

## Photographic Instrumentation Engineers

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**Description:** The Society of Photographic Instrumentation Engineers (SPIE), the international society for optics and photonics, provides grant support for education projects related to optics and photonics, including science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) activities with an optics or photonics component. Proposed projects are judged on their potential to impact a large audience and increase awareness and interest in optics and photonics.

Eligible applicants include nonprofit entities; elementary, middle, and high schools (projects for students and teachers); colleges and universities; youth clubs; optics centers; industry associations; international optical societies; and science centers. Previous grant recipients may apply again if they have fulfilled reporting requirements for previous awards. New applications must show new activities beyond those previously funded. Programs that have received an Education Outreach Grant twice in a period of five years are eligible to apply for further support only through a Sustaining Grant, which has a smaller maximum amount. There is no limit on the number of Sustaining Grants a program may request, though the process is competitive each time. The same application form should be used for Education Outreach and Sustaining Grants.

Applicants requesting funds for the sole purchase of classroom equipment to support teaching may not be funded. Clarity and structure of a project and a clear time line and budget are important considerations in funding decisions. Complete applications must be submitted via the online system.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)
- Award(s):** Education Outreach Grants up to \$5,000 and Sustaining Grants up to \$2,000 are awarded.
- Deadline(s):** **Applications are due January 31 and May 31, annually.**
- Focus:** Engineering
- Grade Level(s):** K-2, 3-5, 6-8, Higher Ed, Adult, 9-12
- Content Area(s):** Science
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Critical Thinking, Digital Literacy, Innovation, Problem Solving
- State(s):** National

**The DuPont  
Challenge Science  
Essay  
Competition:  
Middle  
School/High  
School Divisions**

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- Website:** <http://thechallenge.dupont.com/essay/teachers/>
- Contact:** DuPont Center for Corporate Philanthropy and Education  
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- Email: [thedupontchallenge@gmail.com](mailto:thedupontchallenge@gmail.com) (For questions)

**Description:** The DuPont Challenge aims to help increase science literacy among students and motivate them to excel in communicating ideas in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Students write and submit essays that address a topic of their interest within four categories of challenges. Students compete in the Junior Division for grades 6, 7, and 8, or the Senior Division for grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.

Eligible applicants are students currently enrolled in grades 6 through 12 and attending a public, private, or home school in the United States, Puerto Rico, and Guam. Students enrolled in grades 6 through 12 in Department of Defense schools are also eligible.

To enter, students must write an original essay of not fewer than 700 words and not more than 1,000 words on a topic that falls under one of four specified categories. Essays must have a clear connection to science or technology; be written in English; not include illustrations, graphics, or diagrams; and not include footnotes or endnotes. The word count (excluding bibliography) must be included at the end of the essay. The student's name, school name, or any other personal information cannot appear in the essay.

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Sponsoring teachers of first-, second-, and third-place winners in Junior and Senior Divisions receive an expenses-paid trip with their student to Walt Disney World Resort and NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Orlando, Florida; first-place sponsoring teachers also receive an all-expenses-paid trip to the National Science Teachers Association conference; second-place sponsoring teachers receive \$500 teaching grant; third-place sponsoring teachers receive \$250 teaching grant, plus classroom resources. Student first-, second-, and third-place winners from both divisions receive the

Orlando trip and savings bonds of \$5,000 (first place); \$3,000 (second place); \$1,000 (third place); \$200 (honorable mention), plus resource materials.

**Deadline(s):** **Essays are accepted November 15, 2015, through January 31, 2016.**

**Focus:** Engineering, STEM, Technology, Technology Ed

**Grade Level(s):** 6-8, 9-12

**Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Reading/English/Language Arts, Science

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Innovation, Problem Solving

**State(s):** National

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#### **Sponsored by The Albert Pick Jr. Fund**

**Website:** [http://www.albertpickjrfund.org/program\\_categories0.asp](http://www.albertpickjrfund.org/program_categories0.asp)  
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**Description:** The Albert Pick Jr. Fund supports programs that serve the economically disadvantaged through community and civic engagement, culture, education, health, and human services. Eligible applicants are 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations located in Chicago, Illinois. There is a preference for applications from neighborhoods or people who are economically disadvantaged. Individual elementary and secondary schools are not eligible as applicants, but may participate as project partners.

Grant making is restricted to the focus areas described under the following funding categories:

1. Community and Civic Engagement Grants support programs that increase the participation of youth and adults in the civic processes that affect their lives and the well-being of their neighborhoods. Examples are engaging parents in school reform, or a youth program that gives youth a voice in neighborhood violence prevention.
2. Culture Grants support projects that strengthen the Chicago arts sector by improving the capacity of smaller arts organizations and assist arts and nonarts organizations to initiate, replicate, improve, or expand arts programs within nonarts organizations. Examples are arts programs for children in foster care homes, or in organizations serving veterans.
3. Education Grants support projects that engage prekindergarten through grade 12 students in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); provide professional development to increase the capacity of educators to effectively teach STEM subjects; target minority populations or girls for STEM education and careers; and increase creative in-school, out-of-school, and at-home learning environments for kindergarten through grade 12 students.
4. Health and Human Services Grants support programs that reduce violence affecting children and youth in and around schools and neighborhoods, especially those who have dropped out of school, have had previous histories with the juvenile justice system, or have been exposed to trauma. Grants will also support programs that increase the use of the full range of health, dental, medical, and mental health services by children and youth. Examples are LGBT-friendly health services, peer education to alert teens of health issues, and mobile clinics that reach youth where they are. Beginning in 2015, priority will be given to restorative justice programs and mental health programs.

**Eligibility:** Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Awards range from \$15,000 to \$100,000.

**Deadline(s):** Applications are due January 22, March 18, June 18, and September 16, annually.

**Focus:** After School, At Risk, Character Education, Engineering, Family/Social Services, Professional Development, STEM, Technology Ed, Underserved Populations

**Grade Level(s):** Higher Ed, Adult, 9-12, 3-5, K-2, PreK, 6-8

**Content Area(s):** Arts, Health, Mathematics, Science, Social Sciences

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Civic Literacy, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Health Literacy

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**Sponsored by American Honda Foundation**

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**Description:** The American Honda Foundation supports education with a specific focus on the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); the environment; job training; and literacy. It engages in grant making that reflects the basic tenets, beliefs, and philosophies of Honda companies, which are characterized by the following qualities: imaginative, creative, youthful, scientific, humanistic, and innovative.

The foundation seeks proposals from programs that have a well-defined sense of purpose, a commitment to making the best use of available resources, a reputation for accomplishing their objectives, innovative and creative methods, a broad scope, a high potential for success, dedication to improving the human condition of all mankind, financial and administrative

soundness, and an urgent need of funding from a priority basis.

Eligible applicants are 501(c)(3) public charities, public school districts, and private and public elementary and secondary schools with a program focused on youth ages birth to 21 and scientific education. Applications must be submitted online and are reviewed on a quarterly basis. Applications not received by the deadline will be reviewed during the following cycle.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations), Charter
- Award(s):** Awards range from \$20,000 to \$75,000 over a one-year period.
- Deadline(s):** **Applications are due May 1, August 1, November 1, and February 1.**
- Focus:** Engineering, Environmental Education, STEM, Technology, Vocational Education
- Grade Level(s):** Higher Ed, 9-12, PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8
- Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Civic Literacy, Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Global Awareness, Innovation, Problem Solving

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**Sponsored by Westinghouse Electric Company**

**Website:** <http://www.westinghousenuclear.com/About/Community-and-Education/Charitable-Giving-Program>

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**Description:** Westinghouse Electric Company supports the communities in which its employees live and work and where it does business through the Charitable Giving Program. Westinghouse makes grants in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education; environmental sustainability; and community vitality.

Westinghouse believes STEM education serves to create a pipeline of those individuals who fill future jobs in the energy sector worldwide. It supports enhancing STEM subject matter for students or teachers in all grades, from kindergarten through college and university level to the general public. The company seeks to provide an interest in STEM careers among youth.

Eligible applicants are 501(c)(3) organizations located within 100 miles of a Westinghouse site in Arizona, California, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and Washington. Proposals not received by the deadlines are held for the next meeting. Proposals must be submitted by postal mail or email.

**Eligibility:** Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Grants up to \$5,000 are awarded.

**Deadline(s):** **Applications are due August 10 and December 10, annually.**

**Focus:** Engineering, STEM, Technology Ed

**Grade Level(s):** K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Adult, Higher Ed

**Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Critical Thinking, Innovation, Problem Solving



**State(s):** Arizona, California, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Washington

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**Sponsored by American Honda Foundation**

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**Description:** The American Honda Foundation supports education with a specific focus on the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); the environment; job training; and literacy. It engages in grant making that reflects the basic tenets, beliefs, and philosophies of Honda companies, which are characterized by the following qualities: imaginative, creative, youthful, scientific, humanistic, and innovative.

The foundation seeks proposals from programs that have a well-defined sense of purpose, a commitment to making the best use of available resources, a reputation for accomplishing their objectives, innovative and creative methods, a broad scope, a high potential for success, dedication to improving the human condition of all mankind, financial and administrative soundness, and an urgent need of funding from a priority basis.

Eligible applicants are 501(c)(3) public charities, public school

districts, and private and public elementary and secondary schools with a program focused on youth ages birth to 21 and scientific education. Applications must be submitted online and are reviewed on a quarterly basis. Applications not received by the deadline will be reviewed during the following cycle.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations), Charter
- Award(s):** Awards range from \$20,000 to \$75,000 over a one-year period.
- Deadline(s):** **Applications are due May 1, August 1, November 1, and February 1.**
- Focus:** Engineering, Environmental Education, STEM, Technology, Vocational Education
- Grade Level(s):** Higher Ed, 9-12, PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8
- Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Civic Literacy, Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Global Awareness, Innovation, Problem Solving
- State(s):** National

## **Connect A Million Minds**

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### **Sponsored by Time Warner Cable**

**Website:** <http://www.connectamillionminds.com/request-support>

**Contact:** Time Warner Cable

Email: TWC.CAMM@twcable.com; or use the online contact form.

**Description:** Connect A Million Minds recognizes that hands-on learning opportunities are often the catalyst that sparks a young person's lifelong exploration of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

Additionally, these experiences help middle and high school students develop the skills they will need in order to become tomorrow's problem solvers. Programs that Connect A Million Minds supports include after-school STEM programs, mentorship programs that inspire the pursuit of STEM education and careers, STEM-related competitions, visitations to technology companies and labs, and apprenticeship programs.

To be eligible, organizations must:

- Have proof of 501(c)(3) or other tax exempt status.
- Provide youth ages 11 to 18 access to hands-on STEM learning opportunities in after-school settings.
- Serve communities in one or more Time Warner Cable markets.

<b>Eligibility:</b>	Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)
<b>Award(s):</b>	Awards vary.
<b>Deadline(s):</b>	<b>Applications will be accepted beginning January 4, 2016.</b>
<b>Focus:</b>	After School, Engineering, Interning/Mentoring, STEM, Technology
<b>Grade Level(s):</b>	6-8, 9-12
<b>Content Area(s):</b>	Mathematics, Science
<b>21st Century Themes and Skills:</b>	Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Digital Literacy, Information Literacy, Innovation, Media Literacy, Problem Solving
<b>State(s):</b>	Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin

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**Sponsored by National Science Foundation**

**Website:** [http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\\_summ.jsp?pims\\_id=504984&WT.mc\\_id=USNSF\\_39&WT.mc\\_id=USNSF\\_39](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=504984&WT.mc_id=USNSF_39&WT.mc_id=USNSF_39)

**Contact:** Chris Hoadley, Program Officer, CISE/IIS and EHR/DRL  
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See Program Solicitation for a list of additional contacts.

**Description:** The purpose of the Cyberlearning and Future Learning Technologies program is to integrate opportunities offered by emerging technologies with advances in what is known about how people learn to advance three interconnected thrusts: innovation (inventing and improving next-generation genres, or types, of learning technologies); advancing understanding of how people learn in technology-rich learning environments; and promoting broad use and transferability of new genres.

Awards will be made in three research categories, each focusing on a different stage of research development: Exploration (EXP), Design and Implementation (DIP), and Integration (INT). The program will also support small Capacity-Building Projects (CAP), such as conferences, workshops, and partnership-building activities.

There are no requirements for coverage of any particular content or skills, though support of learning in areas supported by National Science Foundation (NSF) is encouraged. Learners may be of any age and targeted learning environments may be formal or informal, traditional or nontraditional, collaborative or individual, or may combine or bridge several different types of learning venues.

CAPs may be submitted as proposals or as supplements to funded projects. These projects are for the purpose of partnership or team building, expanding the cyberlearning community and strengthening the capabilities of its new members, strengthening the ties between the several different

cyberlearning communities, moving new ideas to the fore, and enhancing capabilities and vision of the cyberlearning community. Proposers should contact a program officer before submitting CAP proposals.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)
- Award(s):** Partnership-building activities are funded for up to one year at \$50,000 total costs. Conferences, workshops, and short courses will typically not exceed \$100,000 for up to two years.
- Deadline(s):** **Applications are due the last Friday in March, the last Friday in July, and the first Monday in December, annually.**
- Focus:** General Education, Professional Development, Technology, Technology Ed
- Grade Level(s):** PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Adult, Higher Ed
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Critical Thinking
- State(s):** National

## Dunham Fund Grant

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### Sponsored by Dunham Fund

- Website:** <http://www.dunhamfund.org/requirements.html>
- Contact:** Dunham Fund  
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- Description:** The Dunham Fund's primary grant making goal is to measurably and permanently impact the Aurora, Illinois area through start-up support of new or uniquely enhanced educational and community development programs, and capital projects that address a documented need and are innovative, collaborative, and potentially self-sustaining. Because education is one of the keys to providing individuals with the long-term capability to help themselves, the Dunham Fund primarily focuses on education within a formal academic setting such as kindergarten through grade 12, college, and graduate school. In 2013, the fund continued to support major investments in STEM education for elementary to middle school age children.

There are two grant cycles, annually. Interested applicants should submit a Letter of Inquiry prior to the two annual deadlines. Organizations that have proposed projects of interest to the foundation will be extended an invitation to apply.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter
- Award(s):** Grants up to \$1 million are awarded.
- Deadline(s):** **Letters of Inquiry should be submitted prior to February 1 for Grant Cycle I or prior to June 1 for Grant Cycle II, annually.**
- Focus:** Community Involvement, Facilities/Maintenance, General Education, STEM, Technology, Technology Ed
- Grade Level(s):** K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Higher Ed
- Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Innovation, Problem Solving
- State(s):** Illinois

**Sponsored by PPG Industries Foundation**

**Website:** <http://www.ppgfoundation.com/Education.aspx>

**Contact:** PPG Industries Foundation

Email: [foundation@ppg.com](mailto:foundation@ppg.com)

**Description:** The PPG Industries Foundation favors projects that promote academic excellence and prepare the next generation of leaders in business, science, and technology. Support for students of high academic achievement and programs that attract young people to the study of science remain priorities for the foundation. PPG's strategy for support of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) initiatives is defined by the emerging macro trends that predict core markets, product offerings, and technology needs.

PPG supports STEM initiatives for nonprofit and governmental organizations reflecting the foundation's global footprint, emphasizing diversity and

underrepresented populations; focusing on programmatic initiatives in preference to capital requests or promotional opportunities; and tiered relative to type of support and eligibility at the local, state, regional, national, and global levels.

The foundation typically gives priority to applicants from organizations dedicated to enhancing the welfare of communities in which PPG is a resident, including: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Texas, Wisconsin, and Puerto Rico.

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Awards vary.

**Deadline(s):** **Applications are accepted year-round.**

**Focus:** Business Ed, Engineering, STEM, Technology Ed, Underserved Populations

**Grade Level(s):** Higher Ed, 9-12

**Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science

**21st Century Themes and Skills:**

Critical Thinking

**State(s):** National

### **Sponsored by Goodrich Foundation**

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Charlotte, NC 28217-4578

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**Description:** The Goodrich Foundation recognizes that its future success depends on a workforce with the right skills in science, mathematics, and technology, and is committed to investing in these vital areas. The foundation's grants support the following three focus areas: advancing science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education; supporting vibrant communities; and

building sustainable cities.

Within the STEM education focus area, the foundation seeks to support STEM education programs focused on the next generation of engineers and scientists in kindergarten through grade 12 and higher education. The foundation primarily supports national groups or organizations that have the potential to have widespread impact, such as university or museum programs.

**Eligibility:** Private, Public, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations), Charter

**Award(s):** Awards vary.

**Deadline(s):** **Applications are completed online and are due March 1 and August 1, annually. Trustees review applications on a quarterly basis.**

**Focus:** Career and College Readiness, Engineering, STEM, Technology Ed

**Grade Level(s):** K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Higher Ed

**Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Innovation, Problem Solving

**State(s):** National

**Sponsored by Boeing Company Charitable Trust**

**Website:** <http://www.boeing.com/principles/community-engagement.page#/education>

**Contact:** Boeing Company Charitable Trust  
Boeing Corporate Offices  
100 N. Riverside  
Chicago, IL 60606

Visit the website for contact information in geographic regions:  
<http://www.boeing.com/principles/community-engagement.page#/seeking-support>.

**Description:** Education is one of the areas of focus for Boeing's corporate-giving program. Boeing intends to help students gain fundamental twenty-first century skills relevant to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), such as the ability to think critically and solve problems, collaborate well, be



creative, and communicate effectively.

In the area of Early Learning, Boeing seeks to ensure that every child has access to quality early care and education. Boeing funds programs that improve the preparation of early caregivers and drive public awareness of the importance of early education. In the area of Educator Leadership Development, Boeing supports school and teacher leadership programs that support educators in shifting their practices so that they are equipped to create learning environments that allow students to practice and acquire twenty-first century skills. In the area of Problem-based Learning, Boeing funds problem-based learning opportunities related to STEM experiences and skills for students and their families.

It is advised that any organization seeking funding from Boeing first review the local grant-making guidelines before submitting a request for a grant. More information on country, state, and local office contacts may be found on the website.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)
- Award(s):** Awards vary.
- Deadline(s):** **Deadlines vary by location.**
- Focus:** Early Childhood, Engineering, Professional Development, STEM, Technology Ed
- Grade Level(s):** K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, PreK
- Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Problem Solving
- State(s):** National

**Sponsored by The Brinson Foundation**

- Website:** [http://www.brinsonfoundation.org/grant\\_seekers/grantseekers.shtml](http://www.brinsonfoundation.org/grant_seekers/grantseekers.shtml)
- Contact:** The Brinson Foundation  
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Chicago, IL 60611

Phone: 312.799.4500

Email: mail@brinsonfoundation.org

**Description:**

The Brinson Foundation supports education initiatives in nonprofit organizations that serve individuals and communities in the greater Chicago metropolitan area. Current focus areas are: (1) financial literacy programs that provide middle and high school students and adults with the basic financial and investment skills that are needed to succeed in life; (2) health care career development programs that spark interest among high school and college students in health care career paths, or enhance the skills of health care professionals; (3) high school and college access programs that provide financial support and other resources that are needed to enable motivated students with limited resources to attend schools that are best suited to help them achieve their full potential; (4) programs that educate and promote the principles of liberty, citizenship, and free enterprise to elementary through graduate school students and adults; (5) literacy programs that develop the reading skills of preschool through elementary school children, improve the pedagogy of their teachers, and ensure support for this learning among their parents; (6) science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) programs that provide STEM-related education to preschool through graduate school students, general STEM knowledge to the general public, or promote STEM-related careers; and (7) student health programs that foster the physical health of kindergarten through high school students to help them stay enrolled and be productive in school.

The foundation will consider a limited number of leading US-based programs outside of the Chicago area that reach broader populations across the US and internationally, or have the potential to have a meaningful impact on best practices at the national or international level. In most cases, the foundation will initiate contact with these prospective grantees.

There are two annual grant cycles. The first step to apply is completing the online Grantseeker Information Form that is accepted year-round, preceding a potential invitation to submit a full proposal. The foundation is highly selective in its consideration of new inquiries.

**Eligibility:**

Public, Private, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations), Charter

**Award(s):**

Recent education awards ranged from \$10,000 to \$100,000.

**Deadline(s):** Preliminary Grantseeker Information Forms are accepted year-round. If invited, applications are due the last business day of February and August, annually.

**Focus:** Career and College Readiness, Engineering, STEM, Student Scholarships, Technology Ed

**Grade Level(s):** Higher Ed, PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Adult

**Content Area(s):** Health, Mathematics, Science, Social Sciences

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Civic Literacy, Financial, Entrepreneurial, Economic, Business Literacy, Health Literacy

**State(s):** Illinois

**Sponsored by SC Johnson**

**Website:** <http://scjohnson.com/en/commitment/socialresponsibility/philanthropy/ApplyingForGrants.aspx>

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1525 Howe St.  
Racine, WI 53403-5011

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**Description:** SC Johnson supports institutions that serve or directly impact communities where it has major operations. However, it also supports requests that are regional or national in scope. The foundation makes grants in the areas of arts, culture, and humanities; community and economic development; education; health and wellness; social services; and environment and sustainability. Education Grants include support for programs that emphasize student academic achievement, with a focus on academic enrichment and advancement, early childhood, and kindergarten through grade 12 education; postsecondary institutions; and technical and vocational schools.

Eligible applicants must have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status or be a government entity, such as a school, library, or public agency. Applications must be submitted online.

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Awards vary.

**Deadline(s):** Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

**Focus:** Advanced Placement/Academic Achievement, Early Childhood, Family/Social Services, General Education, Technology Ed, Vocational Education

**Grade Level(s):** PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Adult, Higher Ed

**State(s):** National

**Sponsored by Vulcan Materials Company Foundation**

**Website:** <http://www.vulcanmaterials.com/social-responsibility/community/vulcan-foundation>

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Phone: 205.298.3000 (General inquiries)

Email: [giving@vmcmail.com](mailto:giving@vmcmail.com) (To request regional contact information)

**Description:** Vulcan Materials Company Foundation supports public schools and institutions of higher learning in the communities in which it operates. The foundation partners with public elementary and secondary schools in its operating communities to improve educational programs, and to date has adopted more than 276 schools. The foundation is also interested in efforts to encourage elementary and secondary school students to develop interests in mathematics, science, and business. The foundation also considers proposals from institutions of higher education that focus on science and engineering or improving public education. Priority is given to proposals that directly affect the outcome of the educational process, such as scholarships and science and technology programs.

Eligible applicants are public charities and units of government, such as public schools. The foundation generally does not fund private school projects. Applicants may apply directly for grants and should address proposals to the division charitable contributions officer for their region. Contact the foundation by email at the address above for information on the appropriate regional charitable contributions officer.

**Eligibility:** Public, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations), Charter

**Award(s):** Awards vary.

**Deadline(s):** Applications are accepted year-round.

**Focus:** Business Ed, Engineering, STEM, Technology, Technology Ed, Vocational Education

**Grade Level(s):** 6-8, 9-12, 3-5, K-2, Higher Ed

**Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Innovation, Problem Solving

**State(s):** Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia

**Sponsored by Shell Oil Company**

**Website:** <http://www.shell.us/environment-society/grant.html>

**Contact:** Shell Oil Company  
PO Box 2463  
Houston, TX 77252

Phone: 713.241.6161 (General number)

**Description:** Shell makes educational grants to qualified nonprofit groups, with special consideration given to requests from organizations in or near communities in the United States where Shell Oil Company has a major presence.

Grant requests related to education must focus on Shell's funding priorities. These include increasing interest in technical careers among students, and professional development in science and mathematics for educators. Funding is provided to support programs in kindergarten through grade 12 that are designed to boost students' mathematics and science skills. Shell also funds projects at vocational and technical schools where chemical and refinery operators and technicians are trained. At the university level, Shell supports programs that aid engineering and geoscience students and departments. Of particular interest are programs in mathematics, science, and technology that engage women or girls and minority students, and within academic institutions that have ethnically diverse enrollments.

The grant application is available online. Each application must include a brief statement describing the program's purpose, alignment to Shell guidelines, and quantifiable outcomes. Grants are made on a one-time basis. Groups that have previously received support from Shell may submit a new grant application but do not receive funding priority. Note that because of the volume of requests, Shell does not provide information on the status of grant applications.

- Eligibility:** Private, Public, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)
- Award(s):** Awards vary.
- Deadline(s):** **Grant applications are accepted year-round, with a limit of one grant application per organization per fiscal year (September to August).**
- Focus:** Career and College Readiness, Engineering, STEM, Technology, Technology Ed, Vocational Education
- Grade Level(s):** K-2, 6-8, 3-5, 9-12, Higher Ed
- Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Innovation, Problem Solving
- State(s):** National

### **Sponsored by The Meemic Foundation**

**Website:** <https://www.meemic.com/the-meemic-foundation/grant-opportunities.aspx>

**Contact:** The Meemic Foundation Grant Program  
1685 N. Opdyke Rd.  
Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Phone: 855.240.5567  
Email: [foundation@meemic.com](mailto:foundation@meemic.com)

**Description:** The Meemic Foundation supports excellence in education through grants for education programs and initiatives. Educator Grants are available for arts; behavior modification; physical education; history; literacy; science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); social studies, and special needs programs. Grants are intended for classroom projects, field trips,

school assemblies, and professional development for educators.

Eligible applicants are all personnel employed by public, private, parochial, or charter schools; colleges; and universities located in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Illinois. Preference is given to applications that demonstrate a need, projects that have a lasting impact, programs relating to classroom instruction, and projects that have the ability to be replicated. Applications should be submitted online.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)
- Award(s):** Grants up to \$500 are available.
- Deadline(s):** **Applications are due March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31, annually.**
- Focus:** Character Education, Engineering, Literacy, PreK-12, Professional Development, Special Needs, STEM, Technology, Technology Ed, Transportation
- Grade Level(s):** Higher Ed, 9-12, PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8
- Content Area(s):** Arts, Mathematics, Physical Education, Reading/English/Language Arts, Science, Social Sciences
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Digital Literacy, Information Literacy
- State(s):** Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin

**Sponsored by US Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration**

- Website:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=TechHire>
- Contact:** Aiyana Pucci, Grants Management Specialist, Office of Grants Management  
US Dept. of Labor, Employment and Training Administration  
Reference FOA-ETA-16-01  
200 Constitution Ave. NW Rm. N4716  
Washington, DC 20210
- Phone: 202.693.3403  
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**Description:** TechHire Grants are designed to equip individuals with the skills they need to succeed through innovative approaches that can rapidly train workers. Training is intended to train youth and young adults for, and connect them to, well-paying, middle- and high-skilled, and high-growth jobs across a diversity of H-1B industries, such as information technology, health care, advanced manufacturing, financial services, and broadband.

Grants are awarded to the lead applicant of a public and private partnership of entities that includes the following:

- The public workforce investment system.
- Education and training providers, such as community colleges, community- and faith-based organizations, and boot camp-style technology programs.
- A business-related nonprofit organization, an organization functioning as a workforce intermediary for the expressed purpose of serving the needs of businesses, a consortium of three or more businesses, or at least three independent businesses.

The TechHire grant program focuses on individuals who are at least age 17, are out of secondary school, and have barriers to training and employment opportunities, including individuals with disabilities, individuals with limited English proficiency, or individuals with criminal records with barriers to training and employment.

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Awards range from \$2 million to \$5 million.

**Deadline(s):** **Applications are due March 11, 2016.**

**Focus:** Business Ed, Career and College Readiness, Nursing Education, Professional Development, Technology Ed, Vocational Education

**Grade Level(s):** Adult, Higher Ed, 9-12

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Digital Literacy, Financial, Entrepreneurial, Economic, Business Literacy

**State(s):** National

**Sponsored by Lemelson-MIT**

**Website:** <http://lemelson.mit.edu/inventeams>



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Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
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**Description:**

InvenTeams is a national grants initiative of the Lemelson-MIT program that is designed to excite high school students to cultivate their creativity and experience invention. InvenTeam students rely on inquiry hands-on problem solving as they integrate lessons from science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) to develop invention prototypes. InvenTeams are composed of high school students, teachers, and industry mentors. Working collaboratively, InvenTeams identify a problem to be solved, conduct research on the problem, and develop a prototype invention. InvenTeam projects span many fields, such as assistive devices, environmental technologies, consumer goods, and experimental vehicles. Past InvenTeams and their invention projects are available on the website.

After submitting an initial application, select InvenTeams are named finalists. Educators representing these finalists are Excite Awards recipients and are invited to attend EurekaFest in the summer, where they meet current InvenTeams, and attend invention education workshops. Educators then submit a final application for their InvenTeam. Winning students, teachers, and mentors representing each InvenTeam travel to EurekaFest in the summer to showcase their prototypes in a public exhibit. Previous student winners, MIT faculty, and other teams offer feedback and inspiration.

The optimal size of an InvenTeam is 10 to 15 high school youth. Eligible applicants are STEM educators at high schools and nonprofit educational organizations who have not received an InvenTeam grant within the past three years. Applications must be submitted online.

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Grants up to \$10,000 are awarded annually, with approximately 15 grants available. Excite Awards recipients receive travel, food, and lodging for one educator to attend EurekaFest. Winning InvenTeams receive room and board for eight team members (six students and two chaperones) to attend EurekaFest.

**Deadline(s):** **Initial applications are due March 7, 2016. If selected to continue to the next step, final applications are due September 6, 2016.**

**Focus:** After School, Engineering, STEM, Technology Ed

**Grade Level(s):** 9-12, Adult

**Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Innovation, Problem Solving

**State(s):** National

## **Pathway to Financial Success Grant**

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### **Sponsored by Discover**

**Website:** <http://www.pathwaytofinancialsuccess.org/apply-for-a-grant/>

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

Email: [pathway@discover.com](mailto:pathway@discover.com)

**Description:** The Pathway to Financial Success Grants are intended to bring financial education to classrooms to help children learn to make sensible financial decisions and reach their goals. US high schools are eligible to apply for a grant to incorporate financial education into the curriculum.

Interested 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 did not. Special consideration is given to first-time applicants and schools that have a stand-alone curriculum.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter
- Award(s):** Awards vary.
- Deadline(s):** **Applications are accepted year-round.**
- Focus:** Business Ed
- Grade Level(s):** 9-12
- Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Social Sciences
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Financial, Entrepreneurial, Economic, Business Literacy
- State(s):** National

**Sponsored by National Science Foundation**

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**Description:** Science, Technology, and Society (STS) is an interdisciplinary field that investigates topics relating to the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines. The STS Program supports proposals across a broad spectrum of STS research areas, topics, and approaches. STS research uses historical, philosophical, and social scientific methods to investigate STEM theory and practice. It may be empirical or conceptual and focus on the intellectual, material, or social facets of STEM including interdisciplinary studies of ethics, equity, governance, and policy issues.

Topic examples include the following:

- Societal aspects of emerging high-tech technologies (e.g., nanotechnology, synthetic biology, neuroscience, robotics, drones, ubiquitous computing, crowd sourcing, remote-sensing).
- Societal aspects of emerging low-tech technologies (e.g., paper microscopes, whirlwind wheelchairs).
- Issues relating to equity, ethics, governance, sustainability, public engagement, user-centeredness, and inclusiveness.
- Integration of traditional STS approaches with innovative perspectives from the arts or humanities.
- Ethical, policy, and cultural issues regarding big data, surveillance, and privacy in an increasingly networked world.
- The science of broadening participation in STEM disciplines.

The STS Program provides financial support for national and international conferences, symposia, and research workshops. The program is particularly interested in proposals that promote new research networks between researchers in STS and scientists and engineers, or between STS scholars and members of scholarly communities not normally in contact with each other.

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Grants up to \$25,000 for direct costs are awarded.

**Deadline(s):** **Applications are due February 2 and August 3, annually.**

**Focus:** Adult Scholarships/Fellowships, Engineering, STEM, Technology

**Grade Level(s):** K-2, 3-5, 6-8, Higher Ed, Adult, 9-12

**Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Innovation, Problem Solving

**State(s):** National

**Sponsored by So Delicious Dairy Free**

**Website:** <http://sodeliciousdairyfree.com/the-140-difference>

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Eugene, OR 97477

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**Description:** So Delicious Dairy Free is awarding microgrants to contest winners who most effectively present a project for making the world a better place in a statement of 140 characters or less. Entries must demonstrate an innovative and entrepreneurial idea around sustainability or environmental causes.

The contest is open to legal residents of the United States and the District of Columbia. All contest submissions must be made via Twitter, Instagram, or posted on the So Delicious Dairy Free Facebook page. Applicants must have a Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram account to enter. All contest submissions must include the phrase #140Difference to be eligible. Contestants may submit unlimited entries by the deadline.

Entries will be judged on the completeness of thought, originality, impact, and scope of the project. Grant funds will be awarded to help move project ideas along. Winners must submit performance details within three months of having received funds.

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Awards range from \$140 to \$2,500, with up to \$30,000 available.

**Deadline(s):** **All contest submissions are anticipated to be due in May of 2016.**

**Focus:** Business Ed, Environmental Education

**Grade Level(s):** PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Adult, Higher Ed

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Digital Literacy, Environmental Literacy, Financial, Entrepreneurial, Economic, Business Literacy, Information Literacy

**State(s):** National

**Sponsored by Community Foundation of Great River Bend**

**Website:** <http://www.cfgrb.org/get-a-grant/types-grants/t4t-grants.html>

**Contact:** Community Foundation of Great River Bend  
852 Middle Rd. Ste. 100  
Bettendorf, IA 52722

Phone: 563.326.2840  
Email: [grants@cfgrb.org](mailto:grants@cfgrb.org)

**Description:** Teens for Tomorrow (T4T) is a program that allows high school students to learn about philanthropy by researching nonprofit organizations and making grant decisions. Comprised of high school students from Rock Island County, Illinois and Scott County, Iowa; T4T meets once a month from September to June to identify community needs and address emerging issues. Preference is given to projects addressing child and family issues, education, mental and physical health, and unemployment and poverty.

Eligible applicants are nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations. Applications should include a program description, impact on the community, and the area of interest covered. Applications must be submitted using the online system.

**Eligibility:** Private, Public, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Grants up to \$2,000 are awarded.

**Deadline(s):** **Applications are accepted January 15 through March 1, 2016.**

**Focus:** Business Ed, Community Involvement, General Education

**Grade Level(s):** 9-12

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Civic Literacy, Financial, Entrepreneurial, Economic, Business Literacy

**State(s):** Illinois, Iowa

**Sponsored by The Pentair Foundation**

**Website:** <http://www.pentair.com/about-us/corporate-social-responsibility/team-pentair>

**Contact:** Pentair Foundation  
5500 Wayzata Blvd. Ste. 800  
Minneapolis, MN 55416-1261

Phone: 763.545.1730

**Description:** The Pentair Foundation supports communities in which Pentair operates. Through local employee-managed councils, the foundation funds programs that promote education, sustainability in water and energy, and workforce readiness.

The foundation prioritizes education programs ranging from those targeting disadvantaged youth to those aiding in career transition and readiness. The foundation funds programs serving traditional and nontraditional learners from early learning to postsecondary and beyond with a focus on science and technology, including kindergarten through grade 12 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology).

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations), Charter

**Award(s):** Awards vary.

**Deadline(s):** **Online applications are due March 1, June 1, and October 1, annually.**

**Focus:** Engineering, STEM, Technology

**Grade Level(s):** 6-8, 9-12, Adult, Higher Ed, 3-5, K-2, PreK

**Content Area(s):** Mathematics, Science

**State(s):** California, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota, North Carolina, Ohio, Rhode Island, Virginia, Wisconsin

**Sponsored by Merck & Co., Inc.**

**Website:** <https://www.mercksupport.com/%28S%28hgzs3mzhb2p05dvgmjvegl55%29%29/Portal/CMEHome.aspx>

**Contact:** Merck & Co., Inc.  
2000 Galloping Hill Rd.

Kenilworth, NJ 07033

Phone: 908.740.4000

**Description** : US Accredited Medical Education (CME/CE) Grants are independent grants provided to accredited providers of continuing medical education or other professional continuing education to support certified educational activities (live, print, Internet based, or similar activities) that meet Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) or substantially similar standards.

Accredited medical education programs are for professional health-care providers (physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, pharmacists, and nurses). The objective of these educational activities is to maintain, develop, or enhance the knowledge, skills, and professional performance that a health-care professional uses to provide services for patients, the public, or the profession.

Merck only accepts a CME/CE grant application directly from an accredited provider. Grant applications are not accepted from third parties, such as medical education companies or professional societies submitted on behalf of an accredited provider.

**Eligibility:** Public, Private, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Awards vary.

**Deadline(s)** : **Online applications are accepted year-round. Applications must be submitted at least 45 days prior to the activity start date.**

**Focus:** Environmental Education, Professional Development, STEM, Technology, Technology Ed

**Grade Level(s):** PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12, Adult, Higher Ed

**Content Area(s):** Arts, Science

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Health Literacy, Innovation, Problem Solving

**State(s):** National

**Sponsored by Monsanto Fund**



**Website:** <http://www.monsantofund.org/grants/usa/#general>

**Contact:** Monsanto Fund  
800 N. Lindbergh Blvd.  
St. Louis, MO 63167

Phone: 314.694.1000

Email: Use the online contact form available at  
<http://www.monsantofund.org/about/contact/>.

**Description:** The Monsanto Fund supports communities in which Monsanto employees live and work. The fund provides education support designed to improve kindergarten through grade 12 education in rural communities. Example areas of investments are schools, libraries, science centers, and after school academic programs that enrich or supplement school programs. Projects might include science and technology fairs, family science nights, robotics, Lego league, and school gardens.

Organizations must fit within this focus area, and must be experienced and reputable. The Monsanto Fund does not work with start-up organizations.

Applications are accepted once a year and must be submitted online. Applicants must first request an invitation code on the website in order to gain access to the application. Interested applicants are encouraged to participate in conference calls hosted by the Monsanto Fund in January and February to ask questions. Dates and times of conference calls are available on the website.

**Eligibility:** Public, Charter, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Award(s):** Grants up to \$20,000 are awarded.

**Deadline(s):** **Applications are accepted January 1 through February 28, annually.**

**Focus:** After School, Environmental Education, General Education, Literacy, PreK-12, Technology Ed

**Grade Level(s):** 6-8, 9-12, 3-5, K-2

**State(s):** National

**Sponsored by The Vistex Foundation**

**Website:** <http://www.vistexfoundation.org/content/grantmaking>

**Contact:** The Vistex Foundation  
2300 Barrington Rd. 5th Fl.  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Phone: 847.490.0420  
Email: [info@vistexfoundation.org](mailto:info@vistexfoundation.org)

**Description:** The Vistex Foundation supports programs that address the root causes of poverty by providing education and health services to communities in need. Eligible applicants are nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status primarily located in the greater Chicago metropolitan area.

Education funding priorities are: equal opportunity programs that destigmatize poverty and ensure that low-income students do not miss educational experiences, such as field trips and internships, early learning programs that provide access to education for low-income children, and programs that provide prenatal and childcare education for parents.

Health funding priorities are: health clinics and programs that service communities in need, as well as programs that bring new health care facilities and services to the developing world; scalable programs that focus on maternal and neonatal health, and childcare education for expectant parents; nutrition and exercise programs for parents and children; and programs that address availability of nutritious food. Private schools are not eligible.

A Letter of Inquiry is the first step to apply, preceding a potential invitation to submit a full proposal. Submissions may be mailed or emailed to the contact addresses provided.

**Eligibility:** Public, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations), Charter

**Award(s):** Awards vary.

**Deadline(s):** Letters of Inquiry are accepted year-round.

**Focus:** At Risk, Early Childhood, Family/Consumer Sciences, Family/Social Services, General Education, Interning/Mentoring, Transportation, Underserved Populations

**Grade Level(s):** Higher Ed, Adult, 9-12, PreK, K-2, 3-5, 6-8

**Content Area(s):** Health

**21st Century Themes and Skills:** Health Literacy

**State(s):** Illinois

**Workforce Development and Education Grants**

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**Sponsored by Bank of America Charitable Foundation**

**Website:** <http://about.bankofamerica.com/en-us/global-impact/eligibility-criteria.html#fbid=hxThPS6eVRI>

**Contact:** Bank of America Charitable Foundation  
Corporate Center  
100 N. Tryon St.  
Charlotte, NC 28255

Phone: 800.218.9946  
Email: Use the online contact form.

**Description:** The Bank of America Charitable Foundation, through the Workforce Development and Education program, will provide support for nonprofits, business initiatives to establish employment pathways, and employee volunteerism such as mentoring and teaching better money habits. The foundation seeks to improve education and training for our workforce to address the issues of unemployment and economic progress across the country.

Eligible applicants are 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations located in and serving communities in Bank of America markets. A full list of eligible markets can be found on the website.

There are two Workforce Development and Education funding priorities:

1. Investing in the workforce by connecting individuals through community college, career programming, and entrepreneurship to the skills needed to succeed in twenty-first century jobs.
2. Connecting youth to employment by connecting young people to first time work opportunities and recognizing service as a pathway to gain employment and leadership skills.

- Eligibility:** Public, Private, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations), Charter
- Award(s):** Awards vary.
- Deadline(s):** **Applications are anticipated to be accepted in January through February, 2016. Check the website for exact dates.**
- Focus:** Business Ed, Career and College Readiness, General Education, Special Needs, Underserved Populations
- Grade Level(s):** 6-8, 9-12, Higher Ed, Adult
- 21st Century Themes and Skills:** Critical Thinking, Financial, Entrepreneurial, Economic, Business Literacy
- State(s):** Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington