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Information on available state, federal and private grants

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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 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 Department of Labor (DOL), Workplace Health and Safety Request for Applications (RFA)

DOL seeks applicants that can assist it in providing education and training about occupational health and safety hazards. This RFA will support meaningful and comprehensive efforts to provide training, education and assistance in the following areas for workers, advocates and businesses: 1) workplace accident, injury, illness, violence, harassment and other physical and psychological workplace health and safety issue prevention measures; 2) occupational safety and health best practices intended to protect and enhance workplace safety; and 3) business compliance with occupational safety and health regulations and best practices in partnership with DOL's On-Site Consultation program.

- Eligibility: Applicants must be not-for-profit or governmental entities that have two or more paid employees or full-time equivalency, are headquartered in New York State and are in good standing regarding DOL employment practices and laws.
- **Funding:** \$3.7 million is available for anticipated awards of up to \$200,000.
- **Deadline:** Applications are due by December 29, 2017, at 4 p.m.
- **Contact:** Krista Barringer

Email: Krista.Barringer@labor.ny.gov

Website: https://labor.ny.gov/businessservices/funding.shtm



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), 2017 Pollution Prevention Institute Request for Applications (RFA)

The DEC is issuing an RFA for eligible entities to submit proposals to develop and implement a pollution prevention institute in New York State. The institute will foster partnerships that will stimulate the deployment of pollution prevention strategies and technologies, and lead to the research and development of cuttingedge environmental technologies that have near-term potential to promote sustainable economic development.

- Eligibility: Eligible organizations must be a public or private university or nonprofit institution or a consortium of such organizations. Consortiums must designate a lead organization as the applicant. The institute must be established, operated and maintained in New York State.
- Funding: Approximately \$19.5 million is available for the Pollution Prevention Institute for a five-year period. Funding for this grant opportunity is provided by the Environmental Protection Fund.
- **Deadline:** Applications are due by December 14, 2017, at 11 a.m.
- Contact: Tim Kirchgraber Phone: 518-402-9469 Email: PollutionPrevention@dec.ny.gov Website: https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/ IntelliGrants_NYSGG/module/nysgg/goportal. aspx and search for Pollution Prevention

New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS), 2017 Rapid Expansion Part 816.7 Medically Supervised Withdrawal and Stabilization Services Request for Applications (RFA)

OASAS is accepting applications for a capital grant and operation funding for up to 75 Medically Supervised Withdrawal and Stabilization Services beds throughout New York State, with a minimum of eight and a maximum of 25 beds per location. Eligible applicants seeking to add to or extend an existing facility to accommodate medically supervised withdrawal and stabilization services beds must apply to establish a minimum of eight beds and a maximum of 25 beds. Eligible applicants seeking to create a new, freestanding facility must apply to establish a minimum of 16 beds and a maximum of 25 beds. Funding is available only for new beds, not conversions of current operating programs.

Eligibility: Eligible applicants are OASAS community-based voluntary agencies (non-

hospital) and local governmental units (LGUs) or other not-for-profit (non-hospital) organizations. The proposed new services will be considered in all counties within the state with priority given to applications for services in counties that do not currently offer the services, and then to program applications in counties with comparatively fewer services offered.

- Funding: \$10 million is available for anticipated contract lengths of eight years. Capital funding grant amounts will be determined by OASAS to successful and selected applicants after the project is determined to be feasible, the capital project costs are determined to be within available appropriation authority and the Division of the Budget approval is received. For those applicants selected to receive a capital grant, the operational budget submitted is used for evaluation purposes only in making the award decisions. The actual operational funding received will be determined though the normal budget review process for OASASfunded programs on a yearly basis.
- **Deadline:** Applications are due by December 28, 2017, at 5 p.m.
- Contact: Karen Stackrow Phone: 518-485-2194 Email: procurements@oasas.ny.gov with the subject line "Request for Applications -OASAS Project No. 17101" Website: https://oasas.ny.gov/procurements/ documents/MedSupRFA102617.pdf

On the federal level...

United States Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Community Food Projects (CFP) Competitive Grants Program

Two types of grants are being solicited, Community Food Projects (CFP) and Planning Projects (PP). Community Food Projects meet the nutritional needs of lowincome individuals, and Planning Projects promote comprehensive responses to local food access.

- Eligibility: Public food program service providers, tribal organizations or private nonprofit entities, including Gleaners, that meet the following four requirements will be eligible for grant awards: 1) experience in community food work; 2) demonstrated competency; 3) a willingness to share information and a plan to disseminate results; and 4) the ability to collaborate with one or more local partner organizations.
- **Funding:** Approximately \$8.64 million is available to support this program in FY 2018. No single CFP award shall exceed \$125,000

in any single year or \$400,000 over four years. No single PP award shall exceed \$35,000 for the total project period and the maximum PP award period shall not exceed three years.

■ **Deadline:** December 4, 2017.

Contact: Jane Clary Loveless, Ph.D., RN, National Program Leader

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Website: https://nifa.usda.gov/sites/default/files/rfa/18_CommunityFoodProjectsRFA.pdf

AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC)

AmeriCorps NCCC is a full-time, teambased service program for men and women ages 18 to 24. The mission is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through direct, team-based national and community service. A group of eight to 10 young adults serve local communities for eight weeks. This year special consideration will be given to projects related to energy conservation and disaster preparedness/response.

- Eligibility: Applicant organizations may be a community- or faith-based group, a federal government, state government, Indian tribal government, local government or municipality, national nonprofit organization, national or state park or school. In addition, the following must be provided: lodging, orientation to the community, project materials and tools/equipment, a supervisor for the team and support for service learning activities that address social issues related to the project.
- Deadline: Prior to submitting a proposal, a concept paper must be submitted for approval. Concept papers may be submitted at any time for 2018 projects, but the first of four rounds is due December 4, 2017.
- Contact: Amanda McCarty, Assistant Program Director

Phone: 443-503-8556 Email: amccarty@cns.gov

Website: https://www.nationalservice.gov/programs/americorps/americorps-nccc

On the private level...

RedRover, Domestic Violence Safe Escape Grants

RedRover offers financial assistance for victims of domestic violence and their pets through the Safe Escape grants program. The goal of the program is to help families with pets safely escape domestic violence together. Funding is mainly provided to help with the cost of temporary pet boarding while a client is in a domestic violence shelter, though other costs, like vaccinations that are needed to enter boarding, can be considered. It is the responsibility of the shelter advocate to work with the survivor

to locate and contact kennels and/or clinics that are affordable and willing to work with RedRover. Grant applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and responded to within one business day.

- Eligibility: For the safety of the client, applications must be submitted by a domestic violence shelter representative (preferably the client's advocate) on behalf of the client. The program is unable to respond to requests by email, phone, fax or mail. In addition, the client must live in the United States and be actively working with a domestic violence shelter, as well as providing regular updates to the domestic violence agency representative about their pet(s).
- Funding: RedRover will pay the kennel and/or veterinarian once care is complete and RedRover has received a final invoice. Kennels and veterinarians must be willing to provide a Form W-9 if grants exceed \$600 in a calendar year.
- Deadline: These grants are given as needed due to their emergency nature.

Contact:

Phone: 916-429-2457 Email: info@redrover.org

Website: https://redrover.org/domestic-

violence-safe-escape-grants

Scholars Awards...

American Quarter Horse Foundation (AQHF) Scholarship Program

The mission of the AQHF Scholarship Program is to foster educational opportunities for future industry professionals wishing to pursue careers that are tied either directly or indirectly to the horse industry. Recipients are selected based on academic achievement, financial need and Quarter Horse involvement, as well as an applicant's outstanding leadership and communication skills.

- Eligibility: Eligibility of applicants is based on the individual criteria and requirements provided for each scholarship offered.
- **Funding:** Numerous scholarships ranging from \$500 to the tens of thousands are available. A total of \$365,875 was awarded for the 2017-18 academic year.
- Deadline: All scholarship applications are due December 1, 2017.

Contact: Laura Owens Phone: 806- 378-5034 Email: owens@aqha.org

Website: https://www.aqha.com/foundation/

pages/scholarship-application





Grant writing

The Foundation Center

The Foundation Center has scheduled the following free training classes.

Introduction to Finding Grants

Classroom: December 5

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

Introduction to Project Budgets (Proposal Budgeting Basics)

Classroom: December 7

This class will provide attendees with step-by-step instructions on how to generate a standard project budget for a foundation proposal. Prior attendance at Introduction to Proposal Writing is strongly recommended.

Introduction to Proposal Writing Classroom: December 12

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

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.

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