with the federal program for the donation of federal surplus property to public, tax-supported entities and eligible private nonprofit tax-exempt organizations.

Use GSAXcess® (<http://www.gsa.gov>) to search for available surplus property.

Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS

Deadline: Ongoing

Contact:

Christopher Willett
Phone: (703) 605-2873
Email: christopher.willett@gsa.gov

CLINICAL STUDIES OF SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF ORPHAN PRODUCTS RESEARCH PROJECT GRANT (R01)

The goal of this FDA's grant program is to support the clinical development of products for use in treatment of rare diseases or conditions where no current therapy exists, or where the product being developed will be superior to the existing therapy.

FDA provides grants for clinical studies on safety and/or effectiveness that will either result in, or substantially contribute to, market approval of these products. Applicants must include in the application's Background and Significance section documentation to support the orphan disease or condition to be studied is a "rare disease or condition" and an explanation of how the proposed study will either help support product approval or provide essential data needed for product development.

Eligible applicants include:

- Private institutions of higher education
- Small businesses
- Independent school districts
- State governments
- County governments
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Public housing authorities/ Indian housing authorities
- City or township governments
- Special district governments
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- Others (see text field entitled

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"Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)

- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)

Additional Information on Eligibility: Hispanic-serving Institutions Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities (TCCUs) Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institutions (AANAPISIs) Indian/Native American Tribal Governments (Federally Recognized) Indian/Native American Tribal Governments (Other than Federally Recognized) U.S. Territory or Possession Faith-based or Community-based Organizations Regional Organizations Non-domestic (non-U.S.) Entities (Foreign Institutions)

Funding: \$14,100,000

Deadline: October 18, 2018

Contact:

Dan Lukash
Grants Management Specialist
Phone 240-402-7596
daniel.lukash@fda.hhs.gov

SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT IN HIV-INFECTED INDIVIDUALS WITH COMORBID CONDITIONS (R01)

The FOA invites research applications focused on developing, adapting and testing innovative cost-effective strategies to prevent, identify and manage symptoms of HIV-associated Non-AIDS conditions (HANA) and other comorbidities among older adults with prolonged HIV infection.

Eligibility:

- Small businesses
- County governments
- Special district governments
- Public housing authorities/ Indian housing authorities
- Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
- State governments

- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
- Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
- Private institutions of higher education
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)
- City or township governments

Funding: Application budgets are not limited but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project.

Deadline: January 07, 2020

Contact:

FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV

STATE GRANTS:

OFFICE OF CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES CFS01-RFP#2017-09 REGIONAL CHILD ADVOCACY CENTERS

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) is pleased to announce this funding opportunity aimed at improving the safety and well-being of children and adults through the expansion of the number of counties served by a Child Advocacy Center (CAC). CACs are child-focused, community oriented facilities where children and their families are offered the opportunity to receive coordinated intervention from the social services, criminal justice, medical, advocacy and therapeutic systems when an allegation of child abuse or maltreatment has been

made. OCFS has identified federal Children's Justice Act (CJA) funds for the expansion of CACs on a regional basis.

Total Funding Available:

\$2,500,000.00

Eligible Applicants: Not-For-Profit, Governmental Entity, Tribal Organization

Deadline: June 02, 2017 3:00 PM EST

Contact:

Warren Hamilton
Warren.Hamilton@ocfs.ny.gov

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH GRANT OPPORTUNITY STATE PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE TO ADDRESS HEALTH DISPARITIES

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities Prevention (OMH-HDP) is seeking applications to implement the State Partnership Initiative to Address Health Disparities (SPI) in the City of Newburgh, Orange County, New York. The SPI will address health disparities through community engagement and mobilization focused on improving access to care including (but not limited to) enrollment in health insurance.

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Total Funding Available:
\$580,500.00

Anticipated Amount of Award(s):
\$580,500.00

Eligible Applicants: Not-For-Profit, Governmental Entity, Tribal Organization

Deadline: June 02, 2017 4:00 PM EST

Contact:
Harrison Moss
omhhdhp@health.ny.gov

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH GRANT OPPORTUNITY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOR LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES

The New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute (NYSDOH AI), announces the availability of \$375,000 in state funding to provide leadership and coordination to organizations funded through the AIDS Institute's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) Health and Human Services (HHS) initiative: Provision of Direct Health and Human Services for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Individuals, Families and Communities and to other NYS LGBT Health and Human Services Network members (The Network). Funding will support one (1) organization with a statewide reach to provide leadership, coordination, technical assistance, capacity building, health promotion/awareness, education and support.

Total Funding Available:
\$1,875,000.00

Anticipated Amount of Award(s):
\$375,000.00

Eligible Applicants: Not-For-Profit, Governmental Entity, Tribal Organization

Deadline: June 06, 2017 4:00 PM EST

Contact:
Carmen Vazquez
lgbtnetworkrfa@health.ny.gov

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH COMPREHENSIVE FAMILY PLANNING AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), Bureau of Women, Infant and Adolescent Health (BWIAH), announces the availability of funds to support comprehensive family planning and reproductive health services for low-income, uninsured and underinsured women and men of reproductive age, in high-need communities. The overarching goal of the New York State Comprehensive Family Planning and Reproductive Health Program (FPP) is to improve the intendedness of pregnancy and improve birth outcomes for high-need women and families while reducing racial, ethnic and economic disparities in those outcomes. This FPP Request for Applications (RFA) represents the continued commitment of NYS to support comprehensive public health programming that aligns with NYSDOH's Title V Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (MCHSBG) (http://www.health.ny.gov/community/infants_children/maternal_and_child_health_services/docs/2017_application.pdf) public health priorities for women, infants and adolescents and the NYS Prevention Agenda 2013-2018: New York State's Health Improvement Plan (http://www.health.ny.gov/prevention/prevention_agenda/2013-2017/). Funded FPP programs will provide quality comprehensive family planning and reproductive health services including contraceptive services, pregnancy testing and counseling, helping clients achieve pregnancy, basic infertility services, preconception health services, and sexually transmitted disease services.

Total Funding Available:
\$225,000,000.00

Eligible Applicants: Not-For-Profit, Governmental Entity

Deadline: June 19, 2017 4:00 PM EST

Contact:
Nicole Cunningham
fprfa@health.ny.gov

OFFICE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY & DISABILITY ASSISTANCE HOMELESS HOUSING AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HHAP)

The NYS Homeless Housing and Assistance Corporation (HHAC) and the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) are continuing to accept applications for funding under the Homeless Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP) through an open Request for Proposals (RFP).

Under HHAP, HHAC is authorized to provide grants and loans for the acquisition, construction and rehabilitation of properties in order to expand the supply of housing for low income persons who are, or would otherwise be, homeless.

Application reviews and award decisions will be made on an ongoing basis. OTDA posts notice on its website available funds are committed and/or HHAC decides to terminate or suspend the acceptance of applications. Applicants are urged to check this website prior to completing and submitting an application to determine whether proposals are currently being accepted.

Contact:
Rick Umholtz
Richard.Umholtz@otda.ny.gov

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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEW YORK STATE CONSOLIDATED FUNDING APPLICATION

Through the New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA), a single application for multiple sources of State funding, New York State is soliciting applications for funding to advance the priorities of the Regional Economic Development Councils (REDC). Funding will be available for the following projects:

- Direct Assistance to Businesses and Other Organizations
- Community Development
- Waterfront Revitalization
- Energy
- Environmental Improvements
- Sustainability Planning and Implementation
- Education/Workforce Development
- Low Cost Financing

Full solicitations, application materials, and details for CFA workshops are available online at www.regionalcouncils.ny.gov.

The funding solicitation opens on Monday, May 2, 2016 and applications will be accepted through the CFA until 4:00 pm on Friday, July 29, 2016.

This year, there are over 30 programs available through 11 state agencies, including Empire State Development; NYS Canal Corporation; NYS Energy Research and Development Authority; Environmental Facilities Corporation; Homes and Community Renewal; Department of Labor; New York Power Authority; Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation; Department of State; Department of Environmental Conservation, and Council on the Arts. In an effort to provide the most appropriate State resources through this process, participating agencies will be able to review and potentially provide funding to a project that did not specifically apply to that program, if the materials submitted at time of application satisfy the requirements for that pro-

gram and allow for fair review under the circumstances. In addition, all programs will use regional distribution standards to ensure projects are funded throughout the state.

Eligible Applicants: Not-For-Profit, For Profit, Governmental Entity, Tribal Organization, and Individuals.

For more information or questions regarding the CFA, please contact the appropriate Regional Council covering the project area:

Capital Region: CFARegion1@ny.gov
Central New York: CFARegion2@ny.gov
Finger Lakes: CFARegion3@ny.gov
Long Island: CFARegion4@ny.gov
Mid-Hudson: CFARegion5@ny.gov
Mohawk Valley: CFARegion6@ny.gov
New York City: CFARegion7@ny.gov
North Country: CFARegion8@ny.gov
Southern Tier: CFARegion9@ny.gov
Western New York: CFARegion10@ny.gov

GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE GRANT OPPORTUNITY HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANTS (HS-1)

The Governor's Traffic Safety Committee is issuing a Request for Application to solicit applications from state agencies, local governments and not-for-profit agencies for Federal Highway Safety grants. The goal of the program is to prevent motor vehicle crashes, save lives, and reduce the severity of injuries suffered in crashes on state roadways. To qualify for funding, a highway safety problem must be documented and quantified using data; a solution that addresses the problem using counter measures that are proved to work must be proposed; and a method for evaluating the results must be included in the application. Proposals must address one of the program areas included in the State's Highway Safety Strategic Plan, which can be found online at www.SafeNY.ny.gov/hsdata.htm. Program areas considered for the general Highway Safety Grant fund-

ing include: occupant protection; traffic enforcement; motorcycle safety; traffic records; community programs; programs that impact younger drivers or older drivers; bicycle safety; pedestrian safety; roadway safety and impaired driving.

The Committee anticipates that available federal funding will not increase this year, therefore applicants are encouraged to submit complete, detailed and data-supported proposals.

Eligible Applicants: Not-For-Profit, Governmental Entity, Tribal Organization

Contact: Mary Montimurro
safeny@dmv.ny.gov

GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE GRANT OPPORTUNITY POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES (PTS)

The Governor's Traffic Safety Committee is issuing a Request for Application to solicit applications from police agencies in New York State for Police Traffic Services (PTS) grants under the Federal Highway Safety Program. The PTS grant program will provide funding to law enforcement agencies to conduct dedicated traffic enforcement. Participation in the national Click It or Ticket seat belt enforcement mobilization is required, as is having a current mandatory seat belt use policy in place for police officers of the department. This program will also fund agencies to conduct traffic enforcement details based on the crash data of their local patrol area with the goal of impacting motorist behavior and improving traffic safety within their jurisdiction. Applicants may request up to the maximum grant amount of \$46,000 with no minimum amount.

Eligible Applicants: Not-For-Profit, Governmental Entity, Tribal Organization

Contact: Mary Montimurro
safeny@dmv.ny.gov

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DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES GRANT OPPORTUNITY OFFICE FOR THE PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RISK REDUCTION ENHANCED RESPONSE PILOT PROGRAM 2017

This Request for Proposal (RFP) provides program and application guidelines for The NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (OPDV) Risk Reduction Enhanced Response (RRER) Pilot Program, which seeks to prevent intimate partner related homicide. Domestic violence homicides continue to thwart efforts of law enforcement, human service and healthcare providers alike. New York

State is averaging 80 domestic violence homicides a year. Nationally, one out of every three female victims of homicide is killed by an intimate partner; in New York, it's one out of two. <http://www.opdv.ny.gov/>

Contact: Erin Trowbridge
erin.trowbridge@opdv.ny.gov

LOCAL GRANTS:

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (DYCD) AND METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA)

Grants to New York City nonprofit organizations and schools serving children and (ages 5-18) to defray transportation costs associated with educational and recreational field trips. Applicants will receive free tickets for use on designated days and times on the New York City Transit System and Staten Island Railway.

Please note that Certificates are valid on the New York City Transit System and Staten Island Railway only and will not be accepted on buses.

The certificates may be utilized on the following: -Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM - 11:30 PM; Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 AM - 11:30 PM; Year-round, including holidays

Note: New York City Transit will not honor passes on weekdays before 9:00 AM and between the hours of 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

The Youth Group Subway Transportation Program is available to nonprofit organizations and schools serving youth ages 5 through 18.

Organizations must provide proof of their Federal Taxpayer Identification Number or EIN # and Tax Exempt status, 501(c)(3) designation. Organizations must have a minimum of 15 youth participants enrolled.

Program benefits are available to NYC Department of Education (DOE) public schools for travel during non-school hours. For transportation services during school hours, contact DOE at 718-392-8855.

Grant Coverage Areas: Nonprofits and schools in New York City may apply.

Deadline: Ongoing

Contact:
Apply Online: <http://www.dycdportal.nyc.gov/TransCertificates>

For additional information, please contact: The NYC Department of Youth and Community Development 1 (800) 246-4646
transportation@dycd.nyc.gov

LOWER MANHATTAN RELOCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

This program provides income tax credits of \$3,000 per year per eligible employee to New York City businesses that relocated their operations to the Lower Manhattan area after July 1, 2003. Most retail activities and hotel services do not qualify; however, internet sales and sales by mail or

telephone may qualify.

Eligibility: For profit organizations other than small businesses. See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility.

Deadline: June 30, 2017

Contact: <http://www1.nyc.gov/site/finance/about/contact-by-email/contact-business-tax-refunds.page>

NORTH STAR FUND

This program provides grants of up to \$15,000 to New York City nonprofits engaged in community organizing for projects that require immediate funding to address urgent issues.

The Fund supports grassroots activists who are going beyond band-aid solutions to address the root cause of injustice.

Grants up to \$5,000 are available for immediate action, while grants of up to \$15,000 with a timeline of six months enable grantees to access additional research, legal, media, policy, and organizing expertise at a critical point in a grassroots community organizing campaign.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

Deadline: Ongoing

Contact:
Jennifer Arieta, Program Officer
(212) 620-9110
jen@northstarfund.org

PRIVATE GRANTS:

NEEDMOR FUND

Grants to USA nonprofit organizations in multiple states for community organizing to promote social justice and address the economic, social, and political conditions that prevent access to democratic participation. New applicants must submit a pre-application by May 31.

This program seeks to accomplish the following:

>>Remove systemic barriers to the practice of democracy by encouraging the efforts of people who are working together for justice and the common good;

>>Encourage involvement in community affairs by people whose participation has been systematically denied; and

>>Foster the active participation of all citizens in crafting a vision, values and policies that are more equitable, to guide the operation of the country.

The Needmor Fund has identified community organizing as the most effective means for achieving these goals. Community organizing is “a process through which historically disenfranchised people can build power, can address the systemic barriers to the practice of democracy, can hold public and corporate officials accountable for their actions, and can begin to participate in shaping public policy.”

In relation to requests submitted for the National grantmaking cycle, Needmor has developed the following additional criteria:

>>Strategies that link and leverage the power of faith, labor and community organizations into powerful local, state and regional organizing networks that represent the interests of low- and moderate-income communities.

>>Utilizes creative membership

strategies and structures to build powerful organizations made up of low wage workers that bring about equity in the economy.

>>Integrates voter engagement strategies and the expansion of democracy into the building of powerful multi-issue community organizations.

>>Support powerful organizations that recognize and address the interconnection of globalization to local and regional organizing.

>>Seeking powerful organizations that aspire to frame and implement new, broad and creative public policies that address systemic issues facing low- and moderate-income communities.

>>Support powerful local organizations that are connected to larger organizing networks and will use their leverage and power with sister organizations and allies to implement change at the regional, statewide and national level.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility. The Needmor Fund seeks to support community organizing groups with the following characteristics:

>>Organizes low and moderate-income people: recruits and engages members from historically disenfranchised communities.

>>Membership-based and democratically run: dues paying members determine the agenda of the organization.

>>Leadership development: develops and trains a cadre of strong grassroots leaders.

>>Multi-issue: addresses issues of race, immigration, poverty, economic justice, and low-wage work.

>>Engages in direct action: has a power analysis and clear plan for winning concrete victories that alter the relations of power in its

community.

>>Balances issue work with base building: effectively links issues to building organization and power.

>>Builds power: has a larger vision to aggregate power, taking on bigger policy issues and expanding its base of allies to increase its impact over time.

>>Well managed: has a financial and fundraising plan, engages in strategic planning, and has strong leadership and lively governance.

The Needmor Fund does not fund:

- Community development corporations
- Scholarships/fellowships
- Private businesses
- Training programs or direct services (e.g., counseling programs, medical services, etc.)
- Cultural enrichment programs
- Films, TV or radio productions.
- Books, publications or research
- Conferences
- Capital improvements
- Litigation
- Projects outside the United States
- Government sponsored or controlled projects
- National organizations

Deadline: June 30, 2017

Contact: Review the eligibility guidelines and begin the online application here:

Needmor Fund
539 East Front Street
Perrysburg, OH 43551
419-872-1490

CITY PARKS FOUNDATION AND PARTNERSHIPS FOR PARKS

Grants of up to \$5,000 to New York City nonprofits, community groups, and park groups, for activities that will enhance program planning capabilities, outreach, and membership to help care for local neighborhood parks. Applicants

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should contact the Foundation before applying. Applicants may apply for support towards projects, publications, or websites. Priority will be given to:

>>Groups with a strong history of collaborative work with Partnerships for Parks, NYC Parks, and/or City Parks Foundation and a long-term commitment to stewardship. Participation in and/or leading a Partnerships for Parks It's My Park service project is strongly advised.

>>Groups who support neighborhood parks in historically under-resourced areas.

>>Volunteer-run groups who have budgets less than \$10,000.

>>NYC Parks-focused community groups who have a long-term commitment to their neighborhood park and/or street trees, over groups that are eligible for GreenThumb, Historic House Trust, or flagship parks resources, nonprofits with established staff and funding sources, and over program/service providers using the park as a venue for a one-time event.

Types of grants:

1) Project grants - This grant is intended to be a first proposal for volunteer-run groups working with Partnerships for Parks who do not have existing staff, are new to the grant application process, have limited budgets, or do not have an established track record in fundraising.

Projects may include, but are not limited to: events or programs that bring new audiences to the park and encourage sustainable involvement; small physical improvements or beautification projects; training; filing for 501(c)(3) status; and outreach tools such as newsletters, banners, posters, postcards, or bulletin boards.

2) Publication grants - Groups may apply to work with the Partnerships

for Parks (PfP) Art Director, in which case design services will be included in the grant package OR groups may apply to hire a graphic designer instead and should include the cost for these services in the amount requested along with the consultant's quote and scope of work.

All groups regardless of who will be doing the graphic design may apply for printing costs and any additional resources required.

3) Website grants - Groups may apply to work with the Partnerships for Parks (PfP) Art Director, in which case design services will be included in the grant package OR groups may apply to hire a graphic designer instead and should include the cost for these services in the amount requested along with the consultant's quote and scope of work.

All groups regardless of who will be doing the graphic design may apply for website startup costs and any additional resources required.

Estimated Size of Grant:

Up to \$5,000

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

Park groups and community groups proposing projects for NYC Parks property throughout the five boroughs are eligible to apply. If you are NOT a Friends group, you are strongly encouraged to include a letter of support from the Friends group in the park in which you are proposing to do your project.

Groups who lead projects or programs that engage the community, expand the group's capacity to serve as long-term stewards of green spaces, and are free and open to the public may also apply.

Applicants are NOT required to have 501(c)(3) status, but if groups are not 501(c)(3) organizations or do not have an outside fiscal sponsor, grants funds can only be accessed by

reimbursement or paid invoice directly to vendors.

Not Funded:

- Individuals
- Projects that are not on NYC Parks property.
- Equipment such as computers, printers, laptops, or tablets.
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Deadline: June 1, 2017 11:59 PM

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Email: Grants@CityParksFoundation.org

Phone: 212-602-5348

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INTERCONNECTION

In-kind donations of up to 20 computers to USA nonprofits to assist in providing services to underserved populations. Donations are intended to help organizations improve their ability to provide services such as education, job training, technology training, and health care.

InterConnection gets people the technology they need to create the futures they want. They help underserved and disadvantaged communities around the world by

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making computers and communication technology available to those who wouldn't otherwise have access.

InterConnection normally awards either desktops or laptops that are pre-installed with Windows 7 and Microsoft Office 2010, with the following minimum specifications: Core 2 Duo processor / 2 GB RAM / 80 GB HDD.

The grant committee will base their decision on the following four main evaluation criteria:

- Impact and reach - 30%
- Ability to Execute, Financial Capacity and Plan for Sustainability - 20%
- Technological capacity of the grantee - 20%
- Organizational Need - 30%

Estimated Size of Grant: You may request up to 20 computers.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

The program is open to all U.S. 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations. InterConnection does not generally grant computers to faith-based organizations.

Deadline: March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 15

Contact:

InterConnection.org
3415 Stone Way N
Seattle, WA 98103
Email: grants@interconnection.org
<http://interconnection.org/computergrants.php>

THE HERB BLOCK FOUNDATION

Grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$25,000 to USA nonprofits for projects that promote greater voter participation and citizen education. A letter of inquiry is due on June 7, 2017. Funding is intended to help ensure a responsible, responsive democratic

government through citizen involvement. All projects must be nonpartisan and may not involve lobbying for specific legislation or candidates.

Estimated Size of Grant: Grants in the range of \$5,000 to \$25,000 will be considered.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

- Applicants must be nonprofit organizations classified as 501(c)(3) organizations by the Internal Revenue Service.
- Applicants for Encouraging Citizen Involvement Program areas may be national.
- Grants will not be made for capital or endowment programs, nor for sectarian religious purposes.
- No more than 10% of a grant may go to indirect costs (outside of those for general operating support).
- Grants cannot be used for lobbying or other partisan purposes.

Application forms: <https://www.washingtongrantmakers.org/common-grant-application>

Deadline: August 8, 2017 5:00 PM Receipt for delivery; Midnight for online submittal

Contact:

The Herb Block Foundation
1730 M Street, NW, Suite 901
Washington DC 20036
Email: info@herbblock.org
Phone: 202-223-8801

URL for Full Text (RFP): <http://www.herbblockfoundation.org/grant-programs/encouraging-citizen-involvement>

CLASSICS FOR KIDS FOUNDATION (CFKF)

Matching grants to USA nonprofits and K-12 schools to equip music programs with stringed instruments. The applicant organization must

show evidence of need and a commitment to raising matching funds.

Funding is intended to give children nationwide the opportunity to play high-quality stringed instruments so as to provide them with experiences and skills that can help make them more successful in life.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

- All applicants must have nonprofit status
- Grants are limited to programs serving children kindergarten through grade 12
- Grants are not made to individuals.

Deadline: June 30, September 30, December 31, and March 31

Contact:

Classics for Kids Foundation
P.O. Box 5977
Holliston, MA 01746

For questions about the instrument grant program, contact CFKF Executive/Artistic Director Michael Reynolds
Phone: 508-740-8331
Email: reynolds@classicsforkids.org

URL for Full Text (RFP): <http://classicsforkids.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

EDNA MCCONNELL CLARK FOUNDATION

The Clark Foundation will continue its grantmaking through three distinct but related strategies:

The Foundation's core Youth Development Fund concentrates on helping high-performing youth-serving nonprofits achieve greater impact. Although it continues to work with its current grantees, it has ceased adding new organizations to its portfolio.

PropelNext helps promising nonprofits, often at an earlier stage of organizational development, improve

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their collection and use of data to produce better outcomes for youth. PropelNext is exploring supporting, in partnership with other funders, additional grantees in new cohorts.

Blue Meridian Partners, a collaboration of 12 philanthropic institutions and individuals incubated at EMCF, invests up to \$100-\$200 million to scale individual high-performing nonprofits poised to have a national impact on children and young people, ages 0-30. If you believe your organization and your plans for growth might be a promising fit for Blue Meridian Partners, we encourage you to complete our brief [Youth Organizations Survey Form](#).

Eligibility:

- A stand-alone nonprofit 501(c)(3) with a history of service to youth from low-income communities in the U.S.
- Financially viable, with a budget greater than \$1,000,000.

Funding: \$100-200 million

Deadline: Ongoing

Contact: info@emcf.org

THE ROBERT N. DEBENEDICTIS FOUNDATION

This Foundation provides grants to support gay and lesbian rights start-up & grassroots organizations in the states of New York and Florida that are attempting to fulfill the needs of their group that have not been satisfactorily met, as well as animal rights start up & grassroots organizations in the states of New York and Florida that are attempting to fulfill the needs of their group that have not been satisfactorily met.

Eligibility: LGBT organizations and animal rights organizations

Funding: \$200,000 per year

Contact:

Ariana Testamarck
227 East 56th Street, Suite 400
New York, New York 10022-
Phone (212) 753-2357 Ext 203
Fax (212) 888-6828
robert.debenedictis@verizon.net

THE FORD FOUNDATION- JUST FILMS

The Ford Foundation-Just Films support artist-driven film and new media storytelling projects that explore aspects of inequality, as well as the organizations and networks that support these projects. Applications can be submitted at <http://www.fordfound.org/work/our-grants/justfilms/justfilms-inquiry/>

Application Criteria:

- Artistic excellence
- Contemporary relevance
- Potential for strategic impact
- Alignment with Ford priorities
- Potential to transform stereotypes, beliefs, and value systems
- Creativity and innovation in form
- Focus on vulnerable population

Funding: \$200,000 per year

Contact:

Ford Foundation
1440 Broadway
New York, NY 10018
Phone 212-573-5000

HEARST FOUNDATIONS

The Hearst Foundations support well-established nonprofit organizations that address significant issues within their major areas of interests – culture, education, health and social service – and that primarily serve large demographic and/or geographic constituencies. In each area of funding, the Foundations seek to identify those organizations achieving truly differentiated results relative to other organizations making similar efforts for similar populations. The Foundations also look for evidence of sustainability beyond their support.

Eligibility:

- Organizations in the United States
- Organizations with an operating budget over \$1 million
- (a 501(c)(3) letter is required to receive funding

Funding: \$42,590,000

Deadline: Ongoing

Contact:

The Hearst Foundations
300 West 57th Street, 26th Floor
New York, New York 10019-3741
Telephone: 212-649-3750
Fax: 212-586-1917
hearst.ny@hearstfdn.org

LEVITT FOUNDATION

The Levitt Foundation is an independent foundation incorporated in New York in 1949. The Foundation is interested in youth-powered food justice as it relates to children and youth living in the five boroughs of New York City.

Since 1996 the Levitt Foundation has awarded more than \$12.6 million in grants to nonprofit organizations. Annual grantmaking is now approximately \$800,000. Given the Foundation's size and limited staff time, proposals are accepted by invitation only.

The Foundation is a member and supports the work of Philanthropy New York and Community Food Funders.

Eligibility:

- Organizations operating in one of the 5 boroughs
- (a 501(c)(3) letter is required to receive funding

Funding: Varies

Deadline: Ongoing

Contact:

Philanthropic Advisor
Levitt Foundation
c/o [The Philanthropic Group](#)

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630 Fifth Avenue, 20th floor
New York, NY 10111-0254
Telephone: (212) 501 7785
Fax: (212) 501 7788
BGGreenberg@philanthropicgroup.com

ANDREW W. MELLON FOUNDATION

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation supports a wide range of initiatives to strengthen the humanities, arts, higher education, and cultural heritage. Organizations in those fields can consult descriptions of the Foundation's areas of grantmaking to determine whether a project fits within the Foundation's programmatic interests and mission.

Eligibility: The Foundation makes grants to organizations in the United States that have been determined by the IRS to be section 501(c)(3) charities. 501(c)(3) charities include universities, museums, libraries, and performing arts organizations that pursue scholarly, cultural, and charitable missions.

Funding: Varies

Deadline: Ongoing

Contact:

The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
140 E. 62nd Street
New York, NY 10065
Phone: 212-838-8400
Fax: 212-888-4172
inquiries@mellon.org

NEW YORK FOUNDATION

These foundation grants support community-initiated solutions to solve local problems, constituents mobilizing for adequate and equitable resources, and groups organizing a collective voice among those whose voices have not been heard. Grantees address a wide diversity of issues, but share a commitment to inspire New Yorkers to become more informed, active participants in the life of the city.

Eligibility: The NY Foundation

support organizations that: engage people most immediately affected by problems we seek to address; develop emerging leaders; see opportunity and demonstrate readiness to undertake social change efforts; and are willing collaborators.

Priority: Priority is placed on supporting community organizing and advocacy.

- Community organizing is defined as bringing people together to identify issues and take joint action to bring about change. Drawing on a broad constituency that shapes and guides their agenda, community organizing groups develop and train leaders, work to promote accountability, and bring about both personal transformation and systemic change.
- Advocacy is defined as a strategy that raises or rallies public attention or action, in order to bring issues into the realm of public concern and effect policy change. Advocacy may be carried out by those directly affected or by others working on behalf of a constituency.
- We are open to ideas in the field of community organizing and advocacy that involve a high degree of risk and will consider:
- Emerging organizations working with new constituencies;
- Untested approaches;
- Issues that have not yet received public attention.
- All organizations that apply for a grant, regardless of the strategy they utilize or the issue they address, must:
 - involve New York City or a particular neighborhood of the city;
 - address a critical or emerging need, particularly involving youth or the elderly; and
 - articulate how a grant from the Foundation would advance their work.

Funding: Varies

Deadline: November 1st, March 1st and July 1st

Contact:

Maria Mottola, Executive Director
New York Foundation
10 East 34th Street, 10th Floor
New York, NY 10016
Telephone: (212) 594-8009

UNFI FOUNDATION GRANT

Grants averaging \$10,000 to USA nonprofit organizations to promote environmental sustainability through the advancement of organic agriculture. LOIs are due April 27. The Foundation places an emphasis on organic farming and will also consider initiatives to increase food production.

The Foundation supports innovative new programs that promote the development of healthy, organic foods and food practices, and the health of the planet. The Foundation supports organizations that work to:

- Increase organic agriculture
- Provide research and science to develop organic farming practices
- Protect the biodiversity of the world's seed supply and the stewardship of genetic resources of organic seed
- Teach organic farming practices that promote conservation of resources
- Foster the next generation of organic farmers

Estimated Size of Grant: The average grant is around \$10,000.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

Additional Eligibility Criteria: Applications will be accepted from eligible 501(c)(3) organizations based in the United States.

The Foundation cannot fund organizations that are based outside the US, but if your organization is a US-based organization that does work globally, then you may be

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eligible for a grant.

Areas Not Funded:

- Conferences
- Individuals
- Religious organizations
- International organizations or projects
- Political organizations or campaigns
- Endowment requests
- Capital campaigns building construction projects
- Governmental agencies

Deadline: June 8, 2017

Contact Information:

Apply Online:

<https://www.grantinterface.com/Common/LogOn.aspx?eqs=rFdl2EVQlGFYaBwL1ZU7o1CW-W-U3IR8mo>

Contact Form:

<http://unfifoundation.org/pages/ContactUs.aspx>

URL for Full Text (RFP): <http://www.unfifoundation.org/Pages/ApproachToGiving.aspx>

TRUST FOR MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING (TMU) GRANT

Grants to USA nonprofit organizations to help cover the costs of international travel to Central, East, and Southeast Europe, the Baltic States, Central Asia, Mongolia, and/or Russia for exchanges in the arts and/or the environmental sciences. Applicants must submit an LOI by May 1. Funding is intended to enable talented people to come together from different countries to freely share ideas and stimulate creativity in a non-political context.

Proposals should involve direct, in-depth professional interaction, with the potential for sustained collaboration, and/or show evidence or professional accomplishment and innovation, and/or respond to social contexts and engage local

communities.

Grants are specifically for international travel associated with professional exchanges in the arts and environmental sciences. Approximately two-thirds of TMU's awards are for arts and culture and one-third for environmental projects.

Activities common to both fields include advanced training programs, workshops, conferences, seminars, joint research projects, and exchanges intended to aid organizations seeking greater institutional stability.

>>Arts and Culture: Creative artistic collaborations, curatorial research projects, performances given in conjunction with lecture/demonstrations and/or workshops, conservation and historic preservation projects, arts management programs, and cultural documentation activities.

>>Environment: Ecosystem and habitat conservation programs, land use planning projects, activities that facilitate more effective international contact between environmental organizations, measures designed to preserve biodiversity, and efforts to encourage environmental sustainability.

Term of Contract: For applicants who submit an initial inquiry on May 1 and a full application by August 1, projects must start after January 1 of the following year.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

Additional Eligibility Criteria: TMU grants are made to American nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, and typically, it is those organizations that submit Initial Inquiries and, if invited, Final Proposals. TMU does not make grants directly to individuals or institutions abroad. However, an Initial Inquiry may be made by an individual or institution in any of the countries in which TMU

is active.*

If invited, individuals or organizations that do not have 501(c)(3) status may then submit a Final Proposal through the fiscal sponsorship of an American nonprofit organization. The fiscal sponsor must submit a letter stating their involvement with the project and their willingness to administer any grant funds, as well as a copy of their 501(c)(3) determination letter.

**TMU's geographic focus is Central, East, and Southeast Europe; the Baltic States; Central Asia; Mongolia; and Russia. Countries where we are active include Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan. Countries not listed here are ineligible for funding.*

Expenses eligible for TMU funding include: international airfare, airport transfers, travel insurance, visas (and all applicable visa processing fees), lodging, and per diem. TMU also allows up to 20% of the total eligible expenses to be allocated toward "administrative costs." (For example, if the total eligible expenses is \$10,000, \$2,000 can be used toward "administrative costs.")

Deadline: August 1, 2017

Contact: Please visit the TMU Online Application page to create a TMU user account and begin your initial inquiry: https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_1341?SA=SNA&FID=35007

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To return to an already existing application or inquiry, please click here: https://www.grantrequest.com/SID_1341
URL for Full Text (RFP): <http://www.tmuny.org/applicants/#Applicants>

VISIONARY INITIATIVES IN ART (VIA) ART FUND GRANT

Grants starting at \$15,000 to USA, Canada, and International individual artists, nonprofit organizations, art production platforms, festivals, and cultural institutions for projects in the contemporary arts. LOIs are due May 5. The Fund supports projects involving exhibition, production, public dissemination, and acquisition of ambitious and pioneering art projects and initiatives with far-reaching impact.

VIA Art Fund focuses its grantmaking on projects in the field of contemporary art that are mounted beyond traditional exhibition environments and take place outside the museum or gallery walls.

VIA Art Fund's work supports artistic projects and initiatives that exemplify three core values:

>>Artistic Production: VIA champions the production of new work, from creation to exhibition, documentation, and dissemination that reflects artistic excellence and innovation. Whenever possible, VIA aims to support the production of long-term and permanent installations in the public realm. VIA is also committed to funding new projects that will ultimately enter a U.S. public collection, with support enabling the presenting institution or another collecting museum to acquire the work following its display.

>>Thought Leadership: VIA supports the work of both established and emerging voices in contemporary art that bring new knowledge and dynamic avenues of understanding to the field. The creative output of these thought leaders generates entry points for dialogue and collaboration,

and fosters vital intellectual exchange.

>>Public Engagement: VIA promotes works that penetrate social, cultural, geographic and economic barriers to inspire and educate diverse audiences. These projects act as platforms for inquiry and investigation, generating meaningful collective experiences for audiences and cultural producers.

VIA Art Fund awards funding within two grant categories:

>>Artistic Production Support: Nonprofit organizations and institutions, as well as individual artists and curators, may apply for production support for new artistic commissions that take place outside the museum or gallery walls, and within the public realm or in non-traditional exhibition environments. These projects must have a confirmed exhibition venue or presenting partner.

Artistic Production funding ranges from \$25,000 to \$100,000 per project, with grants at the \$50,000 to \$100,000 level reserved for permanent or long-term installations, or newly commissioned works that may be gifted to a U.S. public collection through VIA Art Fund's support.

>> Incubator Support: Under VIA Art Fund's new Incubator category, small to mid-sized nonprofit organizations and alternative initiatives that are pivotal in cultivating artistic excellence, addressing the art community's evolving needs, and creating a more dynamic and inclusive contemporary art ecosystem may apply for unrestricted funding.

Proposals considered under this category include experimental curatorial projects and exhibition series; discursive programming and public symposia; research and educational initiatives; innovative digital and new media platforms; publications and scholarly journals; and artist-in-residence programs.

The fund will also consider grant requests for seed funding from independent, start-up organizations at the nascent stages of a project or initiative.

VIA Art Fund's Incubator support is dedicated to nurturing experimental organizations and programs that champion diverse voices and new avenues of inquiry in the field of contemporary art. Incubator grant amounts are set each cycle and for 2016, grant awards will range from \$15,000 to \$20,000 per project.

Estimated Size of Grant: If you are applying within the Artistic Production category, grants range from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

VIA awards \$50,000 to \$100,000 grants in the case the work is a permanent or quasi-permanent installation, or can be gifted to a US public collection.

If this is a production request solely for exhibition purposes, grants are usually in the \$25,000 to \$50,000 range.

If you are applying within the Incubator category, funding is typically in the \$15,000 to \$20,000 range.

Term of Contract: Projects must start after November 2017.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

Additional Eligibility Criteria: VIA Art Fund awards grants to artists, nonprofit organizations, cultural institutions, art production platforms, and biennials or festivals working in the field of contemporary art, in the United States and internationally.

If the project takes place in the United States, the featured artist(s) may be American or international. If you are an international artist submitting a proposal, your project must take place in the United States. If you are a nonprofit entity (American or international) applying

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for support for a project outside the United States, your proposal must feature the work of American or U.S.-based artist(s) or curator(s). VIA Art Fund does not fund museum or gallery exhibitions. Support is geared towards high-impact projects in non-traditional exhibition venues and those mounted in the public realm.

Requests for Artistic Production support must have a confirmed exhibiting venue or presenting partner in the United States or abroad.

Requests for Incubator support, in the form of discursive programming and/or publications, must have a confirmed venue or publisher.

Previous grantees must wait two full years from the date of their last grant award to re-apply for funding. Previous applicants who did not receive support must wait one full year to re-apply.

Deadline: July 7, 2017

Contact:

VIA Art Fund
83 Newbury Street, 4th floor
Boston, MA 02116
grants@viaartfund.org

URL for Full Text (RFP): <http://viaartfund.org/apply/>

CITY PARKS FOUNDATION & PARTNERSHIPS FOR PARKS CAPACITY FUND GRANTS

Grants of up to \$5,000 to New York City nonprofits, community groups, and park groups, for activities that will enhance program planning capabilities, outreach, and membership to help care for local neighborhood parks. Applicants should contact the Foundation before applying. Applicants may apply for support towards projects, publications, or websites. Priority will be given to:

>>Groups with a strong history of collaborative work with Partnerships

for Parks, NYC Parks, and/or City Parks Foundation and a long-term commitment to stewardship. Participation in and/or leading a Partnerships for Parks It's My Park service project is strongly advised.

>>Groups who support neighborhood parks in historically under-resourced areas.

>>Volunteer-run groups who have budgets less than \$10,000.

>>NYC Parks-focused community groups who have a long-term commitment to their neighborhood park and/or street trees, over groups that are eligible for GreenThumb, Historic House Trust, or flagship parks resources, nonprofits with established staff and funding sources, and over program/service providers using the park as a venue for a one-time event.

Types of grants:

1) Project grants - This grant is intended to be a first proposal for volunteer-run groups working with Partnerships for Parks who do not have existing staff, are new to the grant application process, have limited budgets, or do not have an established track record in fundraising.

Projects may include, but are not limited to: events or programs that bring new audiences to the park and encourage sustainable involvement; small physical improvements or beautification projects; training; filing for 501(c)(3) status; and outreach tools such as newsletters, banners, posters, postcards, or bulletin boards.

2) Publication grants - Groups may apply to work with the Partnerships for Parks (PFP) Art Director, in which case design services will be included in the grant package OR groups may apply to hire a graphic designer instead and should include the cost for these services in the amount requested along with the consultant's quote and scope of work.

All groups regardless of who will be doing the graphic design may apply for printing costs and any additional resources required.

3) Website grants - Groups may apply to work with the Partnerships for Parks (PFP) Art Director, in which case design services will be included in the grant package OR groups may apply to hire a graphic designer instead and should include the cost for these services in the amount requested along with the consultant's quote and scope of work.

All groups regardless of who will be doing the graphic design may apply for website startup costs and any additional resources required.

Estimated Size of Grant: Up to \$5,000

Term of Contract: Earliest Start Date for Grant Activities: Tuesday, August 15, 2017
Grant activities must be completed within one (1) year of receiving the award.

Eligibility: See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility

Additional Eligibility Criteria: Park groups and community groups proposing projects for NYC Parks property throughout the five boroughs are eligible to apply. If you are NOT a Friends group, you are strongly encouraged to include a letter of support from the Friends group in the park in which you are proposing to do your project.

Groups who lead projects or programs that engage the community, expand the group's capacity to serve as long-term stewards of green spaces, and are free and open to the public may also apply. Applicants are NOT required to have 501(c)(3) status, but if groups are not 501(c)(3) organizations or do not have an outside fiscal sponsor, grants funds can only be accessed by reimbursement or paid invoice directly to vendors.

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Not Funded:

- Individuals
- Projects that are not on NYC Parks property.
- Equipment such as computers, printers, laptops, or tablets.
- Fundraisers or materials that will be sold for profit.
- Capital improvements to parks.
- Staff time. It is the expectation that the programs we fund will be run primarily by volunteers or in cases of paid nonprofit staff that salaries come from a different

source.

- Local travel.
- Overhead costs like rent, general liability insurance, utilities, etc.

Deadline: June 1, 2017 11:59 PM

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Email: Grants@CityParksFoundation.org
Phone: 212-602-5348

URL for Full Text (RFP): <http://www.cityparksfoundation.org/partnerships-for-parks/grantsresources/capacity-fund-grants/>

COURSES & RESOURCES



NEW YORK STATE GRANTS

The Grant Opportunity Portal provides a gateway for locating grant-funding opportunities with New York State agencies. Search or browse by funding opportunity.

www.grantsreform.ny.gov

THE FOUNDATION CENTER

The Foundation Center maintains the most comprehensive database on U.S. grants and funding related resources. They offer the following free courses weekly:

- *Introduction to finding grants*
- *Incorporation and tax exemption for nonprofits*
- *Introduction to project budgets*

www.foundationcenter.org

WADDY THOMPSON GRANT WRITING RESOURCES

Online grant writing resource center and services. Learn how to write a grant, how to do the research that will give you the best chance of getting a grant, and a complete description of how to write one including how to price your services.

www.grantadviser.com/freelance.html

GRANT WRITING: BEYOND THE BASICS (VIDEO LECTURE)

As funding opportunities become more competitive, a well-written application can be key to securing funding. Improve your grant writing skills with this seminar.

www.chamber-music.org/first-tuesday/video/april-2014

