



# GRANTS ACTION NEWS

Information on available state, federal and private grants

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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) 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.

### NYS Department of Health (DOH); Peer Education, Outreach and Shared Decision Making for Persons at High Risk of Prostate Cancer

The New York State Department of Health, Center for Community Health, Division of Chronic Disease Prevention, Bureau of Cancer Prevention and Control (BCPC), seeks applications for state grant awards to agencies to support peer education and outreach, personalized coaching, linkage to community services to address barriers to health care and referral to health care providers for prostate cancer screening. Awarded applicant (grantee) activities will be directed to Black men, ages 45 to 69 years old, who bear a disproportionately high burden of prostate cancer.

- **Eligible Applicants:** Not-for-profit entities, governmental entities
- **Deadline:** March 14, 2023 / 04:00 PM ET
- **Anticipated Initial Contract Length:** 5 Years
- **Total Funding Available:** \$2.6 million
- **Anticipated Number of Award(s):** The Department anticipates awarding four (4) contracts. Each contract will be for \$130,000 annually, for a five-year total of \$650,000 each.
- **Contact:** Wendy Gould
- **Contact Email:** [canserv@health.ny.gov](mailto:canserv@health.ny.gov)
- **Link to Additional Information:** [https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/IntelliGrants\\_NYSGG/filenetdocretrieval.aspx?docid={ca68a6d6-22a1-4ff4-966c-2a7df99a91ec}](https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/IntelliGrants_NYSGG/filenetdocretrieval.aspx?docid={ca68a6d6-22a1-4ff4-966c-2a7df99a91ec})

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## NYS Division of Veterans' Services, Veterans' Nonprofit Capital Program (VNCP)

New York State is providing \$5 million in funds to nonprofit veterans' organizations to make capital improvements to facilities that serve veterans.

- **Eligible Applicants:** Not-for-profit entities
- **Deadline:** March 31, 2023 / 04:00 PM ET
- **Total Funding Available:** \$5 million
- **Anticipated Funding Amounts:** Funding for projects will range between \$25,000 and \$75,000
- **Contact:** Sarah Antonacci
- **Contact Email:** grants@veterans.ny.gov
- **Link to Additional Information:** [https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/IntelliGrants\\_NYSSGG/finenetdocretrieval.aspx?docid={da136d88-7c3f-4a45-ac2a-d6b02036e925}](https://grantsgateway.ny.gov/IntelliGrants_NYSSGG/finenetdocretrieval.aspx?docid={da136d88-7c3f-4a45-ac2a-d6b02036e925})

## New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), EmPower New York Program

EmPower New York provides no-cost energy efficiency solutions to income-eligible New Yorkers. Homeowners and renters will be connected with a participating contractor to assess if a home would benefit from free energy upgrades such as:

- ◆ Home energy assessment to identify areas of possible energy improvements
- ◆ Tips on how to save energy
- ◆ Installation of high-efficiency lighting
- ◆ Attic and wall insulation
- ◆ Installation of clean heating and cooling heat pumps
- ◆ Replacement of old, inefficient refrigerators and freezers
- ◆ Water-saving showerheads
- ◆ A monthly electric bill credit of between \$5-\$15 from community solar.

- **Eligible Applicants:** Income-eligible New Yorkers. (See link for more information)
- **Deadline:** Rolling
- **Link to Additional Information:** <https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/EmPower-New-York-Program>

## On the federal level...

### US Department of Health and Human Services; Research on Community Level Interventions for Firearm and Related Violence, Injury and Mortality Prevention

Violence affects people of all ages, and its impact is far-reaching. It is a leading cause of death and nonfatal injuries in the United States and constitutes a major public health crisis, especially among young people, and among racial/ethnic minorities, sexual and gender minorities (SGM) and disability populations. NIH is committed to supporting research that identifies innovative prevention approaches to reduce firearm and related violence, injury and mortality. This initiative will support a network of research projects to develop and test interventions at the community or community organization level that aim to prevent firearm and related violence, injury and mortality.

- **Eligible Applicants:** Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; for profit organizations, other than small businesses; private institutions of higher education; independent school districts; public and state controlled institutions of higher education; Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments); city or township governments; public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; county governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); special district governments; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; state governments; small businesses; Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian serving institutions; Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institutions (AANAPISIs); eligible agencies of the Federal Government; faith-based or community-based organizations; Hispanic-serving institutions; Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs); and Indian/ Native American tribal governments (other than federally recognized)
- **Deadline:** March 17, 2023
- **Estimated Number of Awards:** 5-8
- **Award Ceiling:** \$500,000
- **Contact:** NIH Grants Information
- **Contact Email:** grantsinfo@nih.gov
- **Website:** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-23-066.html>

### National Institutes of Health; Funding to Address the Impact of Structural Racism and Discrimination on Minority Health and Health Disparities

The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) is interested in funding intervention research to mitigate or prevent the impacts of environmental exposures on communities due to structural racism and discrimination (SRD).

Areas of specific interest to NIEHS include, but are not limited to:

- ◆ Interventions that prevent or mitigate single or combined environmental exposures disproportionately affecting the health of one or more communities impacted by environmental racism
- ◆ Interventions that address the disproportionate health impacts of exposures due to climate change, extreme weather and natural or human-caused disasters on communities affected by environmental racism
- ◆ Interventions that prevent or mitigate disproportionate exposures in the built environment (e.g., mold or lead in housing, lack of greenspace) attributed to systemic neighborhood disinvestment
- ◆ Interventions that address the role of environmental racism in occupational exposures
- ◆ Interventions that promote the resiliency of communities experiencing environmental racism

- **Eligible Applicants:** Public/state-controlled institutions of higher education, private institutions of higher education, nonprofits with 501(c)(3) IRS status (other than institutions of higher education), nonprofits without 501(c)(3) IRS status (other than institutions of higher education), small businesses, for-profit organizations (other than small businesses), state governments, county governments, city or township governments, special district governments, Indian/Native American tribal governments (federally recognized), Indian/Native American tribal governments (other than federally recognized), independent school districts, public housing authorities/Indian Housing Authorities, Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments), faith-based or community-based organizations and regional organizations

- **Deadline:** March 24, 2023, by 5:00 PM local time of applicant organization

- **Contact:** Lindsey Martin

- **Contact Email:** lindsey.martin@nih.gov

- **Link to Additional Information:** <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-23-112.html>

## National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), Research Grants in the Arts

Research grants in the Arts support research that investigates the value and/or impact of the arts, either as individual components of the U.S. arts ecology or as they interact with each other and/or with other domains of American life. The NEA welcomes research proposals in these four areas: the art's impact on health, education and the economy; the art's role in community transformation and healing; diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility in the arts; and the evolving ecosystem of the arts in the U.S.

- **Eligible Applicants:** City or township governments; county governments; independent school districts; special district governments; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; private institutions of higher education; public and state-controlled institutions of higher education; state governments; and Native American tribal governments (federally recognized)

- **Deadline:** March 27, 2023

- **Award Ceiling:** \$100,000

- **Award Floor:** \$20,000

- **Contact Email:** [nearesearchgrants@arts.gov](mailto:nearesearchgrants@arts.gov)

- **Link to Additional Information:** <https://www.arts.gov/grants/research-awards/research-grants-in-the-arts/program-description>

## US Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS); Special Education Parent Information Centers

The Special Education Parent Information Centers program ensures that parents of children with disabilities receive high-quality, relevant and useful training and information to help improve outcomes for their children.

- **Eligible Applicants:** 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; and private nonprofit organizations

- **Deadline:** March 28, 2023

- **Estimated Number of Awards:** 5

- **Expected Total Program Funding:** \$2.94 million

- **Award Ceiling:** \$840,000

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## On the private level...

### Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation Quality of Life Grants Program – Direct Effect Grants

Direct Effect Quality of Life grants fund specific budget items up to a total of \$25,000 to support the wide range of projects and activities that will clearly impact individuals living with paralysis and their families.

Examples of funded projects may include: sports wheelchairs for wheelchair basketball teams; adapted gliders in community playgrounds; kayaks for rowing programs; accessible gym equipment; hydraulic lifts at pools; electronic door openers at community centers; workshop education series on sex and sexuality with a spinal cord injury; wheelchair accessible picnic tables; programs for preventing abuse in adaptive sports; camp programs; subsidized lessons for therapeutic riding; transportation costs for inclusive afterschool programs; and support groups.

- **Eligible Applicants:** 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, municipal and state governments, school districts, recognized tribal entities and other institutions such as community or veterans' hospitals

- **Deadline:** March 8, 2023, 11:59PM ET

- **Award Ceiling:** \$25,000

- **Contact Email:** [QOL@ChristopherReeve.org](mailto:QOL@ChristopherReeve.org)





- **Link to Additional Information:** <https://www.christopherreeve.org/get-support/grants-for-non-profits/quality-of-life-grant-review-process>

## AARP Community Challenge Grants

AARP Community Challenge Grants provide small grants to fund quick-action projects that can help communities become more livable for people of all ages.

1. **Flagship Challenge Grants** — for projects that benefit residents — especially those age 50 and older. Projects can:
  - ◆ Create vibrant public places that improve open spaces, parks and access to other amenities
  - ◆ Deliver a range of transportation and mobility options that increase connectivity, walkability, bikeability and access to public and private transit
  - ◆ Support housing options that increase the availability of accessible and affordable choices
  - ◆ Ensure a focus on diversity, equity and inclusion while improving the built and social environment of a community
  - ◆ Increase digital connections by expanding high-speed internet and enhancing digital literacy skills of residents
  - ◆ Support community resilience through investments that improve disaster management, preparedness and mitigation for residents
  - ◆ Increase civic engagement with innovative and tangible projects that bring residents and local leaders together to address challenges and facilitate a greater sense of inclusion
  - ◆ Improve community health and economic empowerment in support of financial well-being and improved health outcomes

- **Award Amounts:** \$500-\$50,000

2. **Capacity-Building Microgrants** — By combining \$2,500 grants with additional resources — such as webinars, AARP Livable Communities publications, cohort learning opportunities and/or up to two hours of one-on-one coaching with leading national organizations — this new grant opportunity will benefit residents (especially those age 50 or older) in the following categories:

- ◆ **Walkability:** Implement a walk audit to assess and enhance the safety and walkability of a street or neighborhood
- ◆ **Community Gardens:** Start or enhance a community garden

- **Award Amounts:** \$2,500

3. **Demonstration Grants** - By supporting demonstration efforts that encourage the replication of promising local efforts, this new grant opportunity will benefit residents (especially those age 50 and older) by:

- ◆ Advancing solutions that build capacity towards transportation systems change. This opportunity for grant funding will provide approximately \$30,000 to

\$50,000 per project.

- ◆ Implementing accessory dwelling unit (ADU) design competitions that increase public understanding of this housing option and encourage the implementation of ADU supportive policies. This opportunity for grant funding will provide approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000 per project.

- **Eligible Applicants:** 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4) and 501(c)(6) nonprofits (Nonprofit organizations must be recognized by the IRS to receive funds.); government entities; and other organizations considered on a case-by-case basis
- **Deadline:** March 15, 2023, 5pm ET
- **Contact Email:** [CommunityChallenge@AARP.org](mailto:CommunityChallenge@AARP.org)
- **Link to Additional Information:** <https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/community-challenge/info-2023/2023-challenge.html>

## It Gets Better Project — Empowering LGBTQ+ Youth Through School-Based Projects in All 50 States — 50 States. 50 Grants. 5000 Voices.

This funding supports educators, administrators and LGBTQ+ clubs that prioritize the empowerment and wellbeing of LGBTQ+ youth while at school. Grants of up to \$10,000 will be awarded from a \$500,000 fund to at least one middle and/or high school in every U.S. state, including U.S. territories.

- **Eligible Applicants:**
  - ◆ A public and/or charter secondary (middle/junior or high) school listed by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) that serves students between 13-18 years old
  - ◆ Clear demonstration that funding will effectively support the school's LGBTQ+ students and educators
  - ◆ Clear student/youth participation in the planning and execution of the proposed project; all applications must include at least one student leader and one faculty advisor as signatories.
- **Deadline:** March 15, 2023
- **Contact Email:** [50grants@itgetsbetter.org](mailto:50grants@itgetsbetter.org)
- **Link to Additional Information:** <https://www.50states50grants.com/>

# Scholar Awards...

## James Beard Foundation Scholarship Grants

This scholarship funding program assists aspiring and established culinary professionals who plan to further their education at a licensed or accredited culinary school, hospitality institution, college or university.

This year JBF will offer three basic types of awards:

- ◆ Scholarships: Cash grants applied to tuition (and sometimes other school-related expenses)
- ◆ Tuition Waivers: Tuition waivers granted by educational institutions, which are renewable in some cases
- ◆ Work Study Grants: Grants for working culinary professionals under the auspices of the Jean-Louis Palladin Professional Work/Study program

- **Eligible Applicants:** Various – check the different scholarship/grant/waiver guidelines
- **Deadline:** March 31, 2023
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- **Link to Additional Information:** <https://www.jamesbeard.org/scholarships>



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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 to 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.

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