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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 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 Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, Accessible Information and Plain Language Training

New York Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, Accessible Information and Plain Language Training intends to make documents and information more accessible as a critical step in helping individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities (IDD) and their families make important decisions and navigate the systems of which they are a part. To that end, the New York Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (DDPC) is announcing the availability of funds to fund one grantee up to \$150,000 per year for two years (\$300,000 total) to develop a plain language training and toolkit for agencies and other organizations to translate their communications in more accessible ways, including but not limited to: visual samples, audio recording, and plain language writing.

- **Eligibility:** Applications will be accepted from not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organizations and Native American tribal organizations.
- **Funding:** \$150,000 per year for two years.
- **Deadline:** Sept. 30, 2022, 3 p.m. ET
- Contact: Kimberly Berg
- Email: kimberly.berg@ddpc.ny.gov
- **Website:** https://ddpc.ny.gov/accessible-info-and-plain-language-training

Questions?

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Department of Environmental Conservation, Zero-Emission Vehicle Rebates

Rebates are available to municipalities that purchase (or lease for a minimum of 36 months) an eligible vehicle placed into municipal service at a dealership in New York State on or after Aug. 1, 2020.

All-electric, plug-in hybrid, and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles are eligible for rebates. For qualified vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of up to 8,000 pounds, rebates are available on a tiered basis:

- \$2,500 per vehicle for those with an electric range between 50 and 100 miles
- \$5,000 per vehicle for those with an electric range between 101 miles and 200 miles
- \$7,500 per vehicle for those with an electric range of 201 or more miles

Vehicles with a weight rating between 8,001 and 14,000 pounds (e.g., trucks, vans, and minibuses) are eligible for a rebate of \$7,500 regardless of electric range.

- **Eligibility:** Eligible applicants are municipalities purchasing or leasing for a minimum of 36 months allelectric, plug-in hybrid, and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles.
- **Funding:** A total of \$750,000 is available in this round on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Deadline: DEC is accepting applications for the Municipal ZEV Rebate Program on a rolling basis through 4 p.m. on Sept. 30, 2022, or until funds are exhausted, whichever occurs first.

■ Contact: Myra Fedyniak

■ Email: zevrebate@dec.ny.gov

Website: https://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/109181.html

Department of Environmental Conservation, Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation has made funding available for municipalities to install clean vehicle infrastructure including Level 2 (L2) and Direct Current Fast Charge (DCFC) electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) and equipment for dispensing hydrogen to hydrogen fuel cell (HFC) vehicles using hydrogen produced through electrolysis or biogas reformulation.

A total of \$5 million is available for this round of the Clean Vehicle Infrastructure Program, provided by the Environmental Protection Fund, Title 15, Climate Smart Community Projects line. Please note: The NYSERDA Charge Ready Program and the DEC ZEV Infrastructure Grant Program may NOT be utilized together for the same EVSE installation.

■ Eligibility: Eligible applicants are municipalities installing clean vehicle infrastructure. There is no limit to the number of applications a municipality may file, the number of facilities for which a municipality may request grant funding or the number of units per facility other than the maximum award amounts listed in the Request

for Applications.

Funding: There are three maximum grant amounts: \$250,000, \$300,000, and \$500,000.

Deadline: Sept. 30, 2022Contact: Myra Fedyniak

■ Email: zevrebate@dec.ny.gov

■ **Website:** https://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/109181.html

On the federal level...

National Institutes of Health, Resource Centers for Minority Aging Research Coordinating Center

This funding opportunity is intended to develop and maintain a coordinating center (CC) for the Resource Centers for Minority Aging Research (RCMAR) program. The RCMAR program supports behavioral and social research on aging, health disparities in older adults, and Alzheimer's disease and Alzheimer's disease related dementias (AD/ADRD), through the development of research infrastructure and mentorship of early career scientists from diverse backgrounds. The primary responsibilities of the RCMAR CC are to coordinate and provide logistical support to RCMAR Centers; facilitate cooperation and collaboration across RCMAR centers; create and maintain an interactive RCMAR CC website; identify and share research and training resources and materials; provide support, technical assistance, and resources to early career investigators; and perform program analysis and evaluation. The RCMAR CC will also develop and implement strategies to enhance the visibility of the RCMAR program and behavioral and social research on aging and AD/ADRD as a whole, and to communicate the importance and value of diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) in the aging and AD/ADRD research enterprise.

Eligibility: This funding opportunity is open to independent school districts; small businesses; public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; state governments; Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments); city or township governments; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; county governments; special district governments; public, state-controlled and private institutions of higher education; for profit organizations other than small businesses; Native American tribal governments; Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions: Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institutions (AANAPISISs); eligible agencies of the federal government; faith-based or community-based organizations; Hispanic-serving institutions; Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs); regional organizations; Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities (TCCUs) and U.S. territories or

Funding: \$800,000 total costs per year, for five years.

Deadline: Oct. 21, 2022

- **Email:** GrantsInfo@nih.gov
- **Website:** https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/ RFA-AG-23-027.html

United States Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service, Rural eConnectivity Program

The Rural Utilities Service (RUS), a Rural Development agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), will begin accepting applications on Sept. 6 for the Rural eConnectivity Program (the ReConnect Program). The ReConnect Program provides loans, grants and loan/ grant combinations to facilitate the implementation of broadband services in rural areas. By supporting the expansion of broadband services and infrastructure, the program aims to fuel long-term economic development and greater opportunities throughout the rural United States. To be eligible to receive ReConnect Program funds, a proposed project must service an area where at least 50% of households in the proposed funded service area (PFSA) lack sufficient access to broadband service, defined as at least 100 megabits per second (Mbps) downstream and 20 Mbps upstream. Further, the proposed network must be capable of providing 100 Mbps symmetrical broadband service to every premises located in the PFSA at the time of application submission and be located in a rural area that is not located in a city, town, or incorporated area with a population of greater than 20,000 inhabitants or an urbanized area contiguous and adjacent to a city or town that has a population of greater than 50,000 inhabitants.

Eligibility: Corporations; Limited Liability Companies and Limited Liability Partnerships; cooperatives and mutual organizations; state or local governments, including any agency, subdivision, instrumentality of political subdivision thereof; territories and possessions of the United States; and Indian Tribes, as defined in Section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. §450b) are eligible to apply. Co-applicants are not eligible. If two entities would like to partner with one another in delivering broadband to areas without sufficient access, then one entity must take the lead in submitting an application. Only entities that the USDA determines to be financially feasible and sustainable will be eligible for an award.

Funding: \$100,000-\$35 million

Deadline: Nov. 2, 2022

■ Contact: Christopher Proctor

Email: christopher.proctor@usda.gov

■ Website: https://www.usda.gov/reconnect

On the private level...

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Foundation, Access to Care Grants

The American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) Foundation is committed to supporting community-based initiatives that provide ongoing, consistent oral health care, or "Dental Homes," to children whose families cannot afford dental care. The AAPD defines a Dental Home as the ongoing relationship between the dentist and the patient, inclusive of all aspects of oral health care, which is delivered in a comprehensive, continuously accessible, coordinated and family-centered way. The Foundation's one-year Access to Care Grants support community-based initiatives that provide dental care and serve as a Dental Home to underserved children who would otherwise be unable to access comprehensive dental care.

■ **Eligibility:** Applicants must be a United States/U.S. Territory applicant/organization that provides care to children in the U.S. or a U.S. Territory. Qualified initiatives must be dentist-led, with priority given to projects with pediatric dentist leadership. Projects led by general practitioners may also apply.

■ **Funding:** Up to \$20,000 per grant.

Deadline: Oct. 3, 2022 4:00 CDT

■ Email: jwilliams@aapdfoundation.org

Phone: 773-938-4989 (between 8:30-4:30 CDT)

■ **Website:** https://aapdfoundation.org/what-we-do/apply-for-grants

Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts, Individual Grants

The Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts provides grants to individuals and organizations to support projects offering innovative and diverse ideas about architecture. The organization aims to facilitate the exchange of ideas around architecture and its role in the arts, culture and society at large. Its priorities include assisting with the production and presentation of programs – including but not limited to publications, exhibitions, installations, films, new media projects, conferences and lectures – focusing on architecture and the designed environment which promote dialogue and develop new and wider audiences, as well as providing opportunities for experimentation and giving individuals a platform and the support to present new and divergent work.

- Eligibility: Grants are primarily awarded to organizations within the United States, however, a small percentage of grants are awarded internationally. Final Projects must be disseminated in English. Organizations should be 501(c)(3) tax exempt, except in circumstances when there is clear evidence of public interest, such as emerging organizations that do not yet have tax exempt status or for-profit organizations serving the public good.
- Funding: Funding is based on project budget and demand for funding. Grants do not exceed \$30,000 and award amounts are generally lower.

Deadline: Sept. 15, 2022

Phone: 312-787-4071

Email: grantprograms@grahamfoundation.org

■ **Website:** http://www.grahamfoundation.org/grant_programs?mode=individual





Scholars Awards...

New York Public Library, Cullman Center Fellowship

The New York Public Library is inviting applications for its 2023-24 Cullman Center Fellowship, offered through the Dorothy and Lewis B. Cullman Center for Scholars and Writers. Fellowships will be awarded to 15 scholars and writers whose work will benefit directly from access to the research collections at the Stephen A. Schwarzman Building. The library is one of the world's preeminent resources for study in anthropology, art, geography, history, languages and literature, philosophy, politics, popular culture, psychology, religion, sociology, sports, and urban studies. Fellows will receive a stipend of up to \$75,000, the use of an office with a computer and full access to the library's physical and electronic resources. Fellows work at the center for the duration of the fellowship term, which runs from September through May, and will give a presentation about their current work-inprogress to other fellows and invited guests; they may also be asked to take part in other programs at the New York Public Library. Candidates for the fellowship will need to work primarily at the Stephen A. Schwarzman Building rather than at different library divisions.

Students must have demonstrated a commitment to public service and plan to pursue a career in public service upon graduation. Selected scholarship recipients will be notified in August, and the program will begin in September 2022.

- **Eligibility:** Scholars and writers including academics, independent scholars, journalists, creative writers (novelists, playwrights, poets), translators and visual artists are invited to apply.
- **Funding:** \$75,000 stipend
- **Deadline:** Sept. 30, 2022 5 p.m. ET
- **Email:** csw@onlineapplicationportal.com
- **Website:** https://www.nypl.org/help/about-nypl/fellowships-institutes/center-for-scholars-and-writers/fellowships-at-the-cullman-center

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.

In addition: Classes are held at Candid, located at: 32 Old Slip, 24th Floor, New York, NY 10005

For a schedule of classes, visit:

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