

**OPEN CONTESTS/AWARDS  
November 2013**

**MADD Power of You(th) Video Contest**

Enter MADD's Power of You(th) Video Contest by answering the question, "If You Don't Drink Alcohol Today, What Could Your Tomorrow Be?" with a 15-second Instagram video. The contest winner and the school with the most submissions will EACH win \$1,500! Entrants must be U.S. citizens between the ages of 13 and 18.

Deadline: December 20

Website: <http://www.madd.org/underage-drinking/power-of-youth/power-of-youth-video-contest.html>

**2014 C-SPAN StudentCam Competition**

StudentCam is an annual national video documentary competition that encourages students to think critically about issues that affect our communities and our nation, sponsored by C-SPAN. StudentCam's theme for 2014 is: "A Message to the U.S. Congress: What's the most important issue the U.S. Congress should consider in 2014?" Maximum award: \$5,000, plus \$750 to spend on digital video equipment for his/her school. Eligibility: students grades 6-12, individually or in teams.

Deadline: January 20

Website: <http://www.studentcam.org/>

**Everyday Young Hero Award**

The Everyday Young Hero program highlights one outstanding youth a week that are making extraordinary contributions and commitments to service. Nominations must come from a parent, teacher, or other adult mentor. The Everyday Young Hero award is open to those between the ages of 5-25. Winners receive an announcement in YSA's weekly National Serving e-Briefing, a certificate and letter from YSA's President and CEO, a customized press release, and publicity on the YSA's website, Twitter and Facebook accounts.

Deadline: rolling.

Website: [www.YSA.org/awards/hero](http://www.YSA.org/awards/hero)

**NSTA/PASCO: STEM Educator Awards**

The National Science Teachers Association PASCO STEM Educator awards recognize excellence and innovation in the field of STEM education at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels. Maximum award: \$1,500 to cover travel expenses to attend the NSTA national conference and be part of a STEM share-a-thon workshop; a \$1,000 monetary gift; a \$2,000 certificate for PASCO scientific products; and recognition during the Awards Banquet at the NSTA national conference. Eligibility: K-12 STEM educators with a minimum of 3 years teaching experience in the STEM fields, who implement innovative inquiry-based, technology-infused STEM programs.

Deadline: November 30

Website: <http://www.nsta.org/docs/awards/STEMEducator.pdf>

*Taken primarily from grantwrangler.com and gantstation.com*

### **NSTA: Ron Mardigian Memorial Biotechnology Explorer Award**

The National Science Teachers Association Ron Mardigian Memorial Biotechnology Explorer Award recognizes an outstanding high school teacher who has made biotechnology learning accessible to the classroom. Maximum award: \$1,000 towards expenses to attend the NSTA National Conference; \$700 in Bio-Rad products; and recognition at the National Conference Awards Banquet. Eligibility: high school teachers.

Deadline: November 30

Website: <http://www.nsta.org/docs/awards/Mardigian.pdf>

### **AIA/NAR: Team America Rocketry Challenge**

The Team America Rocketry Challenge is the world's largest rocket contest, sponsored by the Aerospace Industries Association (AIA) and the National Association of Rocketry (NAR). Teams of three to ten students design, build, and fly a model rocket that reaches a specific altitude and duration determined by a set of rules developed each year. The contest is designed to encourage students to study math and science and pursue careers in aerospace. The top 100 teams go to Washington, D.C. for the national finals in May. Maximum award: \$60,000 in cash and scholarships split between the top 10 finishers. NASA invites top teams to participate in its Student Launch Initiative, an advanced rocketry program. Eligibility: The application for a team must come from a single school or a single U.S. incorporated non-profit youth or educational organization (excluding the National Association of Rocketry, Tripoli Rocketry Association, or any other rocket club or organization). Team members must be students who are currently enrolled in grades 7 through 12 in a U.S. school or homeschool. Teams may have members from other schools or other organizations and may obtain financing from any source, not limited to their sponsoring organization. Teams must be supervised by an adult approved by the principal of the sponsoring school, or by an officially appointed adult leader of their sponsoring organization. Minimum team size is three students and maximum is ten students. Each student member must make a significant contribution to the designing, building, and/or launching of the team's entry.

Deadline: December 1

Website: <http://www.nar.org/TChallenge.html>

### **Earthwatch Institute: Fellowships**

The Earthwatch Institute offers educators fully funded fellowships for hands-on learning with leading scientists doing field research and conservation on projects around the world. Maximum award: fully funded fellowship. Eligibility: elementary, middle, and high school educators and administrators of any discipline.

Deadline: two weeks after educator-interest application is submitted; ultimate deadline May 1, 2014.

Website: <http://earthwatch.org/education/teacher-fellowships>

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### **Sodexo: Steven J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarship**

The Sodexo Steven J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarship program supports the education of young people working to end hunger in communities across the United States, and brings attention to the innovative and effective solutions they are implementing toward ending hunger in their lifetime. Maximum award: a \$5,000 scholarship award and a matching \$5,000 grant in their name for the hunger-related charity of their choice. Eligibility: students enrolled in an accredited education institution (kindergarten through graduate school) in the United States who can demonstrate an ongoing commitment to hunger-relief activities in their community.

Deadline: December 5

Website: [http://www.sodexofoundation.org/hunger\\_us/scholarships/scholarships.asp](http://www.sodexofoundation.org/hunger_us/scholarships/scholarships.asp)

### **Children's Tylenol: National Child Care Teacher Awards**

The Terri Lynne Lokoff/Children's Tylenol National Child Care Teacher Awards acknowledge the critical role of child-care teachers in providing quality early care and education. Applicants are asked to design an enhancement project for children in their classroom, illustrating the educational, social, and emotional benefits from the project. Maximum award: \$5,500.

Eligibility: teachers of infants, toddlers, or preschool-age children employed in a home-, group-, or center-based program that is fully compliant with local and state regulations for operating child care programs.

Deadline: December 6

Website: [http://www.tlccf.org/pr\\_nccta.php](http://www.tlccf.org/pr_nccta.php)

### **NGA/Mantis: Mantis Award**

The National Gardening Association Mantis Awards to charitable and educational garden projects that enhance the quality of life in their host communities. Maximum award: NGA selects 19 outstanding applicants to receive Mantis tiller/cultivators. Eligibility: Applicants must operate a charitable or educational program that is not-for-profit in the United States.

Deadline: March 7

Website: <http://grants.kidsgardening.org/2014-mantis-tiller-award>

### **Toshiba/NSTA: ExploraVision Awards**

All inventions and innovations result from creative thinking and problem-solving. The Toshiba/National Science Teachers Association ExploraVision Awards Program encourages kids to create and explore a vision of future technology by combining their imaginations with the tools of science. Maximum award: \$10,000 bond per student on winning team. Eligibility: Students K-12.

Deadline: January 30

Website: <http://www.exploravision.org/>

### **Innovation Generation: Christopher Columbus Awards**

The Christopher Columbus Awards is a national, community-based STEM competition for middle school students and teachers looking to make a difference in their community. Working in teams, students identify a problem in the community and apply the scientific method to create an innovative solution. Maximum award: \$25,000 grant. Eligibility: schools (grades 6-8) and community groups.

Deadline: February 3

Website: <http://www.christophercolumbusawards.com/>

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**Enslow Publishers, Inc.: \$100 of Free Books**

Every month, Enslow Publishers, Inc. chooses a winner to receive \$100 worth of any Enslow title. Books are available for K-12. For a chance to win, entrants must fill out an online form.

Deadline: December 1

Website: <http://www.enslow.com/raffle#.Uou0pcSsim4>

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**NEA: The Big Read**

The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts to restore reading to the center of American culture by providing citizens with the opportunity to read and discuss a single book within their communities. The initiative includes innovative reading programs in selected cities and towns, comprehensive resources for discussing classic literature, and an extensive website providing comprehensive information on authors and their works. Maximum award: varies. Eligibility: literary organizations, libraries, and community organizations across the country.

Deadline: January 28

Website: <http://www.neabigread.org/>

**Fund for Teachers: Grants**

The Fund for Teachers offers direct grants to teachers to support summer learning opportunities of their own design. Maximum award: \$5,000. Eligibility: teachers grades pre-kindergarten through 12, with a minimum of three years teaching experience, full-time, spending at least 50 percent of the time in the classroom at the time grants are approved and made.

Deadline: varies by state.

Website: <http://www.fundforteachers.org/>

**Starbucks Foundation: Youth Action Grant**

The Starbucks Foundation is interested in supporting organizations that equip young people in the areas of Business Savvy -- the ability to leverage opportunities with integrity and innovation, and to make good decisions and achieve results;

Social Conscience -- the impact an individual and enterprise can have on the community; and

Collaborative Communication -- engaging others in an inclusive manner across teams, functions, and cultures, and leveraging new and creative ways of communication. Maximum award:

\$30,000. Eligibility: organizations working with youth ages 15 to 24.

Deadline: December 15

Website: <http://www.starbucks.com/responsibility/community/youth-action/grant>

**Captain Planet Foundation: Grants for the Environment**

The Captain Planet Foundation funds hands-on environmental projects to encourage youth around the world to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities. Maximum award: \$2,500. Eligibility: 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, including schools, with an annual operating budget of less than \$3 million.

Deadline: January 31

Website: <http://captainplanetfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/>

### **Do Something: Seed Grants**

Do Something Seed Grants for youth can be used towards project ideas and programs that are just getting started, or to jump-start a program and realize ideas for the first time. These grants can also be used towards projects that are already developed and sustainable, towards the next steps of a project and organization as it looks to expand and grow impact. Maximum award: \$500. Eligibility: community projects that are youth-led and driven.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.dosomething.org/grants/general>

### **Fender Music Foundation: Grants**

Fender Music Foundation grants are awarded to music academies, schools, local music programs and national music programs across America, particularly in-school music classes, in which the students make music; after-school music programs that are not run by the school; and music therapy programs, in which the participants make the music. Maximum award: up to 8 instruments. Eligibility: established, ongoing and sustainable music programs in the United States, which provide music instruction for people of any age who would not otherwise have the opportunity to make music.

Deadline: rolling.

Website: <http://www.fendermusicfoundation.org/grants/?sec=info>

### **Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation: Literacy and Education Grants**

The Build-A-Bear Workshop Bear Hugs Foundation provides literacy and education grants to support summer reading programs, early childhood education programs, and literacy programs for children with special needs. Grants generally range between \$1,000 to \$10,000, but the average grant is \$1,500.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.buildabear.com/shopping/contents/content.jsp?catId=400002&id=700013>

### **LEGO Children's Fund Grants**

The LEGO Children's Fund provides quarterly grants to programs with a special interest in collaborative efforts and raising matching funds. The Foundation gives priority consideration to programs that meet their goals and are supported in volunteer time and effort by LEGO employees. Grants will be awarded to qualified tax-exempt organizations, including educational organizations with specific, identifiable needs primarily in early childhood education and development, technology and communication projects, and sport or athletic programs that concentrate on under-served youth. Typical awards are \$500-5,000.

Deadline: rolling.

Website: <http://www.legochildrensfund.org/Guidelines.html>

*Taken primarily from grantwrangler.com and gantstation.com*

### **Barnes & Noble Booksellers: Sponsorships and Charitable Donations**

Barnes & Noble considers local and national support requests from non-profit organizations that focus on literacy, the arts, or education (preK–12). They also consider sponsorship opportunities where they can partner with organizations that focus their core businesses on higher learning, literacy, and the arts. Eligible recipients are either local literary, arts, or educational organizations seeking a sponsorship or donation from a Barnes & Noble store or national literary, arts, or educational organizations seeking a charitable donation or sponsorship opportunity from a Barnes & Noble corporate office.

Deadline: rolling.

Website: [http://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/our\\_company/sponsorship/Sponsorship\\_main.html](http://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/our_company/sponsorship/Sponsorship_main.html)

### **Dirksen Congressional Center: Robert H. Michel Special Project Grants**

Sponsored by the Dirksen Congressional Center, the Robert H. Michel Special Project Grants support work that enhances understanding of the U.S. Congress. Eligible applicants are scholars who conduct research about Congress and teachers who teach social studies, history, government, or political science. Accordingly, the grants are intended to fund work that advances the public understanding of the federal legislature through research and teaching. Examples of eligible projects include conferences involving congressional scholars, efforts by teachers to develop creative ways to teach their students about Congress, and publications, especially those with appeal beyond academia. Individual awards will generally fall in the \$2,500 to \$5,000 range.

Deadline: rolling.

Website: [http://www.dirksencenter.org/print\\_grants\\_specialprojects.htm](http://www.dirksencenter.org/print_grants_specialprojects.htm)

### **American Honda Foundation: Youth and Scientific Education Grants**

The American Honda Foundation makes grants to nonprofits, programs, and organizations that directly benefit science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) youth education. Among those eligible are K-12 educational institutions, non-profit organizations, gifted student programs, media concerning youth education, youth education projects, programs pertaining to academic or curriculum development that emphasize innovative educational methods and techniques, and more.

Deadline: rolling.

Website: <http://corporate.honda.com/america/philanthropy.aspx?id=ahf>

### **Discover: Pathway to Financial Success Grant**

Discover is investing up to \$10 million in financial education, and any high school can apply for a grant toward a financial education curriculum. Applying schools must have implemented or be looking to implement a financial education curriculum; have a measurement tool planned or in place to assess participation in and comprehension of the financial education curriculum; and agree to share overall results of the measurement tool's pre- and post-curriculum testing with Discover upon the program's completion to assess what worked and what didn't. Maximum award: varies. Eligibility: high schools in the United States.

Deadline: none

Website: <http://www.pathwaytofinancialsuccess.org/get-a-grant>

*Taken primarily from grantwrangler.com and gantstation.com*

### **Bonnie Plants: 3rd-Grade Cabbage Program**

Bonnie Plants delivers millions of free cabbage plants each year to students in third grade classes throughout the country. The program offers students a chance to get a unique, hands-on gardening experience through growing colossal cabbages, reaping hefty harvests, and the possibility of winning "best in state" and a scholarship. Maximum award: \$1,000 scholarship towards education from Bonnie Plants. Eligibility: teachers of 3<sup>rd</sup> grade nationally, with the exception of Alaska and Hawaii.

Deadline: February 1

Website: <http://bonniecabbageprogram.com/>

### **USGA/Alliance: Grants for the Good of the Game**

The National Alliance for Accessible Golf (Alliance) and the United States Golf Association (USGA) believe that golf should be open to everyone and support a wide variety of programs that create opportunities for individuals with disabilities to participate in the sport. They especially encourage inclusive programming-- opportunities that allow participants with disabilities and participants without disabilities to learn and play the game side by side. Maximum award: \$20,000. Eligibility: tax-exempt, nonprofit organizations as defined under Section SOI(c) 3 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code or government entities such as public schools or municipalities.

Deadline: rolling.

Website: [http://www.accessgolf.org/grants/alliance\\_grants.cfm](http://www.accessgolf.org/grants/alliance_grants.cfm)

### **VH1 Save the Music Foundation**

The VH1 Save the Music Foundation works to fully restore instrumental music in all public elementary and middle schools within a district. VH1 is offering Save the Music Grants to elementary and middle schools that do not currently have instrumental music and that plan to add instrumental music to the regular school curriculum, offering at least weekly in-school instrumental music classes for interested students. (General music and recorder can and should be currently available at the school.) The school must be prepared to implement an instrumental music instruction curriculum with a certified, qualified instructor.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.vh1savethemusic.org/node/39>

### **Share Our Strength**

Share Our Strength awards grants of \$5,000 - 10,000 to non-profit organizations, schools, and other eligible organizations involved in the following activities:

- \* Increasing access to after-school snack and meal programs or childcare programs supported through CACFP
- \* Increasing access to summer meals programs supported through the Summer Food Service Program or the National School Lunch "Seamless Summer" Program
- \* Educating and enrolling more eligible families in SNAP/WIC
- \* Increasing the availability of Universal School Breakfast through alternative models such as in-classroom breakfast and grab-n-go
- \* Advocacy around any of the above anti-hunger issues

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.strength.org/grants/>

### **Charles Stewart Mott Foundation: Improving Community Education**

Sponsored by the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, the Improving Community Education program seeks to ensure that education serves as a pathway out of poverty. Funding is made under 3 categories:

#### **Community-Driven Reform:**

Grant funds support groups working to address the causes of inequitable education, including powerlessness, lack of opportunities, poverty and its effects, high dropout rates, achievement gaps, and inadequate schools.

#### **Vulnerable Youth:**

Grant funds aim to strengthen and improve program models, policies, and field efforts that create successful and multiple pathways for youth who have dropped out of school and are not connected to relevant systems.

#### **Learning Beyond the Classroom:**

Grants provide optimum opportunities for academic support and enrichment for young people to learn and develop both in school, summer, and after-school programs. Central to this effort are partnerships between school and community-based organizations and other local institutions. The majority of grants are between \$15,000 and \$250,000.

Deadline: rolling

Website:

<http://www.mott.org/FundingInterests/programs/pathwaysoutofpoverty/improvingcommunityeducation.aspx>

### **Pets in the Classroom Grant**

The Pet Care Trust is awarding Pets in the Classroom Grants to K-6 teachers who wish to teach children how to care for pets. In order to receive a grant, teachers must shop at a local pet supply store. Grant certificates will be distributed in the amounts of \$50 - 150 and may be used to purchase new pets, pet environments, or pet food and supplies for existing classroom pets.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.petsintheclassroom.org/pets-in-the-classroom-add-some-excitement-to-your-classroom-pets-environment/>

### **Hungry for Music**

Hungry for Music provides musical instruments to individuals, schools, and community music programs that cannot afford them.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://hungryformusic.com/need-an-instrument/>

### **Earth Savers Club Grants**

Youth-led school, community, and faith-based groups with an environmental focus can sign up to become a partner of Greening Forward's Earth Savers Club Program. (It is free to become a partner.) Partners are granted access to a number of resources, including mini grants (\$50-500), social activism training, mentorships, and the Earth Saver Award.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.theearthsaversonline.org/>

*Taken primarily from grantwrangler.com and gantstation.com*

### **Batters Up USA: PE Equipment Grants**

Batters Up USA provides free baseball and softball equipment (including bats, balls, tee ball sets, helmets, catcher's gear, and bases) to local organizations. The company serves boys and girls recreational programs up to age 13. Priority will be given to programs serving a high percentage of youth in need, such as inner-city and after-school programs. Equipment will be provided on a first come, first served basis.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.battersupusa.org/Equipment.html>

### **Easton Sports Development Foundation: Grants for Archery or Bow Hunting**

Each year, the Easton Sports Development Foundation gives grants that benefit archery and bow hunting programs. Grant requests of less than \$25,000 from schools and qualified 501(c)3 organizations may be eligible to receive funding at any time. Grant requests that exceed \$25,000 may also receive funding if submitted before March 1 or September 1 of each year.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.esdf.org/apply-for-grant/>

### **Office Depot Foundation Grants**

The Office Depot Foundation will give cash donations to non-profit organizations, schools, and libraries that bring systemic change to the communities they serve. Grant amounts will be between \$50-10,000. The majority of grants will be in the vicinity of \$1,000 and be supported by in-kind donations when inventory allows.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.officedepotfoundation.org/eligibility.asp>

### **Allstate Foundation: Teen Safe Driving Program**

The goal of the Allstate Foundation Teen Safe Driving Program is to help instill a lifetime of safe driving attitudes and behaviors in teens. The Foundation will give grants of varying amounts to programs that help grow the KTD teen-to-teen smart driving movement, provide unique and innovative ways to make smart driving socially acceptable to teens, and engage Allstate agents and employees as volunteers in the program. To be eligible for funding, an organization must be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code, or be a municipal, state, or federal government entity.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://www.allstatefoundation.org/funding-guidelines>

### **KaBOOM! Let's Play Engineered Wood Fiber Surfacing Grants and Let's Play Maintenance Grants**

**Deadline: Rolling (Monthly)**

Thanks to generous support from Dr Pepper Snapple Group, KaBOOM! will be awarding grants of \$750 each to communities who wish to top-off their Engineered Wood Fiber safety surfacing or who are working to make their existing playgrounds cleaner, safer and more inviting. The Let's Play Engineered Wood Fiber Surfacing Grant and Let's Play Maintenance.

Deadline: rolling

Website: <http://bit.ly/12zv3lc>

**Support for Children's Theatre Productions: Children's Theatre Foundation of America: Aurand Harris Grants Program**

The Children's Theatre Foundation of America's grantmaking focus is on theatre for children and youth, the utilization of drama/theatre in education for children grades K-12, and development opportunities for theatre artists working in the area of children's theatre in the United States. The Foundation's Aurand Harris Grants Program supports small and mid-sized nonprofit theatres for premieres of promising new plays for children and youth; the establishment of special production programs of children's theatre such as a touring program, a children's theatre playwriting program, or a production related symposium for a new work; assistance in securing scripts, supplies, and equipment for the production of premieres of promising new plays for young audiences; and performance expenses of U.S. children's theatres to send new plays to regional, national, or international festivals or conventions. Grants range from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Deadline: January 15

Website: <http://www.childrenstheatrefoundation.org/page3/page14/>

**Programs Promoting Education and Equity for Women and Girls Funded American Association of University Women: Community Action Grants**

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) works to advance educational and professional opportunities for women in the United States. The AAUW Community Action Grants program provides funds to individuals, AAUW organizations, and local community-based nonprofit organizations throughout the country for innovative programs or non-degree research projects that promote education and equity for women and girls. Special consideration is given to projects focused on K-12 and community college girls' and women's achievements in science, technology, engineering, or math. One-year grants of \$2,000 to \$7,000 provide funds for community-based projects that include a clearly defined activity that promotes education and equality for women and girls. Two-year grants of \$5,000 to \$10,000 provide start-up funds for new projects that address the particular needs of the community and develop girls' sense of efficacy through leadership or advocacy opportunities.

Deadline: January 15

Website: <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/community-action-grants/>

**Grants Encourage Community Gardening: Project Orange Thumb**

Project Orange Thumb, sponsored by Fiskars, is dedicated to supporting the community garden movement throughout the U.S. and Canada. Support is provided for local projects that will make differences in their communities through unique community garden initiatives while demonstrating how a small group of people can make changes that affect the entire community. Ten winners will receive \$5,000 in cash and Fiskars garden tools to help support their goals of neighborhood beautification and horticulture education, and one applicant will receive a complete garden makeover. Project Orange Thumb is intended to promote new garden spaces and garden expansions. Nonprofit organizations, public schools, and municipalities in the U.S. and Canada are eligible to apply.

Deadline: December 31

Website: [Fiskars.com/projectorangethumb](http://Fiskars.com/projectorangethumb)

### **ArtPlace America: Innovation Grants Program**

ArtPlace America is a collaboration of major regional and national foundations and financial institutions dedicated to accelerating creative placemaking across the United States. ArtPlace's Innovation Grants Program supports initiatives involving arts organizations, artists, and designers working in partnership with local and national partners on place-based strategies that increase the vibrancy and diversity of their communities. Priority is given to projects that lead through the arts, enjoy strong local buy-in, integrate with a community's economic development and community revitalization strategy, and have the potential to attract additional private and public support to the community. ArtPlace gives some emphasis to applications from selected localities; however, applications are welcome from urban and rural regions all across the U.S. Deadline: December 13

Website: <http://www.artplaceamerica.org/articles/artplace-america-launches-2014-innovation-grant-applications/>

### **Grassroots Social Justice Groups Funded: RESIST**

RESIST offers support to grassroots groups engaged in activist organizing for economic, social, and environmental justice in the United States. General support grants of up to \$4,000 are provided to small budget groups who struggle towards a broad vision of social justice, while opposing political and institutional oppression. RESIST's interests include community organizing and anti-racism projects, economic justice, environmental protection, LGBTQ rights, disability issues, labor organizing, and Native American organizing, among others. Requests are reviewed six times per year; the next deadline is December 7, 2013.

Website: <http://www.resistinc.org/grants/programs>

### **Laura Bush Foundation: Support for K-12 School Libraries in Low-Income Communities**

The goal of the Laura Bush Foundation for America's Libraries is to provide print books to the K-12 school libraries and students that need them the most. Grants of up to \$5,000 are available to update, extend, and diversify the book collections of school libraries throughout the United States. Only schools where a minimum of 80% of the student body qualifies for the federal Free or Reduced Lunch Program are eligible to apply. Funds are provided solely for print or Braille volumes, audio-books, e-books, or magazines/serials copies or subscriptions; requests for staffing, shelving, furniture, equipment, software, videos, classroom book sets, or exams are not considered. All grants are made to individual schools rather than to school districts, foundations, or other entities.

Deadline: December 2

Website: <http://www.laurabushfoundation.com/>

### **JCP Cares: Local, Regional, and National Organizations Supported**

The JC Penney Company's corporate giving program, jcp cares, supports nonprofit organizations at local, regional, and national levels. The grantmaking focus areas include health and welfare, education, and arts and culture. Letters of inquiry may be submitted throughout the year. Organizations that are selected to move forward in the application process will be contacted within 30 days with instructions on preparing a full proposal.

Deadline: rolling

Website:

<http://www.jcpenney.com/dotcom/jsp/browse/marketing/promotion.jsp?pageId=pg40013300014>