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... On the State Level

Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program

Department of Environmental Conservation

The Brownfield Opportunity Areas Program provides municipalities and community-based organizations with assistance to complete revitalization plans and implementation strategies for areas or communities affected by the presence of multiple brownfield sites and site assessments for strategic sites. Portions of work may be subcontracted based on unit price bids/quotes for professional services to subconsultants, subject to the guidance from and approval of the Department. The BOA recipient and its contractors must make good faith efforts to subcontract a portion of the contract amount to Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE). If the recipient determines that the above goals cannot be met, a written justification must be submitted to the Division of Management and Budget Services, Minority and Women's Business Programs Unit. A list of Certified M/WBE enterprises can be obtained via the Internet from the NYS Department of Economic Development at <http://205.232.252.35/>.

ELIGIBILITY: Eligible applicants include municipalities, community-based organizations, not-for-profit corporations, New York City community boards, community-based organizations and/or New

York City community boards acting in cooperation.

FUNDING: Up to 90 percent of the eligible costs will be reimbursed.

DEADLINE: Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Information on grant solicitation and copies of this application are available at the Department of State's Web site at http://www.nyswaterfronts.com/grantopps_BOA.asp; or e-mail: coastal@dos.state.ny.us; or call: 518-474-6000.

Alternative to Incarceration Program

Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives

Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives (DPCA) has announced the availability to fund service providers from across the state that provide alternative-to-incarceration (ATI) and re-entry services programs. This Request for Proposals (RFP) is seeking applications to fund the following program/service types with up to \$200,000 each. These programs will be expected to serve the felony jail or prison-bound population, increase the effectiveness of existing alternative-to-incarceration programs as an effective alternative to jails or prison, and assist those returning to the communities from prison. Programs may provide services to a criminal justice population that helps connect them to mentoring, vital mental health and substance abuse treatment

including treatment for co-occurring disorders, expanded job training and placement services, and transitional housing and case management services in order to promote a reduction in recidivism and increase success among the ATI population served and the recently released offender.

ELIGIBILITY: Public agencies or private not-for-profit organizations within New York State that currently provide probation or alternative-to-incarceration programs.

FUNDING: Individual awards of up to \$200,000.

DEADLINE: September 19, 2008.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact NYS Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives (DPCA): Yvonne Behan, Community Corrections Representative III at (518) 485-5160; or Marlena Alford, DPCA Director of Finance, NYS Division of Probation and Correctional Alternatives (DPCA) at (518) 485-5145.

Healthy Eating and Active Living

Department of Health

This grant is intended to provide funding for programs aimed at increasing opportunities for physical activity or healthier food choices for a significant proportion of the target population by implementing evidence-based policy and environmental interventions at the community level. Priority will be given to projects addressing low-income populations. Research should demonstrate that the intervention selected increases physical activity or increases the consumption of healthy foods. Interventions targeting work sites and schools (students or staff) are not eligible for funding under this grant program because the Healthy Heart Program provides other funds for school and work site projects. Exceptions are projects that propose to increase active commuting (walking or bicycling to work or school) or projects that propose to open school facilities for use by the public.

ELIGIBILITY: Local health departments; community health centers; not-for-profit hospitals; not-for-profit organizations that work locally or statewide; academic institutions; nutrition, physical activity, or

obesity coalitions; and cooperative extension agencies.

FUNDING: A total of \$950,000 annually to fund 12 applicants.

DEADLINE: October 3, 2008.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Deborah Spicer, R.D., M.P.H., Healthy Heart Program, Department of Health, Riverview Center, Rm. 350, 150 Broadway, Albany, NY 12204-0676; or e-mail: hhp@health.state.ny.us; or fax: (518) 474-6683.

New York State Conservation Partnership Program

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the Land Trust Alliance

New York State Conservation Partnership Program (NYSCPP) is funded through the Environmental Protection Fund and administered by the Land Trust Alliance in coordination with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Since 2002, the program has invested in more than 200 projects with 64 land trusts working in urban, suburban, and rural communities across the state, from Harlem to the Adirondacks. The Land Trust Alliance (Alliance) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) invite eligible land conservation organizations in New York State to apply for New York State Conservation Partnership Program Grants. Over \$1.4 million will be dedicated to competitive land trust grants to be awarded by the Alliance in April 2009. Conservation Partnership Program grants are intended to help New York's land trust community build professional capacity, strengthen community partnerships, accelerate the pace of land conservation, and implement best business practices. Grants are available in four categories: conservation catalyst, conservation transaction, professional development, and capacity and excellence.

ELIGIBILITY: For information regarding eligibility, visit the Land Trust Alliance's Web site at: <http://www.landtrustalliance.org/community/Regions/northeast/nyscpp>.

FUNDING: Over \$1.4 million will be dedicated to competitive land trust grants to be awarded.

DEADLINE: November 14, 2008.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Katrina Howey, Northeast Program Coordinator, 112 Spring St., Suite 205, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866; or call: 518-587-0774; or e-mail: khowey@lta.org.

... On the Federal Level

Rural Health Care Services Outreach Grant Program

Health Resources & Services Administration

This program encourages the development of new and innovative health care delivery systems in rural communities that lack essential care services. The emphasis of the grant program is on service delivery through collaboration, requiring the grantee to form a consortium with at least two additional partners. Funding preferences will favor applicants where the service area is located in officially designated health professional shortage areas, or medically underserved

communities. Applicants proposals should focus on primary care, wellness and prevention strategies.

ELIGIBILITY: Eligible applicants include, public and non-profit entities, faith-based and community organizations. Applicants in rural counties or eligible rural census tracts within an urban county, federally recognized Native American Tribes or Tribal Organizations that will deliver services on a reservation or federally recognized Tribal lands.

FUNDING: A total of \$11 million is available, from which 88 grants will be awarded.

DEADLINE: October 16, 2008.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Nisha Patel, Outreach Grant Program Coordinator HRSA, Office of Rural Health Policy; or call: 301-443-6894; or e-mail: npatel@hrsa.gov

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...Grant Writing

Grantsmanship Center

The Grantsmanship Training Program is coming to New York: **Oriskany, November 3-7, 2008**, hosted by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Oneida County. Another Grantsmanship Training Program will be offered in: **Newark, NJ, September 15-19**, hosted by the Salvation Army.

The classes will be conducted by The Grantsmanship Center and are kept at a maximum of 30 participants. The cost is \$895, which includes one-year enrollment in the TGCI Membership Program. A limited number of half-tuition scholarships are available to agencies with annual budgets of less than \$300,000.

To register, or to apply for a scholarship, contact TGCI at (800) 421-9512 or visit www.tgci.com.

The Foundation Center

The Foundation Center has scheduled the following free training opportunities during September 2008:

Grantseeking Basics:

September 6, 10 and 25

Attendees will learn how the Center's resources can help make them more effective grantseekers. For beginners, this introduction to the library provides instruction in foundation research and identification of potential funders. A tour of the library will follow.

Proposal Writing Basics:

September 3

Attendees will learn about the basics of writing a proposal for their nonprofit organizations.

Introduction to the Foundation Directory Online:

September 6, 10 and 25

This session provides a hands-on introduction to the Center's comprehensive Web subscription database.

How to Approach a Foundation:

September 11

Attendees will learn how to initiate contact with potential funders; plan calls and meetings; and build partnerships with donors. This class is intended for fundraisers with some experience, though not necessarily with foundations.

Classes are held at The Foundation Center, New York Library, 79 Fifth Avenue, 2nd Floor in New York City. Space is limited and you can register online at www.fdncenter.org, in person, or by calling (212) 620-4230. You may also visit the Web site for information on other training opportunities available through the Center.