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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Grants to help rural libraries acquire new children's books

Deadline: November 15, 2003

Applications for grants from the Libri Foundation to help rural libraries acquire new hardcover children's books. The foundation will match grants of \$50 to \$350 from a "friends of the library" member organization or other local group, on a two-to-one ratio, up to a total of \$1,050. Additional information is available on the foundation's website. Who may apply: rural libraries in the United States and their affiliate organizations.

Contact: Libri Foundation, P.O. Box 10246, Eugene, Ore. 97440-2246; phone: 541 747-9655; fax 541 747-4348; librifdn@teleport.org; <http://www.librifoundation.org>

National Book Scholarship Fund

Deadline: December 4, 2003

Applications for in-kind support through ProLiteracy Worldwide's National Book Scholarship Fund, which distributes books and other educational materials to literacy programs. Donations have typically ranged in value from \$500 to \$8,000. More information is available on the organization's website. Priority is given to family-literacy programs designed to improve the reading skills of parents and children; support is also given to adult-education programs and to projects that focus on people learning English as a second language.

Contact: Mara Roberts, PLW, 1320 Jamesville Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13210; phone: 315 422-9121, ext. 345; mroberts@proliteracy.org; <http://www.proliteracy.org>

**Preventing childhood agricultural disease & injury: Year 2004
Deadline: December 8, 2003**

Purpose. The purpose of the mini-grant program of the National Children's Center for Rural and Agricultural Health and Safety is to support small-scale projects and pilot studies that address prevention of childhood agricultural disease and injury. Funds are allocated to support projects that: a) test innovative strategies, b) strengthen partnerships between educators/researchers and agricultural organizations, c) explore new research questions, and d) "translate" research findings into practical applications.

Eligibility. Any organization or individual throughout the United States is eligible to apply for funds. Priority will be given to organizations that are building their capacity in childhood agricultural health and safety as well as to junior faculty or graduate students whose professional activities relate to agriculture, occupational safety, and/or injury prevention.

Priority Topics. The report from the 2001 Summit on Childhood Agricultural Injury Prevention (<http://www.marshfieldclinic.org/research/children/childrensReport/>) serves as a guide to national initiatives related to children's agricultural health and safety. Funding priority will be given to projects that address underserved populations in childhood agricultural injury prevention. Proposals that demonstrate novel collaboration with agricultural organizations while assisting underserved populations are of particular interest.

Application Process. Applicants may submit a paper or electronic proposal that clearly states the points noted below under proposal outline. The recommended length for a proposal is 3 - 6 pages, single-spaced (or equivalent). Appendices may be included if highly relevant to the proposal. Please direct questions regarding the application process to Michael Peters at 800 662-6900 ext. 5 or peters.michael@mcrf.mfldclin.edu . Programmatic questions such as priority topics, fundable ideas, or potential collaborators may be directed to Barbara Lee, Ph.D., at 800 662-6900 ext. 1 or lee.barbara@mcrf.mfldclin.edu.

Proposal Outline

Project goal
Background and significance
Project design/methods
Implications for future studies/programs
Evaluation plan

Biosketch/Resume of project director (and description of project team, if relevant)

Time line

Budget

Budget. A maximum of \$15,000 may be requested. The budget request must indicate the requested amount and justification for categories such as personnel, travel, supplies, and consultants. All institutional indirect charges must be included in the \$15,000 budget maximum. It is the responsibility of each investigator to set the indirect cost rate with their institution.

Awards and Funding. Awards will be based on peer reviews that involve a critique of the proposal's responsiveness to the priorities previously stated, objectives, qualifications of the project director, and evaluation plans. A maximum of \$15,000 may be requested for each project and no more than one applicant per organization will be awarded for Year 2004. We anticipate awarding at least four projects. Funds should be expended by September 30, 2004. Recipients will be required to submit a brief six-month progress report and a final report.

Application Deadline: December 8, 2003 (by postal mail or electronic mail). Applicants notified of funding pending NIOSH approval: December 18, 2003

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<http://research.marshfieldclinic.org/children/>

To view this grant online, go to:

<http://research.marshfieldclinic.org/children/specialProjects2004.htm>

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Pentair Provides For Education & Community Initiatives

Deadlines: March 1, June 1, October 1

Pentair Foundation, the charity arm of the tool manufacturer, provides funding for education and community initiatives where it has operations. Education funds go for school-to-work, alternative

education and arts education initiatives. Community grants go for job training, entrepreneurial training, at-risk youth, health care and disabilities. Pentair has operations in AZ, AR, CA, FL, IL, KS, KY, MI, MN, MS, MO, NJ, OH, PA, RI, TN, TX and WI. The next deadline is March 1, followed by June 1 and Oct. 1. Grant applications and guidelines can be obtained by calling 763 545-1730. Info: <http://www.pentair.com/foundation.html>

Rohm and Haas' Responsible Neighbor program
No deadline

Rohm and Haas' Responsible Neighbor program advances the economic and social quality of life in the communities where it has operations. Funding goes for education, civic/community and health/human services. Education priorities include K-12 science, tech and math education, mentoring, after-school programs and recreation. Civic/community funds go to job training and volunteerism. Health grants go for child-safety endeavors. Rohm & Haas has operations in AL, AZ, CA, DE, FL, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MA, MI, OH, NJ, NY, NC, PA, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA and WA. There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted online or via mail to Corporate Social Investment, Rohm and Haas Co., 100 Independence Mall West, Philadelphia, PA 19106-2399. Info: <http://www.rohmhaas.com/community>

Children and youths
No deadline

Grants from the Hasbro Children's Foundation for programs that seek to improve the emotional, mental, and physical health of disadvantaged children up to 12 years old. Grants of up to \$35,000 are available for local and national programs that help children who are at risk for child abuse, homelessness, illness, poverty, or other problems. Additional information is available on the foundation's website.

Who may apply: organizations classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Contact: Hasbro Children's Foundation, 10 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, N.Y. 10020; (212) 713-7654;
<http://www.hasbro.org>

Substance abuse
No deadline

Applications for Small Innovative Grants from the American Legacy Foundation, which support efforts to reduce and prevent tobacco use, especially among youths. First-year grants may total up to \$100,000, and recipients may apply for a second year of support totaling up to 50

percent of the first year's award. Grants are designed to support new projects, to enable an organization to carry out new ideas or approaches, or to help an organization conduct research on tobacco control. Applications are available on the foundation's Web site. Who may apply: state or local government agencies or units and organizations classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Applicant organizations must be based in the District of Columbia or one of the 46 states or five U.S. territories identified in the Master Settlement Agreement with tobacco-product manufacturers. American Indian reservations, tribes, or tribal organizations located within those areas or an organization that serves such a reservation may also apply. The foundation will not award grants to applicants that are in current receipt of grant monies or in-kind contributions from any tobacco manufacturer, distributor, or other tobacco-related entity.

Contact: American Legacy Foundation, 1001 G Street, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, D.C. 20001; phone: 202 454-5555; fax 202 454-5599; info@americanlegacy.org; <http://americanlegacy.org>

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PEDIATRIC ORAL HEALTH LEARNING MODULES AVAILABLE

A Health Professional's Guide to Pediatric Oral Health Management is a series of seven self-contained online modules designed to assist health professionals in managing the oral health of infants and young children. The modules include information on performing an oral screening to identify infants and children at increased risk for oral health problems, offering referrals to oral health professionals, and providing parents with anticipatory guidance. Each module includes an overview, learning objectives, key points, a self-assessment quiz, references, and information on additional resources.

The modules were prepared by the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center at Georgetown University and designed by the Center for Advanced Distance Education at the University of Illinois at Chicago, with support from the Maternal and Child Health Bureau. The modules are linked from the Center's home page, <http://www.mchoralhealth.org>. The direct link is <http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PediatricOH/index.htm>

SOURCE: Kids Oral Health [<mailto:koh@list.mchoralhealth.org>]

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COMMONWEALTH FUND RELEASES REPORT ON KIDS' DEVELOPMENTAL HEALTH

The Commonwealth Fund released a report entitled, "Building a Bridge from Birth to School: Improving Developmental and Behavioral Health Services for Young Children," which examines services provided in a primary health care setting to promote infant and young child development in the U.S. and suggests ways to improve these services. According to the report, common developmental problems such as learning disabilities, visual or hearing impairments, and behavioral disorders are often undiagnosed. Reasons cited for the common developmental conditions that often go unrecognized include: physicians lack the time and training to perform developmental assessments; health plans do not adequately reimburse physicians for the developmental health services that they do provide; and, current accountability systems do not measure the content and quality of such cases. Recommendations on strengthening developmental services include:

Providers, community leaders, and policy makers can work in collaboration to institute a community-wide plan for a system of developmental health services;

Governmental agencies and medical schools can support basic and applied research to broaden, test, and improve the evidence base on developmental services; and

Providers and payers can monitor, track, and report on the developmental functioning of children and the content and quality of developmental health service that they receive.

To read the report, go to

http://www.cmwf.org/programs/child/halfon_bridge_564.pdf.

SOURCE: Association of State & Territorial Health Officials, Primary Care Network News, Vol 7; No 11, May 23, 2003

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