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The Office Of Partnerships And Grant Services Needs Your Help. Help us get 1000 likes on our Facebook page. If you like us you will get time sensitive information on funding opportunities, job announcements, upcoming events and more that might not be in the Funding Alert. Like Us Now.

Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC). The Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC) registration form is now live on OPGS’ website. The GIRC provides technical assistance and information about resources that improve community services in the District of Columbia for its “customers” - District government, nonprofit, and faith-based representatives. The primary focus is to assist customers who either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to strengthen their organizations. The GIRC is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m., by appointment only. For additional information call 202-727-8900. Please click here to schedule an appointment.

Funding Alert: If you would like to post a free event/resource announcement in the Funding Alert, contact Pat Henry at pat.henry@dc.gov. All back issues of the funding alert can be found at www.opgs.dc.gov.

District Grants Clearinghouse: District agency grant opportunities are listed in the Funding Alert. These opportunities can be found on the Office of Partnerships and Grant Services website at www.opgs.dc.gov. All information that should be posted to the Clearinghouse should be sent to dcgrants@dc.gov.

State Single Point of Contact (SPOC): The Office of Partnerships and Grant Services is the DC SPOC. The application is available online on OPGS’s website at www.opgs.dc.gov select State Single Point of Contact. If you need additional information call Pat Henry at (202) 727-0946.

Contracting Opportunities with the District of Columbia Government: If you are interested in business/contracting opportunities with the District of Columbia Government visit the Office of Contracts and Procurement website at www.ocp.dc.gov and follow these instructions: click on “Solicitation”; click on “List All Opportunities” and finally click on “Electronic Solicitations”. For additional information contact Ajaya.Damireddy@dc.gov.

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Government of the District of Columbia Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse

The Office of Partnerships and Grant Services is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia’s grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse.

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Additional Government of the District of Columbia Opportunities

Show Up, Stand Out Program (JGA). Justice Grants Administration announces the availability of funds for strategies designed to address truancy in the District of Columbia through data-driven and scientific-based practices that will be implemented to enhance attendance and access to community-based services for families of those k-8 youth who are truant prior to interventions by the Child and Family Services Agency, Office of the Attorney General, and/or Court Social Services. The RFA will be available on Monday, March 16.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations and community-based organizations
Deadline: 4/17/2015
Funds: Funding information not available
Contact: Alexandra Caceres at Alexandra.Caceres@dc.gov
Website: http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse
Grant ID: GD5873

Trash-Free Rivers (DDOE). District Department of the Environment announces funds to support programs that will monitor and maintain three “Bandalong” trash traps in a local river, provide environmental work experience to District youth (ages 16-25), and educate participants and the public about how trash pollutes District waterbodies.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and community-based organizations
Deadline: 4/6/2015
Funds: $238,000 is available for awards
Contact: Matt Robinson at (202) 442-3204 or 2015TrashFreeRiversRFA.Grant@dc.gov
Website: www.opgs.gov
Grant ID: GD5872
Federal Opportunities

“Now is the Time” Project AWARE-Community (HHS). Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to support the training of teachers and a broad array of actors who interact with youth through their programs at the community level, including parents, law enforcement, faith-based leaders, and other adults in Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) or Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA). Implementation of the NITT-AWARE-C program is expected to increase the mental health literacy among youth-serving adults, policy-makers, and administrators of programs serving youth.

Eligibility: City or township governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, private institutions of higher education, community-based organizations and DC government agencies
Deadline: May 1, 2015
Funds: $8,611,576 is available for 70 awards up to $125,000
Contact: Gwendolyn Simpson at (240) 276-1408 or gwendolyn.simpson@samhsa.hhs.gov
Website: www.grants.gov
State Single Point of Contact: This grant is subject to “Intergovernmental Review” under EO 12372. Please go to http://opgs.dc.gov/spoc.asp for further information.
Grant ID: GD5876

Strengthening and Improving the HIV Care Continuum within Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A Jurisdictions (HHS). Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to support projects that will affect positive outcomes along the HIV care continuum by providing guidance and technical assistance to Part A jurisdictions across the country using a collaborative learning approach and rapid improvement principles and practices; apply data-driven, evidence-based and evidence-informed strategies for improving population-level HIV outcomes across Part A jurisdictions and their systems of care; and scale-up interventions to improve HIV outcomes by stimulating action across jurisdictions and among many partners.

Eligibility: Special district governments, state governments, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, community-based organizations, Hospitals and DC government agencies
Deadline: 4/28/2015
Funds: $500,000 is available for awards
Contact: Stephen Young at (301) 443-9091 or syoung@hrsa.gov
Website: www.grants.gov
Grant ID: GD5874

Strengthening the Public’s and/or K-12 Students' Environmental Literacy for Community Resilience to Extreme Weather Events and Environmental Changes (DOC). Department of Commerce announces funds to strengthen the public’s and/or K-12 students environmental literacy to enable informed decision-making necessary for community resilience to extreme weather events and environmental changes.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, DC government agencies and Local Educational Agencies
Deadline: 4/13/2015
Funds: $2,000,000 is available for eight wards up to $500,000
Contact: Carrie McDougal at (202) 482-0793 or oed.grants@noaa.gov
Website: www.grants.gov
Grant ID: GD5875

Foundation Opportunities

Canine Adoptions. PEDIGREE Foundation announces funds for programs that focus specifically on the development and initial implementation of creative programs that increase the number of canine adoptions.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations
Deadline: 5/5/2015
Funds: Awards are available up to $25,000
Contact: PEDIGREE Foundation
Website: https://www.pedigreefoundation.org/grant-program/
Grant ID: GD5877

Additional Funding Resources and Announcements

Grant Application Workshop For Public Safety Grant Funding. The Office of Partnerships and Grant Services (OPGS) in partnership with the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) is offering a two-part proposal writing course from 9am to 1pm on March 30 and April 1, focused on preparing grant applications for public safety funding opportunities. Designed for both the novice and the experienced individual, this 2-day series will combine expert instruction, with practical exercises, to take you step-by-step through all the stages of planning programs, identifying the effectiveness of an intervention, and writing grant proposals. Using common grant development formats, this course will proceed step-by-step through the development of a proposal with emphasis on the following: how to develop a compelling Statement of Need; how to design a program and create a logic model; identifying evidence-based programs and practices; how to develop an appropriate budget; and how to avoid the common pitfalls of proposal writing. The classes will be held from 9am-1pm at 441 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001 (Judiciary Square) in room 1107 South. Please note participation in both sessions is mandatory. To register visit https://eventbrite.com/event/16060674911/ or for additional information, please contact Pat Henry at pat.henry@dc.gov.

Youth Development Initiative Grants. The George Washington University (GW) Achievement Foundation is currently seeking grant proposals from organization that emphasize/support youth development initiatives, for awards up to $10,000. To learn more about the foundation, applicant qualifications and to submit the application, visit http://gwachievementfoundation.weebly.com. If you have questions or need additional information email gwachievementfoundation@gmail.com. Applications are due by Friday, April 3rd.

What Are the Legal Issues Your Nonprofit Needs to Know In Hosting Special Events? The DC Pro Bono program is sponsoring a Strategic Legal Thinking Seminar that will review the legal issues that your organization may face in connection with its next special event. Your organization needs to know the state requirements that apply to organizations that solicit donations in connection with the event or hold gaming activities such as raffles and casino nights. It should understand the IRS rules for when participants may claim a tax deduction for cash or in-kind gifts made in connection with the event, and when and how you can recognize event sponsors without running afoul of IRS rules. This seminar is designed for executive directors, fundraising professionals, board members, and other nonprofit staff and volunteers responsible for planning special events. The seminar is free and
Previous Funding Resources and Announcements

Intellectual Property Clinic. The D.C. Bar Pro Bono Program is sponsoring a clinic assisting nonprofit groups with basic intellectual property (IP) issues, including trademarks, copyrights, and licensing. The clinic is scheduled for Friday, March 20, 2015 from 9 am-11:30 am at Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP, 607 14th Street, NW, Ste. 900. The program will include a short presentation on the basics of intellectual property law as it applies to your nonprofit; and a one-on-one meeting (approximately one hour) between your organization and attorneys who specialize in intellectual property law. The attorneys will review the IP needs of your nonprofit with you. Issues to be reviewed include: your nonprofit’s name and logos - are they properly protected; your nonprofit's program materials – who prepared them, who owns the rights to use and change them, and what should you do to protect them; and licensing agreements between you and a third party – how do they work; and your organization’s website – is it legally compliant? If you have questions or would like to RSVP contact Lauren Paley at lpaley@dcbar.org or (202) 737-4700, ext. 3357.

The Advocates In Disability Award (Ada) Program. The Advocates in Disability Award (ADA) program awards and encourages a young adult with a disability between the ages of 14 and 26 who is dedicated to positively affecting the lives of individuals with disabilities and their families. The program also supports an innovative project developed by the recipient to serve and empower individuals with disabilities. The ADA is a joint program of the HSC Foundation and the Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation. The selected recipient will be awarded $3,000 in recognition of his or her disability advocacy and will receive up to an additional $7,000 in funding for a project to benefit the disability community. Applicants must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States at the time of application submission and recipient selection. Applications must be received by April 10, 2015. To apply and for more information visit www.hscfoundation.org/2015ADA.php.

The Home Depot Foundation: Community Impact Grants Program. The Home Depot Foundation Community Impact Grants Program provides support to nonprofit organizations and public service agencies that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their communities. Proposals for the following community improvement activities will be considered: repairs, refurbishments, and modifications to low-income and/or transitional veteran’s housing or community facilities (schools, community centers, senior centers, etc.); weatherizing or increasing energy efficiency of low-income and/or transitional veteran’s housing or community facilities; engaging veterans as volunteers to help other veterans in their community through service projects focusing on the renovation, repair, and improvement of homes and other properties serving veterans; and planting trees or community gardens and/or landscaping community facilities that serve veterans. Priority will be given to projects for veterans that include housing repairs, modifications, and weatherization work. Grants of up to $5,000 are made in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services. Deadline for applications is September 1, 2015. For more information visit http://homedepotfoundation.org/page/applying-for-a-grant

The Taproot Foundation's New Online Marketplace. The Taproot Foundation's new online marketplace allows nonprofit organizations to access marketing, IT, HR, finance, and strategy professionals any time, any place. Taproot+ connects you to a curated group of highly skilled volunteers ready to tackle your needs. You can post a need, hear pitches from experts, pick the expert that works for you, and work together with ongoing access to Taproot tools and support. For more information or Taproot visit Online Market Place.

Center for Nonprofit Advancement’s 2015 Board Leadership Award. The nomination process is open for the Center for Nonprofit Advancement’s 2015 Board Leadership Award presented by CohnReznick with additional support by BoardSource. The award recognizes the role that boards play in building and sustaining successful organizations by executing their fiduciary and leadership responsibilities—assuring that they are well led, well supported and responsive to the people and communities they serve. Two organizations’ Board of Directors will
be selected as the Center for Nonprofit Advancement’s 2015 Board Leadership Award winners—one for an organization with an annual budget under $2 million and one for an organization with an annual budget over $2 million. The winner will receive a $10,000 grant, communication exposure through print, radio, television and social media and training and development opportunities for the board and CEO from BoardSource and the Center’s Learning & Leadership Institute. Applications are due Monday, March 30, 2015. For more information visit http://www.nonprofitadvancement.org/BoardLeadership

Doing Business With District Government Agencies. The Mayor’s Office of Partnerships and Grant Services will offer a forum comprised of DC Government agencies to discuss their existing and future funding opportunities for 2014. The panel will also discuss what they look for in their review of proposals and the key elements after receiving the grant awards that speak to the potential for renewal or reapplying for future funding. The forum will be held on April 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Charles Sumner School Museum and Archives, 1201 17th St., NW. The following agencies have been invited to participate: Department of Employment Services, Department of Health, Office of Victim Services/Justice Grants Administration, Department of the Environment, Office of the State Superintendent’s Office, Serve DC/AmeriCorps, Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning & Economic Development, and Office of the Chief Technology Office. To register visit https://eventbrite.com/event/15112864986/

Extensive 8-Week Proposal Writing Course. The Mayor’s Office of Partnerships and Grant Services (OPGS) has partnered with The Magi Group, LLC to offer a proposal writing course for District of Columbia Government Employees and Nonprofit Executive Directors, Program Officers, Board of Directors and staff development officers. Participating nonprofit organizations must have programs that have been operating for at least one year. (There will be site visits to all nonprofit programs before selections). Consultants and contractual staff working for nonprofits are not eligible. This course is designed for both the novice and the experienced individual. This intensive 8-week course combines expert instruction, with practical exercises, to take you step-by-step through all the stages of planning programs, locating funding sources, and writing grant proposals. The class is limited and participants will be accepted via registration on a competitive basis. Class fees will be covered by a competitive scholarship, so it is important that all participants are able to commit to attend all sessions. Deadline to submit a registration is March 27 and classes will begin May 12. For more information visit our website at www.opgs.dc.gov or contact Pat Henry at pat.henry@dc.gov.

Preservation Initiatives (PI) Grant Program. The DC Preservation League (DCPL) is Washington’s citywide nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the preservation and enhancement of the District’s historic and built environment. DCPL is now accepting applications for matching grants for historic preservation activities. PI Grant Program aims to provide funding to individuals and non-profit organizations for preservation planning, research, outreach/education, and bricks and mortar* projects related to historic and cultural sites (see website for eligible applicants and properties). These grants are intended to help communities broaden their impact, introduce the public to preservation concepts, make technical expertise accessible, and encourage partnerships. *Please note bricks and mortar grants are only available for sites listed on the DC Inventory of Historic Places or are considered contributing resources within a DC Historic District. For more information about the program and how to apply, visit the Preservation Initiatives Grant Program page at http://www.dcpreservation.org/grants/. Applications are due Thursday, April 30.

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