

Grant Resources

From Professional Organizations

American Association of Community Colleges

Website: <http://www.aacc.nche.edu>
Address: One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 410
Washington, DC 20036
Telephone: (202) 728-0200

The American Association of Community Colleges is the primary advocacy organization for the nation's community colleges. The Association represents more than 1,100 associate degree-granting institutions and some 10 million students. Formed in 1920, AACC is a national voice for community colleges, which marked their 100th year of service to the nation in 2001.

Bridge Partnership

Website: <http://www.league.org/league/projects/bridge>
Address: 1601 South Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33129
Telephone: (305) 854-4428

The Bridge Partnership is a project of the League for Innovation in Community Colleges. Through this program, community colleges and high schools work together to increase the number of students who aspire to go on to college, to accelerate their preparation and smooth the transition to college entry and success. Sixty-five community colleges and over 90 high schools in 20 states are participating.

Foundation for Independent Higher Education

Website: <http://www.fihe.org>
Address: 1920 N Street NW, Suite 210
Washington, DC 20036
Telephone: (202) 367-0333

For over 43 years, the Foundation for Independent Higher Education has worked to perpetuate the special values and characteristics of America's private colleges and universities, strategically linking the corporate and philanthropic objectives of business and industry with the strengths and opportunities provided by a national network of state funds and their 670 member colleges and universities.

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Lumina Foundation for Education

Website: <http://www.luminafoundation.org>

Address: 901 Black Canyon Drive
Estes Park, CO 80517

Telephone: (800) 834-5756

The mission of Lumina Foundation for Education is to expand access to postsecondary education in the United States. The Foundation seeks to identify and promote practices leading to improvement in the rates of entry and success in education beyond high school, particularly for underrepresented students. The Lumina Foundation carries out their mission through funding and conducting research, communicating ideas through reports, conferences and other means, and making grants to educational institutions and other non-profits for innovative programs.

Nellie Mae Education Foundation

Website: <http://www.nmefdn.org>

Address: 1250 Hancock Street, Suite 205N
Quincy, MA 02169

Telephone: (781) 348-4200

Nellie Mae Education Foundation, formerly the Nellie Mae Foundation, is New England's largest public charity dedicated exclusively to improving academic achievement for the region's underserved communities. The Foundation provides grants and technical assistance to programs that concentrate on academic enrichment, college planning, advising, preparation and retention support for low-income, underserved students in grades 5 through 14, and adult learners. The Foundation also sponsors research projects and conferences that examine critical issues in education.

From Federal Agencies

Corporation for National and Community Service- Learn and Serve America

Website: <http://www.learnandserve.org>
Address: 1201 New York Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20525
Telephone: (202) 606-5000

Learn and Serve America provides direct and indirect support to K-12 schools, community groups and higher education institutions to facilitate service-learning projects by providing grant support for school-community partnerships and higher education institutions; providing training and technical assistance resources to teachers, administrators, parents, schools and community groups; collecting and disseminating research, effective practices, curricula, and program models; and recognizing outstanding youth service through the Presidential Freedom Scholarship, President's Volunteer Service Awards and other programs.

GEAR UP

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/gearup>
Address: Office of Postsecondary Education
Department of Education
1990 K Street NW
Washington, DC 20006
Telephone: (202) 502-7676

The GEAR UP program is a discretionary grant program designed to increase the number of low-income students who are prepared to enter and succeed in postsecondary education. GEAR UP provides five-year grants to states and partnerships to provide services at high-poverty middle and high schools. GEAR UP grantees serve an entire cohort of students beginning no later than the seventh grade and follow the cohort through high school..

International Education Programs Service- National Resource Centers Program

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/iegpsnrc>
Address: U.S. Department of Education, OPE
Higher Education Programs
International Education Programs Service
National Resource Centers Program
1990 K Street NW, 6th Floor
Washington, DC 20006
Telephone: (202) 502-7700

This program provides grants to institutions of higher education or consortia of institutions of higher education to establish, strengthen, and operate comprehensive and undergraduate language and area/international studies centers.

National Endowment for the Humanities

Website: <http://www.neh.gov>
Address: 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20506
Telephone: (800) NEH-1121

National Endowment for the Humanities is an independent grant-making agency of the United States government dedicated to supporting research, education, preservation, and public programs in the humanities. Grant application and information can be found on the website.

National Science Foundation

Website: <http://www.nsf.gov>
Address: 4201 Wilson Boulevard
Arlington, VA 22230
Telephone: (703) 292-5111

The National Science Foundation is an independent federal agency that promotes the progress of science and engineering. Grant application and information can be found on the website.

The Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/fipsecomp/index.html>
Address: Office of Postsecondary Education
1990 K Street NW
Washington, DC 20006
Telephone: (202) 502-7500

The central grant competition of the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education is designed to support innovative reform projects that hold promise as models for the resolution of important issues and problems in postsecondary education. Grant application and information can be found on the website.

U.S. Department of Education – Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants

Website: <http://www.ed.gov>
Address: Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program
U.S. Department of Education, OPE
1990 K Street NW, Suite 7000
Washington, DC 20006
Telephone: (202) 502-7536

These state grants are aimed to encourage states to improve the quality of their teaching force through activities such as: strengthening their teacher certification standards, implementing reforms that hold institutions of higher education accountable, establishing or strengthening alternative pathways into teaching, and recruiting new high-quality teachers for high-need areas. Grant application and information can be found on the website.