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Building, Equipment, and Operating Grants

Many organizations need building, equipment, and operating funds yet many funders exclude or limit grant funds for these purposes.

Here is a list of foundations in Illinois that offer building, equipment, or operating funds to organizations outside of the Chicago metropolitan area:

Aon Foundation
Apollos Camp and Bennet Humiston Trust
Doris and Victor Day Foundation, Inc.
Dr. Scholl Foundation
Francis Beidler Charitable Trust
Frank E. Payne and Seba B. Payne Foundation
Fred J. Brunner Foundation
Gaylord and Dorothy Donnelley Foundation
Helen Brach Foundation
Illinois Tool Works Foundation
John D. & Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
Peoria Area Community Foundation
Prince Charitable Trusts
Rauch Family Foundation, Inc.
Rockford Community Foundation
Solo Cup Foundation
State Farm Companies Foundation
The Allstate Foundation
The Baxter Allegiance Foundation
The Blowitz-Ridgeway Foundation
The Butz Foundation
The Joyce Foundation

The Nalco Foundation
The Quaker Oats Foundation
The Retirement Research Foundation
Woodward Governor Company Charitable Trust

This list was compiled from directory information published by Research Grant Guides, Inc., PO Box 1214, Loxahatchee, FL 33470. Most of the foundations listed have been featured in past issues of *Grant News*. See <http://www.asru.ilstu.edu> to view and print back issues.

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Health Information

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Public Health Conference Support Grant Program

Objective: Provide partial support for non-federal conferences which educate and inform participants in areas related to health promotion and disease prevention and applied research. Focus areas are: 1) health effects of hazardous substances in the environment; 2) disease and toxic substance exposure registries; 3) hazardous substance removal and remediation; 4) emergency response to toxic and environmental disasters; 5) risk communication; 6) environmental disease surveillance; and 7) investigation and research on hazardous substances in the environment.

Eligibility: Official state public health and university/college organizations; nationally recognized associations of health professionals; other organizations chartered and recognized for their efforts in protecting the public from the effects of exposure to hazardous substances.

Award: Average awards are expected to be about \$20,000.

Deadline: Letters of intent for conferences to be held between November 1, 2002 and September 30, 2003 are due April 1, 2002.

Application: Application forms are available for printing through a link in the guidelines. Detailed guidelines are available on the Internet site listed below.

Information:

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Resource Analysis Specialist
Office of the Director
Extramural Services Activity
Public Health Practice Program Office
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
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MS K-38
Atlanta, GA 30341-3714
TEL: (770) 488-2513
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Cancer Research Foundation of America FREE Educational Materials

Objective: Inform and educate the public about the prevention and early detection of cancer.

Award: Limited quantities of brochures and fact sheets, that are available in both English and Spanish.

Deadline: None.

Application: Place an order through the Internet site.

Information:

INTERNET: <http://www.preventcancer.org/materials/>

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Arts and Humanities

National Endowment for the Humanities

Objective: Support research, education, and public service programs in the humanities.

Eligibility: Individuals, colleges, organizations, and societies. Applicants from Illinois are ineligible for some programs.

Deadline: See the Internet site for a listing of 2002 and 2003 deadlines for specific programs.

Application: Programs are grouped under topical categories: Education, Preservation and Access, Public Programs, Research, and Challenge Grants. Each program has instructions about how to prepare an application in its guidelines. An application checklist is at the end of each guideline. Guidelines for programs are available for viewing and downloading from the Internet under program links. Mail to the National Endowment for the Humanities has been delayed. Applicants should take note of these delays when meeting deadlines.

Information:

*National Endowment for the Humanities
1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20506
TEL: (202) 606-8400
INTERNET: <http://neh.gov/grants/grants.html>*

Illinois Arts Council

Arts in Education Residency Program

Objective: Provide support for individual, company, or multi-disciplinary artist residencies.

Eligibility: Nonprofit schools, community colleges, and local community organizations.

Award: One to six month artist residencies. Up to 60% of residency costs may be requested.

Deadline: February 15, 2002.

Application: Guidelines are available on the Internet. A steering committee must be assembled for decision-making about the resident artist. Artists are selected from a roster that is in the guidelines. Grant-writing workshops are available to potential applicants. Twelve copies of the application are submitted in which proof of nonprofit status is included.

Information:

*Illinois Arts Council
James R. Thompson Center
100 W Randolph
Suite 10-500
Chicago, IL 60601
EMAIL: mark@arts.state.il.us
INTERNET: <http://state.il.us/agency/iac/Guidelines/AIE/aieguidelines03.htm>*

Illinois Humanities Council

Objective: Promote the understanding of, appreciation for, and involvement in the humanities in Illinois.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations.

Award: Mini-grants up to \$2,000 and major grants up to \$10,000. Funding for projects with costs over \$10,000 can be requested.

Deadline: Mini-grants are due the 15th of February, April, June, August, and October; Major grant deadlines are March and August 15.

Application: A proposal checklist, funding restrictions, and more specific criteria related to types of projects are available from the Illinois Humanities Council Internet site. Media, Website, local, community, oral history, and exhibit projects are subject to special criteria. Council staff should be consulted about these special criteria prior to application.

Information:

*Illinois Humanities Council
Program Office
203 N Wabash Avenue
Suite 2020
Chicago, IL 60601-2417
INTERNET: <http://www.prairie.org/grants/guide.asp>*



Multiple Objectives

Prudential Foundation

Objective: Support education reform, job entry, youth, and community health and safety direct-services initiatives.

Eligibility: Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations located in areas where Prudential employees live and work.

Deadline: None.

Application: Application forms are available for downloading from the Prudential Foundation's Internet site. A three-page concept paper can be submitted with the application. Applications are to be submitted by mail.

Information:

The Prudential Foundation
 751 Broad Street
 15th Floor
 Newark, NJ 07102-3777
 TEL: (301) 802-7354
 EMAIL: community.resources@prudential.com
 INTERNET: http://www.prudential.com/community/foundation/cmffzz1002_content.html

UPS Foundation's Region/District Grant Program

Objective: Support community-based organizations through employee involvement in decision-making. Funding priorities include family and workplace literacy, food distribution, and volunteerism.

Eligibility: Community nonprofit, secular organizations identified and recommended by employees who are involved in community-based committees.

Award: Grants of \$10,000, \$25,000, \$50,000, and \$100,000 per year are awarded to each UPS region.

Deadline: None.

Application: Work with a local employee of UPS. Two-page proposal letters are submitted. Items to be addressed in the letter are a description and mission of the organization, description of the project to be funded, goals to be attained and evaluated by the project, its costs, other project funding sources, and amount requested from the UPS Foundation. An audited financial statement, annual report, and IRS 501(c)(3) letter are also submitted with the proposal letter.

Information:

UPS Foundation
 Attn: President
 55 Glenlake Parkway, NE
 Atlanta, GA 30328
 INTERNET: <http://www.ups.com/community/resources/foundation/grantguide.html>

Dr. Scholl Foundation

Objective: Support private education at all levels, general charitable programs, and civic programs.

Eligibility: Tax-exempt organizations.

Award: Average awards range between \$10,000 and \$100,000 for building and renovation, conferences and seminars, endowments (not general), equipment, fellowships, development, and research projects.

Deadline: May 15 annually. Proposal can be submitted anytime after November 1 for consideration.

Application: Application materials are to be requested by writing to the Foundation. All correspondence with the Foundation should be mailed and not faxed.

Information:

Dr. Scholl Foundation
 1033 Skokie Boulevard, Suite 230
 Northbrook, IL 60062
 TEL: (847) 256-5255

Surdna Foundation

Objective: Foster programs related to the environment, community revitalization, effective citizenry, and organizational capacity of nonprofit initiatives.

Eligibility: Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations.

Deadline: None.

Application: Send a letter of inquiry before sending a proposal. The Internet site has application guidelines.

Information:

Edward Skloot, Executive Director
 Surdna Foundation
 330 Madison Avenue
 30th Floor
 New York, NY 10017-5001
 TEL: (212) 557-0011
 FAX: (212) 557-0003
 EMAIL: request@surdna.org
 INTERNET: <http://www.surdna.org>

Recreation

Illinois Department of Natural Resources

1) Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) Program

Objective: Provide funding assistance for acquisition and/or development of land for public parks and open space.

Eligibility: Local government agencies.

Award: 50% of approved project costs. Acquisition project awards are funded to a maximum of \$750,000. Development/renovation projects are funded up to \$400,000.

Deadline: Applications are submitted between May 1 and July 1 of each year.

Application: An application manual is available for downloading from the Internet.

Information:

INTERNET: <http://dnr.state.il.us/ocd/>

2) Bicycle Path Program

Objective: Assist in the acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of public bicycle paths and their support facilities.

Eligibility: Units of government.

Award: 50% of approved project costs. Development projects are funded to a maximum of \$200,000 per annual request. No maximum exists for acquisition projects.

Deadline: March 1 of each calendar year.

Application: An application manual is available for downloading from the Internet.

Information:

INTERNET: <http://dnr.state.il.us/ocd/>

3) Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Program

Objective: Provide financial aid to develop, operate, maintain, restore, and acquire land for public vehicle parks and trails.

Eligibility: Individuals, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies.

Award: 100% of approved, eligible project costs.

Deadline: March 1 annually.

Application: An application manual is available for downloading from the Internet.

Information:

INTERNET: <http://dnr.state.il.us/ocd/>

4) Recreational Trails Program

Objective: Provide funding assistance for acquisition, development, rehabilitation, and maintenance of motorized and non-motorized recreation trails.

Eligibility: Federal, state, and local government agencies and nonprofit organizations.

Award: 20% non-federal dollar match of approved project costs.

Deadline: March 1 annually.

Application: Application manuals are available for downloading from the Internet.

Information:

INTERNET: <http://dnr.state.il.us/ocd/>

5) Snowmobile Trail Establishment Fund

Objective: Provide financial assistance to develop and maintain new public trails and facilities.

Eligibility: Incorporated, private snowmobile clubs.

Award: 100% of eligible project costs.

Deadline: May 1 annually.

Application: Application manuals are available for downloading from the Internet.

Information:

INTERNET: <http://dnr.state.il.us/ocd/>



Organizational Capacity Building

Progressive Technology Project

Objective: Support use of information technology to strengthen grass roots citizen action.

Eligibility: Nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations with basic technological capacity, strong organizational infrastructure.

Award: Up to \$10,000 for one year projects.

Deadline: Quarterly. Monitor the Internet to know the Spring 2002 and future deadlines.

Application: Submit a three to five page letter that contains the following information: organizational profile, goals and strategies, how the use of technology will advance implementing goals and strategies, current technological capacity, and how success of the idea proposed will be measured. Send five copies of the proposal, a cover sheet, organizational budget, project budget, and letter of 501(c)(3) status to the address below. Cover sheets are available for downloading from the Internet site.

Information:

*Justin Maxson
Progressive Technology Project
1436 U Street, NW, #210
Washington, DC 20009
TEL: (202) 387-9660
FAX: (202) 387-1852
EMAIL: info@progressivetech.org
INTERNET: <http://www.progressivetech.org/Program/GrantMaking/fallguidelines.htm>*

U.S. General Services Administration Central Management Services Federal Surplus Property

Objective: Sell at a low cost or donate items needed for organizational operations.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations.

Award: Donated or low cost equipment, vehicles, machines, tools, and clothing.

Deadline: None.

Application: Obtaining items requires having an account with Illinois Department of Central Management

Services. Applications may be obtained by fax, mail, or by visiting a warehouse facility. Items can be requested and purchased by calling or writing Central Management Services or by visiting a warehouse. There are two warehouses in Illinois.

Information:

*Mr. Curtis Howard
Assistant Division Manager
Department of Central Management Services
3550 Great Northern Avenue
Springfield, IL 62707
TEL: (217) 785-6903
FAX: (217) 785-6905
EMAIL: cmsinfo@mail.state.il.us
INTERNET: <http://www.state.il.us/cms/property/federal/default.htm>*

*Springfield Warehouse TEL: (217) 785-6903
Des Plaines Warehouse TEL: (847) 294-4188*

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation

Objective: Build institutional capacity in organizations that address the issue of conflict resolution.

Eligibility: Existing nonprofit organizations.

Award: General support funds.

Deadline: Dependent on issue relating to the topic of conflict resolution: April 1 for projects related to emerging issues; July 1 for promotion of conflict resolution and consensus building, public participation, and policymaking; October 1 for practitioner-based organizations; and January 1 for theory development and international conflict resolution issues.

Application: Advice to applicants is posted on the Internet.

Information:

*Hewlett Foundation
525 Middlefield Road
Suite 200
Menlo Park, CA 94025
TEL: (650) 329-1070
FAX: (650) 329-9342
EMAIL: webmaster@hewlett.org
INTERNET: <http://www.hewlett.org/about.htm>*

Business and Invention

Rural Development Business Programs

Objective: Provide financial assistance to support rural business and economic development.

Eligibility: Individuals, corporations, partnerships, cooperatives, public bodies, nonprofit corporations, Indian tribes, and private companies.

Deadline: Varies, depending on program.

Application: Programs include Rural Business Enterprise and Opportunity Grants; and Rural Economic Development Loans and Grants. Work with Rural Development field staff. A list of Illinois staff members is available at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/il/index.html>. For information about specific programs mentioned, visit the Internet site listed below or contact the Illinois Business Program Director.

Information:

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Illinois Rural Development
2118 West Park Court, Suite A
Champaign, IL 61821
TEL: (217) 403-6209
FAX: (217) 403-6215
EMAIL: Gerald.Townsend@il.usda.gov*

USDA's North Central Region (NCR) Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) Producer Grant Program

Objective: Fund producers striving for agricultural sustainability.

Eligibility: Farmers and ranchers.

Award: Amounts ranging between \$2,000 and \$15,000.

Deadline: To be announced in early February 2002 for late March deadline.

Application: Contacting and working with the North Central Region Program Coordinator is encouraged. Information is available through the Coordinator and also on the Internet.

Information:

*Ken Schneider
Program Coordinator for Field Operation
TEL: (402) 472-0809
EMAIL: ncrsare@unl.edu*

Department of Energy Inventions and Innovation Program

Objective: Improve energy efficiency through the promotion of innovative ideas and inventions.

Eligibility: U.S. citizens, small businesses, and institutions of higher learning.

Deadline: March 4, 2002.

Application: Go to the Internet site below for a link to specific program guidelines. Solicitation specifications can also be downloaded from the Industry Interactive Procurement System at <http://e-center.doe.gov>. Contact the Contract Specialist listed below with questions not answered in the guideline specifications.

Information:

*Margo Gorin
Golden Field Office
EMAIL: margo_gorin@nrel.gov
INTERNET: <http://www.golden.doe.gov/business%20opportunities/solicitations.html>*

Economic Development Administration Investment Programs

Objective: Enhance community success by attracting private capital investment and job opportunities.

Eligibility: Economic development districts, units of government, institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations acting in cooperation with officials of a political subdivision.

Deadline: Varies, depending on program.

Application: Programs include Public Works, Economic Adjustment, Technical Assistance, Partnership Planning for Economic Development Districts, Short-term Planning, University Center, and Trade Adjustment Assistance. Contact the Regional EDA or Economic Development Representative for information, application instructions, and forms.

Information:

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Gender Diversity Advocacy

Gill Foundation

Objective: Support lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and HIV/AIDS efforts through general operating, infrastructure and technical assistance, and leadership training.

Eligibility: Non-metropolitan organizations with individual or having a fiscal sponsor with 501(c)(3) tax status. Research and art-related projects are not eligible.

Award: Up to \$15,000 for one-year projects of first-time grantees.

Deadline: Annual deadlines are due on February 15, June 15, and October 15.

Application: Application forms are available for printing from the Internet site. Application forms require answers to questions about organizational mission, history, accomplishments, proposal program description, objectives of the proposed program including timeline, and a statement of challenges faced.

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*Gill Foundation
2215 Market Street
Suite 205*

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FAX: (303) 292-2155*

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INTERNET: <http://www.gillfoundation.org>*