

# funding opportunities

 May 2025

## disaster relief grants

### Federal Grants

#### National Park Service Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund – Preservation

*(Application Deadline: July 15, 2025)*

The Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund (ESHPF) program supports recovery, and related expenses, for historic and cultural resources in areas impacted by natural disasters that have received a major disaster declaration pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act). Pursuant to FY2025 Public Law 118-158, \$48,000,000 will be awarded under the ESHPF grant program for necessary expenses related to the consequences of natural disasters occurring in calendar years 2023 and/or 2024. Grants are awarded through a competitive process and do not require non-Federal match. This opportunity is for States, Tribes, local governments, and nonprofits for defined projects (including reconstruction) with documented damage from major disaster declarations within their jurisdictions. Eligible applicants are State governments, local governments, nonprofits, educational institutions, and Federally Recognized Indian Tribes, Alaskan Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations as defined by 54 USC 300300. 30 awards are expected.

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### State Grants

#### NC Dept of Commerce Small Business Infrastructure Grant Program

*(Application Deadline: Rolling; Funding awarded on first come, first served basis)*

Local governments in North Carolina located in areas impacted by Hurricane Helene can now apply for grants from the new Small Business Infrastructure Grant Program (SmBIZ). The purpose of the SmBIZ Fund is to (1) Provide financial assistance for community recovery and resilience to communities specifically impacted by Hurricane Helene, helping to bring back vital services for small businesses and entrepreneurs; (2) Restore and repair critical infrastructure, allowing small businesses to resume function and operations to support economic recovery and sustainability;

and (3) Assist in restoring or expanding small businesses' ability to attract customers to business districts to help retain business, expand access, spur private investment to create stability, and leverage resources to create resiliency and economic growth. The SmBIZ program will offer grants to local governments, and the related infrastructure projects will target and support small businesses that employ 150 or fewer employees. Funding will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Qualifying infrastructure must serve one or more businesses within the identified project area and must have been damaged by Hurricane Helene. The infrastructure cannot be owned by the small business, nor can it be such that the small business is responsible for maintaining it. Infrastructure may include but will not be limited to water, sewer, gas, telecommunications, high-speed broadband, electrical utility, sidewalk and curb infrastructure, and other repairs that remove barriers and restore or increase access to impacted small businesses.

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## **NC Dept of Commerce Hurricane Helene Business Edge Fund**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The North Carolina Department of Commerce is providing funds that local workforce development boards may use to help businesses minimize the damage of layoffs caused by Hurricane Helene. The Hurricane Helene Business Edge Fund offers \$500,000 in grant funding for local workforce boards serving the Western North Carolina counties that were most impacted by the storm, helping communities retain jobs and businesses. Workforce development boards in the region may apply to DWS for funding and then may provide grants of up to \$10,000 each to eligible businesses and community-based organizations. Employers located in one of the critical business disruption counties will be eligible to apply to their local workforce board. Those counties include Ashe, Avery, Burke, Buncombe, Caldwell, Haywood, Henderson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Transylvania, Watauga, and Yancey. To apply, businesses must have been in operation for at least two years, be current on Unemployment Insurance (UI) taxes, and be in good standing with the Internal Revenue Service. The application should demonstrate a need for layoff aversion support. To apply for the Hurricane Helene Business Edge Fund, businesses should contact their [local workforce development board](#) or [NCWorks Career Center](#).

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## **Foundation Grants**

### **WNC Strong: Helene Business Recovery Fund**

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025)*

Loan Amount: \$100,000 max – NOTE: only for-profit small businesses are eligible. The WNC Strong: Helene Business Recovery Fund was created to provide rapid recovery loans to small businesses suffering economic losses related to the impacts of Tropical Storm Helene. The fund is administered by Mountain BizWorks and made possible with support from The Golden LEAF Foundation, and an expanding list of other partners. The WNC Strong: Helene Business Recovery Fund helps small businesses close the gap between when the disaster strikes and when federal loans, insurance payouts, and other disaster relief funds are approved, or businesses have time to recover and get back to business. For-profit small businesses with less than 100 employees and at least 6 months of operating history in the following counties are eligible to apply: Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Clay, Cleveland, Gaston, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Lincoln, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mecklenburg, Mitchell, Polk,

Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, Wilkes, Yancey, Cabarrus, Cherokee, Graham, Iredell, Surry, Union, Yadkin.

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## **CFWNC Emergency and Disaster Response Fund (EDRF) Grants**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

As CFWNC spends down the EDRF balance and the region transitions to long-term recovery, staff continues to partner with nonprofits and other organizations to fund projects. Currently, CFWNC is considering grant requests on a case-by-case basis according to the availability of funds, the severity of need in the community served, and other sources of support available to the applying organizations. Priority will be given to the geographic areas of CFWNC's region most significantly affected by Helene. An organization applying for a grant from the EDRF must be: (1) A community-based nonprofit designated by the IRS as 501(c)(3), a faith-based organization, or a public agency. (2) Serving the following counties and areas in WNC, with preference given to those also located in: Avery, Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Rutherford, Transylvania, and Yancey counties. (3) Previously funded through any CFWNC competitive grant program or working with previously funded WNC organizations that must be named in the application. If you meet the criteria, contact Senior Program Officer Tara Scholtz at 828-367-9913 or by email to discuss your proposal and potential next steps.

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## **Golden Leaf Foundation: Helene Relief**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

Award Amount: \$100,000 max; Golden LEAF is making resources available to organizations to support immediate relief for individuals and families including home repair, addressing unmet needs, and helping transition out of FEMA supported housing programs. Governmental entities and 501(c)(3) charitable nonprofits are eligible to apply. Funds may not be used to support businesses. Organizations that are working across a large region or are experienced North Carolina based Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters deploying to disaster-declared communities, please contact Golden LEAF at [Helene@GoldenLEAF.org](mailto:Helene@GoldenLEAF.org) to discuss the possibility of a larger award.

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## **Truist Cares for Western North Carolina**

*(Deadline: Not Specified)*

In response to Hurricane Helene's aftermath, Truist Cares for Western North Carolina was launched to help those impacted. This initiative includes \$25 million in philanthropic grants from Truist Foundation to disaster recovery partners. If you have been impacted and are interested in participating in this program, please reach out to the Truist Care Center at 844-4TRUIST (844-487-8478). You can also contact your local branch for more information. To find your local branch, check our location directory [here](#).

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## Southern Partners Fund Justice Fund for Disaster Relief and Renewal

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

Average Award Amount: \$15,000-\$30,000; The Justice Fund for Disaster Relief and Renewal (JFDRR, or the 'disaster fund') was formed to heal the devastation following hurricanes Katrina and Rita and has continued funding similar relief efforts with each subsequent calamity. The COVID-19 Pandemic, in addition to the increasing barrage of hurricanes, twisters, and mass-flooding events, further demonstrates the importance of being able to provide rapid disaster relief to affected grantees and other grassroots organizations that meet SPF's funding criteria. However, in the case of disaster grants (unlike the rest of SPF's grantmaking), organizations can be rural or urban-based. JUSTICE FUND EMERGENCY RELIEF: Supports immediate response to and relief from disasters that occur in SPF's 12 regional focus states. While priority will be given to organizations that have a component of community organizing in their missions, SPF recognizes that many organizations are called upon to facilitate emergency response in crisis situations. JUSTICE FUND RENEWAL: Supports mid-term and long-term rebuilding efforts following disasters affecting communities in SPF's 12-state Southeastern region. Organizations that apply for funding from the Renewal Program have community organizing components consistent with the mission of Southern Partners Fund.

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## Duke Energy Foundation

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

Average Award Amount: \$20,000 max; The Duke Energy Foundation is focused on strengthening and uplifting communities with grant funding. Focus areas include: (1) Vibrant Economies, including community revitalization and local economic development efforts and economic recovery for customers and communities facing unprecedented challenges; (2) Climate Resiliency, include resiliency projects that prepare communities for and mitigate against the effects of climate change and natural disaster preparedness and response programming; and (3) Opportunity and Inclusion, including programs reducing structural barriers and promoting access to opportunity for underserved communities. A list of eligible counties and contacts in NC can be found [here](#). To apply, reach out to your regional contact with information on your grant proposal and its focus area alignment.

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## State Farm Good Neighbor Grants

*(Invitation Only, Support Requests Submitted [Here](#))*

The State Farm Good Neighbor Citizenship Company Grants Program is committed to helping to build safer, stronger, and better educated communities across the United States. Program areas include the following: (1) Safety: The focus is on: auto safety; home safety; disaster preparedness; and disaster recovery. (2) Community Development: The focus is on affordable housing; commercial/small business development; neighborhood revitalization; financial literacy; sustainable housing and transportation; and food insecurity. State Farm charitable funding is offered through an invitation only process each year. If you did not receive an invitation to submit a community grant, support requests for programs that meet grant focus areas can be submitted on our website.

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## Cooperative Development Foundation – Disaster Relief Fund

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Disaster Recovery Fund helps cooperatives and cooperators get back on their feet after disasters or other emergency hardship situations. Who may apply: Cooperatives, cooperative support organizations and employees and volunteers of cooperatives. The Disaster Recovery Fund prioritizes funding for: (1) aid to employees and volunteers of cooperatives and cooperative support organizations to support recovery from disasters or emergencies; (2) basic necessities like food, clothing, housing (including repairs), transportation and medical assistance (including psychological counseling); (3) aid to cooperatives by covering uninsured expenses needed to return the business to viability. Average Award Amount: \$10,000-\$15,000.

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## NDN Collective Community Action Fund

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

We support Indigenous frontline communities, Nations, organizers, actions and movements in their work to DEFEND Indigenous Peoples' rights, and protect their land, air, water, and natural resources. The Community Action Fund (CAF) supports community organizing and movement building work designed to shift the political and financial systems that negatively impact our communities. This may include direct action and climate disaster response efforts, comprehensive organizing work; frontline and camp infrastructure, and community-based responses to climate disasters such as flooding, fires, and earthquakes. Grantmaking may be provided to the following recipients: Indigenous-led non-profit organizations; U.S. based Tribes, tribal non-profit entities or tribal programs, Alaska Native Villages or their non-profit entities; Individual Indigenous people leading direct action or movement building work. Annual awards are made up to \$20,000.

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## The Kroger Company Foundation

*(Application Deadline: Quarterly)*

The mission of the Kroger Company Foundation is to enhance the quality of life in communities where Kroger customers and employees live and work. The Foundation supports local nonprofit organizations in communities served by the company's retail divisions, the manufacturing division, and convenience stores. The Foundation's areas of interest include: zero hunger, zero waste; diversity and inclusion; health and nutrition; and stronger communities. The Foundation also considers support for education and youth development initiatives, as well as disaster relief. Average Award Amount: \$10,000-\$30,000.

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## Center for Disaster Philanthropy (CDP)

*(Deadline: Not Specified – reach out to Foundation)*

At the Center for Disaster Philanthropy, our grants support medium- and long-term recovery and resilience efforts in communities affected by natural and human-made hazards, including conflicts and humanitarian crises. With a focus on historically marginalized and at-risk populations, CDP prioritizes investments in local organizations to support a range of programs critical for individuals' and communities' recovery. CDP funds U.S.-based nonprofits, including fiscal sponsors and fiscal agents on behalf of non501(c)(3) organizations, and non-U.S. based nongovernmental

organizations with registered nonprofit status in the country in which they are legally formed. CDP does not accept unsolicited proposals. However, we know that we are not aware of all organizations responding to a disaster. We want to learn more about your work, so please add us to your mailing lists and send updates whenever you activate for a disaster. All updates should be sent to our learning and partnerships team and then to the domestic grantmaking team.

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## **EVERY, MITCHELL, AND YANCEY COUNTIES ONLY - AMY Wellness Foundation Hurricane Helene Recovery Response Grant**

*(Forecasted 2025)*

We are currently gathering critical information to assess the ongoing needs of our communities and to guide the development of our Recovery Response Grant Funding, which will launch later in 2025. While the road to recovery is long, the AMY Wellness Foundation remains committed to supporting our communities every step of the way. Please stay tuned for updates on Recovery Response Grant opportunities in the coming months.

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## **POLK COUNTY ONLY - Polk County Community Foundation – Disaster Recovery Grants**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Community Foundation welcomes grant applications from local organizations providing direct assistance to individuals in our community and organizations directly impacted by Hurricane Helene. Applicants must be pre-approved to apply for competitive grants from the Foundation (this means you have a successful history administering our grants and/or you have been previously approved as eligible to apply for grants through our committee evaluation process.) Organizations applying for a grant must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit or a public agency serving Polk County, NC and/or Landrum, SC residents. Polk County organizations may also apply for similar grants through the Community Foundation of Western North Carolina and Gateway Wellness Foundation.

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# housing grants

## **Federal Grants**

### **HUD Tribal Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (Tribal HUD-VASH)**

*(Application Deadline: August 15, 2025)*

The Tribal HUD-VASH program provides rental assistance and supportive services to Native American Veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness living on or near a reservation or other Indian areas. HUD provides rental and supportive services, and awards renewal grants every year subject to appropriations. The U.S Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) provides case

management and clinical services. The goal of the Tribal HUD-VASH program is to reduce the number of Native American Veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Eligible applicants are Indian tribes as defined in section 4(13) of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) and TDHEs authorized by one or more Indian tribes pursuant to section 4(22) of NAHASDA that have ever been allocated formula funding.

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## **HUD Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Imminent Threat (IT) Program**

*(Application Deadline: September 30, 2025; Rolling Review)*

ICDBG-IT grants must alleviate or remove imminent threats to public health or safety. Imminent threats are issues that if unresolved or not addressed will have an immediate negative impact on public health or safety. Imminent threats must be independently verified, must be of a non-recurring nature, must represent a unique and unusual circumstance, and must impact an entire service area. Eligible applicants are Tribes and Tribal organizations as described in the ICDBG regulations at 24 CFR §1003.5. The updated ICDBG-IT grant ceilings are \$750,000 for disasters that are not Presidentially Declared Disasters (PDDs) and \$1,500,000 for PDDs. HUD will review ICDBG-IT grant applications in the order they are received (by date and time).

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## **Foundation Grants**

### **Bank of America - Stable Housing and Empowering Communities**

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025)*

At Bank of America, we're guided by a common purpose to help make financial lives better. We develop strong partnerships with nonprofit organizations focused on issues fundamental to economic mobility in low- and moderate-income communities. We focus on improving the lives of individuals and families by investing in health, jobs, and strengthening broader community vitality by addressing needs related to small business resiliency, and community development. Through our partnerships, we support vulnerable populations, including working families, youth, seniors, individuals living with disabilities, veterans, and those impacted by the criminal justice system – enabling them to move forward in their goals.

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### **The Home Depot Foundation - Veteran Housing Grants**

*(Application Deadline: July 3, 2025)*

The Home Depot Foundation's Veteran Housing Grants program awards grants to nonprofit organizations for the new construction or rehabilitation of multifamily, permanent supportive housing for veterans throughout the United States, including Puerto Rico. The grants fund physical construction costs, and must comprise less than 50% of the total development cost of the project. Rural areas will be considered, but priority will be given to large cities with populations of over 300,000 people.

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## **Publix Super Markets Charities – Housing and Shelter**

*(Application Deadline: August 31, 2025)*

Publix Super Markets Charities supports various types of nonprofit organizations throughout the Southeast with a primary focus on helping youth, promoting education, alleviating hunger, and reducing homelessness. Requests related to housing and shelter programs must be submitted from July 1 to August 31 for an end-of-year decision and announcement. To help those struggling with housing insecurity, Publix Super Markets Charities supports Habitat for Humanity and other nonprofits that provide housing and shelter services across the Southeast. Over the last seven years, we have donated more than \$28 million to organizations that provide transitional support, client service programs, and financial support for housing.

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## **The Oak Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

Housing issues intersect with a range of social issues, including criminal justice, mental health, violence against women and girls, racism, discrimination and hate crime, migration and immigration, unemployment, and low wages. To reflect this, we are interested in funding organizations where housing issues form a part of their strategies, as well as organizations with a sole focus on housing and homelessness. Funding interest include renter rights; supply and access to affordable homes; and reduction and prevention of homelessness.

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## **The Leon Levine Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

The Leon Levine Foundation works to create opportunities for motivated and resilient individuals. We direct funding toward organizations that help during times of unanticipated hardship and enable long-term independence. When investing in service delivery for families, the Foundation supports programs that address the needs of both parent and child, thereby improving outcomes for the entire family unit. Focus areas include: Basic needs, housing stability, economic security, and child & family welfare.

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## **The Cannon Foundation – Human Services**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Cannon Foundation was established in 1943 by Charles A. Cannon, President and CEO of Cannon Mills Company. The Foundation continues his philanthropic legacy by funding capital and equipment projects for organizations across Mr. Cannon's home state of North Carolina. Organizations that meet basic needs or help individuals escape the cycle of violence or poverty may apply for their capital or equipment needs, especially if they help in underserved parts of North Carolina. Projects can range from new roofs or HVAC systems to construction or renovation of buildings.

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## **The Hearst Foundation - Social Service**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Hearst Foundations fund direct-service organizations that tackle the roots of chronic poverty by applying effective solutions to the most challenging social and economic problems. The Foundations prioritize supporting programs that have proven successful in facilitating economic independence and in strengthening families. Preference is also given to programs with the potential to scale productive practices in order to reach more people in need. Preference Will Be Given To: Affordable housing; Food banks and food delivery, provided services are program-related; Job creation and job training; Legal services for those in need of legal representation; Prison education and reentry programs; Two-generation family programs; and Youth development. The minimum grant size is \$100,000 and applicant organizations must be operating with audited expenses over \$2 million.

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# education grants

## Federal Grants

### Department of Justice FY25 School Violence Prevention Program

*(Application Deadline: June 18, 2025)*

The FY25 School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP) provides funding directly to states, units of local government, Indian tribes, and their public agencies to improve security at schools and on school grounds in the recipient's jurisdiction through evidence-based school safety programs. The COPS Office anticipates that up to \$73,000,000 will be available for up to \$500,000 per award, with approximately 200 awards anticipated. Approximately \$1 million of the available funding will be reserved for microgrants for school districts, including rural, tribal, and low-resourced schools, which must not exceed \$100,000. Consideration for microgrant funding does not exclude your agency from consideration from non-microgrant SVPP funding. Applications should demonstrate a comprehensive approach to school safety and activities must fall within one of the statutory purpose areas: Coordination with local law enforcement; Training for local law enforcement officers to prevent student violence against others and self; Placement and use of metal detectors, locks, lighting, and other deterrent measures; Acquisition and installation of technology for expedited notification of local law enforcement during an emergency; Any other measure that, in the determination of the COPS Office Director, may provide a significant improvement in security.

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### NASA University Leadership Initiative 2 (ULI2)

*(Application Deadline: June 26, 2025 (Step-A))*

University Leadership Initiative (ULI) provides the opportunity for university teams to exercise technical and organizational leadership in proposing unique technical challenges in aeronautics, defining multi-disciplinary solutions, establishing peer review mechanisms, and applying innovative teaming strategies to strengthen the research impact. Research proposals are sought in six ULI topic areas: Topic 1: Safe, Efficient Growth in Global Operations (Strategic Thrust 1); Topic 2: Innovation in Commercial High-Speed Aircraft (Strategic Thrust 2); Topic 3: Ultra-Efficient Subsonic

Transport (Strategic Thrust 3); Topic 4: Safe, Quiet, and Affordable Vertical Lift Air Vehicles (Strategic Thrust 4); Topic 5: In-Time System-Wide Safety Assurance (Strategic Thrust 5); and Topic 6: Assured Autonomy for Aviation Transformation (Strategic Thrust 6).

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## **NIH Support for Research Excellence – First Independent Research (SuRE-First) Award**

*(Forecasted Deadline: July 4, 2025)*

The National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS), with other NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs), intends to publish a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to encourage applications for investigator-initiated research at resource-limited institutions by full-time faculty who have not had any prior independent, peer-reviewed, external research grants, to furnish students with high-quality undergraduate and/or graduate research experiences, and to enhance the institutional scientific research culture. This funding opportunity announcement is open to all institutions of higher education that: award undergraduate (B.S. or B.A.) and/or graduate degrees in biomedical sciences; and have received no more than \$6 million dollars per year (total costs) from NIH Research Project Grants (RPGs) in each of the preceding two fiscal years, calculated using NIH RePORTER, at the time of the application; and enroll at least 25% of undergraduate students supported by Pell grants based on the most recent two years of data available from the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) database maintained by the National Center for Education Statistics.

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## **NSF Applied Mathematics**

*(Application Deadline: November 17, 2025)*

The Applied Mathematics program supports mathematics research motivated by and contributing to the solution of problems arising in science and engineering. Successful proposals must demonstrate mathematical innovation, as well as breadth and quality of impact on applications. Projects that additionally provide opportunities for rigorous mathematical training of junior applied mathematicians through their involvement in research are encouraged. The proposals considered by the Applied Mathematics program may range from single investigator to interdisciplinary team projects.

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## **NSF Education and Broadening Participation in Earth Sciences**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

This opportunity supports research, education and professional development initiatives that engage a wide range of audiences and enhance participation in Earth sciences, including undergraduate research, postdoctoral fellowships and early-career faculty development. This opportunity facilitates activities that engage a wide range of audiences in Earth Sciences research efforts, including: (1) Research Experiences for Undergraduates and Teachers; EAR Postdoctoral Fellowships; Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER); and Unsolicited (“ad hoc”) Proposals: Creative efforts to support recruitment and retention of talented individuals in Earth sciences.

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## **NSF Facilitating Research at Predominantly Undergraduate Institutions: Research in Undergraduate Institutions (RUI) and Research Opportunity Awards (ROA)**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Research in Undergraduate Institutions (RUI) and Research Opportunity Awards (ROA) funding opportunities support research by faculty members at predominantly undergraduate institutions (PUIs). RUI proposals support PUI faculty in research that engages them in their professional field(s), builds capacity for research at their home institution, and supports the integration of research and undergraduate education. ROAs similarly support PUI faculty research, but these awards typically allow faculty to work as visiting scientists at research-intensive organizations where they collaborate with other NSF-supported investigators. Eligible PUIs are accredited colleges and universities (including two-year community colleges) that award Associate's degrees, Bachelor's degrees, and/or Master's degrees in NSF-supported fields, but have awarded 20 or fewer Ph.D./D.Sci. degrees in all NSF-supported fields during the combined previous two academic years.

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## **State Grants**

### **USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program in North Carolina**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings. Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and / or improve essential community facilities, purchase equipment and pay related project expenses. Examples of essential community facilities include: (1) Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities (2) Public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars or street improvements (3) Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing (4) Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment (5) Educational services such as museums, libraries or private schools (6) Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment (7) Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses.

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## **Foundation Grants**

### **The Doyle Foundation, Inc.**

*(Application Deadline: July 1, 2025)*

The mission of The Doyle Foundation, Inc. is to promote communities of productivity and prosperity with access to education and advancement. The foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations to support resourceful communities. If you need financial assistance as a means of making “your way” in the world, tell us your story...we’re here to help you. The Doyle Foundation, Inc. provides grants to 501(c)(3) organizations that are incorporated in the United States of America.

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### **U.S. Venture/Schmidt Family Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: July 25 and October 24, 2025)*

The Foundation will consider a broad range of requests including specific program needs, capital or general operating support. Consideration is given to needs that fulfill the Foundation's mission within the following impact areas: Education, Jobs & Economy, Family Support & Social Connectedness, Physical Health, Psychological Health & Addiction, and Human Services. The USV/SFF only reviews grant applications with documented support (email, letters of support, board membership, donor or volunteer activity) from a U.S. Venture team member or shareholder.

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### **The Kettering Family Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: July 31, 2025 (Request Summary))*

The Foundation supports a broad range of charitable activities of interest to the Board of Trustees, which is composed of members of the Kettering Family. Funding decisions are driven by the interests of Foundation trustees and the majority of grants are awarded to those non-profit organizations with which the family has a relationship. While the Foundation is open to receiving Request Summaries from any qualified organization, each applicant must have made contact with the Foundation prior to applying. The Kettering Family Foundation (KFF) will consider activities in the following categories: Arts, Culture and Humanities; Education; Environment; Health/Medical; and Human Services/Public & Society Benefit.

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### **Arthur Vining Davis Foundations – Private Higher Education**

*(LOI Deadline: August 28, 2025; Application Deadline: November 14, 2025)*

The Private Higher Education Program Area supports colleges and universities that prioritize undergraduate education and emphasize the liberal arts. The Foundations provide grants directly to private colleges and universities as well as to consortia that support those institutions in their educational mission. Although the Foundations fund a variety of programs in higher education, grants typically support projects that improve student outcomes or enhance faculty leadership. The Foundations do not provide grants to support capital projects or endowment. Private Higher Education grants typically range from \$25,000 to \$300,000, although the Foundations will entertain larger requests.

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### **The J.W. Couch Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: September 26, 2025)*

You must be a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization that is aligned with one of our three charitable programs: preservation, education, or wellness. 2025 focus areas include Animal Wellbeing, Early Childhood Education, Teachers, and Get Outside. We do not have any geographic restrictions on where any nonprofit is located or operates.

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## **School-Based Healthcare Solutions Network: Principal Student Support Services Grant**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

Grant funds must be used to expand access to mental health support services for students with a documented history of chronic absenteeism, behavioral challenges, or declining academic performance. The grantor will manage the recruitment, placement, and training of a fully funded mental health professional for each school campus at no cost to the school. All compensation, including salary and associated costs, will be covered by the grant, up to \$85,000 annually. Additionally, Qualifying schools are eligible to receive a discretionary grant of up to \$5,000 per year, awarded in renewable five-year cycles, for a total of up to \$25,000 over five years. The school must serve at least 500 students in grades 6-12 and at least 70% of students must be eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch (FRL). Eligible applicants include: Local Education Agencies (LEA), Charter School Management Companies, Charter Schools, Public Schools, and Private Schools (Faith-Based and Non-Faith-Based).

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## **Mebane Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (Phone Interview First))*

The Mebane Charitable Foundation promotes early childhood literacy programs in North Carolina. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that work to ensure that all children read at or above grade level by the end of the 3rd grade, and promotes collaborations and partnerships among educational professionals both public and private, business leaders, elected officials, and the community at large. Types of support include general operating and project support. The Foundation is especially interested in proposals that contain a challenge match component. Collaborations are encouraged.

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## **The Cannon Foundation – Higher Education**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Cannon Foundation was established in 1943 by Charles A. Cannon, President and CEO of Cannon Mills Company. The Foundation continues his philanthropic legacy by funding capital and equipment projects for organizations across Mr. Cannon's home state of North Carolina. The Foundation supports private colleges, community colleges serving Tier 1 or 2 counties and small public colleges across North Carolina. Projects that construct or renovate buildings or building infrastructure are considered as well as training equipment. Rural public libraries with capital needs may also apply.

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## **Charles Koch Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Charles Koch Foundation supports innovative education and the study of the institutions that enable a society of mutual benefit, where people succeed by helping others improve their lives. Through grants to universities and non-profit organizations, we connect students and scholars with the resources to explore diverse ideas and solutions that meet the challenges of our day. Our support focuses on identifying, exploring, and removing the barriers that keep individuals from

realizing their unique potential. Focus areas include Future of Work: Empowering people to engage in work that leads to lives of meaning and contribution. The Foundation generally supports only Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) non-profit public charities and universities that are organized and operated within the United States.

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## **The Leon Levine Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

By investing in individuals from historically marginalized communities and low-income families from birth until they obtain post-secondary education, the Foundation seeks to end generational poverty. The Foundation partners with organizations utilizing evidence-based interventions to eliminate or mitigate obstacles to academic achievement. Education investment priorities reflect this mission area's intersection with the Human Services and Healthcare mission areas to promote a holistic, family-centered approach to education as an avenue to self-sufficiency. Focus areas include Ready for K, student stability supports, social capital, and post-secondary success.

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## **The Teagle Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (Concept Paper))*

The Teagle Foundation works to support and strengthen liberal arts education, which we see as fundamental to meaningful work, effective citizenship, and a fulfilling life. Our aim is to serve as a catalyst for the improvement of teaching and learning in the arts and sciences while addressing issues of financial sustainability and accountability in higher education. Major initiatives currently include: (1) Knowledge for Freedom, (2) Cornerstone: Learning for Living; and (3) Transfer Pathways to the Liberal Arts. The Teagle Foundation invites proposals from two- and four-year colleges, universities, higher education consortia, and non-profit entities that share our commitment to the liberal arts and aim to pursue programs under one of our current initiatives.

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## **Fernandez Pave the Way Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (Inquiry Form))*

The mission of the Fernandez Pave the Way Foundation is to provide people with the opportunity to help themselves. The Foundation primarily supports nonprofit organizations in south Florida, western North Carolina, and the central coast of California. The Foundation's grantmaking priorities include: (1) educational institutions that support the underserved youth in a community; (2) educational programs focused on increasing environmental awareness and working towards a more sustainable environment; (3) contributing to the education and support of those requiring special attention and those with special needs in the community; (4) environmental conservation and advocacy organizations; (5) organizations supporting people who aspire to gain knowledge in their quest to create a sustainable life for themselves and their families; and, (6) organizations providing opportunities for underserved members of the community, independent of race, gender, sexual orientation, nationality, or creed. Grants average between \$50,000 - \$100,000.

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## **The PNC Foundation Grow Up Great Grants**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (Interest Email))*

The PNC Foundation supports educational programs for children and youth, particularly early childhood education initiatives that meet the criteria established through PNC Grow Up Great. Specifically, PNC Grow Up Great grants must: (1) Support early education initiatives that benefit children from birth to age five; (2) Serve a majority of children (>51%) from low- to moderate-income families; (3) Adhere to all other standard PNC Foundation guidelines, as outlined on the PNC Foundation website, applicant eligibility quiz, as well as the Foundation policies and procedures; (4) Include one or a combination of the following: (a) direct services/programs for children in their classroom or community; (b) professional development/workforce development for early childhood educators; (c) family and/or community engagement in children's early learning. Entities in specific North Carolina counties are eligible to apply. See the PNC website for a list of eligible counties.

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

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

Children can thrive when surrounded by an ecosystem of support that makes it easy to access quality education, health care, and food. Children thrive when parents thrive, so their ecosystem must also include equitable job opportunities and career pathways. Finally, the ability to face the future with confidence, assured of equitable opportunities, rounds out the ecosystem. Education, health, food and workforce systems are intertwined with community efforts toward racial equity and racial healing in serving what children need to thrive. We aim to support holistic solutions across these integrated systems.

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## **Hearst Foundation – Education**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Hearst Foundations fund educational institutions demonstrating uncommon success in preparing students to thrive in a global society. The Foundations' focus is largely on higher education, but they also fund innovative models of early childhood and K-12 education, as well as professional development. Preference will be given to: Higher education programs and scholarships and, on a limited basis, scholarships for post-graduate education; college access and college success programming; professional development for educators; science education programs that focus on developing career pathways in science, technology, engineering, environment and math; and programs educating the next generation of health professionals, such as nursing and mental health. The minimum grant size is \$100,000 and applicant organizations must be operating with audited expenses over \$2 million.

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*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

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# economic opportunity grants

## Federal Grants

### **DOL FY25 Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) Technical Assistance Grant Program**

*(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)*

This program aims to provide technical assistance (TA) to employers (which may include public sector entities) and labor unions in the United States and its territories to encourage employment of women in both apprenticeable occupations and nontraditional occupations (A/NTO), specifically in the following ways: Developing (establishing, expanding, and/or enhancing) pre-apprenticeship, youth apprenticeship, Registered Apprenticeship (as defined in Appendix B "Acronyms and Definitions"), or other nontraditional skills training programs designed to prepare women for careers in A/NTO; Providing ongoing orientations or other resources for employers, unions, and workers on creating a successful environment for women in A/NTO; and/or Setting up support groups, facilitating networks, and/or providing supportive services (as defined in section IV.E.3) for women in A/NTO to improve their retention. Applicants may propose to provide technical assistance to support women's participation and success in the full range of industries in which women are historically underrepresented or where women are disproportionately concentrated in the lower-wage occupations. Such industries include, but are not limited to; advanced manufacturing, construction, energy, health care, information technology, finance, and transportation. Applicants with experience working with or as an equity intermediary are encouraged to apply, as well as applicants with a proposed focus on expanding outreach/recruitment to historically underrepresented communities, including but not limited to women of color, women with disabilities, women at or below the federal poverty line, and women who live in rural geographic areas.

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### **DOT Regional Infrastructure Accelerator Program**

*(Application Deadline: June 16, 2025)*

The Build America Bureau (Bureau) is issuing this NOFO to solicit applications from eligible U.S. public entities for \$20 million in Regional Infrastructure Accelerator (RIA) grants. The Bureau anticipates providing cooperative agreements in the range of \$975,000 to \$2 million to establish between six and ten new RIAs. RIA grants assist entities in developing improved infrastructure priorities and financing strategies for the accelerated development of a project that is eligible for funding under the Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) Credit Program under Chapter 6 of Title 23, United States Code. These grants are intended to support RIAs that: 1) serve a defined geographic area; 2) act as a resource to qualified entities in the geographic area; and 3) demonstrate the effectiveness of the RIA to expedite the delivery of projects eligible for the TIFIA credit program. Projects are not required to apply for or receive TIFIA credit

assistance to be eligible; however, applicants who are considering the appropriateness of innovative financing methods to accelerate the delivery of eligible projects are strongly encouraged to apply. An eligible applicant is: A U.S. public entity, including a state, multi-state or multi-jurisdictional group, municipality, county, a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function including a port authority or public transportation agency, a Tribal government or consortium of Tribal governments, MPO, regional transportation planning organization (RTPO), Regional Transportation Commission, or a political subdivision of a State or local government, or combination of two or more of the foregoing.

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## **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Tribal Wildlife Grant Program (TWG)**

*(Application Deadline: June 20, 2025)*

The Tribal Wildlife Grants Program provides technical and financial assistance to federally recognized Tribes for the development and implementation of programs that benefit fish and wildlife and their habitats. Funding may be used for conserving any plant or animal species of interest to a Tribe, including those of Native American cultural or traditional importance. The TWG Program is an adaptable resource supporting tribal conservation priorities. Species targeted in an award are not restricted to those that are hunted, fished, or gathered, listed as threatened or endangered, or identified in a conservation plan. Activities may include, but are not limited to: planning for wildlife and habitat conservation, fish and wildlife conservation and management actions, fish and wildlife related laboratory and field research, natural history studies, habitat mapping, field surveys, and population monitoring, habitat protection and enhancement conservation, and education.

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## **DOT Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)**

*(Application Deadline: June 26, 2025)*

Funds for the fiscal year (FY) 2025 SS4A grant program are to be awarded on a competitive basis to support planning, infrastructure, and behavioral and operational initiatives to prevent fatalities and serious injuries on roads and streets involving all roadway users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transportation, motorists, and commercial vehicle operators. The SS4A program provides funding for two main types of grants: Planning and Demonstration Grants for Action Plans, including supplemental safety planning, and/or safety demonstration activities; and Implementation Grants. Planning and Demonstration Grants are used to develop, complete, or supplement an Action Plan, as well as carry out demonstration activities that inform an Action Plan. Implementation Grants are used to implement strategies or projects that are consistent with an existing Action Plan and may also bundle funding requests for supplemental planning and demonstration activities that inform the Action Plan. Eligible applicants for SS4A grants are: a metropolitan planning organization (MPO); a political subdivision of a State or territory; a federally recognized Tribal government; and a multijurisdictional group of entities made up of any of the aforementioned three types of entities.

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## **USDA Regional Food System Partnerships**

*(Application Deadline: June 27, 2025)*

The RFSP supports partnerships that connect public and private resources to plan and develop local or regional food systems. The RFSP focuses on building and strengthening local or regional food economy viability and resilience. Applicants will work with their partners to catalyze the development of local or regional food systems. Applicants will coordinate efforts within the partnership to set priorities, connect resources and services, and measure progress towards common goals. Partnerships are authorized to: (1) Determine the size and scope of the local or regional food system in which the project's goals, outreach objectives, and eligible activities are to be carried out, (2) Coordinate with AMS to receive technical assistance, and (3) Conduct outreach and education for potential participation in the partnership agreement and eligible activities. Partnerships must bring a variety of financial and technical capabilities, demonstrate experience or readiness to work effectively and collaboratively with public and private entities across sectors, and present innovative, sustainable, and measurable approaches to achieving the project's goals.

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## **USDA Local Food Promotion Program Fiscal Year 2025**

*(Application Deadline: June 27, 2025)*

LFPP funds projects that develop, coordinate, and expand local and regional food business enterprises that engage as intermediaries in indirect producer to consumer marketing to help increase access to and availability of locally and regionally produced agricultural products. The program focuses on: (1) Supporting the processing, aggregation, distribution, and storage of local and regional food products that are marketed locally or regionally, including value-added agricultural products; (2) Encouraging the development of value-added agricultural products; (3) Assisting with business development plans and feasibility studies; (4) Developing marketing strategies for producers of local food and value-added products; (5) Facilitating regional food chain coordination and mid-tier value chain development; (6) Promoting new business opportunities and marketing strategies to reduce on-farm food waste; (7) Responding to changing technology needs in indirect producer-to-consumer marketing; and (8) Covering expenses related to cost incurred in obtaining food safety certification and improvements to food safety practices and equipment.

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## **USDA Farmers Market Promotion Program Fiscal Year 2025**

*(Application Deadline: June 27, 2025)*

FMPP funds projects that develop, coordinate, and expand direct producer-to-consumer markets to help increase access to and availability of locally and regionally produced agricultural products. The program focuses on: (1) Supporting and promoting domestic direct producer-to-consumer (including direct producer-to-retail, direct producer-to-restaurant, and direct producer-to-institutional marketing) marketing such as farmers markets, roadside stands, agritourism activities, community-supported agriculture (CSA) programs, or online sales; (2) Encouraging the development of value-added agricultural products; (3) Developing marketing strategies for producers of local food and value-added products; (4) Facilitating regional food chain coordination development; (5) Promoting new business opportunities and marketing strategies to reduce on-farm food waste; (6) Responding to changing technology needs in direct producer-to-consumer marketing; and (7) Covering expenses related to costs incurred in obtaining food safety certification and improvements to food safety practices and equipment.

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## **HUD Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Imminent Threat (IT) Program**

*(Application Deadline: September 30, 2025; Rolling Review)*

ICDBG-IT grants must alleviate or remove imminent threats to public health or safety. Imminent threats are issues that if unresolved or not addressed will have an immediate negative impact on public health or safety. Imminent threats must be independently verified, must be of a non-recurring nature, must represent a unique and unusual circumstance, and must impact an entire service area. Eligible applicants are Tribes and Tribal organizations as described in the ICDBG regulations at 24 CFR §1003.5. The updated ICDBG-IT grant ceilings are \$750,000 for disasters that are not Presidentially Declared Disasters (PDDs) and \$1,500,000 for PDDs. HUD will review ICDBG-IT grant applications in the order they are received (by date and time).

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## **State Grants**

### **NC One NC Small Business Program**

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025)*

If you are small business whose principal place of business is in North Carolina and have either applied for or received a Phase I Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) or Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Phase I award since July 1, 2024, you may be eligible for an Incentive grant and/or a Matching grant from the One North Carolina Small Business Program. The One North Carolina Small Business Program is comprised of two programs: (1) The SBIR/STTR Phase I Incentive Funds Program - awards reimbursement to qualified NC businesses for a portion of the costs incurred in preparing and submitting Phase I Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) or Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) proposals to federal agencies. The goals are to increase the number, quality, company and technology diversity, and geographic breadth of NC applications for Federal SBIR and STTR Phase I awards. (2) The SBIR/STTR Phase I Matching Funds Program - awards matching funds to NC businesses who have received a federal SBIR or STTR award. The goals are to help NC companies bridge the funding gap period between the final Phase I payment and the first Phase II payment in the Federal Program, and increase the intensity of the research conducted under Phase I, making NC small businesses more competitive in the competition for Phase II funds.

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### **NC Dept of Commerce Rural Downtown Economic Development Program**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The purpose of this program is to support downtown revitalization and economic development initiatives that are intended to help local governments grow and leverage downtown districts as assets for economic growth, economic development, and prosperity. Funding availability is at the discretion of the Rural Infrastructure Authority.

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### **NC Dept of Commerce Small Business Infrastructure Grant Program**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

Local governments in North Carolina located in areas impacted by Hurricane Helene can now apply for grants from the new Small Business Infrastructure Grant Program (SmBIZ). The purpose of the SmBIZ Fund is to (1) Provide financial assistance for community recovery and resilience to communities specifically impacted by Hurricane Helene, helping to bring back vital services for small businesses and entrepreneurs; (2) Restore and repair critical infrastructure, allowing small businesses to resume function and operations to support economic recovery and sustainability; and (3) Assist in restoring or expanding small businesses' ability to attract customers to business districts to help retain business, expand access, spur private investment to create stability, and leverage resources to create resiliency and economic growth. The SmBIZ program will offer grants to local governments, and the related infrastructure projects will target and support small businesses that employ 150 or fewer employees. Funding will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Qualifying infrastructure must serve one or more businesses within the identified project area and must have been damaged by Hurricane Helene. The infrastructure cannot be owned by the small business, nor can it be such that the small business is responsible for maintaining it. Infrastructure may include but will not be limited to water, sewer, gas, telecommunications, high-speed broadband, electrical utility, sidewalk and curb infrastructure, and other repairs that remove barriers and restore or increase access to impacted small businesses.

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## **NC Dept of Commerce Hurricane Helene Business Edge Fund**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The North Carolina Department of Commerce is providing funds that local workforce development boards may use to help businesses minimize the damage of layoffs caused by Hurricane Helene. The Hurricane Helene Business Edge Fund offers \$500,000 in grant funding for local workforce boards serving the Western North Carolina counties that were most impacted by the storm, helping communities retain jobs and businesses. Workforce development boards in the region may apply to DWS for funding and then may provide grants of up to \$10,000 each to eligible businesses and community-based organizations. Employers located in one of the critical business disruption counties will be eligible to apply to their local workforce board. Those counties include Ashe, Avery, Burke, Buncombe, Caldwell, Haywood, Henderson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Transylvania, Watauga, and Yancey. To apply, businesses must have been in operation for at least two years, be current on Unemployment Insurance (UI) taxes, and be in good standing with the Internal Revenue Service. The application should demonstrate a need for layoff aversion support. To apply for the Hurricane Helene Business Edge Fund, businesses should contact their [local workforce development board](#) or [NCWorks Career Center](#).

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## **USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program in North Carolina (Via State Office)**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings. Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and / or improve essential community facilities, purchase equipment and pay related project expenses. Examples of essential community facilities include: (1) Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities (2) Public

facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars or street improvements (3) Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing (4) Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment (5) Educational services such as museums, libraries or private schools (6) Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment (7) Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses.

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## **USDA SEARCH - Special Evaluation Assistance for Rural Communities and Households in North Carolina (Via State Office)**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

This program helps very small, financially distressed rural communities with predevelopment feasibility studies, design and technical assistance on proposed water and waste disposal projects. Eligible applicants include: Most state and local governmental entities, Nonprofits, and Federally recognized tribes. Eligible areas must (1) be rural with a population of 2,500 or less and (2) have a median household income below the poverty line or less than 80 percent of the statewide non-metropolitan median household income based on latest Census data. Funds be used to pay predevelopment planning costs, including: Feasibility studies to support applications for funding water or waste disposal projects, Preliminary design and engineering analysis, and Technical assistance for the development of an application for financial assistance.

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## **North Carolina Dept of Commerce Rural Building Reuse, Infrastructure, and Demolition Programs**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

Rural Reuse & Development Programs (RDP) offer building reuse, infrastructure, and demolition grants in support of economic development projects that lead to job creation. Eligible applicants are units of local government located in Tier 1 or Tier 2 counties, or within a rural census tract in a Tier 3 county. As prescribed in N.C.G.S. 143B-472.127(a)(2), a rural census tract is an area having a population density of less than 500 people per square mile in accordance with the most recent decennial federal census. Tier ranking information can be found [here](#) on the NC Department of Commerce website.

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## **The One North Carolina Fund**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The One North Carolina Fund (OneNC) is a discretionary cash-grant program that allows the Governor to respond quickly to competitive job-creation projects. The North Carolina Department of Commerce administers OneNC on behalf of the Governor. Awards are based on the number of jobs created, level of investment, location of the project, economic impact of the project and the importance of the project to the state and region. Awards are allocated to local governments as part of a negotiated challenge grant. By statute, OneNC requires that a local government provide an incentive to match the OneNC funding. The required local match depends on the tier designation of the county. Funds awarded to a company must be used for: (1) Installation or

purchase of equipment (2) Structural repairs, improvements or renovations of existing buildings (3) Construction of or improvements to water, sewer, gas or electric utility distribution lines or associated equipment for existing buildings (4) Construction of or improvements to water, sewer, gas or electric utility distribution lines or associated equipment for new or proposed buildings to be used for manufacturing and industrial operations.

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## Foundation Grants

### Teshinsky Family Foundation – Career Pathways Training Grant

*(Application Deadline: June 23, 2025 (Inquiry Form))*

The Career Pathways Training Grant aims to support direct service training programs for post-secondary career pathways that meet the following criteria: Required Program Elements include (1) Direct Training aligned with career opportunities at no cost to participants, (2) Employment Pipeline in high-wage, sustainable careers with growth potential, and (3) Support Services to overcome hurdles known to impede job applicants. Career training areas include manufacturing, building trades, welding, and other fields that include additional direct skills training programs in high demand industries leading to high-wage careers. One-time grants between \$25,000 and \$100,000 will be awarded to registered 501(c)3 organizations to support training or equipment. Priority will be given to applicants with the capability to increase efficiency, effectiveness, and/or growth.

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### The Nathan Cummings Foundation

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025 (LOI))*

The Nathan Cummings Foundation (NCF) is a multigenerational family foundation working to help create a more just, vibrant, sustainable, and democratic society by supporting social change movements, organizations, and entrepreneurs. Support is provided in the United States, including U.S. territories, with particular interest in work focused on the U.S. South. NCF is currently accepting applications for grants and program-related investments that align with the following interconnected focus areas: racial justice, including work that fosters civic engagement, addresses the racial wealth gap, and combats racism and oppression; economic justice, including work that fosters systemic economic security, increases access to capital, and combats monopoly power; and environmental justice, including work that addresses environmental harms, creates inclusive participation in the green economy, and develops regenerative economic models. NCF is offering two types of funding opportunities: grants and program-related investments (PRIs). Grants range from \$50,000 to \$250,000 and program-related investments range from \$250,000 to \$750,000.

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### Levitt Foundation: Levitt Music Series Grants

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025)*

U.S.-based 501(c)(3) nonprofits are eligible to receive a three-year matching grant of up to \$40K/year (up to \$120K total) to bring 7-10 free concerts to your community each year. The Levitt Foundation's Levitt Music Series Grants provide three-year matching grants to bring free outdoor concerts to communities across the United States. Applications are accepted in the following categories: Levitt AMP is geared to towns and cities with populations under 250,000. Levitt VIBE,

geared to large cities with a population over 250,000, brings free outdoor concerts to neighborhoods where there is limited access to arts programming and live music. Levitt BLOC, geared to communities of any size, activates different neighborhoods in a town or city by “layering” concerts across multiple public spaces. Nonprofit organizations located in the same town, city, or county of the proposed music series are eligible to apply.

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### **U.S. Venture/Schmidt Family Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: July 25 and October 24, 2025)*

The Foundation will consider a broad range of requests including specific program needs, capital or general operating support. Consideration is given to needs that fulfill the Foundation’s mission within the following impact areas: Education, Jobs & Economy, Family Support & Social Connectedness, Physical Health, Psychological Health & Addiction, and Human Services. The USV/SFF only reviews grant applications with documented support (email, letters of support, board membership, donor or volunteer activity) from a U.S. Venture team member or shareholder.

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### **Truist Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: July 31 and November 30, 2025)*

We support our communities by investing in innovative nonprofits that align with our key areas of focus: building career pathways to economic mobility and strengthening small businesses. Building career pathways goals include: Enable and equip frontline workers and unemployed adults, including diverse workers, with the tools and resources they need to move into middle-skill jobs that provide economic mobility and more pathways for people to thrive. Strengthening small businesses goals include: Strengthen the supports that allow diverse small businesses to become more financially sustainable and resilient by eliminating barriers to growth, and improving knowledge sharing, collaboration and innovation within the small business ecosystem. We support needs that are sustainable and don’t commit funds to recurring expenditures. Examples include funding for a new program launch, a curriculum to expand or strengthen a program, equipment to deliver a program, and capital needs.

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### **Nasdaq Philanthropic Foundation, Inc, Quarterly Grant Program**

*(Application Deadline: August 1 and October 24, 2025)*

Driven by Nasdaq's Purpose to advance economic progress for all, the Nasdaq Foundation works with organizations that promote and support under-resourced communities by reimagining investor engagement and equipping communities with the financial knowledge needed to share in the wealth that markets create. Nasdaq seeks to: (1) Empower organizations that equip under-resourced communities with the financial knowledge and confidence they need to share in the wealth that markets can create. Grants will be given in this area to organizations and programs which deliver impact in one or more of the following ways: Enhancing financial literacy among under-resourced communities, with an element of teaching participants how to invest in the capital markets; Improving access to knowledge and tools for investing and wealth creation among under-resourced communities. The Nasdaq Foundation generally does not fund financial literacy projects which focus exclusively on K-12 education. Nasdaq also seeks to: (2) Support entrepreneurs from

under-resourced communities with the resources to strengthen and scale those businesses and contribute to the prosperity of society. Grants will be given in this area to organizations and programs that deliver impact in one or more of the following ways: Equipping under-resourced founders with mentoring and resources; Improving access to capital for under-resourced founders.

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## **The Smart Family Fund**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (Project Pitch))*

The Smart Family Fund's mission is to discover, support, and mentor emerging U.S. nonprofit organizations and their leaders, providing the necessary backing to help them succeed. The Fund focuses on early-stage nonprofit ventures that have the potential to make a significant impact on the world, but that have yet to demonstrate the efficacy needed to acquire large-scale funding. Early-stage, U.S.-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply. Each year, we make first time grants, ranging from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

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## **FINRA Investor Education Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (Project Concept Form))*

The mission of the FINRA Investor Education Foundation is to provide underserved Americans with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary for financial success throughout life. The Foundation's General Grant Program supports research and educational projects, with emphasis given to projects that: (1) expand the body of knowledge or provide practical materials that will have a positive impact on investor education or protection; (2) research methods to improve disclosure to investors about investments and financial services; (3) encourage investors to check the background of financial professionals prior to doing business with them; (4) empower the nation's young people who are about to enter the workforce to better prepare for retirement and to meet other financial goals; (5) better prepare older Americans for handling their finances during retirement; (6) further financial inclusion and address systemic financial inequities based on race, ethnicity, gender, disability status, and other social differences; (7) encourage women and minority populations to take control of their financial future through investor education; and, (8) advance practice, policy, and thought in the fields of investor education and protection.

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## **Golden LEAF Foundation: Open Grants Program**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (Stage 1 Application))*

The Golden LEAF Foundation's mission is to increase economic opportunity in North Carolina's rural, tobacco-dependent, and economically distressed communities. The Open Grants Program provides support to government entities and nonprofit organizations for economic development projects aligned with the priority areas of job creation and economic investment, agriculture, and workforce preparedness. Competitive applications include requests for funds to develop and implement a new workforce training program to meet demand from local employers; implement a career pathway at a high school for a high demand field; extend water, sewer, or road infrastructure to a site to enable industrial development that will create full-time jobs; and support the development of new crops, expand markets for agriculture products, or provide training for

farmers. Most grants range up to \$200,000, though awards of up to \$500,000 may be considered for projects that possess additional characteristics.

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# health & wellness grants

## **Federal Grants**

### **Department of Defense Breast Cancer and Ovarian Cancer Awards**

*(Application Deadline: Breast Cancer Award Pre-Applications due June 13, 2025; Ovarian Cancer Award Pre-Applications due June 12, 2025)*

On April 22, the Department of Defense released several grant opportunities on Grants.gov for Breast and Ovarian Cancer research. These include: Breast Cancer Breakthrough Award Levels 1 and 2 (20 awards), Breast Cancer Breakthrough Award Level 3 (3 awards), Breast Cancer Clinical Research Extension Award (3 Awards), Breast Cancer Era of Hope Scholar Award (2 awards), Ovarian Cancer Investigator-Initiated Research Award (7 awards), and Ovarian Cancer Research Pilot Award (9 awards). For all opportunities, extramural and intramural organizations are eligible to apply, including foreign and domestic organizations, for-profit and non-profit organizations, and public or private entities. Extramural Organization are defined as eligible non-Department of Defense (DOD) organizations. Examples of extramural organizations include academic institutions, biotechnology companies, foundations, federal government organizations other than the DOD (i.e., intragovernmental organizations), and research institutes. To see individual opportunities on grants.gov.

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### **ACL Alzheimer's Disease Programs Initiative - Dementia Capability in Indian Country**

*(Forecasted Deadline: June 16, 2025)*

Cooperative agreements under this Alzheimer's Disease Programs Initiative (ADPI) are intended to support and promote the development and implementation of dementia-capable home and community-based service (HCBS) systems in Indian Country. The Dementia Capability in Indian Country program is intended to support federally recognized tribes, tribal organizations and/or consortiums representing federally recognized tribes in these target activities. The dementia-

capable systems resulting from activities under this program are expected to provide quality, strengths-based, person-centered services and supports that help people living with dementia and their caregivers remain independent and safe in their communities. Applicants for the 36-month Dementia Capability in Indian Country cooperative agreement are those entities that are presently responsible for the provision of and actively providing home and community-based services in tribal communities.

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## **OVW Fiscal Year 2025 Sexual Assault Forensic Exam Hiring and Training Program**

*(Application Deadline: June 24, 2025)*

The Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE) Hiring and Training program supports efforts to establish or expand access to pediatric and/or adolescent/adult sexual assault forensic exams by funding the salaries of full- and part-time sexual assault nurse/forensic examiners (SANEs/SAFEs) providing forensic exams or serving as a regional preceptor or as a SANE/SAFE instructor. Eligible applicants include State, Tribal, or local governments, sexual assault examination programs, State or Territorial sexual assault coalitions, health care facilities, and community-based programs. Up to 36 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$500,000-\$750,000.

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## **OVW Fiscal Year 2025 Grants to Prevent and Respond to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Sex Trafficking Against Children and Youth Program**

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025)*

The Grants to Prevent and Respond to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Sex Trafficking Against Children and Youth Program (Children and Youth Program) supports comprehensive, community-based efforts to develop or expand prevention, intervention, treatment, and response strategies to address the needs of children and youth (ages 0-24) impacted by domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and sex trafficking. 19 awards are anticipated, ranging up to \$500,000.

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## **OVW Fiscal Year 2025 Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program**

*(Application Deadline: July 8, 2025)*

The Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program (Rural Program) enhances the safety of rural victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking by supporting projects uniquely designed to address and prevent these crimes in rural areas. This program supports cooperative efforts among law enforcement officers, prosecutors, victim service providers, and other related parties to investigate and prosecute sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking; treatment, advocacy, counseling, legal assistance, or other victim services for victims in rural communities; or programs addressing sexual assault. 55 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$500,000-\$950,000.

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## **SAMHSA Tribal Behavioral Health: Substance Use Prevention**

*(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)*

This program focuses on substance use and overdose prevention activities by increasing protective factors through establishing an effective prevention system, addressing the relationship and interaction between suicide and substance use, while also developing the necessary infrastructure to build sustainable change. Eligibility is limited to federally recognized American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) tribes, tribal organizations, Urban Indian Organizations, and consortia of tribes or tribal organizations. Six awards are expected to be made.

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## **State Grants**

### **USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program in North Carolina**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings. Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and / or improve essential community facilities, purchase equipment and pay related project expenses. Examples of essential community facilities include: (1) Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities (2) Public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars or street improvements (3) Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing (4) Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment (5) Educational services such as museums, libraries or private schools (6) Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment (7) Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses.

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## **Foundation Grants**

### **Infinite Hero Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: June 15, 2025 (Letter of Intent))*

Infinite Hero Foundation aims to connect U.S. military, veterans, and military family members with innovative and effective treatment programs for service-related injuries. Eligible applicants include nonprofits who are working to address one of the five categories the Infinite Hero looks to invest in: Physical Recovery, Brain Health to include TBI and PTS, Suicide Prevention, Veteran Leadership, and Military Families. Program grants up to \$100,000 per cycle, per year will be considered based on need and an approved budget. Infinite Hero funds must be applied directly to program costs and cannot be used for fundraising or administrative overhead.

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### **The Duke Endowment Health Care Grant**

*(Application Deadline: June 15 and December 15)*

The Duke Endowment believes that all people can achieve their best health when communities are designed to support healthy lifestyles and when our health care system can engage patients and provide holistic care that meets the unique needs of each individual. Improving health and reducing health disparities will require communities and the health care system to innovate. We look for opportunities to support the development and testing of new approaches that can outperform the current standard of care. These new approaches will require robust evaluation plans that can build the evidence necessary to understand what works and accelerate the systemic reforms necessary to scale and sustain best practices. Funding Priorities in health care include access to care for vulnerable populations, maternal and infant health, mental health, population health, and workforce development. Health Care funding is focused on priority organizations in the Carolinas. Examples include: Non-for-profit hospitals, Academic health centers, Area health education centers, Select organizations in counties without an eligible hospital, and Not-for-profit inpatient facilities.

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### **The Duke Endowment Child & Family Well-Being Grant**

*(Application Deadline: June 15 and December 15 (Pre-Application))*

We fund implementation support for public and private child- and family-serving agencies to adopt and sustain evidence-based and evidence-informed programs shown to prevent or treat child maltreatment. Child and Family Well-Being has adopted the implementation framework developed by the National Implementation Research Network (NIRN) to sustain and scale evidence-based programs for preventing and treating child abuse and neglect. Implementation support consists of activities designed to help put defined programs into practice. Child and Family Well-Being considers applications from a variety of public and private agencies willing to use an implementation framework to adopt and sustain evidence-based programs. Individual nonprofits, provider associations, county and state public agencies are typical applicants.

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### **Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Childhood Cancer 'A' Award Grant**

*(Application Deadline: June 16, 2025)*

The purpose of the 'A' Award Grant is to advance ALSF's mission to find cures and better treatments for childhood cancers by providing support to early career scientists who want to establish a career in pediatric oncology research. The ideal applicant has an original project that is not currently being funded. Demonstration of a future commitment to pediatric cancer investigation as well as institutional support for the career development of the investigator are critical components of a successful application. A mentor is required, and a career development plan must be included. The requested budget should be in proportion to the scope of the proposed project and should be at or under \$800,000 USD in direct costs over four years. A maximum of \$200,000 in total costs may be requested per year.

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### **The Doyle Foundation, Inc.**

*(Application Deadline: July 1, 2025)*

The mission of The Doyle Foundation, Inc. is to promote communities of productivity and prosperity with access to education and advancement. The foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations to support resourceful communities. If you need financial assistance as a means of

making “your way” in the world, tell us your story...we’re here to help you. The Doyle Foundation, Inc. provides grants to 501(c)(3) organizations that are incorporated in the United States of America.

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## **Morgan Stanley Alliance for Children's Mental Health Innovation Awards**

*(Application Deadline: July 7, 2025)*

U.S.-based 501(c)(3) public charities with an annual total revenue under \$5 million are invited to submit innovative ideas for advancing children’s mental health. The Innovation Awards program aims to help fill the funding gap in the under-resourced children’s mental health sector and provide runway for game-changing ideas. Our goal is to connect nonprofits with funders, in order to match much-needed capital with innovative projects in the field of mental healthcare for children and youth. We also offer leadership learning opportunities to build capacity for nonprofits. We are looking for new or piloted projects from direct-service organizations that will help address the far-reaching challenge of stress, anxiety, depression or other mental health issues in children and young adults in the U.S. Projects must tackle specific issues and address unmet needs, with a goal of educating the public, reducing stigma, increasing access to care, improving equity in mental health, enabling early identification/prevention, enhancing intervention or fostering peer support, especially among disadvantaged and vulnerable populations. Grants of \$100,000 will be awarded to each Innovation Award winner and grants of \$25,000 - \$50,000 will be awarded to each Next Gen Innovation Award winner.

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## **American Legion Child Welfare Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: July 15, 2025)*

The primary purpose of the American Legion Child Welfare Foundation (CWF) is to contribute to the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual welfare of children and youth; to aid in research, programs, and activities that benefit the welfare of children and youth. The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation awards grants for one calendar year. All grant projects must be completed between January 1 - December 31 of the award year. Grants must have the potential to help children nationally or at least in a large geographic area.

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## **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - Research to Advance Racial and Indigenous Health Equity**

*(Application Deadline: July 16, 2025 (New Research LOI))*

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## **U.S. Venture/Schmidt Family Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: July 25 and October 24, 2025)*

The Foundation will consider a broad range of requests including specific program needs, capital or general operating support. Consideration is given to needs that fulfill the Foundation's mission within the following impact areas: Education, Jobs & Economy, Family Support & Social Connectedness, Physical Health, Psychological Health & Addiction, and Human Services. The USV/SFF only reviews grant applications with documented support (email, letters of support, board membership, donor or volunteer activity) from a U.S. Venture team member or shareholder.

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## **The Kettering Family Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: July 31, 2025 (Request Summary))*

The Foundation supports a broad range of charitable activities of interest to the Board of Trustees, which is composed of members of the Kettering Family. Funding decisions are driven by the interests of Foundation trustees and the majority of grants are awarded to those non-profit organizations with which the family has a relationship. While the Foundation is open to receiving Request Summaries from any qualified organization, each applicant must have made contact with the Foundation prior to applying. The Kettering Family Foundation (KFF) will consider activities in the following categories: Arts, Culture and Humanities; Education; Environment; Health/Medical; and Human Services/Public & Society Benefit.

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## **CareQuest Institute for Oral Health: Advancing Equity Through Oral Health Fund**

*(Application Deadline: August 1 and November 20, 2025 (Concept Note))*

The CareQuest Institute for Oral Health provides support in the United States to improve the oral health of all. The Institute's Advancing Equity Through Oral Health Fund seeks to drive oral health transformation through support of efforts to dismantle unjust structures and systems that drive disparities across oral health, access to care, treatment, and outcomes. Funding is structured around the following areas: policy and advocacy, with a focus on federal and state oral health policy; clinically appropriate care, inclusive of medical-dental integrations, minimally invasive care, and healthcare workforce; community capacity and voice, with a focus on engagement of community voices, specifically underserved populations; and research to advance oral health systems change. Nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and educational or research institutions are eligible to apply.

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## **The Delta Dental Foundation – General Grants**

*(Application Deadline: August 28 and November 13, 2025)*

The Delta Dental Foundation (DDF) provides support to organizations in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, and North Carolina for programs to improve oral health. DDF's General Grants fund nonprofits, government agencies, schools, colleges, and universities for programs that promote oral health equity and align with the following core pillars: access to oral healthcare for people and communities that experience historic or systemic barriers, oral health education to improve oral hygiene habits and increase dental visits, oral health workforce development, emerging oral health

issues, and advocacy for policies that improve access to care and the oral health safety net. Proposals that promote oral health equity for people with disabilities are of particular interest.

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## **WITH Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Forecasted August 2024; RFP published on July 1, 2024)*

WITH Foundation was created to provide financial support to 501(c)(3) organizations that promote comprehensive healthcare for adults with developmental disabilities. During our traditional grant cycles (OPEN and RFP cycles) WITH will consider grants of up to \$150,000. We will give preference to organizations that share our core values and work to support comprehensive healthcare for adults with I/DD. During our traditional grant cycles we will also consider research-focused grants.

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## **Joy W. Pope Memorial Grant Funds – Human Services Fund**

*(Application Deadline: September 1, 2025)*

Across North Carolina, nonprofits extend a hand up to those in need and, in doing so, directly contribute to the flourishing of self-empowered citizens. Through the Joy W. Pope Memorial Grant in Human Services, we hope to support innovative ideas and highlight the creative projects that are making our communities stronger, better places to live, work, and play. We will award up to \$100,000 for our 2026 application cycle.

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## **The J.W. Couch Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: September 26, 2025)*

You must be a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization that is aligned with one of our three charitable programs: preservation, education, or wellness. 2025 focus areas include Animal Wellbeing, Early Childhood Education, Teachers, and Get Outside. We do not have any geographic restrictions on where any nonprofit is located or operates.

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## **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - Exploring Equitable Futures**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling until October 15, 2025)*

The purpose of this Exploring Equitable Futures call for proposals (CFP) is to support projects that seed new and unconventional ideas that could radically advance health equity for generations to come. We aim to fund projects that: Explore the future by researching and experimenting with ideas that are ahead of the curve or at the edge of our collective imagination; Shine a light on the emerging trends and forces that are shaping our future for better or worse—and suggest ways to navigate them to mitigate harm and advance health equity; Dream big and challenge conventional wisdom to surface possibilities and uncover new paths to dismantle structural racism and build a more equitable future. We are particularly interested in projects that seed new and unconventional ideas within the Health Science Knowledge System—or that reimagine this system completely. At RWJF, we believe that the knowledge and evidence that's needed to guide better decision making, as well as policies that influence health, must include wisdom generated and shared by

communities, including those that have been traditionally ignored or undervalued. With our grantees and partners, we are working to transform the way we produce, share, and use health evidence so that it is rooted in equity and justice.

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## **The Centene Charitable Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: November 29, 2025)*

The Centene Charitable Foundation primarily provides support to nonprofit organizations that enhance the quality of life and health of the residents of the communities where the company operates. The core of our foundation is helping health-related organizations and causes. Centene will also consider projects or programs aligning with one or more of Centene Corporation's focus areas: healthcare (including Drivers of Health); social services; and education.

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## **DAV Charitable Service Trust Veteran Grants Program**

*(Application Deadline: Quarterly)*

Since establishment, the DAV Charitable Service Trust has led a grant program for not-for-profit organizations that fulfill a need or array of needs for sick, wounded, and homeless or at-risk veterans throughout the nation. Though the Trust recognizes that the needs of veterans are often unique to a particular military family or veteran of a specific era, many of the services provided with grant funds reflect the rehabilitation for physical and/or psychological wounds from combat. Frequently, the Trust awards grants to promote food, shelter, and other necessary items to homeless or at-risk veterans; mobility items for veterans that have experienced vision loss, hearing loss, or amputations; therapeutic or recreational activities for those with physical and/or psychological limitations; and education or training for veterans seeking career-readiness and skill development.

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## **Delta Dental Foundation – General Grant Requests**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (Contact Funder))*

The DDF funds the people and programs that promote oral health equity and align with the five core pillars outlined in our strategic plan (access to care, advocacy, education, emerging initiatives, and workforce development). We are especially interested in proposals that promote oral health equity for people with disabilities. We offer grants only to nonprofits, government agencies, schools, colleges and universities that serve Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and North Carolina. General grants are for funding requests over \$10,000. Applications are accepted throughout the year and reviewed on a quarterly basis. Contact us at [ddf@deltadentalmi.com](mailto:ddf@deltadentalmi.com) to discuss your program before applying.

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## **School-Based Healthcare Solutions Network - Principal Student Support Services Grant**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

Grant funds must be used to expand access to mental health support services for students with a documented history of chronic absenteeism, behavioral challenges, or declining academic performance. The grantor will manage the recruitment, placement, and training of a fully funded mental health professional for each school campus at no cost to the school. All compensation, including salary and associated costs, will be covered by the grant, up to \$85,000 annually. Additionally, Qualifying schools are eligible to receive a discretionary grant of up to \$5,000 per year, awarded in renewable five-year cycles, for a total of up to \$25,000 over five years. The school must serve at least 500 students in grades 6-12 and at least 70% of students must be eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch (FRL). Eligible applicants include: Local Education Agencies (LEA), Charter School Management Companies, Charter Schools, Public Schools, and Private Schools (Faith-Based and Non-Faith-Based).

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### **The Leon Levine Foundation - Healthcare**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

In a thriving community, there is equitable access to quality physical and mental healthcare. To this end, The Leon Levine Foundation invests in organizations that provide direct care to promote optimal health and to enrich the wellbeing of individuals and their families as they address disease and illness. Focus areas include: Direct access to care, supportive services, and care coordination & case management.

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### **The Hearst Foundation - Health**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The Hearst Foundations assist leading regional hospitals, medical centers and specialized medical institutions providing access to healthcare for high-need populations. In response to the shortage of healthcare professionals necessary to meet the country's evolving healthcare demands, the Foundations also fund programs designed to enhance skills and increase the number of practitioners and educators across roles in healthcare. The Foundations also support public health, medical research and the development of young investigators to help create a broad and enduring impact on the nation's health. Preference Will Be Given To: Professional development; programs improving access to high-quality healthcare for low-income populations, rural populations and/or veterans; programs developing and providing specialized care for the complex needs of elderly populations; programs providing behavioral and mental health care; programs scaling innovative healthcare delivery systems to provide efficient, coordinated care; and research, particularly support for early career investigators and/or efforts related to finding new cures and treatments for prevalent diseases, such as cancer. The minimum grant size is \$100,000 and applicant organizations must be operating with audited expenses over \$2 million.

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### **W.K. Kellogg Foundation – Good Health and Health Equity**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

We focus our health equity grantmaking in two priority areas: (1) Public health and health care and (2) Maternal and child health. Public health and health care: Good health is about more than medical care. Health equity means removing economic and social barriers that prevent people

from experiencing optimal health, such as poverty, lack of transportation and education opportunities and environmental factors. We look for innovative initiatives that: (1) Advance systemic and policy changes; (2) Promote health care access and coverage; (3) Strengthen and build capacity in the public health infrastructure; (4) Increase coordination between sectors and communities, emphasizing a holistic approach to what impacts health; and (5) Introduce new narratives to increase understanding of health inequities and the urgency to address them.

Maternal and child health: In the U.S., racial disparities in maternal and infant mortality and morbidity persist across all socioeconomic statuses – especially for Black and Indigenous families. Our grantmaking promotes peak health for birthing parents and our youngest children, prenatal through infancy. We look for initiatives that: (1) Increase the availability of culturally relevant care in close proximity to communities most impacted by disparities; (2) Promote the expansion of health coverage; (3) Address the systems that create obstacles for optimal health; (4) Strengthen the maternal-child health care workforce; and (5) Address racism within the health care system.

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## Foundation for Rural Service - Virtual Living Room

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

Virtual Living Room is a grant program that combines rural technology, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) resources, and local support to provide solutions to improve healthcare access for veterans in rural areas. Communities that are located more than an hour away from a VA clinic or hospital can provide a private, comfortable location for veterans to access VA medical system telehealth and other online resources. To be eligible to apply for funding, the community must be located more than an hour away from a VA clinic or hospital. The applicant of record must be a member of NTCA: The Rural Broadband Association. Virtual Living Room venue locations should be comfortable, private, have adequate electricity, and have broadband service provided by the NTCA member. Venue examples include a Veterans of Foreign War lodge, American Legion, library, firehouse, church, and/or community center.

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## CareSource Foundation

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The CareSource Foundation funds programs that improve health outcomes and conditions for low-income, underserved populations in the states CareSource serves, including Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia, and North Carolina. Priorities include supporting health education and promoting healthy habits; improving maternal, infant, and child health; and strengthening the capacity of a diverse health and 21st century workforce. Grant requests are reviewed on an ongoing basis, though grants of \$100,000 or more must be reviewed by the Foundation's board, which generally meets three times a year in the spring, summer, and fall.

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## Michael & Susan Dell Foundation

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

We fund social enterprises that directly serve or impact children or youth from urban low-income communities in the areas of education, health, and family economic stability (including livelihoods and financial inclusion). These social enterprises may be structured as for-profit or nonprofit

entities. As a guideline, the foundation does not fund more than 10% of an organization's total annual operating expenses.

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## Federal Grants

### ACF FY25 Street Outreach Program

*(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)*

The Street Outreach Program (SOP) provides street-based services to runaway, homeless, and street youth who have been subjected to or are at risk of being subjected to sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, and severe forms of human trafficking in persons. These services, targeted in areas where street youth congregate, are designed to assist such youth in making healthy choices and providing them access to shelter as well as basic needs, including food, hygiene packages and information on a range of available services.

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### ACF Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: Culturally Specific Sexual Assault Capacity Building Centers (CSSAC)

*(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)*

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Family Violence Prevention and Services (OFVPS), Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) Program seeks to award four cooperative agreements under FVPSA to establish and maintain Culturally Specific Sexual Assault Capacity Building Centers (CSSACs) that will enhance intervention and prevention efforts for victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, and family violence for members of racial and ethnic minority groups. The CSSACs grant recipients are part of a network of National, Special Issue, Culturally Specific, and Capacity Building Resource Centers providing leadership, training, technical assistance, resources, and support to programs and systems serving victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, family violence, and their children.

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### DOL FY25 Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) Technical Assistance Grant Program

*(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)*

This program aims to provide technical assistance (TA) to employers (which may include public sector entities) and labor unions in the United States and its territories to encourage employment of women in both apprenticeable occupations and nontraditional occupations (A/NTO), specifically in the following ways: Developing (establishing, expanding, and/or enhancing) pre-apprenticeship, youth apprenticeship, Registered Apprenticeship (as defined in Appendix B "Acronyms and Definitions"), or other nontraditional skills training programs designed to prepare women for careers in A/NTO; Providing ongoing orientations or other resources for employers, unions, and

workers on creating a successful environment for women in A/NTO; and/or Setting up support groups, facilitating networks, and/or providing supportive services (as defined in section IV.E.3) for women in A/NTO to improve their retention. Applicants may propose to provide technical assistance to support women's participation and success in the full range of industries in which women are historically underrepresented or where women are disproportionately concentrated in the lower-wage occupations. Such industries include, but are not limited to; advanced manufacturing, construction, energy, health care, information technology, finance, and transportation. Applicants with experience working with or as an equity intermediary are encouraged to apply, as well as applicants with a proposed focus on expanding outreach/recruitment to historically underrepresented communities, including but not limited to women of color, women with disabilities, women at or below the federal poverty line, and women who live in rural geographic areas.

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## Foundation Grants

### Latino Public Broadcasting Open Call Public Media Content Fund

*(Application Deadline: June 26, 2025)*

Latino Public Broadcasting (LPB) provides a voice for America's diverse Latino community. LPB supports the development, production, acquisition, and distribution of non-commercial educational and cultural television that is representative of Latino people or addresses issues of particular interest to Latino Americans. Through the Public Media Content Fund, LPB provides production, post-production, and research and development support to documentaries and limited series. The Fund supports a range of subjects, issues, and viewpoints that complement and challenge existing public media offerings and integrate strong story-telling techniques that give voice and provide a lens to the diverse Latino community. Cultural and arts documentaries are of particular interest. Other accepted genres include history, science, biography, health, personal storytelling, and mixed genre. Funding requests may range from \$10,000 to \$100,000.

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### Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - Research to Advance Racial and Indigenous Health Equity

*(Application Deadline: July 16, 2025 (New Research LOI))*

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### William T. Grant Foundation – Research Grants on Reducing Inequality

*(Application Deadline: August 6, 2025)*

This program supports research to build, test, or increase understanding of programs, policies, or practices to reduce inequality in the academic, social, behavioral, or economic outcomes of young people ages 5-25 in the United States. We prioritize studies that aim to reduce inequalities that exist along dimensions of race, ethnicity, economic standing, sexual or gender minority status, language minority status, or immigrant origins. Our research interests center on studies that examine ways to reduce inequality in youth outcomes. We welcome descriptive studies that clarify mechanisms for reducing inequality or elucidate how or why a specific program, policy, or practice operates to reduce inequality. We also welcome intervention studies that examine attempts to reduce inequality. Finally, we welcome studies that improve the measurement of inequality in ways that can enhance the work of researchers, practitioners, or policymakers.

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## **Sweet Justice Foundation**

*(Inquiry Application Form Due August 1)*

It is the mission of the Sweet Justice Foundation to promote creative initiatives for social and environmental justice and women's rights. The foundation provides support primarily for programs based in New York and North Carolina, as well as those with a nationwide focus. Candidate programs must address one or more of the following: violence against women and girls, sexualized violence against children, sex trafficking, reproductive rights, gender bias, environmental justice, racial justice, and immigration.

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## **The Richard and Jean Coyne Family Foundation**

*(Invitation Only, Introduction via Contact Form)*

The Richard and Jean Coyne Family Foundation was established in 1990 to increase diversity in visual communications. The Foundation currently funds programs managed by educational institutions and nonprofit trade organizations that help economically disadvantaged high school students develop portfolios to qualify for admission to art school and provide college scholarships for them to study graphic design, advertising, photography, and illustration. The average grant amount ranges from \$20,000 - \$60,000.

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## **New Breath Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

New Breath Foundation is leading the movement to fund grassroots groups that transform AANHPI (Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander) lives in the here and now while fighting for the collective liberation of all people of color. The Foundation supports organizations throughout the U.S. The Foundation provides support through the following programs: (1) We Got Us Fund - This fund was formed in response to rising anti-Asian violence and to address the need to assist frontline organizers. Supported organizations focus on fighting scapegoating; cultivating culturally relevant healing; promoting cross-racial solidarity; and, protecting communities from systemic and interpersonal violence. (2) New Breath Fund - This fund focuses on organizations doing work in the areas of hope and healing; keeping families together; and movement building. Grantmaking is currently invitation-only, but you may submit a common proposal through JustFund, where you can seek support from NBF and over 400 other funders at the same time.

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### **The Vadon Foundation**

*(Invitation Only, Introduction via Email/Call)*

The Vadon Foundation supports innovative community-based initiatives that sustain healthy thriving indigenous nations in perpetuity. We support programs working to ensure that every successive generation of indigenous people and culture will face an increasingly brighter future of healthy self-determination, autonomy, evolution, and sustainability. Recognizing that multi-generational problems require multi-generational solutions, we believe that developing and supporting visionary changemakers within native communities provides the most proven path for fostering long-term progress. Focus areas include language revitalization; missing and murdered indigenous women, girls, and two-spirit people; innovative community leadership; and COVID-19 food insecurity and essential needs.

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### **Zegar Family Foundation**

*(Invitation Only, Introduction via Email)*

Established in 2007, the Zegar Family Foundation donates to worthy charitable organizations within the scope of our Mission, our Key Focus and/or Other Principal Areas of Giving in the priority order as follows. Key Focus Areas (1) Environment and Sustainability – Addressing the climate change crisis to preserve and conserve our natural biodiverse resources and sustain our world environment. (2) Justice and Human Rights – Assisting in seeking justice and protection of rights for people to whom rights are denied, including pursuing racial equality, criminal and legal systems reforms, immigration, LGBTQ+ and reproductive rights through litigation, activism and advocacy for change. (3) Arts, Culture, and Heritage – Contributing to societal enrichment through the arts, historical education, preservation of our national and global heritage and other cultural programs. Grant proposals are by invitation only. While we currently do not accept unsolicited grant proposals, we are always open to new ideas from new sources. For inquiries, please write to [info@zegarff.org](mailto:info@zegarff.org).

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### **Fernandez Pave the Way Foundation**

*(Invitation Only, Introduction via Contact Form)*

The mission of the Fernandez Pave the Way Foundation is to provide people with the opportunity to help themselves. The Foundation primarily supports nonprofit organizations in south Florida, western North Carolina, and the central coast of California. The Foundation's grantmaking priorities include: (1) educational institutions that support the underserved youth in a community; (2) educational programs focused on increasing environmental awareness and working towards a more sustainable environment; (3) contributing to the education and support of those requiring special attention and those with special needs in the community; (4) environmental conservation and advocacy organizations; (5) organizations supporting people who aspire to gain knowledge in their quest to create a sustainable life for themselves and their families; and, (6) organizations providing opportunities for underserved members of the community, independent of race, gender, sexual orientation, nationality, or creed. Grants average between \$50,000 - \$100,000.

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## Indian Land Tenure Foundation

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

The mission of the Indian Land Tenure Foundation is to ensure that land within the original boundaries of every reservation and other areas of high significance where tribes retain aboriginal interest are in Indian ownership and management. This mission will be achieved with four strategies: (1) Education - The focus is on land history and tenure through the Lessons of Our Land curriculum, and professional development for K-12 teachers using the curriculum. (2) Economic Opportunity - The focus is on supporting effective tools and providing resources that improve Indian use and control of reservation lands for the long-term benefit of their community, including projects that help tribal communities prioritize land acquisition, understand and create opportunities for the productive use of Indian land, and develop mechanisms to expand direct owner management of their land. (3) Cultural Awareness - The focus is on supporting activities aimed at enhancing and maintaining cultural ties to the land. (4) Legal Reform - The focus is on projects designed to advance ideas and policies granting Indian landowners and tribes greater control of their land assets. Example projects might include estate planning and probate reform in tribal communities; land policy development or reform; landowner associations; engaging local, state, and federal government leaders in a dialogue about the tribe exercising its sovereignty over tribal land; and initiatives to improve the legal landscape for owning and managing Indian land. Grants typically range up to \$100,000, but occasionally larger are made.

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## The Commonwealth Fund

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

The mission of the Commonwealth Fund is to promote a high-performing healthcare system that achieves better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency, particularly for society's most vulnerable, including people of color, people with low income, and those who are uninsured. To that end, the Fund supports independent research on healthcare issues and makes grants to improve healthcare practice and policy. The Fund's current program areas include the following: Advancing Health Equity - The goal of this program is to eliminate unequal treatment, experience, and outcomes in health and healthcare for people of color by reducing systemic racism in health care policy and practice through three focus areas: (1) promoting antiracism in healthcare delivery systems; (2) promoting antiracism in healthcare policy; and, (3) changing the mindset of healthcare leaders and professionals.

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## FINRA Investor Education Foundation

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

The mission of the FINRA Investor Education Foundation is to provide underserved Americans with the knowledge, skills, and tools necessary for financial success throughout life. The Foundation's General Grant Program supports research and educational projects, with emphasis given to projects that: (1) expand the body of knowledge or provide practical materials that will have a positive impact on investor education or protection; (2) research methods to improve disclosure to investors about investments and financial services; (3) encourage investors to check the background of financial professionals prior to doing business with them; (4) empower the nation's young people who are about to enter the workforce to better prepare for retirement and to meet other financial goals; (5) better prepare older Americans for handling their finances during retirement; (6) further financial inclusion and address systemic financial inequities based on race,

ethnicity, gender, disability status, and other social differences; (7) encourage women and minority populations to take control of their financial future through investor education; and, (8) advance practice, policy, and thought in the fields of investor education and protection.

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## **Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

The Babcock Foundation invites proposals from local, statewide, regional and national nonprofits serving the South that have track records of helping people and places move out of poverty and achieve greater social and economic justice. We look for the most promising opportunities to support power building work to advance racial equity and social and economic justice.

Organizations may use funds for: General operating support; Project support; “Glue” support for networks of grassroots and partner organizations; and Organizational development. Recent grants have ranged from \$100,000 - \$200,000.

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# advocacy grants

## **Foundation Grants**

### **Duke Energy Foundation: Local Environmental Impact Programs**

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025)*

Duke Energy Foundation is accepting grant applications from eligible organizations for a \$25,000 grant. Successful applications will describe the local environmental impact program and how the organization will use the funds. Examples of potential proposals include: (1) Projects strengthening thriving natural environments, including access to green space, in historically underserved communities. (2) Resiliency projects that prepare communities for and mitigate against the effects of climate change. (3) Environmental projects supporting land conservation; clean water; and biodiversity of plant and animal species.

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### **The Nathan Cummings Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025 (LOI))*

The Nathan Cummings Foundation (NCF) is a multigenerational family foundation working to help create a more just, vibrant, sustainable, and democratic society by supporting social change movements, organizations, and entrepreneurs. Support is provided in the United States, including U.S. territories, with particular interest in work focused on the U.S. South. NCF is currently accepting applications for grants and program-related investments that align with the following interconnected focus areas: racial justice, including work that fosters civic engagement, addresses the racial wealth gap, and combats racism and oppression; economic justice, including work that fosters systemic economic security, increases access to capital, and combats monopoly power; and environmental justice, including work that addresses environmental harms, creates inclusive

participation in the green economy, and develops regenerative economic models. NCF is offering two types of funding opportunities: grants and program-related investments (PRIs). Grants range from \$50,000 to \$250,000 and program-related investments range from \$250,000 to \$750,000.

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## **The Oak Hill Fund**

*(Application Deadline: July 1 and November 1 (Letters of Inquiry))*

The Oak Hill Fund has a long history in the field of reproductive health and rights. We seek proposals to: (1) Provide, promote, or defend access to safe, affordable abortion and contraceptive services. (2) Educate policymakers and the public on the importance of access to abortion and contraception in the context of reproductive health, rights, and justice.

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## **Impact Fund**

*(Application Deadline: July 8 and October 7, 2025 (LOI))*

The Impact Fund provides grants to legal services nonprofits, private attorneys, and small law firms in the United States who seek to confront economic, environmental, racial, and social injustice. Funding is provided for specific cases targeting social justice, including human and civil rights; environmental justice; and economic justice, including workers' rights and consumer protection. Grants may be used for out-of-pocket litigation expenses such as expert fees and discovery costs, but not for attorneys' fees, staff, or other overhead. Most grants are for class actions, though funding may be provided for other cases that will have a systemic impact.

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## **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - Research to Advance Racial and Indigenous Health Equity**

*(Application Deadline: July 16, 2025 (LOI))*

The purpose of this call for proposals is to meet the current moment through two approaches: to support timely, actionable health equity research that has been interrupted by shifts in federal funding; and support community-driven research that uplifts the knowledge, expertise, and power of historically marginalized racial and Indigenous communities to develop or test solutions that advance racial and Indigenous health equity. We seek to build an actionable body of evidence to construct fair systems (i.e., laws, policies, norms, practices, and power dynamics) that determine resource distribution and support health equity. E4A will fund New Research Support for action-oriented research to address ongoing threats to racial and Indigenous health equity.

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## **Clif Family Foundation – Open Call**

*(Application Deadline: August 1, 2025)*

The Clif Family Foundation's strategic priorities include: (1) Regenerative and Organic Farming; (2) Food Production Workers' Health and Safety, (3) Climate Justice, (4) Healthy Food Access, (5) Inclusive Outdoor Access, and (6) Indoors and Outdoors Safe from Pollution. Grants support general operating cost or specific projects and applicants must be registered as (or fiscally sponsored by) a 501(c)3 organization. Typical grants range from \$5,000 - \$50,000 and last for one

year. Priority is given to applicants that have operating budgets under \$3M and who operate at the grassroots level to implement change at the local, state or national stage.

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## **Sweet Justice Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: August 1, 2025 (Inquiry Form))*

It is the mission of the Sweet Justice Foundation to promote creative initiatives for social and environmental justice and women's rights. The foundation provides support primarily for programs based in New York and North Carolina, as well as those with a nationwide focus. Candidate programs must address one or more of the following: violence against women and girls, sexualized violence against children, sex trafficking, reproductive rights, gender bias, environmental justice, racial justice, and immigration.

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## **The Norman Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

We support efforts that strengthen the ability of communities to determine their own economic, environmental and social well-being, and that help people control those forces that affect their lives. These efforts may: promote economic justice and development through community organizing, coalition building and policy reform efforts; work to prevent the disposal of toxics in communities, and to link environmental issues with economic and social justice; link community-based economic and environmental justice organizing to national and international reform efforts. The Foundation provides grants for general support, projects, and collaborative efforts. We also welcome innovative proposals designed to build the capacity of social change organizations working in our areas of interest. Priority is given to organizations with annual budgets of under \$1 million.

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## **The Just Trust**

*(Invitation Only, Introduction via Contact Form)*

The Just Trust is dedicated to powering criminal justice reform, state-by-state and across the nation. The Trust provides grants and support to nonprofit organizations and efforts working to build a more dignified, humane, and much smaller engine of justice in the United States. The Trust's goals include the following: (1) Shrink the footprint of the system: The grounds for stop, arrest, conviction, and incarceration are broad and biased. A smaller criminal justice system means less criminalization, shorter sentences, and fewer people on supervision for less time. (2) Further alternatives to address harm: The way the U.S. has historically addressed crime and violence has lacked accountability, humanity, and creativity. The Trust supports expanding bold, community-centered models to restore relationships and hold each other accountable when there's been harm. (3) Uphold human dignity and grace: The justice system must be humane, from the moment someone comes into contact with the system to well after they come home, people deserve to be embraced as neighbors, colleagues, and citizens, especially in communities who have been most impacted by the cycles of harm the system perpetuates. (4) Center safety and prevention: Communities are defining and demanding what really creates safety and prevents crime in the first place: jobs, housing, health, and education. The Trust supports advocates that are working with

their communities to find solutions that strengthen the foundations for well-being. The Foundation provides Advocacy Infrastructure support. The focus is on supporting justice reform organizations and their day-to-day operations at the state and national level—with emphasis on impacted leaders and state-based activities.

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## **Ben & Jerry's Foundation: National Grassroots Organizing Grant Program**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

We believe those most impacted by inequity and injustice are in the best position to develop solutions. Our intent is to achieve a better future for all by providing support to community-based, grassroots organizations confronting social and environmental injustice. The National Grassroots Organizing Program (NGO) offers two-year unrestricted, general operating support grants of up to \$30,000 per year, with an average grant size of \$20,000 per year, to small (budgets under \$350,000), constituent-led grassroots organizations throughout the United States and its territories. While our broad goals are to further social and environmental justice, our primary purpose is to support the local leadership and grassroots organizing activities of our grant partners rather than any specific issues the organizations are addressing. We are interested in supporting groups that are carrying out activities that build support and collective action to address impacts of inequity and injustice in their communities.

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## **New Breath Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

New Breath Foundation is leading the movement to fund grassroots groups that transform AANHPI (Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander) lives in the here and now while fighting for the collective liberation of all people of color. The Foundation supports organizations throughout the U.S. The Foundation provides support through the following programs: (1) [We Got Us Fund](#) - This fund was formed in response to rising anti-Asian violence and to address the need to assist frontline organizers. Supported organizations focus on fighting scapegoating; cultivating culturally relevant healing; promoting cross-racial solidarity; and, protecting communities from systemic and interpersonal violence. (2) [New Breath Fund](#) - This fund focuses on organizations doing work in the areas of hope and healing; keeping families together; and movement building. Grantmaking is currently invitation-only, but you may submit a common proposal through [JustFund](#), where you can seek support from NBF and over 400 other funders at the same time.

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## **Zegar Family Foundation**

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Established in 2007, the Zegar Family Foundation donates to worthy charitable organizations within the scope of our Mission, our Key Focus and/or Other Principal Areas of Giving in the priority order as follows. Key Focus Areas (1) Environment and Sustainability – Addressing the climate change crisis to preserve and conserve our natural biodiverse resources and sustain our world environment. (2) Justice and Human Rights – Assisting in seeking justice and protection of rights for people to whom rights are denied, including pursuing racial equality, criminal and legal systems reforms, immigration, LGBTQ+ and reproductive rights through litigation, activism and advocacy for

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## **The Laughing Gull Foundation - LGBTQ+ Equality**

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We envision a U.S. South where LGBTQ+ people can safely and authentically pursue full lives, free of discrimination. To achieve this, LGF employs multiple strategies and invests in everything from direct services to direct action. We recognize that racism pervades the LGBTQ+ community just as it does every aspect of American culture and life. Therefore, LGF prioritizes support for solutions that are led by and center Black, Indigenous, and people of color communities. Our funding priorities include Community Organizing, Direct Services, and Policy Advocacy.

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## **MacFarlane Foundation**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

The Roger I. and Ruth B. MacFarlane Foundation supports organizations that strive to increase the opportunities and improve the quality of life of individuals and communities. The Foundation acts as a catalyst for organizations and their programs to enhance their impact and expand their reach. Grants range up to \$150,000.

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## **The Educational Foundation of America**

*(Invitation Only, Introduction via Contact Form)*

The Educational Foundation of America envisions a society in which every person has a meaningful voice in an inclusive democracy, with unrestricted access to full reproductive freedom, and lives in creative, thriving communities on a healthy, regenerative planet. The Foundation advances progressive change through support for creative initiatives working toward sustainability, justice, and equity. The Foundation primarily supports nonprofit organizations, academic institutions, and government entities working in the Appalachian region, the South, and the Pacific Northwest. Selected national organizations are also supported. The Foundation's current areas of interest include the following: Environment, Democracy, Reproductive Health and Justice, and the Arts.

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## **Fernandez Pave the Way Foundation**

*(Invitation Only, Introduction via Contact Form)*

The mission of the Fernandez Pave the Way Foundation is to provide people with the opportunity to help themselves. The Foundation primarily supports nonprofit organizations in south Florida, western North Carolina, and the central coast of California. The Foundation's grantmaking priorities include: (1) educational institutions that support the underserved youth in a community; (2) educational programs focused on increasing environmental awareness and working towards a more sustainable environment; (3) contributing to the education and support of those requiring special attention and those with special needs in the community; (4) environmental conservation and advocacy organizations; (5) organizations supporting people who aspire to gain knowledge in their quest to create a sustainable life for themselves and their families; and, (6) organizations providing opportunities for underserved members of the community, independent of race, gender, sexual orientation, nationality, or creed. Grants average between \$50,000 - \$100,000.

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## **The Oak Foundation – Issues Affecting Women Program**

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We recognize that unequal power relations are created and encouraged by legal, political, economic, and cultural systems, but we also believe in their capacity to change. The Issues Affecting Women Program supports women's efforts to create this change – to build, lead, and grow strong, vibrant, and influential movements in order to achieve equity and justice. We envision a world where women have the capacity, resources, and opportunity to be safe and free, and to

enjoy their human rights. We: (1) Support women-led rights-based services that address violence against women (2) Provide primarily long-term support as an act of solidarity, helping movements to achieve the lasting change needed for us all to thrive and (3) Connect organizations and movements, and resource them to learn from each other and work together, to develop knowledge and skills, and to plan, organize, and mobilize.

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# LGBTQIA grants

## Foundation Grants

### The Trans Justice Funding Project

*(Application Deadline: May 16, 2025 and August 15, 2025)*

The Trans Justice Funding Project is a community-led funding initiative founded to support grassroots trans justice groups run by and for trans people in the U.S., including the U.S. territories. The Project provides grants to groups that organize around their experiences with racism, economic injustice, transmisogyny, ableism, immigration, incarceration, and other intersecting oppressions. The focus is on groups that meet the needs of different local communities by using organizing and/or by providing services to help bring people together.

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### Leonard-Litz LGBTQ+ Foundation

*(Application Deadline: June 15 and December 15, 2025)*

The Leonard Litz Foundation supports partner organizations that are improving the lives of the LGBTQ+ community through life-affirming services. The Foundation seeks grant proposals for programs that address one or more of the following focus areas; Health and Wellness, Crisis Intervention, Racial Justice, Advocacy and Community Engagement, Social Assistance and Programming. Preference will be given to organizations located in the northeast U.S.

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### E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Foundation

*(Application Deadline: July 15 and January 31)*

The Foundation will consider funding public charities' projects and programs (e.g., conferences, resources, etc.) offering support to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons of faith, or endeavoring to insure faith communities' understanding, affirmation, and inclusion of such persons.

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and fair safeguard for reproductive rights and gender equity and reflect the diversity of the communities they serve. CGRE's judicial strategy supports organizations and leaders working to develop new pathways for advancing gender, reproductive, and racial equity through the power of state courts. State courts are a major and under-resourced opportunity. This informs our focus, ensuring that state courts are positioned to enshrine rights at the state level and advance an equity agenda.

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## **American Institute of Bisexuality**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

The American Institute of Bisexuality encourages, supports, and assists research and education about bisexuality through programs likely to make a material difference and enhance public knowledge, awareness, and understanding about bisexuality. Grants are made throughout the U.S. Grants can range up to \$60,000.

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## other sector grants

### Federal Grants

#### OVW Fiscal Year 2025 Grants to Improve the Criminal Justice Response Program

*(Application Deadline: June 16, 2025)*

The Grants to Improve the Criminal Justice Response Program (ICJR Program) assists state, local, and Tribal governments, and courts to improve the criminal justice response to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking as serious violations of criminal law, and to seek safety and autonomy for victims. 35 awards are expected in the amount of \$500,000-\$1,000,000.

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#### U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Tribal Wildlife Grant Program (TWG)

*(Application Deadline: June 20, 2025)*

The Tribal Wildlife Grants Program provides technical and financial assistance to federally recognized Tribes for the development and implementation of programs that benefit fish and wildlife and their habitats. Funding may be used for conserving any plant or animal species of interest to a Tribe, including those of Native American cultural or traditional importance. The TWG Program is an adaptable resource supporting tribal conservation priorities. Species targeted in an award are not restricted to those that are hunted, fished, or gathered, listed as threatened or endangered, or identified in a conservation plan. Activities may include, but are not limited to: planning for wildlife and habitat conservation, fish and wildlife conservation and management actions, fish and wildlife related laboratory and field research, natural history studies, habitat mapping, field surveys, and population monitoring, habitat protection and enhancement conservation, and education.

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#### DOJ FY25 COPS Hiring Program

*(Application Deadline: June 25, 2025)*

The FY25 COPS Hiring Program (CHP) provides funding to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community

policing capacity and crime prevention efforts. Anticipated outcomes of CHP awards include engagement in planned community partnerships, implementation of projects to analyze and assess problems, implementation of changes to personnel and agency management in support of community policing, and increased capacity of agency to engage in community policing activities. Community policing is a philosophy that promotes organizational strategies that support the systematic use of partnerships and problem-solving techniques to proactively address the immediate conditions that give rise to public safety issues such as violent crime, nonviolent crime, and fear of crime. Eligible applicants are limited to established and operational local, state, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies that have primary law enforcement authority.

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## **NSF Responsible Design, Development, and Deployment of Technologies**

*(Application Deadline: July 8, 2025)*

The ReDDDoT program invites proposals from multidisciplinary, multi-sector teams that inform, explore, and execute the principles, methodologies, implementations, and impacts associated with responsible design, development, and deployment of technologies, with a focus on artificial intelligence; biotechnology; and/or natural and anthropogenic disaster prevention or mitigation. In FY25, the program will consider proposals for three project types: Execute, Explore, and Inform. Execute Projects are for established teams with demonstrated relevant experience and relationships to execute activities that will have a significant and sustainable impact on the responsible design, development, or deployment of technologies. Explore Projects are for exploratory and formative activities that identify, validate, or test specific approaches to responsible design, development and deployment and strengthen the ability of teams to work across disciplines and sectors. Inform (Workshop) Projects are for convenings and products that harness expertise and inform activities across ecosystems of researchers, practitioners, and communities in responsible design, development, and deployment of technologies. In FY25, all proposals should focus on one or more of the following three technology areas: artificial intelligence; biotechnology; and/or natural and anthropogenic disaster prevention or mitigation.

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## **NSF Science of Science: Discovery, Communication and Impact (SoS:DCI) program**

*(Application Deadline: September 9, 2025)*

The Science of Science: Discovery, Communication and Impact (SoS:DCI) program is designed to advance theory and knowledge about increasing the public value of scientific activity. Science of Science draws from multiple disciplinary and field perspectives to advance theory and research about scientific discovery, communication and impact. SoS:DCI welcomes proposals applying rigorous empirical research methods to advance theory and knowledge on: (1) The social and structural mechanisms of scientific discovery. (2) Theories, frameworks, models and data that improve our understanding of scientific communication and outcomes. (3) The societal benefits of scientific activity and how science advances evidence-based policy making and the creation of public value.

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## **NSF Cyberinfrastructure for Sustained Scientific Innovation (CSSI)**

*(Application Deadline: December 1, 2025)*

The CSSI program continues to emphasize integrated CI services, quantitative metrics with targets for delivery and usage of these services, and community creation. The CSSI program anticipates three classes of awards: (1) Elements: These awards target small groups that will create and deploy robust services for which there is a demonstrated need, and that will advance one or more significant areas of science and engineering; (2) Framework Implementations: These awards target larger, interdisciplinary teams organized around the development and application of services aimed at solving common research problems faced by NSF researchers in one or more areas of science and engineering, and resulting in a sustainable community framework providing CI services to a diverse community or communities; and (3) Transition to Sustainability: These awards target groups who would like to execute a well-defined sustainability plan for existing CI with demonstrated impact in one or more areas of science and engineering supported by NSF. Up to 20 Elements awards, up to 10 Framework Implementations awards, and up to 5 Transition to Sustainability awards are anticipated, subject to the availability of funds and quality of proposals received.

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### **NSF Cybersecurity Innovation for Cyberinfrastructure (CICI)**

*(Application Deadline: January 21, 2026)*

The objective of the Cybersecurity Innovation for Cyberinfrastructure (CICI) program is to advance scientific discovery and innovation by enhancing the security and privacy of cyberinfrastructure. CICI supports efforts to develop, deploy and integrate cybersecurity that will benefit the broader scientific community by securing science data, computation, collaborations workflows, and infrastructure. CICI recognizes the unique nature of modern, complex, data-driven, distributed, rapid, and collaborative science and the breadth of infrastructure and requirements across scientific disciplines, practitioners, researchers, and projects. CICI seeks proposals in four program areas: (1) Usable and Collaborative Security for Science (UCSS), (2) Reference Scientific Security Datasets (RSSD), (3) Transition to Cyberinfrastructure Resilience (TCR), and (4) Integrity, Provenance, and Authenticity for Artificial Intelligence Ready Data (IPAAI). Eligible applicants include (1) Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs): Two- and four-year IHEs (including community colleges) accredited in, and having a campus located in the U.S., acting on behalf of their faculty members; and (2) Non-profit, non-academic organizations: Independent museums, observatories, research laboratories, professional societies and similar organizations located in the U.S. that are directly associated with educational or research activities.

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### **NSF The Research on Research Security Program**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

NSF is committed to securing the nation's research enterprise as part of its core mission. The Research on Research Security (RoRS) program will advance the understanding of the full scope, potential, challenges, and nature of the research on research security field through scholarly evidence. Collectively, the research that RoRS funds will foster a broad community that builds collaborations between the STEM research community, research security researchers, and research security practitioners. Interdisciplinary approaches are encouraged, and proposers should address how they will leverage the range of expertise, theories, and methods of the team to engage in evidence-based research on research security. Proposers are encouraged to identify collaborators across a wide range of sectors, and to consider projects in collaboration with international partners that share U.S. concerns with research security, when appropriate. RoRS

encourages the following types of proposals to help build the emerging field of research on research security: Conferences and Workshops, Planning Grants, and Early-concept Grants for Exploratory Research (EAGER).

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## **NEA Grants for Arts Projects 1, FY 2026**

*(Application Deadline: July 10, 2025 (Grants.gov); July 22, 2025 (NEA Applicant Portal))*

Grants for Arts Projects (GAP) provides funding for public engagement with the arts and arts education, for the integration of the arts with strategies promoting the health and well-being of people and communities, and for the improvement of overall capacity and capabilities within the arts sector. We welcome applications from first-time and returning applicants; from organizations serving rural, urban, suburban, and tribal communities of all sizes; and from organizations with small, medium, or large operating budgets. We fund arts projects in the following disciplines: Artist Communities, Arts Education, Dance, Design, Film & Media Arts, Folk & Traditional Arts, Literary Arts, Local Arts Agencies, Museums, Music, Musical Theater, Opera, Presenting & Multidisciplinary Works, Theater, and Visual Arts. Applicant organizations must have completed at least 5 years of arts programming prior to the application deadline. Applicants may request an amount between \$10,000-\$100,000.

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## **State Grants**

### **NC Dept of Environmental Quality Projects Addressing Flood Reduction or Flood Resiliency**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling until June 30, 2025)*

The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Resources is accepting proposals for projects that address flood reduction or flood resiliency in key river basins in the state. DWR is seeking proposals for flood mitigation projects such as water retention, floodplain restoration or nature-based flood mitigation efforts in the French Broad river basin. These flood resiliency grants are a one-time funding opportunity, and are open to units of local government including counties, cities, towns or regional councils of government. Local governments are welcome to partner with non-governmental organizations. Priority will be given to shovel-ready projects that provide the most significant flood reduction or flood resiliency benefits. The grant funding can be used to cover up to 66.67% of construction costs, while the grantee is responsible for the remaining percentage of nonfederal construction costs.

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### **NC Recreational Trails Program Grant**

*(Application Deadline: September 5, 2025)*

The Division of Parks and Recreation, the North Carolina Trails Program and the North Carolina Trails Committee value trail projects that are legal, safe, managed and provide connectivity, reasonable public access and parking. The Trails Program staff are ready, willing and available to assist in all phases of the application process of projects that are construction ready for grant funding. These sustainable, "shovel-ready" projects leverage local funds to meet recreational trail and trail needs, in an effort to provide low infrastructure economic development opportunities through natural resource tourism. The Trails Program staff are also available to assist applicants

with conceptual projects, in order to meet the technical requirements of an RTP Grant before applying. Prospective applicants should consult their Regional Trails Specialist prior to and throughout the application process. Both governmental agencies and non-profit organizations are eligible to apply.

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## **Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program in North Carolina**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling)*

This program provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas. An essential community facility is defined as a facility that provides an essential service to the local community for the orderly development of the community in a primarily rural area, and does not include private, commercial or business undertakings. Funds can be used to purchase, construct, and / or improve essential community facilities, purchase equipment and pay related project expenses. Examples of essential community facilities include: (1) Health care facilities such as hospitals, medical clinics, dental clinics, nursing homes or assisted living facilities (2) Public facilities such as town halls, courthouses, airport hangars or street improvements (3) Community support services such as child care centers, community centers, fairgrounds or transitional housing (4) Public safety services such as fire departments, police stations, prisons, police vehicles, fire trucks, public works vehicles or equipment (5) Educational services such as museums, libraries or private schools (6) Utility services such as telemedicine or distance learning equipment (7) Local food systems such as community gardens, food pantries, community kitchens, food banks, food hubs or greenhouses.

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## **Foundation Grants**

### **NFL Foundation Grassroots Program**

*(Application Deadline: June 30, 2025)*

The NFL Foundation Grassroots Program is a partnership of the National Football League (NFL) Foundation, which provides funding for the Program, and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), which provides technical assistance and manages the Program. The goal of the Program is to provide nonprofit, neighborhood-based organizations with financial and technical assistance to improve the quality, safety, and accessibility of local football fields. The NFL Foundation Grassroots Program provides grants of up to \$250,000 for capital improvement projects. Eligible applicants must be a community-based organization, middle school, or high school serving a neighborhood consisting primarily of low and moderate-income families and individuals.

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### **Arnold Ventures - Causal Research on Community Safety and the Criminal Justice System**

*(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))*

Arnold Ventures (AV) is a nonpartisan philanthropy whose core mission is to invest in evidence-based solutions that maximize opportunity and minimize injustice. AV focuses on correcting system failures in the United States through evidence-based solutions. AVs' Criminal Justice Initiative seeks to generate new evidence to inform policies that will make communities safer and make the criminal justice system more fair and effective. This Request for Proposals (RFP) from the Criminal

Justice Initiative (CJI) seeks letters of interest to conduct causal research projects of policies, practices, and interventions related to community safety and the criminal justice system.

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