



# GRANTS ACTION NEWS

Information on available state, federal and private grants

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## Questions?

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## On the state level...

All not-for-profit applicants must now prequalify on the NYS Grants Reform website at [grantsreform.ny.gov/grantees](http://grantsreform.ny.gov/grantees) in order to apply for certain New York State grant solicitations. Potential not-for-profit applicants are strongly encouraged to begin the process of registering and prequalifying immediately as this is a lengthy process.

### **New York State Education Department, Office of Bilingual Education and World Languages**

Proposals are being sought for the creation of a Clinically-Rich Intensive Teacher Institute in Bilingual Education and/or English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program, addressing the shortage of certified bilingual and ESOL teachers throughout New York State.

- **Eligibility:** Institutions of higher education located in New York that have a state-certified program in bilingual education leading to a bilingual extension, and/or ESOL leading to a certification, are eligible to apply for this grant.
- **Funding:** Up to 10 institutions of higher education will be selected to receive awards of up to \$110,000 per year for five years.
- **Deadline:** January 5, 2018.
- **Contact:** Tanya Amodio-Kovacs  
Email: [CRITIRFP@nysed.gov](mailto:CRITIRFP@nysed.gov)  
Website: [www.p12.nysed.gov/funding/2018-23-cr-iti-be-esol](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/funding/2018-23-cr-iti-be-esol)



## New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, Companion Animal Capital Fund

This fund, created by the governor and the Legislature, enables eligible organizations to upgrade their facilities to promote better animal care and health and to facilitate pet adoptions. Projects may include the construction, renovation, rehabilitation, installation, acquisition or expansion of buildings, equipment or facilities necessary for the secure containment and adequate care of sheltered dogs and cats.

- **Eligibility:** Municipal and incorporated not-for-profit pounds, shelters and humane societies are eligible applicants.
- **Funding:** \$5 million is available.
- **Deadline:** January 10, 2018.
- **Contact:** Alexandra Chiusano  
Phone: 518-457-3643  
Email: Alexandra.Chiusano@agriculture.ny.gov  
Website: [www.agriculture.ny.gov/rfps/RFP0165/RFP0165\\_Companion\\_Animal.pdf](http://www.agriculture.ny.gov/rfps/RFP0165/RFP0165_Companion_Animal.pdf)

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## On the federal level...

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### National Endowment for the Humanities, Division of Public Programs

Public Humanities Projects grants support projects that bring the ideas and insights of the humanities to life for general audiences. This grant program supports a variety of forms of audience engagement. Applications should follow the parameters set out below for one of the following three formats: 1) Community Conversations which involves one- to two-year long series of public programs centered on significant humanities resources for diverse audiences; 2) Exhibitions whose format supports the creation of permanent, temporary and traveling exhibits available to public audiences; and 3) Historic Places which supports long-term interpretive programs for historic sites, houses, neighborhoods and regions that are presented to the public for at least three years.

- **Eligibility:** Eligible applicants include state and local governments, private, public and state institutions of higher education, nonprofits and tribal governments.

- **Funding:** Grants of up to \$400,000 (which may be higher in rare cases) are available.
- **Deadline:** January 10, 2018.
- **Contact:** Division of Public Programs  
Phone: 202-606-8269  
TTY: 800-877-8399  
Email: [publicpgms@neh.gov](mailto:publicpgms@neh.gov)  
Website: [www.neh.gov/grants/public/public-humanities-projects](http://www.neh.gov/grants/public/public-humanities-projects)

### National Endowment for the Humanities, Division of Public Programs, Media Projects

The Media Projects program supports film, television and radio projects that engage general audiences with humanities ideas in creative and appealing ways.

- **Eligibility:** Eligible applicants include state and local governments, private, public and state institutions of higher education, nonprofits and tribal governments.
- **Funding:** Grants of up to \$650,000 (which may be higher in rare cases) are available.
- **Deadline:** January 10, 2018.
- **Contact:** Division of Public Programs  
Phone: 202-606-8269  
TTY: 800-877-8399  
Email: [publicpgms@neh.gov](mailto:publicpgms@neh.gov)  
Website: [www.neh.gov/grants/public/public-humanities-projects](http://www.neh.gov/grants/public/public-humanities-projects)

### Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to fund highly innovative and promising research that tests multi-level physical activity intervention programs acting on at least two levels of the socio-ecological model and designed to increase health-enhancing physical activity: 1) for persons or groups that can benefit from such activity; and 2) that could be made scalable and sustainable for broad use across the nation.

- **Eligibility:** Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, state and local governments and faith-based tribal organizations.
- **Funding:** Applicants requesting \$500,000 or more in direct costs in any year must contact a Scientific/Research Contact at least six weeks before submitting the application. The maximum

project period is five years.

- **Deadline:** Applications may be submitted as early as January 6, 2017, but no later than February 5, 2018.
- **Contact:**  
Phone: 301-945-7573  
Email: GrantsInfo@nih.gov  
Website: grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-17-306.html#\_Section\_IV\_Application\_1

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## On the private level...

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### The American Association of University Women (AAUW), Community Action Grants

Community Action Grants provide funds to individuals, AAUW branches and AAUW state organizations, as well as local community-based nonprofit organizations, for innovative programs or non-degree research projects that promote education and equality for women and girls. Grant projects must have direct public impact, be nonpartisan and take place within the United States or its territories. Special consideration is given to projects focused on K-12 and community college girls' and women's achievements in science, technology, engineering or math.

- **Eligibility:** Applicants must be women who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Nonprofit organizations must be based in the U.S.
- **Funding:** One-year grants provide funding for community-based projects and should promote education and equality for women and girls. Two-year grants provide startup funds for new projects that address the particular needs of the community and develop girls' sense of efficacy through leadership or advocacy opportunities.
- **Deadline:** Applications are accepted now through January 15, 2018.
- **Contact:**  
Phone: 202-785-7700  
Email: connect@aauw.com  
Website: www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/community-action-grants

### The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood

This organization is an incubator of innovative research and development projects that appear likely to improve the welfare of young children, from infancy

through 7 years, in the United States. The foundation seeks projects that will potentially have national application and are in the areas of: 1) early childhood welfare; 2) early childhood education and play; and 3) parenting education.

- **Eligibility:** The foundation will not fund: existing programs, the purchase or renovation of capital equipment, the staging of single events, the creation or acquisition of works of art or literature, individuals or for-profit entities, political or religious organizations, religious content, programs to benefit children in foreign countries or medical research applicable to both adults and children.
- **Funding:** Recently funded projects have ranged from \$25,000 to \$100,000.
- **Deadline:** The next deadline for submitting a letter of intent is January 31, 2018.
- **Contact:** Amanda R. Keiffer, CPA  
Phone: 570-484-5155  
Email: info@earlychildhoodfoundation.org  
Website: earlychildhoodfoundation.org

### Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Evidence for Action (E4A)

E4A funds research that expands the evidence base needed to build a "Culture of Health." It funds rigorously designed quantitative, qualitative and mixed methods research and is especially interested in research examining the health impacts of programmatic or policy interventions that address factors outside the domain of health care services or public health practice.

- **Eligibility:** Preference is given to applicant organizations that are either institutions of higher education, public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt.
- **Funding:** There is not an explicit range for allowable budget requests.
- **Deadline:** The program operates on a rolling basis and accepts letters of intent any time.
- **Contact:** Erin Hagan, MBA, Ph.D., deputy director  
Phone: 415-502-3490  
Email: evidenceforaction@ucsf.edu  
Website: anr.rwjf.org/viewCfp.do?cfpld=1224&cfpOverviewId=





# Grant writing

## The Foundation Center

The Foundation Center has scheduled the following free training classes.

### Introduction to Finding Grants

**Classroom: January 4, 2018**

In this newly revised class, attendees will learn what funders want in nonprofits seeking grants and how to find potential funders.

### Introduction to Proposal Writing

**Classroom: January 16, 2018**

This newly revised class will provide attendees with an overview of how to write a standard project proposal to a foundation.

### Introduction to Corporate Giving

**Classroom: January 25, 2018**

Corporate grantmakers are different from traditional foundations in many ways. This class provides a basic overview of:

- The different types of corporate giving
- What motivates corporations to give
- How to find potential corporate partners

**In addition:** Classes are held at the Foundation Center, located at:

32 Old Slip, 24th Floor  
New York, NY 10005

Space is limited, so register as soon as possible.

For additional training opportunities, to register or for more information, call 212-620-4230 or visit [www.foundationcenter.org](http://www.foundationcenter.org).

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