FUNDING ALERTS 05/22/09

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I. Funding for Libraries, Librarians, and Library Science Students

1. Rare Book Collection Acquisition Project
   Deadline: None
   Award Amount: $45,000-$250,000
   The B.H. Breslauer Foundation Inc. accepts requests for grants from institutional libraries to help fund major acquisitions of manuscripts, printed books and book bindings. Applications for grants to make specific acquisitions can be made by correspondence or e-mail, and urgent requests may even be made by telephone. They should be accompanied by as much relevant documentation as possible on the desired acquisition, as well as precise information on provenance and price. Because of the nature of the rare book market and the auction process, the officers of the Foundation realize that effective decisions often need to be made promptly.
   http://breslauerfdn.org/index.html

2. Collaborative Projects in Libraries and Education
   Deadline: June 1, 2009
   Award Amount: $50,000-$100,000
   The Gladys Brooks Foundation is accepting grant applications in Libraries and Education.
   LIBRARIES: Grant applications will be considered generally for resource Endowments (print, film, electronic database, speakers/workshops) capital construction and innovative equipment. Projects fostering broader public access to global information sources utilizing collaborative efforts, pioneering technologies and equipment are encouraged.

   EDUCATION: Grant applications from universities, colleges and secondary schools will be considered generally for (a) educational endowments to fund scholarships based solely on educational achievements, leadership and academic ability of the student; (b) endowments to support fellowships and teaching chairs for educators who confine their activities primarily to classroom instruction in the liberal arts, mathematics and the sciences during the academic year and (c) erection or endowment of buildings, wings or additions thereto of buildings, and equipment for educational purposes. To view the Foundation's Annual report please click here.
   http://www.gladysbrooksfoundation.org/guidelines.html
3. Projects that Engage Florida Humanities Scholars and Result in Public Programs

Deadline: August 20, 2009
Award Amount: $2,000

The Florida Humanities Council’s mini grant program invites proposals from any nonprofit organization or public institution. Projects may explore any number of topics but must engage a humanities scholar and result in a public program for the adult general public. The format may vary and can include a lecture with question-and-answer period, mini-exhibit, workshop, book or film discussion, or panel discussion. Please view sample projects here.


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4. Florida Humanities Public Programs

Deadline: Preliminary application due: July 30, 2009, Final due: August 30 2009
Award Amount: $25,000

The Florida Humanities Council accepts proposals from any non-profit organization or public institution to hold a public program on any humanities topic. In the past, grants have been awarded to libraries, civic groups, universities, colleges, museums, historical societies, theaters, and religious organizations. Projects may employ a variety of formats: workshops, lecture/discussion series, symposia, reading/discussion groups, historical dramatizations, interpretive exhibits, multimedia, etc. Media projects (exhibits, digital projects, radio) are subject to additional guidelines. Organizations applying for a Major Grant are required to supply a 100% sponsor match, in cash and/or in-kind. Please view sample projects here.

http://www.flahum.org/index.cfm/do/Grants.major/major.htm

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5. Conserving American Heritage Projects

Deadline: September 15, 2009
Award Amount: $3,000

The Institute of Museum and Library Services, American Heritage Preservation Grants Seek to raise awareness and fund preservation of treasures held in small museums, libraries and archives. Grants will help to preserve specific items, including works of art, artifacts and historical documents that are in need of conservation. Applicants will build on completed conservation assessments of their collections to ensure that the grants are used in accordance with best practices in the field, and underscore the importance of assessment planning. Eligible institutions such as college and university libraries may apply for projects in the following areas:

• Treatment of library, museum and archival collections
• Improvement of collections storage
• Environmental improvement of collections


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Library Staff Development

Deadline: December 1, 2009
Award Amount: $3,500

The American Library Association's H.W. Wilson Library Staff Development Grant will be awarded to a library organization whose application demonstrates greatest merit for a program of staff development designed to further the goals and objectives of the library organization. Staff development is defined as: "a program of learning activities that is developed by the library organization and develops the on-the-job staff capability and improves the abilities of personnel to contribute to the overall effectiveness of the library organization." A library organization is defined as: individual library system, group of cooperating libraries, state governmental agency, local, state, or regional association.

http://www.al.org/Template.cfm?Section=grantfellowship&template=/ContentManagement/ContentDisplay.cfm&ContentID=161882

II. Funding for Organizations and Academic Institutions

1. Natural Environment Preservation and Public Awareness

Deadline: none, Letter of Inquiry
Award Amount: $40,000-$500,000

The Batchelor Foundation, Inc. supports community foundations and organizations involved with arts and culture, education, the environment, animals and wildlife, health, human services, children's rights, and economically disadvantaged people. Special emphasis is directed toward programs designed to engage in medical research and provide care for childhood diseases, and promote study, preservation, and public awareness of the natural environment.

http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/funding/documents/Batchelor%20Foundation%20Information.pdf

2. Improving Technical Education and Environmental Stewardship Programs

Deadline: None
Award Amount: $15,000-$750,000

The Altria Foundation supports technical education programs at Community Colleges and Universities, including agricultural studies programs at select land-grant institutions. The Foundation also supports Environmental programs that focus on sustainable agriculture and land conservation and watershed stewardship. To view list of the 2008 Education funded programs please click here.

http://www.altria.com/responsibility/4_5_1_corporatecontributions.asp
3. Community Development Support Programs

**Deadline:** June 1: September 1: November 1, 2009

**Award Amount:** $20,000-$1,000,000

The James M. Cox Foundation of Georgia, Inc. supports organizations who are involved with any of the following subjects: arts and culture, education, conservation, wildlife, health, substance abuse, cancer, housing development, disaster relief, human services, and community development.

Here is a small list of projects funded by the James M. Cox Foundation of Georgia, Inc.:

1. Hospital of the King’s Daughters received a grant to fund New Child Abuse Prevention Program.

2. The Museum of Broadcast Communications (MBC) in Chicago was awarded $100,000 to support its new exhibit --- Media and the American Presidential Elections. The exhibit traces the relationship between politics and radio, television and the internet. Click [here](http://www.coxenterprises.com/corp/comp_values/coxvalues.htm?Vermenu=coxvalues) to learn more.

3. Savannah College of Art and Design-Atlanta received a grant for the rehabilitation of midtown Atlanta’s historic Edward C. Peters House, formerly known as The Mansion Restaurant, 179 Ponce de Leon Ave. N.E. in the amount of $25,000. Click [here](http://www.coxenterprises.com/corp/comp_values/coxvalues.htm?Vermenu=coxvalues) to read more.

4. Newman University received a $30,000 grant from Cox in support of the school’s new Library and Campus Center. Click [here](http://www.coxenterprises.com/corp/comp_values/coxvalues.htm?Vermenu=coxvalues) to learn more.

5. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Journalism and Mass Communication-CHAPEL HILL received $100,000 to renovate Carroll Hall in 1999, which houses the school. [http://www.unc.edu/news/archives/may97/jschool.html](http://www.unc.edu/news/archives/may97/jschool.html)

4. Community-Based Habitat Restoration Projects

**Deadline:** June 22, 2009

**Award Amount:** $5,000-$50,000

The American Sportfishing Association’s FishAmerica Foundation invites proposals for citizen driven habitat restoration projects in 2009 under its partnership with the NOAA Community based Restoration Program. The partnership requests proposals for local efforts to accomplish meaningful on-the-ground restoration of marine, estuarine and riparian habitats, including salt marshes, seagrass beds, mangrove forests, and freshwater habitats important to anadromous fish species (fish like salmon and striped bass that migrate to and from the sea). Emphasis is on using a hands-on, grassroots approach to restore fisheries habitat across coastal America, the Great Lakes region, and U.S. Territories of the Caribbean. Non-profit organizations such as local sporting clubs and conservation associations, educational institutions, and local and state governments may apply for funding. Please click [here](http://www.fishamerica.org/grants/documents/FAF-NOAA2009RFP.pdf) to view previously funded projects.
5. Creative Collaborative Higher Education and Arts Projects

**Deadline: June 30, 2009**

**Award Amount:** $100,000-$200,000

The Doris Duke Charitable Foundation's Creative Campus Innovations Grant Program encourages collaborations between the academy (administration, faculty and students) and local community partners. Each project must meet the following goals:

- integrate the performing arts into the education, service, and scholarly missions of the academy and engage chief academic officers and executive leadership;
- provide opportunities to deepen and expand the participation of artist(s) in the academy through long term residencies, commissions and/or other creative activities; and
- identify, document, and share lessons learned that will contribute to an evolving knowledge base and learning community for campuses and the wider performing arts and presenting field.

To view 2007 awards please click here.


6. Improving Research Facilities

**Deadline:** *Letter of intent: July 1, 2009, Full Application due August 24, 2009*

**Award Amount:** $250,000-$10,000,000

The National Science Foundation's America's Research Infrastructure program funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) accepts proposals submitted from universities and two- and four-year colleges (including community colleges) accredited in, and having a campus located in, the United States, its territories and possessions. The purpose of the Academic Research Infrastructure Program: Recovery and Reinvestment (ARI-R2) is to enhance the nation's existing research facilities so that they provide next-generation research infrastructure and facilitate the integration of researchers with shared resources such as remote instruments and research platforms, data repositories, and national computing facilities. The program encompasses improvement(s) of research facilities, i.e., repair or renovation or, in exceptional cases, replacement of shared scientific and engineering research and research training space, and its underlying infrastructure. Awards will include special reporting requirements and other nonstandard terms and conditions. Unless otherwise specified, ARRA funding should be considered one-time funding.


*All those interested in submitting a proposal in response to this solicitation must send a pre-proposal to Dr. Sobha Jaishankar, Assistant VP for Research, Office of Research (sjaishan@ufl.edu) by June 3rd.*

7. Researching Strategies to Promote Healthy Eating and Preventing Obesity

**Deadline:** Letter of Intent: July 17, 2009, invited full proposals due August 14, 2009

**Award Amount:** $150,000
The Robert Woods Johnson Foundation’s Active Living Research and Healthy Eating Research program is requesting proposals that support research to identify promising policy and environmental strategies for increasing physical activity, promoting healthy eating and preventing obesity. This call for proposals (CFP) supports time-sensitive, opportunistic studies to evaluate changes in policies or environments with the potential to reach children who are at highest risk for obesity, including African-American, Latino, Native American, Asian-American and Pacific Islander children (ages 3 to 18) who live in low-income communities or communities with limited access to affordable healthy foods and/or safe opportunities for physical activity. Research studies may focus on one or both sides of the energy balance equation—on physical activity (including sedentary behavior), healthy eating or both. You may view funded projects here.

http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=20681

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8. Innovative Ideas for Implementing Networking Strategies in Biological Sciences

Deadline: July 23, 2009

Award Amount: $50,000-$100,000 per year for up to five years

The National Science Foundation’s Research Coordination Networks in Biological Sciences (RCN) program seeks proposals from academic institutions with networking activities that focus on a theme that gives coherence to the collaboration. For a research track RCN, the focus could be on a broad research question, a specific group of organisms, or particular technologies or approaches. For an education track RCN, the focus could be on any topic that is likely to lead to improved participation, learning, or assessment in undergraduate biology curricula.


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9. Projects Promoting the Preservation and Use of America’s Documentary Heritage

Deadline: Draft (optional) August 1, 2009, Final due: October 5, 2009

Award Amount: $20,000 to $250,000

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission seeks proposals to publish historical records of national significance. Projects may focus on the papers of major figures from American life or cover broad historical movements in politics, military, business, reform movements, the arts, and other aspects of the national experience. The historical value of the records and their expected usefulness to broad audiences must justify the costs of the project. This particular round of awards focuses on the New Republic through the Modern Era (projects preparing publications whose documents fall predominantly after 1820). Grants are awarded for collecting, describing, preserving, compiling, editing, and publishing documentary source materials. Eligible Activities Include:

- Scholarly documentary editions in printed and bound volumes.
- Scholarly documentary editions in online, compact disc, and other formats.
- Image editions in online, compact disc, microfilm, and other formats.
- Conversion of existing print and microfilm editions to electronic publications.
- Combinations of the above.

http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/publishing.html

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10. Assessment, Accountability and Improving Mathematics Instruction in Special Education Project


Award Amount: $1,000,000-$2,000,000

The Institute of Education Sciences requests proposals from applicants that have the ability and capacity to conduct scientifically valid research, including, but are not limited to, non-profit and for-profit organizations and public and private institutions, such as colleges and universities. The program has two topics to choose from:

1. Assessment and Accountability: Develop assessment methods that schools can use to: accurately assess the academic progress of students with disabilities, and improve the quality of education provided to students with disabilities to lead to improved student outcomes.

2. Improving mathematics instruction for students with mathematics disabilities. Research on the development and evaluation of mathematics curricula, instructional approaches for teaching mathematics, mathematics assessments, and professional development programs for teachers and related services providers that are intended to improve mathematics outcomes.

Applicants must select the specific topic under which they are applying. Each topic has specific requirements. The Institute strongly recommends contacting the relevant program officer if you have any questions regarding the appropriateness of a particular project for submission under a specific Center topic.

Please click here to view funded projects from 2008.

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11. Creative Solutions to Improve the Education System and Student Achievement


Award Amount: $1,000,000-$2,000,000

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Applicants must select the specific topic under which they are applying. Each topic has specific requirements. The Institute strongly recommends contacting the relevant program officer if you have any questions regarding the appropriateness of a particular project for submission under a specific Center topic.

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12. Improving Education and Environmental Stewardship Programs

Deadline: Letter of inquiry: August 15, 2009

Award Amount: $25,000-$50,000

The AGL Resources Private Foundation, Inc. supports programs that focus on math and science education in public and private colleges and universities. The Foundation also supports environmental stewardship projects designed to improve the environment such as clean air, conservation and green space.

Please click here to view an environmental stewardship project that was recently funded.

Please click here to view an education project that was funded by AGL.


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13. Innovative Technologies that Address the Needs of Persons With Disabilities

Deadline: November 1, 2009*

Award Amount: $10,000-$1,000,000

The Verizon Foundation supports programs designed to improve health care through innovative technologies that promote efficiency and delivery of health care services; and improved access to information and services through technologies that address the needs of persons with disabilities. Support is limited to 1 contribution per organization during any given year for 3 years in length.

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III. Funding for Individuals

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1. Sponsoring Contemporary French Cinema

Deadline(s): June 30, 2009, October 1, 2009

Award Amount: $1,800-$2,300

The French American Cultural Exchange’s (FACE), The Tournées Festival was conceived to encourage schools to begin their own self-sustaining French film festivals. To be eligible for a grant, you must be affiliated with an American university or college with non-profit status. Qualifying candidates must plan to show the films for which they are seeking the support of The Tournées Festival as part of a festival, and screenings of all films must take place within a one-month period. The Festival should consist of a minimum of five films, as this is a requirement of the program. The films may be presented as part of a larger Festival of French or international films. The Tournées Festival grant is provided for a maximum of five consecutive years. Applicants choose five films from among the Featured Films and Alternative Choice titles and prepare a tentative schedule for the screenings.

Please view the list of previous participants, click here.

http://www.facecouncil.org/tournees/index.html

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2. Education Entrepreneur Fellowship

Deadline: Letter of Intent: July 1, 2009

Award Amount: $250,000

The Mind Trust’s Education Entrepreneur Fellowship is a nationally unique incubator for transformative education ventures that provide new solutions to public education’s most vexing problems. The Fellowship offers promising education entrepreneurs the opportunity to develop and launch their break-the-mold education ventures and the support necessary for success.

http://www.themindtrust.org/fellowship/aboutFellowship.aspx

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3. Postdoctoral Scholars Program in the Field of Population Health

Deadline: October 2, 2009

Award Amount: Annual stipend of $89,000 in year one, and $92,000 in year two of the program.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Health & Society Scholars program invites individuals who have completed their doctoral training by the time of entry into the program (August or September 2010) in one of a variety of fields including, but not limited to, behavioral and social sciences, biological and natural sciences, health professions, public policy, public health, history, demography, environmental sciences, urban planning, engineering and ethics, are eligible to apply. Applicants are expected to have significant research experience. Each year the program enables up to 18 individuals who have completed their doctoral training and produced outstanding work to engage in an intensive two-year program at one of six nationally prominent universities. Training activities at the participating universities are intentionally flexible to meet the diverse backgrounds, interests and needs of individual scholars. The participating Universities are: Columbia University, Harvard University, Univ. of California- San Francisco and Berkeley, University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, and the University of Wisconsin.

http://www.healthandsocietyscholars.org/1492

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4. Educators Professional Development Program

Deadline: October 15, 2009

Award Amount:$2,000

The National Education Association, Learning & Leadership Grants support public school teachers, public education support professionals, and/or faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education for one of the following two purposes:

• Grants to individuals fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research.

• Grants to groups fund collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment.

All professional development must improve practice, curriculum, and student achievement.

http://neafoundation.org/programs/Learning&Leadership/Guidelines.htm