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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.



<u>Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC).</u> 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.



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

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 <u>www.opgs.dc.gov</u>. All information that should be posted to the Clearinghouse should be sent to <u>dcgrants@dc.gov</u>.

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 <u>www.opgs.dc.gov</u> 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 <u>www.ocp.dc.gov</u> and follow these instructions: click on "Solicitation"; click on "List All Opportunities" and finally click on "Electronic Solicitations". For additional information contact <u>Ajaya.Damireddy@dc.gov</u>

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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 .

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development	FY 2016 Creative and Open Space Modernization	Rolling Application through June 1, 2016
Office of Planning	District-Wide Synar Compliance Program	February 10, 2016
University of the District of Columbia	2016 UDC Community College Relocation Feasibility Study Grant	February 17, 2016

Additional Government of the District of Columbia Opportunities

RiverSmart Innovation Grants (DDOE). *Department of Energy and Environment* announces funds to protect and improve the District's water resources.

Eligibility:	Public and state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, private institutions of higher education and DC government agencies
Deadline:	2/29/2016
Funds:	\$14,000,000 is available for awards
Contact:	Department Of Energy And Environment at riversmart.innovation16@dc.gov
Website:	http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse
Grant ID:	GD6350

Federal Opportunities

Funds for the College Sexual Assault Policy and Prevention Initiative (HHS). Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to disseminate sexual assault policy and prevention information to organizations in position to influence and implement policies and practices at post-secondary schools. The grantees will partner with organizations comprised of leaders and influential persons connected to post-secondary schools.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county 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: 4/8/2016



Funds: \$2,000,000 is available for 10 awards

Contact: Brenda Donaldson at (240) 453-8822 or brenda.donaldson@hhs.gov

Website: http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html

Grant ID: GD6352

Supportive Services Demonstration for Elderly Households in HUD-Assisted Multifamily Housing (HUD).

Department of Housing and Urban Development announces funds to support programs that facilitate aging in place by providing a supportive services subsidy to certain elderly restricted HUD assisted independent housing developments.

Eligibility:	City or township governments, county governments, special district governments, state governments, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, community-based organizations and DC government agencies
Deadline:	4/18/2016
Funds:	\$15,000,000 is available for 80 awards
Contact:	Alicia Anderson at <u>Alicia.Anderson@hud.gov</u>
Website:	http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html
Grant ID:	GD6351

Foundation Opportunities

Adult, Family and Youth Literacy Grants and Summer Reading Programs. Dollar General Literacy Foundation announces funds to support programs that provide direct services to adults in need of literacy assistance; that combine parent and youth literacy instructions; and the expansion of summer reading programs for students who are below grade level readers or readers with learning disabilities.

- Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations and DC government agencies
- Deadline: 2/25/2016
- Funds: \$15,000 is available for awards
- Contact: Dollar General Literacy Foundation

Website: http://www2.dollargeneral.com/dgliteracy/Pages/grant_programs.aspx

Grant ID: GD6355

Signature Employment Grants. *Kessler Foundation* announces funds for new pilot initiatives, demonstration projects or social ventures that lead to the generation of new ideas to solve the high unemployment and underemployment of individuals with disabilities. Preference is given for interventions that overcome specific employment barriers related to long-term dependence on public assistance or advance competitive employment in a cost-effective manner. A concept paper is required and is due on March 13.

Eligibility:	Nonprofit organizations
Deadline:	3/13/2016
Funds:	Awards are available up to \$250,000 and a match is required
Contact:	Kessler Foundation at KFgrantprogram@KesslerFoundation.org



Website: http://kesslerfoundation.org/grantprograms/signatureemploymentgrants.php

Grant ID: GD6354

Social Justice Programs. *Public Welfare Foundation* announces funds to supports organizations that are working to end: over incarceration of adult offenders, aiming to reduce racial disparity; criminalization and over incarceration of youth; and seeking policy and system reforms to improve the lives of low-wage working people, with a focus on securing their basic legal rights to safe, healthy, and fair conditions at work. Letters of inquiry are required and may be submitted throughout the year.

Eligibility:Nonprofit organizationsDeadline:No deadlineContact:Public Welfare FoundationWebsite:http://www.publicwelfare.org/grants-process/program-guidelines/Grant ID:GD6353

Additional Funding Resources and Announcements

Can I Wear This? Balancing Personal Appearance Policies and the Law. The D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center is sponsoring a free webinar as part of its **Board Basics Series**, entitled: *Can I Wear This? Balancing Personal Appearance Policies and the Law.* For many nonprofits, adopting a personal appearance policy can be an effective way to ensure that employees present a professional image to clients, donors and nonprofit partners. However, before drafting a policy, you should be aware of legal restrictions on employers' regulation of workplace attire and personal grooming. For example: Can you require a male employee to be clean shaven if he wears a beard for religious reasons? May an employee who is active in the union movement and wears a pro-union hat to work every day be required to comply with a no-hat policy? While federal and state laws generally allow employers to regulate employee appearance, a written policy will not protect employers against claims that the policy infringes on other rights protected by law. Two new resources from the D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center provide the answers to the questions above, and many others. The webinar will provide an important overview of the key D.C. and federal laws governing such policies and includes guidelines for drafting a policy. Corey Argust, an employment law expert from the law firm of Piliero Mazza, will be presenting. The webinar will be held February 11, 2016, 12 noon – 1:00 p.m. To register, please go here: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8048189092039707138

Previous Funding Resources and Announcements

2016-17 Catalogue for Philanthropy Application. Applications to the Catalogue for Philanthropy: Greater Washington (CFP) is now open. Being part of the Catalogue network means you will be recognized as "one of the best" high-impact, community-based nonprofits in the region - something that means so much to supporters, both existing and new. The Catalogue's track record shows that when nonprofits engage in a committed partnership with CFP, they receive both financial and other returns. (The Catalogue has helped raise over \$30 million since 2003 for its network of over 300 charities.) Applications are due by 11:59 pm on Sunday, February 28th. Learn more at cfp-dc.org/apply.

In-Kind Donation of Sports Equipment. Leveling the Playing Field announces opportunities to support nonprofit organizations offering organized sport, fitness and/or recreation programs to youth ages 5-18 years old from disadvantaged areas. *Leveling the Playing Field* collects used equipment through a variety of sources and donates



them completely free of charge to youth programs and schools in need. This grant opportunity is to receive donations of sports equipment, playground equipment or fitness equipment. There is no deadline date for applications. If interested or for more information call (301) 844-5620 or email <u>info@levelingtheplayingfield.org</u>. You can visit their website at <u>http://www.levelingtheplayingfield.org</u>.

Exemplary Children's Arts Programs Awards. The National Arts and Humanities Youth Program Awards, sponsored by the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities, recognize excellence in after-school and out-of-school arts and humanities programs for underserved children and youth. These programs offer high-quality and intensive instruction on weekends, afternoons, and summer vacations, providing a safe and productive space for young people in the hours when they are often the most vulnerable. Twelve winners will receive a \$10,000 award and an invitation to accept their award at a White House ceremony. Programs initiated by museums, libraries, performing arts organizations, schools and universities, arts centers, community service organizations, and government agencies are encouraged to apply. Eligible programs must have been in operation for a minimum of five years. The 2016 application deadline is February 2, 2016. For more information visit http://www.nahyp.org/.

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