



# Grantsline

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## Ray Solem Foundation

The Ray Solem Foundation offers grants to nonprofit organizations that use innovative programs and techniques to help immigrants to the United States improve their verbal English skills in the areas of reading comprehension and oral communications. There are no restrictions on the use of the grant funds; grants can even be used to continue ongoing work by an organization.

The foundation awards one-time grants of up to \$10,000. The deadline has passed for this year, but watch for new deadlines the summer of 2008.

**Deadline: Summer 2008**

For more information contact the foundation at:

<http://www.raysolemfund.org/grants.html>

## Bikes Belong Grant Program

The Bikes Belong Grant Program welcomes applications from organizations that are committed to putting more people on bikes more often. The grant program funds two types of grants - facility and advocacy. Eligible projects include paved bike paths, rail trails, mountain bike trails, bike parks, BMW facilities and large scale bicycle advocacy initiatives.

Requests of up to \$10,000 will be considered and grant dollars should leverage state, federal or private funds.

**Deadlines:**  
**Quarterly, with remaining deadlines in 2007:**  
**August 27, 2007**  
**November 26, 2007**

Send proposals to:  
Elizabeth Train  
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## Great Web Sites

### Enhancing Program Performance with Logic Models

<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/lmcourse/>

### The Non-Profit Times - Current Articles about the Non Profit World

<http://www.nptimes.com/index.html>

### GovSpot

<http://www.govspot.com/state/>

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## Raymond J. and Mary Reisert Foundation

The Reisert Foundation is a family foundation based in New York that is actively seeking new grantees. While Maryland is not one of their primary geographic targets, they will consider applications from the area. The foundation is interested in projects in several areas including:

- Education of the disadvantaged
- Health care for the poor
- Improve living conditions for the homeless
- Assisting low and moderate income individuals buy a home
- Half-way or safe houses for battered women, homeless youth, mentally ill and recovering addicts and alcoholics.

To apply, non profits should complete the Introductory Fact Sheet, and the foundation will invite a full application if interested.

### **Deadline: Rolling**

For more information go to:

<http://www.reisertfoundation.org/>

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## The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, Inc.

The Weinberg Foundation supports projects that assist the poor through capital and operating grants to direct service providers. The foundation's grants focus on meeting basic needs including shelter, nutrition, and health with an emphasis on the elderly and on the Jewish community.

Non-profits interested in applying for a grant should first submit a letter of inquiry to the foundation. Letters of inquiry should be no longer than three pages. Specific guidelines can be found on the foundation's web site. If interested based on the letter of inquiry, the foundation will request a full proposal.

### **Deadline: Rolling**

For more information go to:

<http://www.hjweinbergfoundation.org/>

## Recent Awards:

### BJAG - Adventure Diversion Program

Local Management Board and Department of Juvenile Services

### BJAG - Integrated Treatment for Adolescents Junction, inc.

### BJAG - Group Therapy Youth Services Bureau, Inc.

### BJAG - Jail Diversion Program Extension Carroll County Detention Center

### Drug Court Grant Carroll County Circuit Court

### Senior Assisted Living Carroll County Bureau of Aging

### Medicaid Waiver Carroll County Bureau of Aging

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## PNC Foundation

PNC has a long history of partnering with community based non-profits to enrich the communities in which they conduct business. The merger between PNC, Westminster Union Bank, Farmer's and Mechanic's Bank and other Mercantile locations will be finalized next month, so Carroll County non-profits should start looking at the PNC Foundation for support. PNC grants funds to organizations that address one of the following:

- **School Readiness-** Social or emotional development; teacher training or arts and culture
- **Community Revitalization**
- **Broad Based Human Services Organizations**

For more information go to:  
<http://www.pnccommunityinvolvement.com/>

**Deadlines: Rolling**

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## Travelers' Charitable Foundation

The Travelers' Charitable Foundation, with a regional office in the Baltimore area, supports non profits in areas where there are company operations. Contributions can be used for operating support, capital support, start-up funding, transitional support or program/project support. The foundation supports the following broad initiatives:

**Education:** Pre K; after school programs; teacher retention, adult education

**Community Development:** Affordable housing, economic development and community building.

**Arts and Culture:** Diversity, education

Priority will be given to applicants that include community representatives on their governing body, to projects that directly serve low income communities and to initiatives that fit more than one priority area.

**Deadline: Rolling**

Organizations must apply on line. For more information:  
<http://www.travelers.com/Spt03PortalMain.asp?startpage=/corporate/about/aboutus.html>

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## W. K. Kellogg Foundation

The W. K. Kellogg Foundation makes grants in four areas:

- **Health:** Focus on health care quality and access issues
- **Food Systems and Rural Development:** A unique niche related to the agricultural industry and rural America
- **Youth and Education:** Focus is on mobilizing communities to effect policy change in education and encouraging partnerships between educational institutions and their communities
- **Philanthropy and Volunteerism:** The foundation believes that an engaged population builds better communities with target populations including youth, women and communities of color.

Non profits who feel their programs are a good fit with the foundation are encouraged to submit a pre-proposal document of less than 5 pages. Pre-proposals should be submitted electronically.

**Deadlines: Rolling**

For more information, go to:  
<http://www.wkkf.org>

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## Introduce Your Organization

When introducing your organization to a potential funder, remember you need to sell them on your organization. You must convince them that your organization has the capacity and is most qualified to address the issues important to that funding agency. Some basic facts that all potential funders are likely to look for include:

- The mission statement
- The board members
- The target population and how many are served annually
- Historical accomplishments
- Performance measures used by the organization
- Evidence that the organization collaborates/partners with other community organizations and does not duplicate services
- Financial capacity and stability of the organization

While conveying the above, remember your audience. Each introduction will be a little different and should emphasize different facts depending on the reader.