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## OPGD News

**Save the Date – OPGD Public Private Partnership Conference to be held May 8, 2008.** OPGD announces that its annual Public Private Partnership Conference will be held May 8, 2008. Registration and other conference information will be made available through the Funding Alert and OPGD's website:

<http://opgd.dc.gov>

## Federal Opportunities

**Education Research.** *Department of Education* announces funds to provide parents, educators, students, researchers, policymakers, and the general public with reliable and valid information about education practices that support learning and improve academic achievement and access to education opportunities for all students.

**Eligibility:** Public and state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations.

**Deadline:** June 26, 2008.

**Information:** Katina Stapleton at (202) 245-6140 or [Katina.Stapleton@ed.gov](mailto:Katina.Stapleton@ed.gov); or go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20081800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/08-911.pdf>.

**GrantID:** GD2693

**National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative Community Treatment and Services Center Grants.** *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to support the improvement of treatment and services for all children and adolescents in the U.S. who have experienced traumatic events.

**Eligibility:** City or township governments, county governments, state governments, private institutions of higher education, nonprofits, and faith- and community-based organizations.

**Deadline:** March 29, 2008.

**Funds:** Approximately \$3,000,000 is available to fund 7 awards up to \$400,000.

**Information:** Gwendolyn Simpson at (240) 276-1408 or [gwendolyn.simpson@samhsa.hhs.gov](mailto:gwendolyn.simpson@samhsa.hhs.gov); or go to:

[http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2008/sm\\_08\\_010.aspx](http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2008/sm_08_010.aspx).

**State Single Point of Contact:** This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, Select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply.

**GrantID:** GD2690

**School Leadership Grant Program.** *Department of Education* announces funds to assist high-need local educational agencies (LEAs) in the development, enhancement, or expansion of innovative programs to recruit, train, and retain principals (including assistant principals) through activities such as: providing financial incentives to aspiring new principals; providing stipends to principals who mentor new principals; carrying out professional development programs in instructional leadership and management; and providing incentives that are appropriate for teachers or individuals from other fields who want to become principals and are effective in retaining new principals.

**Eligibility:** High-need LEAs, consortia of high-need LEAs, or partnerships that consist of high-need LEAs, and nonprofit organizations (which may be community- or faith-based organizations), or institutions of higher education.

**Deadline:** May 2, 2008.

**Funds:** \$14,300,000 is available to fund 24 awards.

**Pre-Application Meetings:** March 31, 2008, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m., at the U.S. Department of Education, Barnard Auditorium, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

**Information:** Beatriz Ceja at (202) 205-5009 or [SLP@ed.gov](mailto:SLP@ed.gov).

**State Single Point of Contact:** This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, Select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply.

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**Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral, and Treatment (SBIRT) Medical Residency Program.** *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to develop and implement training programs to teach medical residents skills to provide evidence-based screening, brief intervention, brief treatment, and referral to specialty treatment for patients who have, or are at risk for, a substance use disorder. Another purpose of the program is to promote adoption of SBIRT through delivery of training to local and statewide medical communities for wider dissemination of SBIRT practices.

**Eligibility:** City or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, private institutions of higher education, nonprofits, and faith- and community-based organizations.

**Deadline:** April 30, 2008.

**Funds:** Approximately \$3,750,000 is available to fund 10 awards up to \$375,000.

**Information:** Kathleen Sample at (202) 276-1407 or [kathleen.sample@samhsa.hhs.gov](mailto:kathleen.sample@samhsa.hhs.gov); or go to:

[http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2008/ti\\_08\\_003.aspx](http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2008/ti_08_003.aspx).

**GrantID:** GD2707

**Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking Act Grants.** *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to prevent and reduce alcohol use among youth in communities throughout the U.S. This program was created to strengthen collaboration among communities, the Federal Government, State, and local governments; to enhance intergovernmental cooperation and coordination on the issue of alcohol use among youth; to serve as a catalyst for increased citizen participation and greater collaboration among all sectors and organizations of a community that first demonstrates a long-term commitment to reducing alcohol use among youth; and to disseminate to communities timely information regarding state-of-the-art practices and initiatives that have proven to be effective in preventing and reducing alcohol use among youth.

**Eligibility:** City or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, private institutions of higher education, nonprofits, and community-based organizations.

**Deadline:** April 9, 2008.

**Funds:** Approximately \$3,930,000 is available to fund 80 awards up to \$50,000.

**Information:** Edna Frazier at (202) 276-1405 or [Edna.Frazier@samhsa.hhs.gov](mailto:Edna.Frazier@samhsa.hhs.gov); or go to:

[http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2008/sp\\_08\\_004.aspx](http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2008/sp_08_004.aspx).

**GrantID:** GD2706

**Special Education Research.** *Department of Education* announces funds to provide parents, educators, students, researchers, policymakers, and the general public with reliable and valid information about education practices that support learning and improve academic achievement and access to education opportunities for all students.

**Eligibility:** Public and state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations.

**Deadline:** June 26, 2008.

**Information:** Kristen Lauer at (202) 245-6140 or [Kristen.Lauer@ed.gov](mailto:Kristen.Lauer@ed.gov); or go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20081800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/08-911.pdf>.

**State Single Point of Contact:** This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, Select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply.

**GrantID:** GD2694

## District Opportunities

**21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) Program.** *Office of the State Superintendent of Education* announces funds to increase the academic achievement of students in reading/language arts, mathematics, and science. Additionally, the centers may offer youth development programs and activities that are designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program of participating students by providing safe, caring, learning environments during out-of-school hours. Drug and violence prevention, art, music, and recreation, character education, technology, and community service are examples of activities that can be provided. Priority is

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given to applicants who propose to target services to students who (a) attend schools in need of improvement and (b) submit a joint application with at least one (1) Local Education Agency (LEA) receiving Title I funds and one (1) community-based organization or other private entity.

**Eligibility:** LEA, private schools, community- and faith-based organizations, and DC government agencies.

**Deadline:** April 25, 2008, at 4:00 p.m.

**Funds:** Approximately \$500,000 is available to fund 1-3 awards.

**Pre-Application Conferences:** 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m., on March 19, 2008; March 29, 2008; and April 8, 2008, at the Old Council Chamber, One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Ground Floor. Applicants are required to attend at least one conference.

**Information:** Lisa Williams at (202) 741-6401; or go to: [www.osse.dc.gov](http://www.osse.dc.gov), or [http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/frames.asp?doc=/opgd/lib/opgd/21st\\_cclc\\_rfa\\_final\\_030608.pdf](http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/frames.asp?doc=/opgd/lib/opgd/21st_cclc_rfa_final_030608.pdf)

**GrantID:** GD2705

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
<i>Department of Human Services (DHS)</i>	<i>FY 2008 Mini-Subgrants</i>	<i>March 14, 2008, at 4:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Serve DC</i>	<i>AmeriCorps Grant</i>	<i>March 14, 2008, at 5:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA)</i>	<i>National Capital Region Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI)– Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)</i>	<i>April 1, 2008.</i>
<i>DC Public Library (DCPL)</i>	<i>Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)</i>	<i>April 18, 2008.</i>
<i>Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (ODMPED)</i>	<i>Neighborhood Grants Program (NGP)</i>	<i>June 30, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. or fund exhaustion.</i>
<i>Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (ODMPED)</i>	<i>Neighborhood Investment Fund (NIF) Predevelopment Grant and Project Grant Fund</i>	<i>July 31, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. or fund exhaustion</i>
<i>Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD)</i>	<i>Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP)</i>	<i>Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.</i>

## Foundation Opportunities

**2008 Camp Erin Program.** *Moyer Foundation's* mission is to offer encouragement, comfort, and support to children enduring a time of profound distress, whether physical, emotional, or financial, and to provide opportunities for enhancing their overall wellness, stability, and quality of life. Funds are available to support organizations in the U.S. to establish and run a bereavement camp for children (between the ages 6-17) who have experienced the death of a loved one. The camp shall be a weekend-long experience filled with traditional camp activities combined with grief education and emotional support facilitated by grief professionals and trained volunteers.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofits and community-based organizations.

**Deadline:** June 1, 2008.

**Funds:** Approximately 10 awards up to \$100,000.

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**Information:** Lesa Anderson at [lesa@moyerfoundation.org](mailto:lesa@moyerfoundation.org); or go to:  
<http://www.moyerfoundation.org/events/erin.aspx>.

**GrantID:** GD2699

**2009 Youth Garden Grants.** *National Gardening Association and Home Depot* announce funds to help youngsters reap rewards and vital life lessons learned from working in gardens and habitats. Applicants must plan to garden with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18 years.

**Eligibility:** Independent school districts, nonprofits, and faith- and community-based organizations.

**Deadline:** Open deadline date.

**Funds:** Approximately 125 awards ranging from \$250-\$1,000.

**Information:** <http://www.kidsgardening.com/YGG.asp>.

**GrantID:** GD2701

**Family Services Community Grants.** *Autism Speaks* promotes services that will enhance the lives of those affected by autism spectrum disorders. The foundation's focus is on proposals that serve to build the field of services for individuals with autism and expand the capacity to effectively serve this growing community. Funds are available to address one of the following areas of need: education; recreation/community activities; equipment/supportive technology; and young adult/adults services.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations.

**Deadline:** March 28, 2008.

**Funds:** Awards ranging from \$10,000-\$20,000.

**Information:** <http://www.autismspeaks.org/community/fsdb/grants.php>.

**GrantID:** GD2702

**Green Building Projects: Planning and Construction Grants.** *Enterprise* announces funds to provide support to developers that promote health; conserve energy and natural resources; and provide easy access to jobs, schools, and services. Grants are available to help cover the costs of planning and implementing green components of affordable housing developments.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities, and for-profit organizations.

**Deadline:** April 11, 2008.

**Funds:** Awards up to \$50,000.

**Information:** <http://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/tools/funding/grants/>.

**GrantID:** GD2704

**Mathematics Mentoring.** *Actuarial Foundation* announces funds to develop a viable mentoring program involving actuaries in the teaching of mathematics to children in private and public schools. This grant program brings together actuaries and educators in local classroom environments with the belief that interaction with real-world mentors will boost students' interest and achievement in math.

**Eligibility:** Independent school districts, nonprofits, and community-based organizations.

**Deadline:** Open deadline date.

**Information:** <http://www.actuarialfoundation.org/grant/howdo.html>.

**GrantID:** GD2703

**Preschool Gardening.** *National Gardening Association* announces funds to promote gardening for young children, ages 3-5. Through this new grant program applicants will receive an assortment of garden tools and garden- and nature-oriented teaching materials, along with a Wubbzy garden activity guide. Organizations must offer structured programs in settings such as preschools, daycare centers, and Head Start programs.

**Eligibility:** Independent school districts, nonprofits, and faith- and community-based organizations.

**Deadline:** March 15, 2008.

**Funds:** Approximately 75 awards up to \$1,000.

**Information:** <http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants.asp>.

**GrantID:** GD2700

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**Youth Programs.** *Entertainment Software Association (ESA)* announces funds to support geographically diverse projects and programs that benefit American youth of all races, denominations, and genders. Organizations shall seek funding for a specific project or program that is or will be in two or more states, serving youths ages 7-18, and providing youth programs in one or more of the following areas: Skills and Personal Development; General Health and Welfare; Risk Behavior Prevention; Education; and Multimedia arts/technology related or applied

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations.

**Deadline:** April 15, 2008.

**Information:** <http://www.theesa.com/foundation/grant.php>.

**GrantID:** GD2698

## Announcements and Resources

### Announcements

**New Program Partners.** *DC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)* is looking to partner with District-based organizations to provide a variety of programs at DPR centers throughout the District. From bilingual story time for toddlers and arts and crafts for children, to book clubs for girls and GED prep classes for adults, this opportunity is for organizations that have experience in providing outstanding programs and yet are challenged with finding space. For further information, contact (202) 673-7681 or [dprpartnerships@dc.gov](mailto:dprpartnerships@dc.gov).

**Rosa Parks Sculpture Design Competition.** *National Endowments for the Arts* announces funds for the production of a statue to memorialize civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks that will be placed in National Statuary Hall in the U.S. Capitol. The statue will be: made of bronze and finished with a traditional patina; life size; traditional in style, as required for inclusion in National Statuary Hall; and placed on a hollow, granite-clad pedestal with a simple inscription. Eligible applicants include citizens of the U.S. The deadline for applications is May 30, 2008. For further information, go to: <http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/RosaParks.html>.

**Steve Patterson Award for Excellence in Sports Philanthropy.** *Sports Philanthropy Project and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation* celebrate professional sports organizations and individual athlete philanthropies that have made an exceptional effort to deploy their unique resources, not just money, but leadership, energy, and a demonstrated commitment toward a mission that serves and improves the lives of others. Nominees should reflect strategic use of distinctive assets available to them as sports philanthropies, including but not limited to community outreach programs, public education, media, campaigns, name recognition, game tickets, and player appearances as incentives earned by young people that reach educational, behavioral, or community-service goals. The deadline for nominations is April 18, 2008. Awards up to \$5000 are available. For further information, go to: <http://www.sportsphilanthropy.com/patterson/index.php>.

### Awards

**Let's Talk About It: Love & Forgiveness.** *American Library Association (ALA) Public Programs Office* announces funds for a reading and discussion program for public libraries funded by the Fetzer Institute. Participating libraries will promote and present a five-part literary discussion series led by a local scholar and discussing them in the context of a larger, overarching theme. Successful applicants will receive training for the library project director at a national workshop, program and promotional materials, and funds to support program costs, scholar honoraria, and travel to the workshop. Public libraries are eligible to apply, the deadline is July 15, 2008, approximately 30 awards up to \$2,500 are available. For more information, go to: <http://www.ala.org/ala/ppo/programs/currentprograms/letstalkaboutit/letstalkaboutit.cfm>.

### Reports

**Ready to Lead? Next Generation Leaders Speak Out.** *CompassPoint Nonprofit Services, the Annie E. Casey Foundation, the Meyer Foundation, and Idealist.org* have partnered together to produce this national study. A skilled, committed, and diverse pool of next generation leaders would like to be nonprofit executive directors in the

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future, according to a new national survey of nearly 6,000 next generation leaders. However, the survey also finds that there are significant barriers: work-life balance, insufficient life-long earning potential, lack of mentorship and overwhelming fundraising responsibilities which may prevent many younger nonprofit staff from becoming executives. The survey is the largest national survey to date of emerging nonprofit leaders. For further information, go to: [http://www.meyerfoundation.org/newsroom/meyer\\_publications/ready\\_to\\_lead](http://www.meyerfoundation.org/newsroom/meyer_publications/ready_to_lead).

## Previous Announcements & Resources

### Advisory Panel

**Advisory Panelists Nominations.** *DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities (DCCA)* is seeking nominations for an Advisory Panelists to make funding recommendations for its programs. Artists, administrators, educators and critics in the arts with at least a two year history of involvement in the District's arts community are eligible for nomination. If you would like to be considered for panelist opportunities, please complete the Advisory Panelist Nomination Form and attach a current copy of your resume. For further information, call (202) 724-5613 or go to: [www.dcarts.dc.gov](http://www.dcarts.dc.gov), under "volunteering".

### Announcements

**Innovative Public School Teachers' Grants.** *The Jordan Fundamentals* recognizes outstanding teaching and instructional creativity in public elementary and secondary schools that serve economically disadvantaged students. Innovation grants will be awarded to individual teachers to support the development of more effective approaches to engage students and foster improved outcomes. Inspiration Grants will be awarded to teams of teachers to support scaling-up the implementation of approaches originally developed with Innovation Grants. The deadline date is March 30, 2008. Award amounts are \$2,500 and \$10,000. Applicants must be employed by an accredited public school where at least 50% of the school's student population is eligible for the free or reduced school lunch program. For further information, go to: <http://www.nike.com/jumpman23/features/fundamentals/overview.html>.

**Invitation for 2008-2009 Catalogue for Philanthropy Applications.** *Catalogue for Philanthropy: Greater Washington* is an annual publication (and accompanying website) that features high-performing nonprofit organizations in the DC and nearby Virginia and Maryland counties. A collaborative project of foundation, corporate, government and individual funders, the Catalogue introduces potential donors to new charitable opportunities. It has helped raise well over \$4 million in four years for featured nonprofits. Interested charities complete an online application that is then reviewed by a selection committee of experienced grant makers and nonprofit community leaders. Sixty-five to seventy organizations will be chosen for presentation in the Catalogue, which is mailed in November to 30,000 potential major donors. Eligible applicants include 501(c)(3)s located in Greater Washington with operating budgets of \$3 million or less. For more information, go to: [www.cfp-dc.org](http://www.cfp-dc.org), and click the APPLY link; or call 202-549-6369; or email questions to [dcquestions@cfp-dc.org](mailto:dcquestions@cfp-dc.org). There is no cost to apply or to be featured in the Catalogue for Philanthropy.

**Reclaiming Futures: Communities Helping Teens Overcome Drugs, Alcohol and Crime.** *Reclaiming Futures* changed the way juvenile courts in 10 pilot sites help teens receive care for drug and alcohol problems. A new national dissemination program supported by a grant from the *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation* will spread this proven approach to additional communities through a learning collaborative that shares resources, improves data collection and utilization, and promotes new standards of practice. The deadline for applications is April 1, 2007. Eligible applicants include juvenile courts, public and nonprofit treatment agencies, state, local and tribal juvenile justice, and alcohol and drug abuse treatment authorities. For further information, go to: <http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=19852&c=EMC-FA144>.

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**25th Annual Larry Neal Writers' Awards.** *The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities* announces the availability of both adult and youth/teen applications for the 25th Annual Larry Neal Writers' Awards. This year's

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awards ceremony is presented in partnership with the PEN/Faulkner Foundation and the Folger Shakespeare Library and will take place on May 9, 2008 at 6:00 pm, at the Elizabethan Theatre of the Folger Shakespeare Library. The competition is open to District resident amateur and professional writers of all ages. The deadline for entries is March 20, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. For further information, contact Charles Barzon at (202) 724-5613 or [charles.barzon@dc.gov](mailto:charles.barzon@dc.gov); or go to: [www.dcartz.dc.gov](http://www.dcartz.dc.gov).

**2008 Exponent Awards.** *The Meyer Foundation's Exponent Award* recognizes strong and effective nonprofit leaders with a track record of accomplishment who have the potential for future growth and development. The award program is part of a three-year, \$2.2 million Meyer Foundation initiative, Rewarding Leadership, designed to stabilize and strengthen the leadership of Meyer's grantees, to increase the voice and visibility of some of the region's most effective nonprofit leaders, and to help them attract additional resources. The award is intended for mid-career executives who may be in danger of burnout or who would benefit from a leadership development grant to take their skills and organization to a new level. To qualify for the award, a nominee must: be the chief executive officer (executive director or president) of an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has received at least two grants from the Meyer Foundation since January 1, 2004; and have served in their current position for a minimum of three years but not more than 10 years. The deadline for nominations is April 7, 2008. The Foundation will honor up to five leaders each year. Organizations of reward recipients will receive a two-year grant of \$100,000 to be used for leadership development. For further information, go to: [http://www.meyerfoundation.org/beyond\\_funding/exponent\\_award/about](http://www.meyerfoundation.org/beyond_funding/exponent_award/about).

**A: Minute HIV/AIDS Lyrics Competition.** *Common, MTV, and the Kaiser Family Foundation* have launched a lyrics contest to promote HIV/AIDS testing. The winning poem, lyrics or writing, submitted by a youth artist on the importance of HIV testing, will be performed by hip-hop artist and actor Common in a public service announcement during the summer of 2008. The entry deadline is March 27, 2008. For further information, go to: <http://www.aminutecontest.com/>

**Christopher Columbus Awards Program.** *Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation with support from the National Science Foundation* are accepting applications for its' 2007-2008 school year award. The program challenges students to work in teams of up to four, with an adult coach, to identify a problem in their community and apply the scientific method to create an innovative solution to that problem. Coaches may be teachers, parents, community leaders, or mentors. Teams are not required to be affiliated with a school to enter. Four finalist teams and their coaches will receive an all- expenses-paid trip to Walt Disney World to attend National Championship Week and compete for U.S. Savings Bonds plus a \$200 development grant to further refine their idea. Deadline to submit applications is March 17, 2008. For further information, go to: <http://www.columbusfdn.org/> or <http://nsf.gov/>.

**Doodle for Google.** *Google* announces a competition inviting K-12 students in the U.S. to design a Google logo on the open-ended theme "What If...?" The winning design will be used as Google's logo on May 22, 2008, with the artist receiving \$10,000 toward his/her college education. The winning student's school will also win a \$25,000 technology grant. For further information, go to: <http://www.google.com/doodle4google/>.

**Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes.** *The Barron Prize* honors outstanding young leaders who have made a significant positive difference to people and our planet. Nominees, from 8 to 18 years old, must have been the prime mover of a service activity, and demonstrated positive spirit and high moral purpose in accomplishing their goals. Deadline for nominations is April 30, 2008. Nominees must be nominated by responsible adults who are not related to the nominee and who have solid knowledge of the young person's heroic activities. This could include teachers, librarians, civic or religious leaders, among others. For further information, go to: [http://www.barronprize.org/nominate/to\\_nominate.html](http://www.barronprize.org/nominate/to_nominate.html)

**Teen Driver Safety Project Ignition.** *State Farm and the National Youth Leadership Council* announce funds for innovative public awareness, service-learning projects based on teen driver safety developed by students enrolled in grades 9-12 at U.S. public schools. Students must create this project with the support of a teacher or advisor. This is a chance for students and teachers to work together to address the issue of teen driver safety. Twenty-five semi-

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finalists will receive \$2,000 to help put their plan into action in the fall of 2008. Ten finalists will then receive a stipend of up to \$5,000 for travel to the National Service-Learning Conference. The deadline for applications is May 16, 2008. For further information, go to: <http://www.sfprojectignition.com/00home/>.

**Support for Domestic Violence Survivors.** *Allstate Foundation*, in partnership with *National Network to End Domestic Violence Fund (NNEDV)*, provides small grants to survivors of domestic violence to help them achieve their educational and job-related goals. It is the Foundation's hope that this fund will allow survivors greater independence over their financial lives and increase their options for their livelihood. Any survivor of domestic violence is eligible to apply; however, the application must be completed by a local domestic violence program or coalition. Applications are accepted at any time. For further information, contact NNEDV Fund Economic Justice team at (202) 543-5566 or [economicjustice@nnedv.org](mailto:economicjustice@nnedv.org); or go to: <http://www.nnedv.org/our-programs/allstate-foundation-dv-program/allstate-foundation-education-job-tracking.html>.

## Policy

**Spotlight on Poverty and Opportunity: Foundations Ask the Presidential Candidates What They'll Do for America.** *Annie E. Casey Foundation* and the *Eos Foundation* created this initiative to build momentum for national action addressing poverty in 2009. The initiative has invited the presidential candidates to answer five questions concerning poverty and economic opportunity. Spotlight will also seek to provide other opportunities for the candidates to set forth their views on these important issues, including a forum in Washington, DC in May 2008. Recent reports, analyses, and data on poverty and opportunity, profiled on the Spotlight website, will be readily available to policy makers. For further information, go to: <http://www.spotlightonpoverty.org/>.

## Tools

**Free Classes for Nonprofits.** *The Foundation Center* is offering a series of free classes for nonprofit organizations in January through March 2008. Subjects include: Grant Seeking Basics; Introduction to the Foundation Directory Online; Grant Seeking Basics for Individuals in the Arts; and Checklist for New Nonprofits Seeking Grants, etc. Classes will be held at The Washington, DC-Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Washington, DC. For further information, time, and dates, call (202) 331-1400 or go to: <http://foundationcenter.org/getstarted/training/classroom.html>.

**Pro Bono Architectural Services for Nonprofits.** *Washington Architectural Foundation* provides pro bono architectural services to area-wide nonprofit organizations that could not otherwise afford these services. Professional architects provide consultations and conceptual documents for a variety of purposes, which may include seeking funding for project development and construction costs. Community Design Services (CDS) is the catalyst for projects that might not otherwise get started. For further information, contact Beth Judy at (202) 667-5444 or [bjudy@wafonline.org](mailto:bjudy@wafonline.org); or go to: [www.wafonline.org](http://www.wafonline.org).

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