



# GRANTS ACTION NEWS

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## Questions?

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## On the state level...

All not-for-profit applicants must now pre-qualify on the NYS Grants Reform website at [grantsreform.ny.gov/grantees](https://grantsreform.ny.gov/grantees) in order to apply for certain New York State grant solicitations. Potential not-for-profit applicants are strongly encouraged to begin the process of registering and pre-qualifying immediately as this is a lengthy process.

### New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance Refugee and Immigrant Student Welcome Program

The purpose of the Refugee and Immigrant Student Welcome Program (RISWP) is to address both the short- and long-term educational issues facing school-aged refugee and immigrant children. To this end, the program aims to ease the transition of refugee and immigrant youth into the state's elementary, middle and high schools; empower refugee and immigrant parents to be effective partners in their children's education and support local school districts impacted by high numbers of refugee and immigrant populations, including unaccompanied minors. The program funds activities that include expanded community school activities, providing school supplies to incoming students, training opportunities for staff on trauma and cultural sensitivity, the employment of counselors and psychologists, and parental and family engagement and support for refugee and immigrant youth.

- **Eligibility:** All applicants must be registered in the New York State Grants Gateway by 2 p.m. on May 14. Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete the electronic application submission process several days before the application due date to ensure the application is successfully accepted by the online Grants Gateway. Eligible grant applicants must be: a school district in either Western New York, Central New York, the Mohawk Valley, the Capital District, Northern New York, the Lower Hudson Valley/Metro, one of the five boroughs of New York City or Long Island and be located in and doing business in New York State. Applicants must demonstrate that their community is experiencing increased refugee and immigrant student enrollment and that the applicant is able to develop effective program workplans and service plans that help refugee and immigrant students, families and parents integrate into their community and schools. Additionally, applicants must agree to partner with state agencies to provide information on English as a New Language (ENL) and immigration and naturalization services.

- **Funding:** \$7,450,000

- **Deadline:** May 14, 2021 at 2 p.m.

- **Contact:** Matthew Morris

Email: [matthew.morris@otda.ny.gov](mailto:matthew.morris@otda.ny.gov)

Website: <https://otda.ny.gov/contracts/2021/RISWP/>



## New York State Education Department Teacher Opportunity Corps II, A My Brother's Keeper (MBK) Initiative

The purpose of Teacher Opportunity Corps (TOC) II is to increase the participation rate of historically underrepresented and economically disadvantaged individuals in teaching careers. TOC II programs will incorporate instructional strategies that meet the learning needs of at-risk students; mentorship and support systems for new teachers to ensure a lasting and positive effect on classroom performance; culturally and linguistically relevant teaching; youth development; restorative practices; and STEM concentrations at the elementary, middle and high school levels and reflect up-to-date research on teaching and learning. Programs will also include a pre-service model with a 10-month internship experience and partnerships between high-needs schools and community-based organizations to help pre-service teachers develop and implement practices that address the learning needs of all students and which are culturally sustainable, as well as foster retention of highly qualified teachers who value diversity and equity.

- **Eligibility:** New York State public and independent degree-granting colleges and universities that have a teacher preparation program approved by the State Education Department may submit applications for this grant opportunity.
- **Funding:** \$3,450,000 annually is expected for 2021-2026. Available funding is subject to legislative appropriation.
- **Deadline:** June 3, 2021
- **Contact:** Program: Doris Waiters  
Email: TOCRFP@nysed.gov  
Website: <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/funding/2021-mbk-toc-ii/home.html>

## On the federal level...

### National Endowment for the Humanities Preservation and Access Education and Training program

The Preservation and Access Education and Training program supports the development of knowledge and skills among professionals responsible for the preservation and continued accessibility of humanities collections. Knowledgeable trained staff are imperative to address the challenges of preserving diverse collections. Preservation and Access Education and Training awards are made to organizations that offer national, regional or statewide education and training programs across the pedagogical landscape and at all stages of development. Awards help the staff of cultural institutions, whether small or large, obtain the knowledge and skills to serve as effective stewards of humanities collections. Awards support projects that prepare the next generation of preservation professionals or that introduce established heritage practitioners to new information and advances.

- **Eligibility:** Eligible applicants include U.S. nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status, public and 501(c)(3) accredited institutions of higher education, state and local governmental agencies, and federally recognized Native American tribal governments. An eligible entity may apply on behalf of a consortium of collaborating organizations. The lead applicant would be programmatically, legally and fiscally responsible for the award. Individuals, foreign and for-profit entities are not eligible to apply.
- **Funding:** \$2,000,000 in estimated total program funding with an award ceiling of \$350,000.
- **Deadline:** May 18, 2021
- **Contact:**  
Email: [preservation@neh.gov](mailto:preservation@neh.gov)  
Phone: 202-606-8570  
Website: <https://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/preservation-and-access-education-and-training>

## On the private level...

### Ben and Jerry's Foundation Grassroots Organizing for Social Change program

The Ben and Jerry's Foundation seeks applications for its Grassroots Organizing for Social Change program. The program will award grants of up to \$30,000 to nonprofit community-organizing groups in the United States working to advance racial equity, social justice and environmental justice through changes in policy and practice and advocating and agitating for systemic and just solutions. The foundation will give preference to activities and strategies used for creating social change rather than singular or specific issues addressed by an organization. Priority strategies include: community and ally outreach; leadership development; constituent empowerment and decision-making; popular education; root cause analysis; power analysis; mobilizing constituents and allies; coalition building; and direct action.

- **Eligibility:** Applicants must be not-for-profit organizations with a 501(c)(3) status under the Internal Revenue Code or have a fiscal sponsor with such status, and must have a budget under \$500,000.
- **Funding:** Past awards have ranged from \$10,000-\$30,000, with final award amount based on individual project and organization's needs.
- **Deadline:** Pre-applications will be accepted from May 1 - June 1, 2021
- **Contact:**  
Email: [info@benandjerrysfoundation.org](mailto:info@benandjerrysfoundation.org)  
Website: <https://benandjerrysfoundation.org/the-grassroots-organizing-for-social-change-program/>

## The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood

The Caplan Foundation is an incubator for research and development projects to improve the welfare of young children, from infancy through seven years old, in the United States. The foundation aims to fund projects focusing on early childhood welfare, early childhood education and play, and parenting education that can have an impact nationwide.

- **Eligibility:** To be considered, grant applications must define measurable outcomes, include reliable methods to document and assess results, have financial accountability for the application of funds, and include detailed and pragmatic implementation budgets. The foundation will not fund: existing programs; the purchase or renovation of capital equipment; the staging of single events; works of art or literature; individuals or for-profit entities; political or religious organizations; religious content; programs outside of the United States; or medical research applicable to both adults and children.
- **Funding:** Past awards have ranged from \$23,000 to \$100,000.
- **Deadline:** May 31, 2021 to submit a letter of intent.
- **Contact:** Amanda Liedtka, CPA  
Phone: 570-484-5155  
Email: [info@earlychildhoodfoundation.org](mailto:info@earlychildhoodfoundation.org)  
Website: [earlychildhoodfoundation.org](http://earlychildhoodfoundation.org)

## Scholars Awards...

### Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority Proyecto H.A.C.E.R. scholarships

Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc. is committed to the empowerment of women and nonbinary individuals by providing a support network dedicated to their personal and professional advancement. Each year through its Proyecto H.A.C.E.R. (Hermanas Advancing Career and Educational Resources) program, the sorority awards scholarships to highly motivated and exceptional young women and nonbinary students graduating from high school who have shown a commitment to community service, leadership and academic excellence. The College Book Scholarship will provide 15 awards ranging from \$250-\$1,000 to offset the cost of textbooks, school supplies and other educational expenses during the first year of higher education. The Gabby Oberti Hermana Professional Development Scholarship provides \$1,000 annually to an active Hermana of Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc. who is pursuing an undergraduate degree, graduate degree or certificate program.

- **Eligibility:** All applicants must be in good standing with their college, university or professional school with a GPA above 3.0 or an equivalent measure of academic effort if no GPA is available. If not currently enrolled, applicants must provide proof of intent to enroll in an undergraduate, graduate or professional

degree or certificate program. All applicants must demonstrate and provide evidence of outstanding civic involvement, including a commitment to community service and a history of leadership.

- **Funding:** Between \$250-\$1,000 per award.
- **Deadline:** May 31, 2021
- **Contact:**  
Email: [scholarship@lambdapichi.org](mailto:scholarship@lambdapichi.org)  
Website: [https://www.lambdapichi.org/page/2021\\_scholarship\\_app](https://www.lambdapichi.org/page/2021_scholarship_app)

### Smith Richardson Foundation, Strategic and Policy Fellow Grant Competition

The Smith Richardson Foundation works to address the public policy challenges facing the United States to help our social, economic and governmental institutions thrive. The foundation sponsors a Strategy and Policy Fellows grant competition each year to support young scholars and thought leaders focusing on American foreign policy, international relations, international security, military policy and diplomatic and military history. The purpose of the program is to strengthen the community of scholars and researchers conducting policy analysis in these fields. To this end, the foundation will award at least three grants to support the research and authorship of books on these subjects.

- **Eligibility:** Applicants must hold a PhD by the time of the application deadline and be an employee or affiliate of an academic institution, think tank or similar organization.
- **Funding:** \$60,000 each
- **Deadline:** June 18, 2021
- **Contact:**  
Email: [strategyfellows@srf.org](mailto:strategyfellows@srf.org)  
Website: <https://www.srf.org/programs/international-security-foreign-policy/strategy-policy-fellows-program>





# Grant writing

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Candid offers a variety of free trainings at its center in New York City, partner locations and online:

### Introduction to Foundation Directory Online:

This class provides learning opportunities designed to develop skills, practices and behaviors that best prepare people working in the social sector for success.

### Introduction to Finding Grants:

This class will provide an introduction for finding grants for nonprofits, including what funders are looking for and a hands-on guided online research session.

### Introduction to Proposal Writing:

This class provides a standard overview of how to write a proposal for a foundation grant and includes a hands-on personalized session in developing a proposal outline.

### Introduction to Project Budgets:

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

**Candid is actively monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and will make changes to its in-person programming as necessary. Please check Candid's website for updates.**

**In addition:** Classes are held at Candid, located at:  
32 Old Slip, 24th Floor • New York, NY 10005  
[www.candid.org/contact-us](http://www.candid.org/contact-us)

**For a schedule of classes, visit:**  
[www.grantspace.org/training/search/format/live/location/new-york](http://www.grantspace.org/training/search/format/live/location/new-york)

Space is limited, so register as soon as possible.

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