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Federal Grants

ETA National Dislocated Worker Grant

(Application Deadline: December 31, 2028)

The National Dislocated Worker Grant (DWG) Program funds (1) Disaster Recovery DWGs, which provide temporary disaster-relief employment, as well as employment and training activities, as appropriate, in response to applicable emergency or disaster declarations as defined in 20 CFR 687.110(b), including public health emergencies; and (2) Employment Recovery DWGs, which provide resources for eligible applicants that demonstrate the state, local area, or WIOA Section 166-eligible entities' WIOA formula funds are insufficient to respond to major economic dislocations and their associated economic impacts. Eligible applicants for Disaster Recovery DWGs include the state workforce agencies administering WIOA formula funds, outlying areas, or Indian tribal government as defined by the Stafford Act, 42 U.S.C. 5122(6). Eligible applicants for Employment Recovery DWGs include: (1) States workforce agencies or outlying areas, or a consortium of state workforce agencies; (2) Local WDBs or a consortium of WDBs; (3) Entities eligible for funding through the Indian and Native American Program in WIOA Section 166(c); (4) Appropriate entities determined by the governor of the state or outlying area involved; or (5) Entities that demonstrate to the Secretary of Labor their capability to effectively respond to circumstances related to particular dislocations. 150 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$150,000-\$10,000,000.

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EDA FY 2025 Disaster Supplemental

(Application Deadline: Rolling (Readiness and Implementation))

Through this Disaster NOFO, EDA will award investments in regions experiencing severe economic distress or other economic harm resulting from hurricanes, wildfires, tornadoes, floods, and other natural disasters occurring in calendar years 2023 and 2024. This Disaster NOFO provides funding through several pathways: (1) Readiness Path – Standalone non-construction projects designed to increase a community's readiness to apply for or implement disaster recovery funding from private and public sources. Projects will fund strategy development, capacity building, and/or predevelopment costs necessary for future recovery projects; and (2) Implementation Path

– Standalone construction or non-construction projects designed to address the economic challenges faced by a community recovering from a natural disaster and improve economic trajectories beyond pre-disaster economic conditions. \$1,447,000,000 is available.

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State Grants

NOW OPEN Renew NC Community Infrastructure (CI) Program

(Application Deadline: September 8, 2026)

The Renew NC Community Infrastructure Program is a competitive grant program that provides funding for infrastructure projects, linked to Hurricane Helene's impacts or mitigation set-asides, that will help impacted communities in western North Carolina become more resilient to current and future natural hazards. Tie-backs connect activities to disaster impacts, such as damage or vulnerability. Mitigation improves resilience and reduces long-term risks to life, property, and hardship. Eligible applicants are local governments located in the HUD- or State-identified MID Areas.

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Renew NC Multi-Family Construction and Repair Program (Non-LIHTC Track)

(Application Deadline: November 2, 2026)

The Renew NC Multi-Family Construction and Repair (MCR) Program: Non-LIHTC is an initiative designed to increase the availability of safe and sanitary affordable rental housing in areas affected by Hurricane Helene. The program is intended to serve multi-family rental properties with five or more rental units, including the rehabilitation or development and construction of new rental housing stock that does not qualify for or receive Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) under the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency's (NCHFA) Qualified Allocation Plan. Eligible applicants include: For-profit developers; Non-profit developers; Public housing authorities; Local governments; and Joint ventures between these entities.

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NC Dept of Environmental Quality Western NC Recovery Grants Program

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

DEQ established the Western NC Recovery Grants Program to direct federal and state funding into rural communities impacted by the devastation of Hurricane Helene. We provide direct, free-of-charge grant writing support to rural towns, counties and regions to increase federal and state funding for projects within Western North Carolina, offering a comprehensive approach to long-term financial planning through grant strategies that leverage state funds. The Western NC Recovery team has hired grants staff to work directly with town, county or council of government staff on grant applications, offering customized support to each agency. If you already have a grant application selected or underway, we can provide support with either technical assistance (drafting portions of a grant application, reviewing and making recommendations, etc.) or full grant writing support. If you don't yet know which opportunity is right for you, then our support begins by learning more about your project and helping your organization select the programs that are most suited for the work. Then, we work with a designated member of your staff to develop a compelling grant narrative and source all the information that is required for each federal or state grant

opportunity. We focus primarily on local governments in rural communities in the federal government's 39 Major Disaster-Declared counties across Western North Carolina. If you are a nonprofit in an active partnership with a local government, we can also support you with funding research and grant support.

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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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RenewNC Workforce Housing for Ownership Program

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The Workforce Housing for Ownership Program will fund development of workforce housing units for ownership. There is a distinct need within the HUD-Identified Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) counties for additional homeownership opportunities that are affordable to broader segments of the workforce to incentivize them to remain in western NC following Helene and to partially remedy inadequate housing production in past years across western NC. The term “workforce,” as used under this program, refers to households up to 80% of AMI. Qualified local governments, public, private, or non-profit organizations, and Community Development Housing Organizations (CHDOs)/Community Based Development Organizations (CBDOs) may be eligible to apply for program funds.

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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. SPF’s Justice Fund for Disaster Relief and Renewal helps rural communities use redevelopment as an opportunity to convert a disaster into a launchpad for racial and economic equity. COVID-19 and all of the recent natural disasters that have plagued the rural South have presented continued opportunities for this type of renewal. Eligible organizations include those in need of disaster relief that are located in a rural community organization, coalition, or network in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, or West Virginia; governed (in majority) by leaders of the same race(s) and class as the organization’s target population(s); and use grassroots organizing strategies that strive to build leadership from within the communities served in their fight for justice.

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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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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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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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HUD Continuum of Care Competition and Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program Grants

(Application Deadline: August 26, 2026)

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to: (1) promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; (2) provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, States, Indian Tribes or Tribally Designated Housing Entities, and local governments to quickly rehouse individuals and families experiencing homelessness, persons experiencing trauma or a lack of safety related to fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and youth experiencing homelessness while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; (3) promote access to, and effective utilization of, mainstream programs and programs funded with State or local resources; and (4) optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness. The goal of the Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) is to support the development and implementation of a coordinated community approach to preventing and ending youth homelessness and sharing that experience with and mobilizing communities around the country toward the same end. The population to be served by the demonstration program is youth ages 24 and younger who are experiencing homelessness, including unaccompanied and pregnant or parenting youth. Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are found at 24 CFR 578.15 and include nonprofit organizations, state governments, local governments, instrumentalities of state and local governments, Indian Tribes and tribally designated housing entities, and public housing agencies.

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HUD Jobs Plus NOFO for FY2026

(Forecasted Deadline: September 14, 2026)

Jobs Plus is a place-based program which encourages and supports families in meeting their economic goals. The program model has three core components: (1) Employment Related Services; (2) Financial Incentives; and (3) Community Support for Work. The model is designed to be implemented at saturation-levels so that all residents in a Jobs Plus development benefit from the program, whether they are directly enrolled and receiving services or indirectly by building a culture of work. Eligible applicants are only public housing authorities (PHAs) that operate one or more public housing projects (AMPs) that meet the criteria outlined in this NOFO. 5 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$1,600,000 to \$3,700,000.

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HUD Comprehensive Housing Counseling (CHC) and the Housing Counseling Training (HCT) NOFO (FY2026)

(Forecasted Deadline: September 21, 2026)

The purpose of HUD's Housing Counseling Grant Program is to provide funds to HUD-approved housing counseling agencies that provide counseling and advice to tenants and homeowners, with respect to property maintenance, financial management and literacy, and other matters as may be appropriate to assist program clients in improving their housing conditions, meeting their financial needs, and fulfilling the responsibilities of tenancy or homeownership. This NOFO plays an integral role in helping individuals and families obtain housing and stay in their homes through sustainable homeownership or affordable rental housing. Housing counseling agencies are an important safeguard in the prevention of housing scams and discrimination and serve as an important gateway to local, state, federal and private housing assistance and resources. 175 awards are anticipated.

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HUD Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Service Coordinator (ROSS-SC) Program

(Forecasted Deadline: September 28, 2026)

The Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency Service Coordinator (ROSS-SC) program is designed to assist residents of Public and Indian Housing make progress towards economic and housing self-sufficiency by addressing the educational, professional and health barriers they face. Self-sufficiency is defined as an individual's ability to support their household by maintaining financial, housing, and personal/family stability. To achieve self-sufficiency, an individual moves along a continuum towards economic independence and stability; such movement is facilitated by the achievement of individual educational, professional, and health-related goals. To help residents make progress towards self-sufficiency, HUD provides ROSS-SC grant funding to eligible applicants to hire a Service Coordinator who assesses the needs of Public and Indian housing residents and links them to local training and supportive services that will enable participants to move along the self-sufficiency continuum.

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***NOW OPEN* HUD Fair Housing Initiatives Program - Private Enforcement Initiative**

(Application Deadline: November 2, 2026)

The Private Enforcement Initiative (PEI) offers a range of assistance to the nationwide network of fair housing groups. This initiative funds non-profit fair housing organizations to carry out testing and enforcement activities to prevent or eliminate discriminatory housing practices. Eligible applicants must be: (1) a Qualified Fair Housing Enforcement organization (QFHO) with at least two years of experience in complaint intake, complaint investigation, testing for fair housing violations, and enforcement-related experience of meritorious claims in the three years prior to filing this application; or (2) a Fair Housing Enforcement Organization (FHO) with at least one year of experience in the enforcement-related activities listed above during the two years prior to the filing of the application. To apply for funds, FHOs and QFHOs must currently do all the enforcement activities listed and operate a broad-based and full-service program. 13 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$500,000-\$1,500,000.

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***NOW OPEN* HUD Fair Housing Initiatives Program - Education and Outreach Initiative**

(Application Deadline: November 2, 2026)

The overarching purpose of the FHIP Education and Outreach Initiative (EOI) is to educate the public, housing providers and other stakeholders about their rights and obligations under provisions of fair housing laws, through the development, implementation, carrying out and coordinating or education and outreach programs. Eligible applicants may be Qualified Fair Housing Enforcement Organizations (QFHOs) and Fair Housing Enforcement Organizations (FHOs), agencies that participate in the Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHAP), other agencies of State or local governments, public or private not-for-profit organizations or institutions, or other public or private entities that are formulating or carrying out programs to prevent or eliminate discriminatory housing practices. 34 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$175,000-\$2,500,000.

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HUD Family Unification Program (FUP) Multi-Year NOFO

(Forecasted Deadline: November 10, 2026)

The Family Unification Program (FUP) public housing authorities (PHAs) to partner with public child welfare agencies (PCWAs) to provide Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) assistance to two primary groups: (1) Families: Those for whom the lack of adequate housing is a primary factor in the imminent placement of a child (or children) in out-of-home care, or a delay in the discharge of a child to the family from out-of-home care; and (2) Youth: Individuals at least 18 years old and not more than 24 years old (who have not reached their 25th birthday) who: (a) Left foster care, or will leave foster care within 180 days, in accordance with a transition plan described in Section 475(5)(H) of the Social Security Act; (b) Are homeless or are at risk of becoming homeless at age 16 or older. Public and Indian housing authorities are eligible applicants. 10 awards are anticipated of up to \$1,700,000.

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HUD Choice ROSS Rapid Response Program

(Application Deadline: Rolling until January 25, 2027)

The ROSS Rapid Response Program (RRP) awards one-time assistance via a cost-reimbursable grant for service coordination and limited direct services for residents of HUD-assisted housing. The RRP utilizes a simplified application process to promote local leadership and flexibility in addressing urgent social needs caused by unanticipated emergencies. Examples of these emergencies can include but are not limited to: (1) Natural disasters (e.g., wildfires or hurricanes), (2) Public health crises (e.g., gun violence, community-level contamination or environmental hazards), and (3) Economic disruptions (e.g., closure of a major employment center that employs residents at the target site). To be eligible you must be a current or former ROSS grantee that has received ROSS funding since 2017. Awards range from \$150,000-\$250,000 based on anticipated number of people served.

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NEW HUD Eviction Protection Grant Program

(Forecasted Deadline: February 17, 2027)

The Eviction Protection Grant Program (EPGP) will provide competitive awards to eligible nonprofit organizations and government entities to provide no cost legal assistance (including assistance related to pretrial activities, trial activities, post-trial activities and alternative dispute resolution) to low-income tenants at risk of or subject to eviction. Within the categories of eligible entities, you must be a nonprofit organization or government entity. Examples of entities that may be eligible, if requirements are met, include: (1) Legal aid or legal clinic provider; (2) Private nonprofit or state institution of higher education; (3) Housing counseling or other social service organization that provides legal assistance, as defined in Appendix 1; and (4) Local, state, or tribal agency or court. Individuals, foreign entities, and sole proprietorship organizations, for-profit private institutions of higher education, Public Housing Agencies (PHAs), and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) are not eligible to compete for, or receive, awards made under this announcement. 16 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$500,000 to \$2,000,000.

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NCDHHS Division of Aging FY2026-2027 RFA Emergency Solutions Grant Program

(Application Deadline: August 24, 2026)

The program is designed as a first step in the continuum of assistance to prevent homelessness and to enable the homeless population to move steadily toward independent living. NC ESG funds are intended to be used as part of a crisis response system using a low barrier, housing-focused approach to ensure that homelessness is rare, brief, and one time. The ESG program is intended to assist people in preventing or ending their homelessness by supporting two primary functions: Emergency Response Activities, including emergency shelter operations and services as well as street outreach, and Housing Stability Activities including homelessness prevention and rapid

re-housing. The State will accept one regional application from each CoC, and CoCs will recommend nonprofit and/or local government organizations to be subrecipients of ESG funds.

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Renew NC Multi-Family Construction and Repair Program (Non-LIHTC Track)

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USDA Mutual Self-Help Housing Technical Assistance Grants in North Carolina (Via State Office)

(Application Deadline: Rolling until September 30, 2026)

This program provides grants to qualified organizations to help them carry out local self-help housing construction projects. Grant recipients supervise groups of very-low- and low-income individuals and families as they construct their own homes in rural areas. The group members provide most of the construction labor on each other's homes, with technical assistance from the organization overseeing the project. Eligible applicants include: Government non-profit organizations, Federally-recognized Tribes, and Private non-profit organizations

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(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

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Publix Super Markets Charities – Housing and Shelter

(Application Deadline: August 31, 2026)

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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***NEW* The Ivory Prize**

(Forecasted Deadline: October 30, 2026 (Online Nomination Form))

The Ivory Prize is an annual award recognizing innovative, feasible, and scalable solutions to advance housing affordability. The Prize is designed to award US-based organizations for their efforts and provide support to advance their work. Each year, the Ivory Prize solicits roughly 200 nominations. These nominations are a mix of third-party nominations, self-nominations, and nominations sourced by our team of Student Associates at the University of Utah. We welcome both self-nominations and nominations from third parties. The Prize is awarded for solutions in the following focus areas: (1) construction and design; (2) finance; and, (3) policy and regulatory reform.

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SECU Foundation

(Application Deadline: October 31 and April 30, annually)

The SECU Foundation will promote local and community development by primarily funding high impact projects in the areas of housing, education, healthcare, and human services. The State Employees' Credit Union Board of Directors chartered the SECU Foundation to help identify and address community issues that are beyond the normal scope of State Employees' Credit Union. While individual members may not have a large impact, collectively and cooperatively the Foundation can go a long way toward helping solve problems in our neighborhoods, schools and our community at large. SECU Grant Programs include: (1) Capital – Funds projects that are tangible, permanent, and visible; Typically supporting construction or major renovation of a building or a facility; (2) Programmatic – Funds pilot programs or large-scale program expansions that provide regional or statewide services; and (3) Mission Development Grants – supporting smaller nonprofits with capacity building through organizational assessments, goal setting, and creating pathways for expansion. The Foundation generally seeks to fund projects that strengthen the partnership with North Carolina State employees.

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The Cannon Foundation

(Application Deadline: Quarterly (Inquiry Form))

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. Grants support human services, higher education, healthcare, and community. Eligibility is limited to nonprofits with at least five years of operating history and with significant operations in NC. Only capital and infrastructure projects will be considered

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The Leon Levine Foundation – Human Services

(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 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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***NEW* NEH Scholarly Editions and Translations**

(Application Deadline: September 16, 2026)

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Research is accepting applications for the Scholarly Editions and Translations program. The purpose of this program is to support collaborative teams who edit, annotate, and translate foundational humanities texts that are vital to

generating new scholarship but are not available in adequate editions or translations. This year's competition is limited to projects on American history and culture or Western civilization. 20 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$300,000 to \$1,000,000.

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***NEW* NEA Collaborative Research**

(Application Deadline: September 16, 2026)

The Collaborative Research program aims to advance knowledge in the humanities by supporting teams of scholars working on a project leading to an interpretive product. Teams may propose research in a single field of study or interdisciplinary work. NEH encourages projects that incorporate multiple points of view and pursue new avenues of inquiry. Collaborators may come from one or more institutions. NEH encourages partnerships with researchers in the natural and social sciences, but projects must focus on humanistic content and employ humanistic methods. International collaboration is welcome, but scholars at U.S. institutions must contribute significantly to the project. Proposed projects must lead to a tangible and sustainable output, such as a coauthored book, edited volume, themed issue of a peer-reviewed journal, digital publication, or scholarly website. Project outputs must incorporate collaboration and interpretation to address significant humanities research questions. Applications must focus on the history and culture of the United States or Western civilization.

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NIH NLM Institutional Grants for Research Training in Biomedical Informatics, Data Science, and AI

(Forecasted Deadline: September 25, 2026)

The National Library of Medicine (NLM) invites applications for innovative predoctoral and postdoctoral training programs that prepare the next generation of researchers in biomedical informatics, data science, and artificial intelligence/machine learning (AI/ML). NLM emphasizes cutting-edge, forward-looking training experiences that equip trainees to address complex health and biomedical challenges through advanced computational approaches. Applications may propose the creation of new training programs or the renewal of existing NLM-supported programs. These programs are designed to meet the growing demand for researchers with deep expertise in biomedical computing, data science, and AI/ML, with clear relevance to health and biomedical research. Recognizing the inherently interdisciplinary nature of these fields, NLM seeks programs that integrate methods and perspectives across disciplines to advance biomedical informatics, data science, and AI/ML. 25 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$500,000-\$775,000.

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NSF EDU Core Research

(Application Deadline: October 1, 2026)

The EDU Core Research (ECR) program offers this ECR: Core solicitation and invites proposals for fundamental research (curiosity-driven basic research and use-inspired basic research) that contributes to the general, explanatory knowledge that underlies STEM education in one or more of the three broadly conceived Research Areas: Research on STEM Learning and Learning Environments, Research on Broadening Participation in STEM fields, and Research on STEM

Workforce Development. Within this framework, the ECR program supports a wide range of fundamental STEM education research activities, aimed at learners of all groups and ages in formal and informal settings. Whether they include basic or use-inspired basic research, all successful ECR: Core proposals focus on the advancement or refinement of foundational knowledge for STEM education. The solicitation has three levels of funding with a range of budget sizes, and proposals may request a duration of 3 to 5 years for any level: (1) Level I proposals may request up to \$500,000; (2) Level II proposals may request up to \$1,500,000; (3) Level III proposals may request up to \$2,500,000.

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NIFA Tribal Colleges Research Grants Program

(Application Deadline: December 31, 2026)

TCRGP focuses on development of research capacity at Tribal colleges, specifically in agriculture, natural resources, and human sciences. The program aims to teach leadership skills, knowledge, and qualities that are necessary to prepare students to be competitive with other students for agricultural and related careers in the private sector, government, and academia. Of interest are the projects involving innovative agricultural technologies, including artificial intelligence (AI), data science, robotics, and other cutting edge digital tools. NIFA encourages incorporation of opportunities for training undergraduate students in these areas to equip them with the foundational knowledge and skills necessary to adapt to and thrive in an increasingly digital society and expose them to educational and career pathways in AI for food and agricultural sciences. 15 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$150,000-\$2,500,000.

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NSF Organizational Change in the Professional Formation of Engineers

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The Organizational Change in the Professional Formation of Engineers (ENGINEER:OC) area supports research and activities that revolutionize the professional formation of engineers at scale. This effort helps NSF expand access to high-quality engineering education and workforce development pathways for all. Projects should take place at organizations that support the professional formation of engineers. These include all eligible types of higher education institutions. These also include other academic, informal, center-based, or workplace-based engineering or engineering technology programs. Investigators should propose projects along one of two types: innovation projects, and adaptation/implementation projects. Innovation projects develop and apply new cultural or curricular innovations at a particular setting. These innovations can represent the first practical implementation of established theory. In contrast, Adaptation/Implementation projects build on past work to adapt existing models to new contexts.

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NSF Professional Formation of Engineers (PFE)

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The Professional Formation of Engineers (PFE) initiative integrates engineering research and education to improve and expand the nation's engineering workforce. PFE is defined as the formal and informal processes and value systems by which people become engineers. The goal of PFE is

to create an ethical engineering workforce with a global outlook and the ability to adapt to the rapidly evolving technical environment. This will help build a future engineering workforce with the skills to compete in the global marketplace, support emerging technologies, and grow U.S. industry. PFE supports projects in the ENGINEER program relating to future and current engineers' training and education in many contexts, including formal classrooms, informal maker spaces, clubs and co-curricular activities, and workplaces. Such training encompasses cooperative education and internships, community-based experiences, and research labs. It also involves many scales of analysis, from mentor/mentee relationships to large-scale online learning and professional development experiences.

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NSF STEM K-12

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The NSF STEM K-12 program in the Division of Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings (DRL) in the Directorate for STEM Education (EDU) supports fundamental, applied, and translational research that advances STEM teaching and learning and improves understanding of education across the human lifespan and a range of formal and informal settings. Proposals submitted to the STEM K-12 program may focus on learning or instruction in any field(s) of STEM (science, technology, engineering, or mathematics) and may involve a variety of contexts in which teaching and learning take place, including formal education (pre-K to 12) and informal learning environments. The program also supports projects that identify and address salient issues involved in translating research into educational practice for any STEM field, as well as projects that leverage insights from educational practice to drive fundamental research. Additionally, the program seeks proposals that explore how AI and other emerging technologies can be effectively leveraged to study and enhance STEM teaching and learning. Two- and four-year Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs); non-profit, non-academic organizations directly associated with educational or research activities; for-profit; State and Local governments, and Tribal Nations are eligible to apply. 40 awards are anticipated.

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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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NC Biotechnology Center Innovation Impact Grant (IIG)

(Application Deadline: September 30, 2026)

The Innovation Impact Grant (IIG) program supports the purchase of shared-use research equipment for core facilities at academic or nonprofit institutions that foster innovation within North Carolina's life sciences ecosystem. Priority will be given to proposals that will have a high impact at the applicant institution and the broader life sciences research community. Applicants must be employed as a permanent, full-time core facility director or faculty member at a North Carolina academic or nonprofit research institute. Up to \$150,000 may be requested, and a cash match is required.

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USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program in North Carolina

(Application Deadline: Rolling until September 30, 2026)

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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Arthur Vining Davis Foundations – Private Higher Education

(Application Deadline: August 27, 2026 (LOI))

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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William T. Grant Foundation – Institutional Challenge Grant

(Application Deadline: September 9, 2026)

The Institutional Challenge Grant supports university-based research institutes, schools, and centers in building sustained research-practice partnerships with public agencies or nonprofit organizations in order to reduce inequality in youth outcomes. The grant requires that research institutions shift their policies and practices to value collaborative research. Institutions will also need to build the capacity of researchers to produce relevant work and the capacity of agency and nonprofit partners to use research. We welcome applications from partnerships in youth-serving areas such as education, justice, child welfare, foster care, mental health, immigration, and workforce development. We especially encourage proposals from teams with African American, Latinx, Native American, and Asian American members in leadership roles. The partnership leadership team includes the principal investigator from the research institution and the lead from the public agency or nonprofit organization. This year, we will award at least two Institutional Challenge Grants. Each award will provide \$650,000 over three years.

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Burroughs Wellcome Fund: Career Awards for STEM Teachers

(Application Deadline: September 30, 2026)

The Burroughs Wellcome Fund's Career Award for STEM Teachers recognizes outstanding STEM teachers in North Carolina public primary and secondary schools. The award provides \$175,000 over five years. This award presents opportunities for professional development and collaboration with other master STEM teachers who will help ensure their success as teachers and their satisfaction with the teaching field. The award allows schools and school districts to develop and fully empower teachers as leaders in the field.

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Robinson Foundation

(Application Deadline: October 15 and May 15, annually)

Founded in 2016, the mission of the Robinson Foundation is to create meaningful impact through giving back to humanity with good nature and generous hearts. We do this as a family-operated foundation, where each member of our board is tasked with seeking out areas of need where our contribution can create real change in the lives of those affected. Areas of Interest include: Animal Welfare, Children & Families, Disaster Relief, Education, Medical Assistance, Poverty Relief, Religious & Spiritual Endeavors, and Veterans' Issues. Organizations considered for funding must be classified as qualified public charities under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Please note that the Foundation does not provide support for facilities or other capital projects.

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SECU Foundation

(Application Deadline: October 31 and April 30, annually)

The SECU Foundation will promote local and community development by primarily funding high impact projects in the areas of housing, education, healthcare, and human services. The State Employees' Credit Union Board of Directors chartered the SECU Foundation to help identify and address community issues that are beyond the normal scope of State Employees' Credit Union. While individual members may not have a large impact, collectively and cooperatively the Foundation can go a long way toward helping solve problems in our neighborhoods, schools and our community at large. SECU Grant Programs include: (1) Capital – Funds projects that are tangible, permanent, and visible; Typically supporting construction or major renovation of a building or a facility; (2) Programmatic – Funds pilot programs or large-scale program expansions that provide regional or statewide services; and (3) Mission Development Grants – supporting smaller nonprofits with capacity building through organizational assessments, goal setting, and creating pathways for expansion. The Foundation generally seeks to fund projects that strengthen the partnership with North Carolina State employees.

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The Edward E. Ford Foundation Traditional Grant for Schools

(Application Deadline: January 30 and April 1, 2027)

The Edward E. Ford Foundation seeks to improve secondary education by supporting U.S. independent schools and encouraging promising practices. We make Traditional Grants to eligible schools and Associations to help them grow and develop in pursuit of their own missions. These grants are made in response to requests that can range from \$25,000 to \$100,000 and that must be matched at least 1:1 by additional funds.

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***NEW* John William Pope Foundation – Higher Education**

(Application Deadline: February 1, 2027)

The John William Pope Foundation's philanthropic vision is rooted in improving the well-being of North Carolinians through the advancement of individual freedom and personal responsibility. We will consider proposals for general operating or project-specific support. Education: The John William Pope Foundation believes that Americans are obligated to teach both the current and next generations about the Western traditions of liberty. To achieve this, the Foundation supports North Carolina-focused educational institutions, student societies, academic centers, student groups, and policy groups that research education issues. These centers and groups provide the needed but underrepresented freedom-centric perspective in college classrooms. The Foundation prioritizes institutions that encourage intellectual diversity and critical thinking in state. The geographic focus is primarily North Carolina.

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

(Application Deadline: Quarterly)

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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Brady Education Foundation

(Application Deadline: Quarterly (LOI))

The Foundation is currently accepting Research Project (RP) proposals and Existing Program Evaluation (EPE) proposals. The Foundation is particularly focused on supporting projects that are consistent with a strength-based perspective and have the potential to inform future educational research, practice, major philanthropic giving, and/or public policy. Research Projects: The Foundation supports research projects that have the potential to inform how to improve educational outcomes for children from birth through age 18. The Foundation is particularly focused on supporting research that is consistent with a strength-based perspective and has the potential to inform future educational research, practice, major philanthropic giving, and/or public policy. Existing Program Evaluations: The Foundation supports the evaluation of programs that are feasible and sustainable (i.e., can work and be maintained in the real world of educational settings and systems), accessible (i.e., are available to and attainable by the families that need them), and strength-based (i.e., recognize the strengths that children and families bring to the learning environment that can be capitalized upon to promote strong academic outcomes). The Foundation also supports cost-benefit analyses of existing programs whose goals are to promote improved educational outcomes.

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The Cannon Foundation

(Application Deadline: Quarterly (Inquiry Form))

The Cannon Foundation funds capital and equipment projects for organizations across Mr. Cannon's home state of North Carolina. Grants support human services, higher education, healthcare, and community. Eligibility is limited to nonprofits with at least five years of operating history and with significant operations in NC. Only capital and infrastructure projects will be considered

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Mebane Foundation

(Application Deadline: Bi-Annually (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.

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***NEW* The J.W. Couch Foundation**

(Application Deadline: Rolling Qualification Form)

The J.W. Couch Foundation funds in three pillars: (1) Preservation – Protecting our natural and historical world – wildlife, land, architecture, and the ecosystems that sustain life; (2) Education – Investing in forward-thinking schools, teachers, and programs that build the next generation of thinkers and leaders; and (3) Wellness – Championing mental health, digital wellbeing, and access to nature so communities can thrive whole-heartedly. Eligible applicants are registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations or fiscally sponsored projects whose mission aligns with one of our three pillars: Preservation, Education, or Wellness. A referral from a J.W. Couch Foundation member is preferred but not required.

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Genesis Inspiration Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The Genesis Inspiration Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 2018 with a mission to connect youth to the transformative power of the arts. By improving access to arts education in under-resourced communities, we strive to enhance educational outcomes and spark inspiration in children nationwide. Since our inception, we have donated \$10 million to fund arts programming at museums, schools, and nonprofit cultural organizations, creating meaningful opportunities for children to explore their creativity and potential. Grants range from \$50,000-\$100,000. Interest forms for 2026 grants will begin being accepted on January 4, 2026.

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Stantec: Community Engagement Funding

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

At Stantec, community is at the heart of everything we do. We believe that when we come together, we can create lasting, meaningful change. That's why we're proud to invest in organizations that share our passion for building brighter futures. Stantec invests in organizations that share its commitment to creating lasting, meaningful change through four core areas: arts, education, environment, and health and wellness. There is a Stantec location in Asheville, NC.

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Tuttleman Foundation Grants

(Application Deadline: Rolling (Letter of Request))

The Tuttleman Foundation generally provides grants to 501(c)(3) organizations in the areas of education, community building, health care, arts and museums, basic human services, and

spirituality. The Tuttleman Foundation typically awards grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$250,000. Eligible applicants are 501(c)(3) organizations. Funding is available for: general operations, capital campaigns, special projects, research and advocacy, and pilot projects.

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AJA Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))

AJA Foundation seeks to help those who have done everything society asks of them, yet for whom access to essential resources and the probability for advancement that comes from them remain elusive at best and structurally impossible at worst. We know that the “playing field” of opportunity tilts substantially and unfairly towards those coming from advantage and that nobody succeeds on their own. AJA Foundation is dedicated to leveling the playing field by investing globally in organizations addressing what we see as fundamental human rights with a focus on equal access to clean water, quality education and essential healthcare.

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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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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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economic opportunity grants

Federal Grants

***NEW* Rural Business-Cooperative Service Fertilizer Investment & Expansion for Long-Term Domestic Supply Program (FIELDs)**

(Application Deadline: August 17, 2026)

The Fertilizer Investment & Expansion for Long-term Domestic Supply (FIELDs) Program is intended to expand or bring into operation new, independent domestic fertilizer production capacity in order to provide agricultural producers with additional domestic fertilizer options and strengthen

the U.S. fertilizer supply chain. Program funding is intended to support projects that significantly increase domestic fertilizer manufacturing capacity and availability. Eligible projects may include expansions or upgrades of existing facilities, construction of new domestic production facilities, shovel-ready projects capable of rapidly increasing domestic supply, and on-site fertilizer terminals and transportation infrastructure that improve supply chain efficiency. 10 awards are anticipated, ranging up to \$150,000,000.

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NTIA Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program

(Application Deadline: September 17, 2026)

NTIA is soliciting applications for funds remaining under the Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program (TBCP). TBCP provides funding for grants to Eligible Entities to expand access to and adoption of: (i) broadband service on Tribal Land; or (ii) programs that promote remote learning, telework, or telehealth resources. Eligible Entities include: (i) a Tribal Government; (ii) a Tribal College or University; (iii) the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands on behalf of the Native Hawaiian Community, including Native Hawaiian Education Programs; (iv) a Tribal organization; or (v) an Alaska Native Corporation. NTIA expects to make awards under this program within the following funding ranges: (1) Broadband Use and Adoption Projects proposed by a single applicant: \$500,000 to \$2,500,000; (2) Broadband Infrastructure Deployment Projects proposed by a single applicant: \$1,000,000 to \$25,000,000.

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HUD Community Development Block Grant Program for Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Villages

(Forecasted Deadline: November 16, 2026)

The primary objective of the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) program is the development of viable Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons of low-and moderate-incomes. This NOFO is for Single Purpose Grants, which are competitive grants for projects funded by the ICDBG program that must principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons. 50 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$500,000-\$2,000,000.

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***NEW* VA NCA Veterans Legacy Grants Program**

(Forecasted Deadline: April 9, 2027)

VLGP will provide grants to eligible entities for the purpose of conducting cemetery research related to national, State, or Tribal Veterans' cemeteries; producing educational materials that teach about the history of Veterans interred in national, State, or Tribal Veterans' cemeteries; and promoting community engagement with the histories of Veterans interred in national, State, or Tribal Veterans' cemeteries. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) National Cemetery Administration (NCA) is awarding grants for a maximum of \$400,000 per awardee.

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ACF Community Economic Development Projects

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The Office of Community Services (OCS) will award approximately \$18.57 million in Community Economic Development (CED) discretionary funds to Community Development Corporations (CDC) to enhance job creation and business development for individuals with low income. Projects should be well-planned, financially viable, and innovative. CED awards will be made as part of a broader strategy to address objectives such as decreasing dependency on federal programs, chronic unemployment, and community deterioration in urban and rural areas. CED projects are expected to actively recruit individuals with low incomes to fill the positions created by CED-funded development activities, to assist those individuals in successfully maintaining employment, and to ensure that the businesses and jobs created remain viable for at least one year after the project period. CED projects can be non-construction or construction projects. In states with current projects, OCS encourages applicants to target rural and underserved areas. Furthermore, OCS encourages potential applicants to explore how proposed projects can be aligned and/or integrated with other OCS-funded programs and priorities to more comprehensively address the needs of rural and urban communities with high rates of poverty, unemployment, and substance-use disorder, as well as communities experiencing persistent poverty, as identified by US Department of Agriculture's Economic Research Service. 21 awards are anticipated between \$100,000 to \$800,000.

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ACF ANA Economic Advancement Grants for Local Empowerment

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The Administration for Native Americans anticipates announcing the availability of funds and requesting applications for EAGLE: Economic Advancement Grants for Local Empowerment, supporting socioeconomic and cultural success for Native communities through business creation in regenerative agriculture, artificial intelligence, tribal energy sovereignty, and human capital development. The primary goals are to 1) support Native capacity, health, employability, and resourcefulness; 2) foster sustainable economic growth through job creation, infrastructure, and wealth-building; and 3) accelerate economic development and optimize governance. ANA intends to fully fund FY 2026 EAGLE awards for three years, with the NOFO including multiple Program Areas (PAs): Seventh-Generation Greenhouses to expand affordable, nutritious food production and local enterprise; Microgrids to enhance energy reliability, resilience, and independence; Welders to Elders to promote workforce development and community resilience; Tradition in Action—A Native Elder Program to support cultural education, intergenerational knowledge transfer, and leadership pipelines; and Indigenous Designs to Empower and Advance Self-Determination (IDEAS) to enable community-designed solutions to priority needs. 31 awards are anticipated between \$300,000-\$1,000,000.

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State Grants

NEW NC Dept of Agriculture & Consumer Services Farmland Preservation Cycle 20

(Application Deadline: August 31, 2026 (Part 1))

The NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services is offering funding for farmland preservation projects. All applicants for conservation easements, agricultural development projects, and agricultural plans must be non-profit conservation organizations or county agencies, per N.C.G.S.106-744. Additional details for Cycle 20 are pending.

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***NOW OPEN* Renew NC Community Infrastructure (CI) Program**

(Application Deadline: September 8, 2026)

The Renew NC Community Infrastructure Program is a competitive grant program that provides funding for infrastructure projects, linked to Hurricane Helene's impacts or mitigation set-asides, that will help impacted communities in western North Carolina become more resilient to current and future natural hazards. Tie-backs connect activities to disaster impacts, such as damage or vulnerability. Mitigation improves resilience and reduces long-term risks to life, property, and hardship. Eligible applicants are local governments located in the HUD- or State-identified MID Areas.

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NC Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

(Application Deadline: November 2, 2026)

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) provides up to dollar-for-dollar matching grants to local governments for the acquisition, development, or a combination of both. Local governments may also apply for funding to renovate existing LWCF parks. A local government can request a maximum of \$750,000 with each application. North Carolina counties and incorporated municipalities are eligible for LWCF grants. Federally recognized Native American tribes are also eligible.

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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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USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program in North Carolina

(Application Deadline: Rolling until September 30, 2026)

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

(Application Deadline: Rolling until September 30, 2026)

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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***NEW* America's Health Food Financing Initiative (HFFI) Partnerships Program**

(Application Deadline: September 18, 2026)

Reinvestment Fund, in its capacity as National Fund Manager (NFM) for the Healthy Food Financing Initiative at USDA Rural Business-Cooperative Service, requests applications for America's Healthy Food Financing Initiative Local and Regional Healthy Food Financing Partnerships Program (HFFI Partnerships Program) for 2026. \$20,000,000 is available for grants for the second round of the HFFI Partnerships Program. The purpose of the program is to build the capacity of locally- and regionally-focused Healthy Food Financing Partnerships to provide financial and technical assistance to eligible healthy food retailers and postharvest food retail supply chain enterprises. The program builds capacity by offering grants for operating expenses (Capacity Building activities) and grants to be used to help deploy loans and other financial assistance (Credit Enhancement activities). Eligible applicants include regional, state, or local public-private partnerships of two or more entities that are organized to improve access to fresh, healthy foods and provide financial and technical assistance to eligible projects in Underserved Areas.

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Truist Foundation

(Application Deadline: November 30, March 31, and July 31, annually)

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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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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Golden LEAF Foundation: SITE Program

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

Through this program, Golden LEAF provides support to communities to identify potential industrial sites for economic development, enable completion of due diligence on industrial sites already identified, or extend public utilities to or conduct grading and clearing of industrial sites for which due diligence has been completed. Golden LEAF accepts applications from organizations in all counties, but prioritizes awards within counties that have been persistently economically distressed (as demonstrated by County Tier status determined by the N.C. Department of Commerce) and in economically distressed, rural, and tobacco-dependent communities. The SITE Program consists of three phases: (1) Identification provides support to identify potential industrial sites in communities that do not currently have quality industrial sites to market; (2) Due Diligence provides funding to complete eligible due diligence activities such as environmental assessments, archaeological analyses, and mapping for identified industrial sites; and (3) Development provides funding for public infrastructure and, for publicly owned sites, clearing and grading, to develop sites that have completed the due diligence necessary to demonstrate that the site is suitable for industrial development.

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Wells Fargo Community Giving Programs

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

Wells Fargo is committed to helping communities thrive, with financially resilient families, vibrant small businesses and affordable places to call home. Our grantmaking focuses on opportunities that align with our strategic funding priorities: financial mobility, housing access and affordability, and small business growth. Nonprofit organizations that are interested in being considered for an invitation to apply for a Wells Fargo grant may submit a grant interest form.

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Waste Management Charitable Giving

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

We work with local leaders, organizations and partners on initiatives that support meaningful community engagement. Focus areas include: Environmental Stewardship, Sustainability Education, Community Vitality, and Workforce Development.

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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

***NEW* COPS FY26 Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants**

(Application Deadline: August 17, 2026 (Grants.gov); August 24, 2026 (JustGrants))

The FY26 Community Policing Development (CPD) Microgrants program provides funding to local, state, tribal, and territorial law enforcement agencies to implement demonstration or pilot projects that work to solve problems in the agency or community, to advance crime fighting, community engagement, problem solving, or organizational changes in support of community policing. 34 awards are anticipated, ranging up to \$200,000.

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SAMHSA Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics Planning, Development, and Implementation Grant

(Application Deadline: August 17, 2026)

The purpose of this program is to develop and establish new Community Behavioral Health Clinics to address gaps in behavioral health services and improve the well-being of persons with mental health and substance use disorders. Eligibility is statutorily limited to community-based behavioral health non-profit organizations; organizations that are either (a) part of a local government behavioral health authority; or (b) operated under the authority of the Indian Health Service, an Indian tribe, or tribal organization; or (c) an Urban Indian Organization pursuant to a grant or contract with the Indian Health Service under Title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.). 94 awards are expected, ranging up to \$1,000,000/year for up to 4 years.

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SAMHSA Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) Improvement and Advancement Grant

(Application Deadline: August 17, 2026)

The purpose of this program is to sustain and enhance services at existing Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs). This includes serving individuals across the lifespan with or at risk for mental health and/or substance use disorders (SUDs). CCBHCs are community-based clinics that offer coordinated, evidence-based outpatient services, including crisis services, while also enhancing access for anyone in need and coordinating care to mitigate gaps in care. Eligibility is statutorily limited to community-based behavioral health non-profit organizations, or organizations that are either (a) part of a local government behavioral health authority; or (b) operated under the authority of the Indian Health Service, an Indian tribe, or tribal organization; or (c) an Urban Indian Organization pursuant to a grant or contract with the Indian Health Service under Title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. 117 awards are anticipated, ranging up to \$1,000,000/year for up to 4 years.

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OVW Grants to Improve the Criminal Justice Response to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program

(Application Deadline: August 18, 2026 (Grants.gov); August 20, 2026 (JustGrants))

The ICJR Program assists Tribal, state, and local governments and courts to strengthen the criminal justice response to domestic/dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking by improving offender accountability, victim safety, homicide reduction, protection-order enforcement, and coordinated law enforcement and prosecutorial action. These sorts of activities treat these offenses as serious violations of criminal law and seek safety and autonomy for victims. Eligible applicants are limited to: State governments, Indian Tribal governments, units of local government, state and local courts, state or territorial domestic violence coalitions, state or territorial sexual assault coalitions, Tribal domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions, victim service providers. 67 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$400,000-\$1,500,000.

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***NEW* HRSA Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education (CHGME) Payment Program**

(Forecasted Deadline: August 31, 2026)

The Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education (CHGME) Payment Program funds freestanding, children's hospitals. The money helps their graduate medical education (GME) programs train resident physicians and dentists. Currently Eligible Hospitals include freestanding children's hospitals that meet the original eligibility requirements for CHGME payments, as described in the CHGME Federal Register published on March 1, 2001 (66 FRN 12940), established prior to the Children's Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act of 2013. A children's teaching hospital is considered "freestanding" if it does not operate under a Medicare hospital provider number assigned to a larger health care entity that receives Medicare GME payments. 59 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$32,000 to \$28,000,000.

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***NOW OPEN* HRSA Expanding Nutrition Services**

(Application Deadline: September 9, 2026)

The purpose of Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Expanding Nutrition Services (ENS) funding is to increase access to nutrition services at HRSA-funded health centers. Nutrition services can help to prevent, manage, and treat diseases and conditions through nutritional and food-based interventions. Health centers will use ENS funding to increase the number of nutrition services patients or visits. You can apply if you are a Health Center Program award recipient with an active H80 award. 357 awards are anticipated of \$350,000.

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OVW Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program

(Application Deadline: September 1, 2026 (Grants.gov); September 3, 2026 (JustGrants))

The Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program (TSASP) assists Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, and nonprofit Tribal organizations in providing “intervention, advocacy, accompaniment, support services, and related assistance for adult, youth, and child victims of sexual assault, family and household members of such victims, and those collaterally affected by the victimization, except for the perpetrator of such victimization.” Eligible applicants are limited to: Indian Tribes, Tribal consortia, Tribal organizations, and Tribal nonprofit organizations. 16 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$350,000-\$500,000.

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OVW Local Law Enforcement Grants for Enforcement of Cybercrimes Program

(Application Deadline: September 1, 2026 (Grants.gov); September 3, 2026 (JustGrants))

This program supports efforts by States, Indian Tribes, and units of local government to prevent, enforce, and prosecute cybercrimes against individuals. Cybercrimes against individuals are defined as criminal offenses that involve the use of a computer to harass, threaten, stalk, extort, coerce, cause fear to, or intimidate an individual, or without consent distribute intimate images of an adult, except that use of a computer need not be an element of the offense. 10 awards are anticipated of up to \$750,000.

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CDC National HIV Behavioral Surveillance

(Forecasted Deadline: September 1, 2026)

The purpose of this NOFO is to support ongoing bio-behavioral surveillance among populations disproportionately affected by HIV. Data will be collected on behavioral risk factors for HIV (e.g., sexual behaviors, drug use), HIV testing behaviors, use of prevention strategies (e.g., condoms, PrEP) and receipt of prevention services. All NHBS participants will be offered an HIV test and linked to appropriate prevention or care services based on test results. Findings from NHBS are used to evaluate and guide local and national HIV prevention programs by assessing exposure to and use of prevention strategies over time and by identifying gaps in provision of or access to HIV prevention services. The prevalence and trends of behavioral risk factors for HIV can be used to inform tailored testing, response, treatment, and other prevention efforts. 20 awards are anticipated.

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***NEW* DOT Innovative Coordinated Access and Mobility (ICAM) Pilot Program** (Application Deadline: September 9, 2026)

Under the ICAM pilot program, funds awarded will finance innovative capital projects for the transportation-disadvantaged, with the goal to improve the coordination of transportation services and non-emergency medical transportation services for older adults, people with disabilities, and people of low income. As required by Federal public transportation law and subject to appropriations, funds will be awarded competitively to eligible applicants. Eligible applicants are State departments of transportation, designated recipients for Section 5310 funds, or local governmental entities that operate a public transportation service, or their eligible subrecipients. Eligible applicants are State departments of transportation, designated recipients for Section 5310 funds, or local governmental entities that operate a public transportation service, or their eligible subrecipients. Private entities that provide shared-ride on-demand service to the general public on a regular basis are operators of public transportation and are therefore eligible subrecipients. 20 awards are anticipated.

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***NEW* HRSA Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education (THCGME) Program** (Forecasted Deadline: September 29, 2026)

The purpose of the THCGME Program is to provide maintenance funding to support the training of residents in existing HRSA-supported primary care residency training programs in community-based ambulatory patient care centers. These programs will prepare residents to provide high-quality care, particularly in rural and medically vulnerable communities, and develop competencies to serve a wide range of populations and communities. Applicants must be a community-based ambulatory patient care center that operates an accredited primary care residency program. They may operate directly or through a graduate medical education (GME) consortium. The residency program must be in one or more of the following specialties/disciplines: Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Internal Medicine-Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Psychiatry, General Dentistry, Pediatric Dentistry, and/or Geriatrics. 12 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$320,000 to \$2,880,000.

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NIH Pilot and Feasibility Studies in Preparation for Substance Use and HIV Prevention Intervention and Services Research Trials (Forecasted Deadline: October 2, 2026)

The National Institute on Drug Abuse seeks to support pilot and feasibility studies in preparation for efficacy, effectiveness and/or services research trials. Topics may include: 1) developing interventions to prevent substance use, misuse or progression to disorder, 2) substance use prevention, treatment or recovery services research, including comorbid pain, medical and mental health disorders, 3) HIV eradication research, including implementation science, prevention, treatment and recovery in substance use settings/populations. Projects may address information gaps, strengthen stakeholder partnerships, or pilot test interventions. Activities might include intervention development/adaptation; assessing intervention or service model acceptability and

feasibility; and development of measures, materials, or methods for the future trial. Preliminary data is not required. A well-defined theory of change or logic model is expected. Applicants must engage relevant end users in study design, execution, and interpretation (e.g., policymakers, state and local decision makers, practitioners, individuals with lived/living experience, families, youth, and community members).

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***NEW* CDC Preventing Suicide and Interpersonal Violence Among Youth and Young Adults**

(Forecasted Deadline: December 1, 2026)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) seeks investigator-initiated research proposals to evaluate primary prevention-focused approaches to reduce suicide and interpersonal violence among youth and young adults (ages 10 to 24 years). This NOFO will support the evaluation of existing primary prevention approaches (i.e., approaches that are already developed and implemented or have been shown to be ready for implementation) that have not yet undergone rigorous evaluation. For this announcement, "approaches" can include programs, policies, or practices. Applicants can propose to evaluate approaches that: (1) Reduce suicide-related outcomes, enhancing social connectedness and social cohesion at the community level; (2) Reduce or mitigate the impact of unhealthy behaviors or experiences in online spaces on suicide-related outcomes; and/or (3) Evaluate approaches to reduce the incidence and/or harm caused by technology-facilitated forms of interpersonal violence. 8 awards are anticipated of up to \$500,000.

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***NEW* CDC Research Grants to Rigorously Evaluate Innovative and Promising Approaches to Prevent Firearm-Related Violence and Injuries**

(Forecasted Deadline: December 1, 2026)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC or the Injury Center) is soliciting investigator-initiated research to rigorously evaluate the effectiveness of innovative and promising approaches to prevent all forms of firearm-related injuries, deaths, violence, or crime without infringing on the rights of legal firearm owners. For this announcement such forms include: Mass shooting incidents, Defensive gun use incidents, Firearm-related homicides and assaults, Firearm-related suicides and self-harm, Unintentional firearm deaths and injuries, Firearm-related crime. Funding Option A will support research projects that rely on existing data to evaluate effectiveness and that do not support implementing prevention activities. These projects will be funded up to \$350,000 per year (direct and indirect costs) for a period of performance up to 2 years. Funding Option B will support research projects that require new data collection and/or implementation of prevention activities to evaluate effectiveness. These projects will be funded up to \$650,000 per year (direct and indirect costs) for a period of performance up to 3 years.

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CDC Centers of Excellence in Healthcare Quality and Safety

(Forecasted Deadline: January 4, 2027)

This Program will create a collaborative network of healthcare systems, facilities and public health partners to rapidly detect, respond to, and prevent threats to patient and healthcare worker safety. This Program will support work that improves the safety, quality and resilience of U.S. healthcare delivery. The Program will be made up of healthcare systems inclusive of multiple facilities in a variety of settings, including acute care hospitals (particularly community hospitals, critical access, hospitals, and rural hospitals), long-term acute care hospitals, nursing homes, dialysis centers, emergency rooms and urgent care centers, outpatient facilities and home health providers. The Program will include healthcare systems and facilities partnering with public health departments and other entities or groups with relevant expertise. However, each individual applicant is not expected to have all elements.

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OASH OPA Title X Family Planning Services Grants

(Application Deadline: January 11, 2027)

This notice solicits applications from public and private nonprofit entities to establish and operate voluntary Title X projects. These projects include a broad range of effective and acceptable services, including pregnancy testing and counseling, basic infertility services, sexually transmitted infection (STI) services (such as HIV prevention education, counseling, testing, and referral), health literacy, reproductive goals counseling to increase optimal health outcomes, and other preconception health services. Title X services also help address and provide referrals for health conditions that affect fertility, including endometriosis, polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS), and uterine fibroids in women, as well as low sperm count, low sperm motility, low testosterone, and erectile dysfunction in men. OPA seeks a broad competition for Title X grant awards and are interested in innovative strategies to address chronic disease; reduce overmedicalization by strengthening approaches focused on underlying behavioral and lifestyle factors of health and evidence-based practices such as fertility-awareness based methods; promote health and body literacy; advance reproductive goals counseling for all clients; and support family formation. Up to 90 awards are anticipated ranging from \$200,000 to \$22 million.

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***NEW* HRSA Health Workforce Research Center (HWRC)**

(Forecasted Deadline: March 9, 2027)

The Health Workforce Research Centers support research that helps decision-makers at the federal, state, and local levels understand health workforce needs. 11 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$450,000 to \$900,000.

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***NEW* HRSA Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C Capacity Development Program**

(Forecasted Deadline: March 16, 2027)

The purpose of the program is to strengthen the capacity of community-based organizations to improve health outcomes and reduce HIV transmission, especially for people not yet in regular HIV

care. The activities fall under two categories: HIV Care Innovation and Infrastructure Development. 60 awards are anticipated of up to \$150,000.

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ACL Traumatic Brain Injury State Partnership

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The purpose of this grant program is to improve the health and well-being of individuals with traumatic brain injuries (TBI) by streamlining access to critical resources, services, and supports for people who have sustained a TBI as well as leveraging resources for sustainability. Supported activities may include information and referral services for people with TBI and their caregivers, resource facilitation, outreach and awareness to communities about TBI, and brain injury screenings and trainings to community stakeholders and paraprofessionals. Funds may also support activities that promote comprehensive services and trainings for population with a higher prevalence of people impacted by brain injury, such as veterans, youth, individuals in the criminal legal system, and aging populations. Eligible applicants include public, state, and private institutions of higher education; Federally recognized Native American tribal governments, State governments, and County governments; and nonprofits non-higher education without 501(c)(3) and with 501(c)(3). 31 awards are expected, with an award maximum of \$300,000.

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ACF Tribal Personal Responsibility Education Program (Tribal PREP)

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

Tribal PREP competitively funds projects that educate American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth ages 10-19, and expectant and parenting youth under age 21, on both abstinence and contraception for the prevention of pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), and HIV and promote successful transition of youth to adulthood through education on key adulthood preparation subjects (APS). Projects must implement at least three of the six congressionally mandated APS which include: 1) healthy relationships, 2) adolescent development, 3) financial literacy, 4) parent-child communication, 5) educational and career success, and 6) healthy life skills. Additionally, projects must 1) replicate evidence-based effective programs or substantially incorporate elements of effective programs that have been proven on the basis of rigorous scientific research to change behavior within the AI/AN tribal communities, which means delaying sexual activity, increasing condom or contraceptive use for sexually active youth, or reducing pregnancy among youth; 2) be medically-accurate and complete; 3) provide age-appropriate information and activities; and, 4) be provided in the cultural context that is most appropriate for AI/AN youth. 7 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$350,000-\$600,000.

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ACF Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The Personal Responsibility Education Program-Innovative Strategies (PREIS) builds the evidence base for adolescent pregnancy prevention interventions that are effective with high risk and vulnerable youth populations and addresses gaps with new promising program models. PREIS funds rigorous impact evaluations of innovative youth pregnancy prevention interventions that

target services to high-risk, vulnerable, and culturally under-represented youth populations, including youth in foster care/child welfare settings, juvenile justice, victims of trafficking, youth who have runaway or experience homelessness, youth with HIV/AIDS, expectant youth who are under 21 years of age and their partners, parenting youth who are under 21 years of age and their partners, and youth residing in areas with high birth rates for youth. Projects must implement at least three of the six congressionally mandated adulthood preparation subjects (APS) which include: 1) healthy relationships, 2) adolescent development, 3) financial literacy, 4) parent-child communication, 5) educational and career success, and 6) healthy life skills. Projects are required to conduct rigorous impact evaluations (randomized controlled trials or quasi-experimental design studies with assignment to treatment or control group). PREIS evaluations must be conducted by an independent, third-party evaluator.

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ACF General Departmental Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (SRAE)

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The purpose of the SRAE Program is to fund projects to implement sexual risk avoidance education that teach participants how to voluntarily refrain from non-marital sexual activity. The services are targeted to participants that reside in areas with high rates of teen births and/or are at greatest risk of contracting sexually transmitted infections (STIs). The goals of SRAE are to empower participants to make healthy decisions, and provide tools and resources to prevent pregnancy, STIs, and youth engagement in other risky behaviors. Successful applicants are expected to submit program plans that agree to: 1) use medically accurate information referenced to peer-reviewed publications by education, scientific, governmental or health organizations; 2) implement sexual risk avoidance curricula and/or strategies with an evidence-based approach to integrate research findings with practical implementation that aligns with the needs and desired outcomes for the intended audience; and 3) teach the benefits associated with self-regulation, success sequencing for poverty prevention, healthy relationships, goal setting, and resisting sexual coercion, dating violence, and other youth risk behaviors such as underage drinking or illicit drug use without normalizing teen sexual activity. 43 awards are anticipated ranging from \$300,000 to \$450,000.

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ACF National Resource Centers

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The Resource Centers support efforts to prevent and respond to family, domestic, and dating violence by providing information, training, and technical assistance to individuals, organizations, government agencies, and communities. An eligible grant recipient shall be a nonprofit organization that focuses primarily on issues of domestic violence and meets other statutory requirements for resource centers, the National Indian Resource Center, Special Issue Resource Centers, and State Resource Centers (42 U.S.C. §10410(c)(1)). 18 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$300,000-\$3,000,000.

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ACF Competitive Personal Responsibility Education Program

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The Family and Youth Services Bureau will be accepting applications for the development and implementation of the Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) in states that do not accept FY2026 allocations for State PREP. This program supports educational projects for youth ages 10–19 and for pregnant and parenting youth under age 21, focusing on abstinence and contraception to prevent pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections, and HIV/AIDS. Projects are also required to implement at least three of the following six adulthood preparation subjects: healthy relationships, adolescent development, financial literacy, parent-child communication, educational and career success, and healthy life skills. 21 awards are anticipated ranging between \$250,000 and \$450,000.

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ACF Street Outreach Program (SOP)

(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, prostitution, 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 or stable housing, as well as basic needs, including food, hygiene packages, and information on a range of available services. 20 awards are anticipated ranging from \$100,000-\$200,000.

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ACF FY 2026 Basic Center Program

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The Basic Center Program (BCP) provides temporary, emergency shelter and counseling services to youth who have left home without permission of their parents or guardians, have been forced to leave home, or other homeless youth who might otherwise end up in the law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. BCPs work to establish or strengthen community-based programs that meet the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth and their families. BCPs provide youth under 18 years of age with food, clothing, counseling, and referrals for health care. BCPs can provide up to 21 days of shelter for youth and seeks to reunite young people with their families, whenever possible, or to locate appropriate alternative placements. 77 awards are anticipated ranging from \$100,000-\$350,000.

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ACF Specialized Services for Abused Parents and Their Children (Demonstration Projects)

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The purpose of the Specialized Services for Abused Parents and Their Children is to expand the capacity of family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence service programs and community-based programs to prevent future domestic violence. This is done by addressing the needs of children who have been exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence in an appropriate manner. Required activities include providing direct counseling; providing developmentally and age-appropriate services to victims and their children; providing advocacy on behalf of victims and their children; and supporting non-abusing parents in their roles as caregivers and in meeting social, emotional, and developmental needs of their children. 60 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$300,000-\$350,000.

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ACF Culturally Specific Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services

(Forecasted Deadline: TBD)

The purpose of the Culturally Specific Services for Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault program is to provide culturally specific services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Objectives include services for survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence to address emergent needs resulting from a public health emergency and other public health concerns and support for organizations to promote strategic partnership development and collaboration in responding to the impact of public health concerns on survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence. Optional activities include providing legal advocacy, job training and employment services, and identifying secure and safe affordable temporary or permanent housing. 25 awards are anticipated of \$200,000.

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USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program in North Carolina

(Application Deadline: Rolling until September 30, 2026)

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

***NEW* Blue Cross NC Foundation: Partnerships Supporting Parent/Caregiver Mental Health & Well-being**

(Application Deadline: August 24, 2026)

Across North Carolina, parents and caregivers of young children (prenatal to age five) are experiencing high levels of stress, isolation, and difficulty accessing support. Blue Cross NC Foundation recognizes that caregiver mental health and well-being are foundational to the healthy development and long-term health and well-being outcomes of young children. We see an opportunity to strengthen and better connect existing supports to improve caregiver well-being, increase social connection, and build stronger pathways to mental health care. By working upstream with families during a critical developmental period, we can promote good mental health and resilience, set the next generation up for success, and prevent the crisis we are seeing in today's youth. To support these efforts, we are offering grants to up to five partnerships led by trusted community-based organizations. Each grant will provide up to \$450,000 over a three-year period (\$150,000 per year) to strengthen connections across existing mental health and well-being services and supports for parents and caregivers of young children.

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Simply Organic Giving Fund

(Application Deadline: August 14, 2026)

The Simply Organic Giving Fund (SOGF) is a grant program dedicated to addressing food insecurity in the United States and Canada by expanding access to organic, nutrient-dense food for individuals and families in need. The Fund prioritizes organizations that are not only meeting immediate food needs, but also strengthening long-term access to healthy, culturally relevant food options for populations experiencing low to very low food security. Applicants must have an annual operating budget between \$250,000 and \$5 million USD. The requested funding must not exceed one-third of the total cost of any individual program, or project line item. Eligible expenses may include, but are not limited to food purchases, program staff salaries and benefits, food preparation and distribution costs, transportation, equipment necessary for program delivery, and other direct expenses essential to providing access to nutrient-dense organic food. Awards range between \$30,000-\$100,000 over two years.

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LISC/Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation Game On-Community Places to Play Initiative

(Application Deadline: August 15, 2026)

Game On-Community Places to Play is an initiative of The DICK'S Sporting Goods Foundation and LISC. The initiative provides funding and technical assistance to community-rooted organizations working to create and renovate multi-use youth sport spaces in under-resourced communities across the country. The goal is to improve the quality, safety, and accessibility of local athletic spaces for young people. Grant awards will range from \$50,000-\$100,000 and will require 1:1 match funding. Funds will be awarded to outdoor and indoor facilities that enable and demonstrate local community access and usage for all organized youth sports, including but not limited to basketball, baseball, softball, soccer, football, tennis, lacrosse, and volleyball.

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The Delta Dental Foundation – General Grants

(Application Deadline: August 28 and November 4, 2026)

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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Joy W. Pope Memorial Grant – Human Services Fund

(Application Deadline: September 1, annually)

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. Eligible projects include capital improvements (new or existing), program development and execution, equipment, and technology. This list is not exhaustive, and we will consider other grant purposes. Applicants can request funding of any amount between \$20,000 – \$100,000.

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Moderna Charitable Foundation

(Application Deadline: September 15, 2026)

In 2022, our company launched the Moderna Charitable Foundation, as an extension of the societal impact we made with our COVID-19 vaccine, to address the ongoing needs of communities affected by the pandemic. Today, we continue to be committed to creating long-lasting change for a healthier world, by investing in: HEALTH: Building resilient health ecosystems by promoting public health and access to quality healthcare; SCIENCE: Closing the opportunity gap for the next generation by advancing STEM education and innovation; COMMUNITY: Strengthening local communities, particularly where we live and work, by addressing systemic barriers faced by underserved populations. Across all these areas, we seek partner organizations that challenge the status quo and drive systems change through social innovation and novel uses of technology.

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The Sephardic Foundation on Aging – End of Life Care/Preventing Elder Abuse

(Application Deadline: September 17, 2026 (LOI))

The Sephardic Foundation on Aging fosters innovation and collaboration in the field of aging so older people and their communities have the support and resources they need to flourish. The LOI

process, with a focus on supporting programs and projects related to End of Life Care or Preventing Elder Abuse, will open on Monday, August 17, 2026 and will remain open until Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 5pm ET.

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***NEW* GSK US Independent Medical Education**

(Application Deadline: September 30, 2026)

As part of GSK's mission to get ahead of disease together, GSK identifies and funds innovative, high-quality, independent third-party educational initiatives that are designed to close US healthcare professional (HCP) educational, quality, and performance gaps - with the ultimate goals to reduce healthcare disparities, improve patient health, and enhance patient quality of life. GSK provides financial support for IME for HCPs, including certified continuing medical education (CME, CE). GSK defines IME for HCPs as any third-party education for HCPs in which GSK (or any commercial interest) has no control, influence, or involvement (ie, independent).

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Robinson Foundation

(Application Deadline: October 15 and May 15, annually)

Founded in 2016, the mission of the Robinson Foundation is to create meaningful impact through giving back to humanity with good nature and generous hearts. We do this as a family-operated foundation, where each member of our board is tasked with seeking out areas of need where our contribution can create real change in the lives of those affected. Areas of Interest include: Animal Welfare, Children & Families, Disaster Relief, Education, Medical Assistance, Poverty Relief, Religious & Spiritual Endeavors, and Veterans' Issues. Organizations considered for funding must be classified as qualified public charities under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Please note that the Foundation does not provide support for facilities or other capital projects.

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SECU Foundation

(Application Deadline: October 31 and April 30, annually)

The SECU Foundation will promote local and community development by primarily funding high impact projects in the areas of housing, education, healthcare, and human services. The State Employees' Credit Union Board of Directors chartered the SECU Foundation to help identify and address community issues that are beyond the normal scope of State Employees' Credit Union. While individual members may not have a large impact, collectively and cooperatively the Foundation can go a long way toward helping solve problems in our neighborhoods, schools and our community at large. SECU Grant Programs include: (1) Capital – Funds projects that are tangible, permanent, and visible; Typically supporting construction or major renovation of a building or a facility; (2) Programmatic – Funds pilot programs or large-scale program expansions that provide regional or statewide services; and (3) Mission Development Grants – supporting smaller nonprofits with capacity building through organizational assessments, goal setting, and creating

pathways for expansion. The Foundation generally seeks to fund projects that strengthen the partnership with North Carolina State employees.

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CareQuest: Grants in Oral Health

(Application Deadline: November 9, 2026 (Concept Note))

We drive oral health transformation through grantmaking that creates systemic change and advances health equity in the following categories: Policy & Advocacy, Community Capacity & Voice, Care Delivery, and Research. Proposals should be led by, or strongly informed through trusted relationships with, communities that have historically been affected by oral health inequities.

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The Duke Endowment: Health Care Program

(Application Deadline: November 15 and May 15, annually (pre-application))

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 is able to 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. In his Indenture of Trust, our founder focused Health Care funding to 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 Fullerton Foundation

(Application Deadline: December 1, April 1, August 1; annually)

The Fullerton Foundation's goal is to improve quality of life in North Carolina and South Carolina, primarily through investments in healthcare and medicine. The Foundation provides project support. Applying organizations must have 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status.

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The Duke Endowment: Child & Family Well-Being

(Application Deadline: December 15 and June 15, annually (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 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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Allen Foundation, Inc

(Application Deadline: January 15 and July 15, annually)

Grants primarily benefit programs for human nutrition in the areas of health, education, training, and research. The policies and priorities of Allen Foundation, Inc. include: (1) To make grants to fund relevant nutritional research. (2) To support programs for the education and training of mothers during pregnancy and after the birth of their children, so that good nutritional habits can be formed at an early age. (3) To assist in the training of persons to work as educators and demonstrators of good nutritional practices. (4) To encourage the dissemination of information regarding healthful nutritional practices and habits. (5) In limited situations to make grants to help solve immediate emergency hunger and malnutrition problems.

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Jennie K Scaife Charitable Foundation

(Application Deadline: February 1 and August 1, annually)

The Jennie K. Scaife Charitable Foundation's areas of focus include the following: (1) The Beneficial Interaction between Humans and Animals and Animal Welfare; (2) Issues concerning Women's & Children's Health, Safety, and Welfare; and (3) Early Intervention and Addiction Prevention. All grant requests forwarded to the Jennie K. Scaife Charitable Foundation should align with at least one of these focus areas.

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The Kroger Co. Zero Hunger Zero Waste

(Application Deadline: Quarterly)

The foundation's Zero Hunger | Zero Waste Innovation Fund is designed to provide strategic grant funding for solutions to end hunger and waste at national and local levels. We support nonprofits, innovators and community-based organizations that help: (1) Meet critical transportation needs for food banks and partner agencies. (2) Operate mobile pantry programs to improve food access in underserved communities. (3) Increase access to, and enrollment in, SNAP benefits. (4) Provide breakfast after the bell for students at school. (5) Serve homeless men and women who want to gain skills, stabilize their lives and find permanent housing. (6) Improve nutrition education and access to healthier foods.

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Warren Alpert Foundation Grants Program

(Application Deadline: Quarterly (LOI))

The focus of The Warren Alpert Foundation is to improve the health of the public through grants and programmatic activities progressing towards attaining or perfecting medical treatments or cures through basic research, translational and outcomes research as well as through health education. The Warren Alpert Foundation accepts grants for medical research, medical education, and in some cases general education and basic human services grants. Prospective applicants applying for funding over \$25,000 must first submit a Letter of Inquiry (LOI).

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

(Application Deadline: Quarterly)

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 Cannon Foundation

(Application Deadline: Quarterly (Inquiry Form))

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. Grants support human services, higher education, healthcare, and community. Eligibility is limited to nonprofits with at least five years of operating history and with significant operations in NC. Only capital and infrastructure projects will be considered

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***NEW* The J.W. Couch Foundation**

(Application Deadline: Rolling Qualification Form)

The J.W. Couch Foundation funds in three pillars: (1) Preservation – Protecting our natural and historical world – wildlife, land, architecture, and the ecosystems that sustain life; (2) Education – Investing in forward-thinking schools, teachers, and programs that build the next generation of thinkers and leaders; and (3) Wellness – Championing mental health, digital wellbeing, and access to nature so communities can thrive whole-heartedly. Eligible applicants are registered 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations or fiscally sponsored projects whose mission aligns with one of our three pillars: Preservation, Education, or Wellness. A referral from a J.W. Couch Foundation member is preferred but not required.

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NextGen Thriving

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

NextGen Thriving empowers historically marginalized youth by equipping them with job-related skills and expanding their horizons through new training opportunities. It is our desire to spark a revival that allows each life touched to not only dream, but attain a brilliant future — in their lives, community and the world. NextGen Thriving awards grants for projects and programs in alignment with our mission and values – across the U.S. We review grant applications annually with awards ranging from \$10,000-\$100,000.

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TMCity

(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))

TMCity supports promising new innovations in neurocognitive research and medicine, transforming our approach to mental health. TMCity welcomes proposals from organizations working in our focus area, including but not limited to: (1) Academic or research institutions such as schools of medicine, nursing, social work, public health, and rehabilitation; (2) Community-based organizations engaged in activities and/or providing services related to mental health care and treatment; (3) Direct health care providers, such as hospitals, nursing-facilities and senior living, rehabilitation specialists, homecare agencies; and (4) New companies developing technology solutions in this space. The most crucial element of an application will be ensuring your request addresses our Foundation's focus in neurocognitive healthcare and treatments for brain-related ailments. Awards range from \$25,000 - \$250,000.

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The Robin McGraw Revelation and Dr. Phil Foundation: When Georgia Smiled

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

When Georgia Smiled provides grants for programs that help domestic violence, sexual assault, and sexual traffic victims live healthy, safe and joy-filled lives by providing shelter, support, education, counseling and healing as well as organizations that seek to provide a strong foundation for the social, emotional, educational and spiritual well-being of children, providing them with access to critically needed services, including safe and loving homes, hunger relief, medical

and mental health services, education and job training. Additionally, we support the importance of family reunification and adoption. Priority is given to organizations affecting change in the foster care system to improve outcomes and create positive experiences for children.

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Abbott Professional Medical Education & Fellowship Grants

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

Abbott supports medical education grants that advance scientific knowledge and improve patient wellness through two programs: Professional medical education grants and Fellowship program grants. Professional Medical Education Grants: Our grants support healthcare institutions, professional associations and societies, and continuing education providers in producing independent medical education events. Areas of interest include cardiovascular disease, cardiac arrhythmia, electrophysiology, heart failure and structural heart therapies. Fellowship Program Grants: Abbott provides funding for medical institutions to administer their own fellowship programs in the areas of cardiovascular disease, cardiac arrhythmia, electrophysiology, heart failure and structural heart therapies.

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Ollie Hinkle Heart Foundation Technology Grant

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

Our mission is to improve outcomes in pediatric heart care by collaborating with innovators on cutting edge advancements. We achieve this by: leveraging prediction for early recognition, using precision for personalized care, and protecting quality of life through prevention. Eligible applicants must have an immediate or near future impact, defined as clinically approved or available for clinical use within the next 3-5 years. Funding cannot be used for standard/baseline technology for an inpatient or procedural area serving pediatric cardiac population or for cellular research.

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Mighty Therapeutics

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

We support programs and initiatives that offer healthcare providers and patient communities access to educational information on disease awareness, therapeutic management, and scientific advancements in our areas of therapeutic interest. Funds are awarded to educate broad audiences and may not be used to educate a sole individual. Grants are provided for Independent Medical Education, including, educational programs and activities for healthcare professionals provided by independent entities such as hospitals, academic centers, societies/associations or medical education companies, with a goal of improving the management of disease and patient health and safety. Independent Medical Information may be delivered via live presentations, written enduring materials, online courses, and conference symposia from organizations (e.g. hospitals, universities, societies, medical-education companies).

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Zimmer Biomet Foundation, Inc.

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

In 2018, the Zimmer Biomet Foundation, Inc. was established as the philanthropic arm of Zimmer Biomet in order to address the needs of our global community. As an independent, philanthropic and non-profit organization, the Zimmer Biomet Foundation improves the quality of life for our communities by providing resources to help: (1) Build Healthy Communities, (2) Advance STEM Education, (3) Provide Disaster Relief, and (4) Advance Global Inclusion.

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Baxter Contributions Management Program

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

For nearly a century, we have made a meaningful difference in global healthcare while creating lasting value for the communities we serve. Baxter's Contributions Management Program (CMP) supports both U.S. and Canada not-for-profit Healthcare Organizations (HCOs) that enhance healthcare delivery, advance medical science (Canada only), increase access to patient care, and foster understanding and education of therapeutic and disease states that Baxter serves. Only Canadian and U.S.-based healthcare and patient-related organizations may submit funding requests through this platform.

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Stantec: Community Engagement Funding

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

At Stantec, community is at the heart of everything we do. We believe that when we come together, we can create lasting, meaningful change. That's why we're proud to invest in organizations that share our passion for building brighter futures. Stantec invests in organizations that share its commitment to creating lasting, meaningful change through four core areas: arts, education, environment, and health and wellness. There is a Stantec location in Asheville, NC.

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The Brees Dream Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The Brees Dream Foundation is committed to advancing research in the fight against cancer and providing care, education, and opportunities for children in need.

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The GATE Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The mission of The GATE Foundation is to support the efforts and services that nurture and protect the well being of family and community. Focus Areas include: Creates affordable housing for low-to-moderate income families; Provides shelter for those in crisis; Provides youth activity programs to reduce crime in communities (excludes athletic associations); Offers food, nourishment & clothing to those in need; Protects our communities; Provides assisted or independent living for the disabled or elderly; Ensures access to quality health care/health education programs. The organization should: Have programs that assist in the nurturing and/or protection of individuals, families and communities; Foster collaborative efforts that leverage the

community investments made by the GATE Foundation; or Provide services to individuals, families or communities in which we conduct business.

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Gilead

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

We work with patient advocates, nonprofits and healthcare professionals across all our therapeutic areas of focus to improve care through partnerships and community engagement. We are inspired by the work that our grantees do every day to improve access and eliminate barriers to healthcare while advancing education among patients and healthcare professionals. We support projects in North America across all our therapeutic areas — HIV, liver diseases, oncology and inflammatory and respiratory diseases.

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Labcorp Charitable Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

We believe every person deserves equitable care and education. In 2020, Labcorp established a private charitable 501(c)(3) foundation to advance our desire to bring quality healthcare access to all by supporting education and our local communities. Common grant opportunities include: Supporting food pantries and meal programs, Providing healthcare and patient services for underserved populations, Encouraging STEM programming, and Advocating for healthy lifestyles through ongoing medical research and screenings.

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Tuttleman Foundation Grants

(Application Deadline: Rolling (Letter of Request))

The Tuttleman Foundation generally provides grants to 501(c)(3) organizations in the areas of education, community building, health care, arts and museums, basic human services, and spirituality. The Tuttleman Foundation typically awards grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$250,000. Eligible applicants are 501(c)(3) organizations. Funding is available for: general operations, capital campaigns, special projects, research and advocacy, and pilot projects.

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AJA Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))

AJA Foundation seeks to help those who have done everything society asks of them, yet for whom access to essential resources and the probability for advancement that comes from them remain elusive at best and structurally impossible at worst. We know that the “playing field” of opportunity tilts substantially and unfairly towards those coming from advantage and that nobody succeeds on their own. AJA Foundation is dedicated to leveling the playing field by investing globally in organizations addressing what we see as fundamental human rights with a focus on equal access to clean water, quality education and essential healthcare.

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Foundation for Grieving Children, Inc.

(Application Deadline: Rolling (introductory email))

The Foundation for Grieving Children, Inc. provides grants to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations and programs which: (1) assist, counsel, educate and comfort children and families who have experienced the death of a loved one; (2) educate bereavement, healthcare, education, social service, business, criminal justice and other professionals and society to the needs of the bereaved.

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Bob Woodruff Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

We provide funding for programs that serve the military and veteran community. We focus on programs that improve the health and well-being of service members, veterans, their families, and caregivers, and that: (1) Improve social determinants of health; (2) Decrease barriers to physical and mental healthcare; (3) Increase access to programming that fosters a healthy lifestyle; and (4) Enhance opportunities for veterans to thrive after service. To submit an application, your organization and program must provide direct services to the military and veteran population. If your organization would like feedback on whether your program is a good fit for a grant, consider submitting a brief proposal before completing an application. We'll provide feedback to all prospective applicants within two months, pending volume of requests.

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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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***NEW* Sociological Initiatives Foundation**

(Application Deadline: August 14, 2026)

The Sociological Initiatives Foundation (SIF) is dedicated to the belief that research and action are intrinsically inseparable. We invite concept proposals for community-academic partnerships that link an explicit research design to a concrete social action strategy. Projects should have specifically stated social change goals. In the past, SIF has funded projects in civil rights, community organizing, crime and law, education, health, housing, immigration, labor organizing, and language/literacy. The Foundation will continue prioritizing projects promoting racial justice and fairer and more equitable laws, policies, and practices. We expect applicants from academic institutions to apply with a community partner. Preference is given to applicants that are: (1) community-academic partnerships; (2) advocacy or community groups that conduct research that can withstand challenges in academic and policy arenas; and (3) grassroots organizations that organize or link to a constituency through their research.

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Park Foundation

(Application Deadline: September 22, 2026 (LOI required before submission))

Park Foundation is a family foundation dedicated to advancing a more just, equitable, and sustainable society and environment, both nationally and in our local Ithaca community. We are principled, strategic and fearless in our grantmaking, collaborative with our partners, and nimble

and innovative in our approach. We are committed to challenging the powers that threaten an independent media, a robust democracy, and the future of our planet. Funding priorities include: Democracy, Civic Participation, Media, Environment, Animal Welfare, Community Needs, and School Food and Nutrition. Awards average around \$75,000.

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***NEW* In These Mountains: Infrastructure Grants**

(Application Deadline: September 30, 2026)

The In These Mountains: Central Appalachian Folk Arts & Culture Infrastructure Grants advance the goals of the In These Mountains (ITM) initiative by supporting organizations that promote sharing, teaching, learning, preserving, documenting, and supporting the continuity of the folk arts and traditional culture of Central Appalachia. The ITM initiative specifically seeks opportunities to support the work of traditional artists and organizations engaged in handcrafts/material culture, foodways, and music. ITM Infrastructure Grants are designed to support non-programming expenses that are often not fundable by most grants or are financially out of reach for organizations. Organizations must be located within and serve at least one Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) county in Kentucky, North Carolina, or Tennessee. Eligible organizations may work with artists and communities who practice longstanding, deeply rooted African American, Anglo American, or Native American traditions, and/or newer immigrant traditional artists and communities who continue the practice of traditional handcrafts/material culture, foodways, and music who now make Central Appalachia home. Grants are for \$30,000.

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The Oak Hill Fund

(Application Deadline: November 30, March 30, and July 30, annually (LOI))

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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Clif Family Foundation – Open Call Grants

(Application Deadline: March 1 and August 1, annually)

The Mission of the Clif Family Foundation is to aspire to transform food systems, revitalize the environment, and enhance community health. The priorities of the Clif Family Foundation include regenerative and organic farming, food production workers' health and safety, climate justice, healthy food access, inclusive outdoor access, and indoors and outdoors safe from pollution. The typical open call grant ranges up to \$50,000 and supports general operating costs. Priority is given to applicants with operating budgets under \$8MM and that operate at the grassroots level to implement change at the local, state, or national stage.

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Henry M. Jackson Foundation Strategic Initiatives and Grants

(Application Deadline: Quarterly (LOI))

The Henry M. Jackson Foundation partners with national and local nonprofits, think tanks, and the University of Washington to address our key areas. Together with our partners, we bring innovation and expertise to meet today's challenges. We make investments to strengthen leadership in public and civic life, including supporting the development of diverse civic leaders, promoting Jackson leadership values to younger generations, and empowering climate change and human rights leaders. Recent partnerships have centered on diversifying and democratizing the public policy sphere by broadening access to public policy graduate study programs; and encouraging young legislators to build relationships across party lines through cross-partisan dialogue, debate, and action. Focus areas include limiting global warming and upholding human rights and advancing international relations.

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Craigslist Charitable Fund

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The craigslist Charitable Fund (CCF) supports organizations working to improve planetary health and well-being for all of earth's inhabitants including humans — by ending factory farming and all other forms of animal exploitation. We are open to a variety of approaches to ending animal exploitation, particularly ones that promise an efficient, scalable and long-lasting impact. While it's generally ok to ask for your remaining annual budget gap or the full cost of the project you're looking to fund, CCF typically does not fund more than 30% of an organization's annual budget.

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Nathan Cummings Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))

There are two types of funding opportunities: grants and program-related investments (PRIs). Both grant and PRI proposals must align with our interconnected goals of racial, economic, and/or environmental justice (REEJ). Proposals that align and intersect with REEJ and our place-based initiatives, which include the U.S. South, are especially encouraged. Most of our grants range from about \$50,000 – \$250,000. We anticipate most PRIs will range from \$250,000 to \$750,000, typically to be repaid within three to seven years.

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Vision Maker Media: Native Youth Media Project

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

Vision Maker Media's Native Youth Media Project works in partnership with Native youth organizations to mentor and train Native youth in storytelling skill sets for short-format media. This partnership between Vision Maker Media and Native organizations and communities will work together to strengthen Native youth's story development for short-format media. Youth may produce short-format videos around such topics as science, health & wellness, climate & environment, education, art, culture, history, language, and empowerment. Finished videos are expected to be shared in a community engagement activity that is determined by the partner organization. The call for Native Youth Media Project partners is directed towards existing Native youth programs of 2-years or more, working with youth ages 13-21 years, in Native organizations

and communities. Vision Maker Media is accepting applications with up to \$25,000.00 in funding support from Vision Maker Media for existing Native American youth programs.

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Impact Fund

(Application Deadline: Quarterly (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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The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation

(Application Deadline: Quarterly (Full Application))

The Bradley Foundation recognizes that the principles and institutions that characterize American exceptionalism were hard won and can be easily lost. The Foundation is therefore dedicated to a vigorous defense of these foundations of a free society. The guiding principles which inform the Foundation's grantmaking include: (1) Fidelity to the Constitution, with its principles of limited government, federalism, separation of powers, and individual liberties; (2) Commitment to free markets that allow for private enterprise, entrepreneurship, and voluntary exchange within the rule of law; (3) Commitment to the fundamental institutions of civil society that cultivate individuals capable of self-governance; and (4) Dedication to the formation of informed and capable citizens. The Foundation has a two-step application procedure. A virtual letter of inquiry (LOI) should briefly describe the project for which support is being sought. If the project falls within the Foundation's current program interests, the organization may be invited to submit a full application.

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Kathryn McQuade Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The foundation will support qualified organizations that focus on: (1) Women and children's rights, safety, health, education, and training; (2) Animal rights and safety for domestic and endangered species; and (3) Environmental improvements and innovations. To apply, the recipient must be a qualified 501(c)(3) organization or a qualified Sponsor organization that is a 501(c)(3). The Foundation will target grants in the range of \$5,000 to \$50,000, but will consider grant applications for other amounts.

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(Reach out to Foundation Regarding Partnership)

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The Harris & Frances Block Foundation

(Application Deadline: Rolling (LOI))

The Harris and Frances Block Foundation seeks equitable solutions to social and environmental problems, working with small and emerging organizations to improve our communities and impact the world. The Block Foundation supports small grassroots not-for-profit organizations with grants that work to foster just and sustainable communities. We focus our grantmaking in the geographical locations of our Board of Trustees: Vermont, North Carolina, Virginia, and New York City. We make grants that are large and small, not exceeding \$35,000. The Foundation focuses on Environmental Issues (Environmental Education, Environmental Justice) and Food & Farm Initiatives (Farm and Garden Programs, Farmworker's Rights, and Food Justice).

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The Grove Foundation

(Invitation Only, Welcomes Exploratory Meetings)

The Grove Foundation envisions a world in which all people have the resources, respect, and sense of belonging to live and contribute fully as themselves, in safety, and with joy. The Foundation supports national, state, and community based groups throughout the U.S. The Foundation's interests include the following: (1) Civic Engagement - The Foundation seeks to

ensure a healthy democracy where everyone participates and the people leading the work are representative of the communities they serve. The Foundation engages with historically under-represented communities through organizations led by people of color, that center equity, and are community-based. (2) Black-Led Power Building - The Foundation offers funding for Black-led organizations doing advocacy work that focuses specifically on Black people, with an emphasis on civic engagement and liberation. This U.S.-based initiative focuses on the South, including the states of Alabama, Georgia, and Louisiana. (3) Immigrants - The Foundation funds a broad range of legal services, policy advocacy, organizing, and coalition building to protect and advance immigrant rights. (4) Reproductive Health, Rights & Justice – We support a wide range of movement organizations focused on comprehensive sex education, birth justice, abortion access, and more. (5) Safety Net - Invests in under-resourced people, families, and communities, facilitating access to resources to meet basic needs, attain education and career goals, and build power for systemic change toward economic and social justice. Emphasis is given to organizations with strong leadership, innovative and broad strategies, and a collaborative and coordinated approach to resources for maximum impact. The Grove Foundation does not accept unsolicited proposals but welcomes exploratory meetings with organizations who share common goals.

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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 change. 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.

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The Collaborative for Gender + Reproductive Equity (CGRE) - State Power-Building Grants

(Introduction via Contact Form)

The Collaborative for Gender + Reproductive Equity (CGRE) is a one-of-a-kind community that creates the space for funders to learn together, amplify the impact of their giving, and accelerate change in five-year increments. We provide funding to unite advocates who are pioneering new approaches across issue silos to defend gender, reproductive, and racial equity and work towards a future where every person has the resources and autonomy to thrive. State Power-Building Grants - We provide flexible multi-year support to organizations and issue-based campaigns that build movement power and shift public opinion towards equity at the state level. We seek to support organizations in key states during and beyond urgent moments, so they are able to respond to threats in real time and continue their movement-building work into the future—supporting their communities in the ways they know best. To ensure leaders can build long-term power and sustain their programs beyond knee-jerk interventions, we provide multi-year support to state-based organizations and issue-specific campaigns—particularly those led by impacted communities, including women, gender-expansive individuals, and BIPOC communities—who are working towards a vision of equity that includes protecting and advancing economic opportunity, reproductive autonomy, racial justice, and a representative democracy.

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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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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

(LOI accepted on a rolling basis; occasional RFPs published)

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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***NOW OPEN* ACF ANA Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance**

(Application Deadline: August 7, 2026)

The Administration for Native Americans (ANA) will be soliciting applications for the Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance program. This program funds for projects to support assessments of the status of native languages in established communities. In addition, it funds planning, designing, restoration, and implementing of native language curriculum and education projects to support a community's language preservation goals. Native American communities include American Indian tribes (federally-recognized and non-federally recognized), Native Hawaiians, Alaskan Natives, and Native American Pacific Islanders.

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***NOW OPEN* ACF ANA Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance-Esther Martinez Immersion**

(Application Deadline: August 7, 2026)

The Administration for Native Americans will be soliciting applications for the Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance - Esther Martinez Immersion program (EMI). The program funds community-based projects that ensure continuing vitality of Native languages through immersion-based instruction. Programs funded under EMI must meet the requirements for either a Native American Language Nest, or a Native American Survival School. As defined by Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act (42 U.S.C. § 2991b-3(b)(7)), Language Nests are "site-based educational programs that- (i) provide instruction and child care through the use of a Native American language for at least 5 children under the age of 7 for an average of at least 500 hours per year per student," and Native American Survival Schools are "site-based educational programs for school-age students that- (i) provide an average of at least 500 hours of instruction through the use of 1 or more Native American languages for at least 10 students for whom a Native American language survival school is their principal place of instruction."

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Foundation Grants

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 Trans Justice Funding Project

(Application Deadline: August 14, 2026)

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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NEW American Association of University Women: Community Action Grants

(Application Deadline: September 17, 2026 (LOI))

AAUW Community Action Grants seek to dismantle barriers to girls' participation in STEM and create a pipeline of diverse talent in these fields. Community Action Grants fund innovative, community-based programs that create pathways for K-12 girls to develop STEM confidence, skills, and identity — encouraging them to pursue STEM higher education and careers. Our Community Action Grants offer up to \$50,000 to support nonprofits and educational institutions dedicated to helping girls in grades K–12 build the skills, confidence, and preparation they need to

thrive in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). These grants are designed to support programs that provide hands-on learning, mentorship from women in STEM, family involvement, and confidence-building experiences. AAUW is particularly interested in reaching girls from historically underrepresented communities, ensuring that all young women can succeed in STEM fields.

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***NEW* Laura Jane Musser Fund – Environmental Initiative**

(Application Deadline: October 8, 2026)

The Laura Jane Musser Fund assists public or not-for-profit entities to initiate or implement projects that protect, restore, or enhance the ecological integrity of public open spaces. The Fund's goal is to support efforts that strengthen sustainable ecosystems by engaging local community members through stewardship, long-term care, and shared responsibility, thereby reinforcing lasting environmental impact. Eligible counties in North Carolina are located in the Mountains Region: Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey counties. Implementation grant application can range up to \$35,000 and must demonstrate clear evidence of local community active participation and support.

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American Psychological Foundation: Direct Action Visionary Grants

(Application Deadline: October 30, 2026 (LOI))

The American Psychological Foundation's Direct Action Visionary Grants seek to fund innovative interventions, based on psychological knowledge, that directly address pressing needs of communities in the United States. Grants will be awarded up to \$60,000. Projects should serve marginalized communities, end prejudice and stigma, prevent violence, and explore mind-body health connections. APF is particularly interested in supporting communities and populations dealing with prejudice, bias, intolerance, and all forms of bigotry including racism, antisemitism, homophobia, and misogyny. Examples of supported projects include evaluation of the implementation of an evidence-based intervention in a specific community, bringing an evidence-based intervention to a community in need, and translation of psychological knowledge into a form that can be easily distributed to and understood by a community in need. Project applicants may be individuals or organizations and are not required to be psychologists or mental health professionals; however, an expert in the relevant evidence-based foundation used for the project must be centrally involved.

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Emergent Fund

(Application Deadline: Rolling until November 19, 2026)

Emergent Fund is a rolling, monthly rapid response and emergent organizing grant for movement and frontline communities responding to urgent and specific unanticipated crises or opportunities to build power. Founded in 2016, Emergent Fund is a national rapid response fund created to explicitly support Black, Indigenous and People of Color-led (BIPOC) social justice movements. From family separation, to Muslim bans to continued violence against Black communities,

Emergent Fund grantees are BIPOC organizers and directly impacted communities responding to the biggest crises of our time by boldly fighting to build the world we all deserve. There is no set grant size. They have ranged from \$10,000-\$30,000, depending on the scope of the project, the demands of the moment, and the expressed needs within each applicant pool.

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Cherokee Preservation Foundation

(Application Deadline: December 7, 2026)

The Cherokee Preservation Foundation's mission is to preserve our native culture, protect and enhance our natural environment, and create appropriate and diverse economic opportunities in order to improve the quality of life for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) and our neighbors in western North Carolina. Examples of work where we are involved include Cherokee language revitalization, perpetuation of Cherokee artistic traditions, leadership development programs for EBCI tribal members, support of entrepreneurship to diversify the regional economy, connecting rural schools with broadband and helping teachers learn and embrace technology-based learning tools, and renewable energy and energy efficiency programs.

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Boundless Futures Foundation

(Forecasted Deadline: December 15, 2026)

Boundless Futures Foundation's grants to businesses are awarded to female entrepreneurs who put social impact front and center in their business products or practices. We look at society's biggest issues and believe in the power of entrepreneurs to provide solutions by going above and beyond "business as usual" to create impact through profit and purpose — to solve a problem, improve on the status quo, or give back in an intentional way. Grant-eligible entrepreneurs demonstrate a clear and consistent commitment to creating positive change through businesses with ambitious and effective social reach. These businesses address issues related to: (1) Poverty, Hunger & Humanitarian Aid and (2) Sustainability & the Environment. Applicants may request up to \$50,000 in business support.

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Leonard-Litz LGBTQ+ Foundation

(Application Deadline: December 15 and June 15, annually (Community Grants); Rolling Inquiry Email (LGBTQ+ Advocacy Fund))

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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Looking Out Foundation

(Application Deadline: January 15 and July 1, annually)

Grants to organizations are made to tax-exempt public charities under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Program interests include, but are not limited to: LGBTQIA2S+ support, disadvantaged youth, public health, women, the environment, the arts, the hungry and the unhoused. The average grant allocation is between \$5,000 and \$25,000.

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E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Foundation

(Application Deadline: January 31 and July 15, annually)

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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Janisha R. Gabriel Movement Protection Fund

(Application Deadline: Rolling (introductory email))

The Janisha R. Gabriel Movement Protection Fund (MPF) moves resources rapidly and securely to protect frontline organizers facing immediate security threats, while investing in longer-term safety infrastructure. MPF protects frontline movement organizers from state repression, vigilante violence, digital attacks and institutional backlash as a result of their organizing work. Movement leaders face mounting aggression resulting from right-wing culture wars targeting trans people, immigrants, racial justice organizers, antiwar protesters, land defenders and others. Our years of protecting movements have taught us that Black, Indigenous, women and trans leaders are disproportionately targeted for their organizing. We partner with movement formations — including organizations, collectives, LLCs and individuals — to move resources quickly for legal, physical and digital protection.

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Transgender Law Center: Action for Transformation Fund

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

Transgender Law Center and Emergent Fund are partnering to move \$1 million to support trans-led organizing, healing, and power-building efforts. Funding priorities include: Black, Indigenous, people of color led work; Rural areas; Geographically isolated groups; Groups led by disabled, Deaf, ill, and Mad people and work with a disability justice praxis; Sex worker-led; and Emerging groups with budgets under \$1M. Grants range from \$5,000-\$20,000.

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Third Wave Fund – Mobilize Power Fund

(Application Deadline: Rolling)

The Mobilize Power Fund is a rapid response fund that resources gender justice organizations to adapt or pivot their work when met with unanticipated, time-sensitive opportunities or threats to their movement building work and organizing conditions. The Mobilize Power Fund prioritizes organizations that are responding to specific incidents or changes of circumstances that have occurred in the last six months. This can include rapid response mobilizations, healing justice work, conflict resolution/conflict transformation, community accountability, mutual aid, direct actions, emergency safety, security, and defense needs, and more. This fund prioritizes groups and organizations who are experiencing an unanticipated incident. Because of this, organizations applying on behalf of a budget shortfall or preplanned events or ongoing programming will not be prioritized.

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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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The Vadon Foundation

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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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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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The Laughing Gull Foundation - LGBTQ+ Equality

(Invitation Only, Introduction via Contact Form)

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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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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NDN Collective Community Self-Determination (CSD) Grantmaking

(Application Deadline: TBD, forecasted to open in 2026)

At NDN Collective we believe that the best days of our people are ahead of us. This grant opportunity will provide Tribal Nations, communities and Indigenous-led organizations an investment in self-determination, building collective Indigenous power to Defend, Develop and Decolonize. At the heart of this grant lies our commitment to combat climate change and ensure justice for Indigenous Peoples. We support Tribal Nations and their tribal nonprofit entities or tribal programs; First Nations, Inuit, and Metis communities; Indigenous-led organizations, including nonprofits and businesses. Grants will be for \$200,000/year.

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other sector grants

Federal Grants

***NOW OPEN* ACF ANA Environmental Regulatory Enhancement**

(Application Deadline: August 7, 2026)

The Administration for Native Americans announces the availability of Fiscal Year 2026 funds for community-based projects for the Environmental Regulatory Enhancement (ERE) program. The ERE program provides funding for the costs of planning, developing, and implementing programs designed to improve the capability of tribal governing bodies to regulate environmental quality pursuant to federal and tribal environmental laws. 4 awards are anticipated ranging between \$100,000-\$900,000.

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ACF/ORR Placement and Coordination Program

(Forecasted Deadline: August 15, 2026)

ORR will provide funding to diversify providers of Placement and Coordination (PC) services through awards to eligible organizations not currently implementing the Program of Initial Resettlement (PIR). New providers will strengthen the national resettlement framework by contributing unique innovations and perspectives. PC providers will be responsible for administering services including the Program of Initial Resettlement (PIR) and Intensive Case Management (ICM) through one or more local service providers. 10 awards are anticipated, ranging from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000.

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***NEW* FEMA Cooperating Technical Partners Program**

(Application Deadline: August 17, 2026)

The Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) Program is a mechanism that FEMA uses to identify flood-prone areas collaboratively with communities. CTP recipients develop and maintain flood hazard data and maps for communities to increase public awareness of flood risk and potential actions to reduce that risk. The CTP Program supports the goal of building capability and capacity at the local level. In FY 2026, CTP recipients will be encouraged to use funding to finish existing mapping projects. Eligible project types will be limited to Flood Risk Projects (FRP), Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), and Project Management (PM). Across 9 regions, 100 awards are anticipated, with awards ranging up to \$5,000,000.

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USDA Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)

(Application Deadline: August 24, 2026)

The RCPP promotes the coordination of Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) conservation activities with partners that offer value-added contributions to expand our ability to address on-farm, watershed, and regional natural resource concerns. Through the RCPP, NRCS seeks to co-invest with partners to implement projects that provide solutions to conservation challenges thereby measurably improving the resource concerns they seek to address. RCPP promotes collaboration with partners, stakeholders, and various communities, which is paramount to achieving equity in NRCS programs and services. Partners use this notice to propose projects that improve natural resources in one or more states or focus on priority concerns in NRCS-designated Critical Conservation Areas (CCAs). NRCS works with these partners to plan and carry out projects on farms, ranches and private forest land. Through the program, NRCS can provide funding to support both partners and producers. Proposals are selected through a competitive process based on their impact, the partner's contributions, and how well the partnership is managed. The minimum funding amount for an RCPP project is \$250,000.

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NEA Arts & Artifacts Indemnity Program

(Application Deadline: September 14, 2026, and March 8, 2027 (International); December 7, 2026, and June 7, 2027 (Domestic))

The U.S. Government's Arts & Artifacts Indemnity Program was created by Congress in 1975 to provide the American people with access to art and artifacts of historical and cultural significance by minimizing the costs of insuring international exhibitions. In 2007, Congress expanded eligibility under the Program to include coverage of works of art owned by U.S. entities while on exhibition in the United States. The Indemnity Act authorizes the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities to indemnify museums against loss or damage to works of art or artifacts that are lent to museum exhibitions. U.S. nonprofit museums and organizations planning temporary exhibitions that involve bringing works of art and/or artifacts from abroad to the United States or sending works of art and/or artifacts from the United States abroad may be eligible for International Indemnity coverage. Those planning temporary exhibitions within the United States may be eligible for Domestic Indemnity coverage for objects owned by U.S.-based entities.

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Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Fish and Wildlife FY26

(Application Deadline: September 30, 2026)

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program helps private landowners restore and protect habitats for fish and wildlife. It offers both technical assistance and financial support, mainly through cooperative agreements. The PFW Program has approximately 220 staff working in all 50 states and territories. They work together with project partners and stakeholders to find key areas for conservation and set habitat goals. These focus areas guide the program on where to direct resources for conserving important habitats for federal trust species. The Program also has strategic plans that help determine which projects receive funding. Applicants seeking technical or financial assistance from the PFW Program are required to consult with a local Program office before developing or submitting an application.

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State Grants

NC Trails Connecting Communities to State Trails Grants (CCST)

(Application Deadline: October 8, 2026)

A portion of CTP are funds (\$1.9 million) for connecting eligible local governments to state trails. North Carolina municipalities with less than 25,000 in population and located within 6 miles of an existing or planned segment of a state trail are eligible for CCST grants. Two or more local governments may apply jointly, with one serving as the primary sponsor. Recipients will be selected in Winter/Spring 2027.

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USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program in North Carolina

(Application Deadline: Rolling until September 30, 2026)

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

NEW Literary Arts Fund: Innovation Project Grants

(Application Deadline: August 17, 2026)

With a short timeline, the fund's grantmaking has a strategic focus on the areas of the literary arts ecosystem where it determined it could have the greatest impact—that is: supporting independent U.S.-based literary arts nonprofits whose primary mission is directly serving adult writers of creative nonfiction, fiction, poetry, and hybrid works in making their artistic work and sharing it with readers. To be eligible to apply to the Literary Arts Fund's 2026 grants, an interested applicant must be an independent nonprofit (or fiscally sponsored) literary arts organization, press, or publication based in the U.S. (in terms of location and activities) whose primary mission directly supports adult creative writers in making artistic work and sharing it with readers. Grant requests may range from \$25,000 to \$100,000 as determined by the project budget.

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Amateur Radio Digital Communications

(Application Deadline: September 1, 2026)

ARDC makes grants to programs and organizations that aim to advance our mission and vision, with the strategic goals of getting more people learning, experimenting, and doing with amateur radio and digital communications technology. These grants tend to fall into three main categories: (1) support and growth of amateur radio, including grants to clubs for a variety of projects, such as licensing classes, continuing education, repeater infrastructure, and certain emergency communications projects; (2) education, including scholarships and projects that aim to educate or mentor individuals, such as K-12 school programs and programs aimed at underserved groups; and, (3) research and development, including projects that advance the state of the art in amateur radio and communication science and technology. Funded projects must be freely available to everyone who can benefit and to everyone who can contribute; thus all technology, documentation, and other materials produced using ARDC funds must be made freely available to the public.

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Teiger Foundation: Hosting Grants

(Application Deadline: September 9, 2026)

Teiger Foundation offers grants for US-based, curator-led initiatives in contemporary visual art. The Hosting grant provides up to \$75,000 in support for US-based curators or artistic directors presenting a contemporary visual art exhibition or project that originated elsewhere, adapted meaningfully within the context of their own institution and community. Hosting allows institutions to expand programming economically and sustainably while engaging local audiences through thoughtful reinterpretation.

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Vinyl Institute VIABILITY Recycling Grant Program

(Application Deadline: September 17, 2026)

VIABILITY recycling grants help to grow post-consumer recycling by providing financial assistance to companies and organizations – up to \$250,000 – in support of their post-consumer PVC recycling initiatives. Grants may be used for: Post-consumer PVC recycling projects or activities that are located within the United States; or Equipment, process investments, educational programs, and recycling program management. Eligible applicants are: Industry initiatives or collaborations, including trade associations, working to advance post-consumer PVC recycling; Public, private, and non-profit owned and operated materials recovery facilities (MRFs) or recycling processors and construction and demolition waste management facilities; or State and private colleges and universities for research and development that will advance the recycling of post-consumer PVC materials. Awards range from \$10,000-\$250,000.

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***NEW* Kress Foundation**

(Application Deadline: September 30, 2026 (LOI))

The Samuel H. Kress Foundation invites grant applications for projects that illuminate European works of art and architecture from antiquity to the early 19th century. The Foundation can only award grants to organizations that are registered as non-profits with the United States' Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

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***NEW* Daniel and Barbara Chapman Trust: The Chapman Prize**

(Application Deadline: September 30, 2026)

Established through the Daniel and Barbara Chapman Trust, the Chapman Prize recognizes and honors each year the efforts and achievements of individuals and organizations in the U.S. who make significant contributions to American society. This year, the award will focus on Arts & Culture. The prize will be awarded to a charitable individual or organization who has contributed most significantly to the improvement of cultural life and/or significantly aided the growth and availability of the arts in the United States. By way of example, contributions may include programs bringing arts to underserved communities and populations, programs creating opportunities for the arts and artists to thrive, and/or programs that use the arts to build bridges and partnerships. Applicants must be either a U.S. citizen or U.S.-based nonprofit, have been conducting charitable work for at least three years, and be able to show demonstrated impact in the selected focus area of the year in which the application is submitted in order to qualify. Approximately \$100,000 will be awarded each year.

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The Shubert Foundation Inc.

(Application Deadline: October 14, 2026 (Dance, Arts Related, and Shubert Scholars application); December 3, 2026 (Theatre application))

The Shubert Foundation is dedicated to sustaining and advancing the live performing arts in the United States, with a particular emphasis on theatre and a secondary focus on dance. The Foundation's Board of Directors believes that the most effective way to encourage the artistic process is by providing the general operating support that reinforces the structure that nurtures its

development. Accordingly, the Foundation does not earmark its awards; all allocations are unrestricted. Although our primary emphasis is on theatre, with a secondary focus on dance, we do also offer some awards to arts-related organizations and MFA programs that help support their growth and advancement.

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Environmental Research & Education Foundation: Research Grants

(Application Deadline: December 1 and May 1 (Pre-Proposal))

EREF is one of the largest sources of private research funding in North America related to sustainable materials management. Our grants program has provided millions of dollars in funding to cutting edge research institutions to help address the many challenges that exist. EREF's strategic priorities are: Climate Change Impacts/Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Emerging Contaminants, and Advancing Materials Circularity & Recycling.

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State Justice Institute

(Application Deadline: Quarterly)

SJI was established by federal law in 1984 to improve the quality of justice in state courts, and foster innovative, efficient solutions to common issues faced by all courts. To fulfill this mission, SJI awards grants that benefit the nation's judicial system and the public it serves. Current priority investment areas include: (1) opioids and other dangerous drugs and behavioral health disparities; (2) promoting access to justice and procedural fairness, including self-represented litigation, language access, and procedural fairness; (3) reducing disparities and protecting victims, the underserved, and vulnerable populations, including human trafficking, rural justice, and guardianship, conservatorship, and elder issues; (4) advancing justice reform, including criminal, juvenile, and family and civil justice reform; and, (5) transforming courts, including emergency response and recovery, cybersecurity, technology, and training, education, and workforce development. Grant types include: project grants, technical assistance grants, curriculum adaptation and training grants, strategic initiatives grants, and education support program grants.

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AV 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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