



# Grantsline

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## Museums for America

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is offering funding through the Museums for America grant. This grant offers flexible funding to a wide variety of agencies. Government agencies and non-profits that operate facilities such as history museums, historical sites, nature centers, and planetariums are eligible to apply. The institution must have a permanent, professional staff; be organized for an educational or aesthetic purpose; own and care for tangible objects and display those objects to the public on a regular basis. Eligible projects will enhance the museum's capacity to serve the public more effectively and will advance the institution's mission and strategic goals. Grant funds can cover a wide range of activities including on-going museum expenses, research, planning, new programs, purchase of equipment, or technology upgrades. Grants are awarded in one of three categories:

- **Engaging Communities** – Education, Exhibitions and Interpretation
- **Building Institutional Capacity** – Management, Policy and Training
- **Collections Stewardship**

There will be 150 awards made nationally with grants ranging between \$5,000 and \$150,000 for up to two years. The grant requires a dollar-for-dollar match of either cash or in-kind contributions.

**Deadline: November 1, 2008**

For more information, including a list of past grantees and the full application:

<http://www.ims.gov/applicants/grants/forAmerica.shtm>

## Charity Channel Book Reviews

Looking for resources to help your organization? The Charity Channel regularly reviews books on topics of interest to non-profit management. Recent reviews included: [Digital Giving](#); [Great Boards for Small Groups](#); [Major Donors – Finding Big Gifts](#); [Thank You for Submitting Your Proposal](#); and [Fundraising Habits for Supremely Successful Boards](#).

For more information, go to the link and click on "Latest Book Reviews".

<http://charitychannel.com/>

## 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 – Link to State Governments

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

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## Boating Safety Grants

The Boat U. S. Foundation is a national organization devoted to promoting safe and environmentally sensitive boating. Through its Boating Safety Grants Program, the foundation funds to local volunteer organizations. The program will grant up to \$4,000 for innovative and creative projects that **promote safe boating on local waterways**. Eligible organizations include volunteer boating groups, clubs and associations as well as non-profit organizations. The focus of the upcoming funding round is the dangers of drinking and boating.

For more information, go to:

<http://ofrf.org/grants/apply.html>

**Deadline: November 1, 2008**

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## Black and Decker Community Giving Program

Black and Decker Corporate Giving supports programs that reflect the nature of Black and Decker's business and which enhances the quality of life in the community served by the project. Primary focus areas include:

- **Community Revitalization** – Affordable housing and housing rehab
- **Education** – Math, science and technology and vocational programs
- **Civic** – Housing related activities or environmental issues
- **Cultural** – Programs that supplement school-based education in the areas of math, science or technology
- **Health/Human Services and Youth** – Programs that promote job skills, education, family values

Projects that incorporate the following elements will be given priority:

- Support of Black and Decker employees
- Innovative programming
- Measured results
- Avoid duplicating services
- Strong community support
- Fiscal accountability

Requests can be submitted at any time and a response can be expected within six to eight weeks. Submit requests to:

Natalie A. Shields, Vice President and Corporate Secretary  
The Black and Decker Corporation  
701 East Joppa Road (TW245)  
Towson, MD 21286

For the corporate giving guide, go to:

<http://www.bdk.com/CGPGuide.pdf>

## Recent Grant Applications and Awards

Department of Public Safety -  
Urban Area Security

Bureau of Aging  
Area Plan Update  
Medicaid Waiver  
Maryland Access Point  
Senior Assisted Living

Carroll County  
Airport  
Environmental  
Assessment - Federal and State

Carroll County  
Circuit Court  
Drug Court State Grant

Risk Management  
LGIT Training Grant

Youth Service  
Bureau  
Community Development  
Block Grant - New  
Facility

Department of  
Citizen Services  
Weatherization  
Emergency Shelter Grant

State's Attorney's  
Office  
Violence Against Women  
Act Grant

Sheriff's Office  
Violence Against Women  
Act Grant

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## B J's Charitable Foundation

The B J's Charitable Foundation focuses on enhancing and enriching community programs that primarily benefit families and children. The majority of grants go to programs in the following areas:

- **Promote the safety, security and well-being of children and families**
- **Deliver education and health programs**
- **Provide community-service opportunities**
- **Aid in hunger and disaster relief**

Since its first grant in 2005, B J's Charitable Foundation has granted more than \$5,250,000 to over 500 deserving organization in states with B ;J's locations. The foundation accepts applications on a quarterly basis.

**Deadline: October 6, 2008**

For more information:

<http://www.bjs.com/about/community/charity.shtml>

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## Lowe's Toolbox for Education K-12 Grant Program

The Lowe's Toolbox for Education program is devoted to supporting **parent-teacher groups** at schools across the country. Individual non-profit schools or parent groups affiliated with a school are eligible to apply for \$2,000 to \$5,000. More than 1,000 schools across the country will receive a total of \$5,000,000 during the school year.

Preference will be given for funding requests that will have a permanent impact such as facility enhancement (both indoor and outdoor) as well as landscaping/clean up type projects. Projects that encourage parent involvement and build stronger community spirit will also be favored. Projects must be finished within one year.

**Only 1500 applications will be accepted for this funding round, so while the posted deadline is October 17, the competition may close earlier.**

**Deadline: October 17, 2008**

For more information go to:

<http://www.toolboxforeducation.com/>

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## ING Foundation

The ING Foundation provides grants for financial literacy and education. The foundation focuses on non-profit organizations that provide unique programming and/or community outreach initiatives in one of three focus areas:

- **Financial Literacy** – especially for young people and minorities
- **Education for Youth** – to support and improve education for K-12 youth
- **Diversity Initiatives**

The funds can not be used to cover general operating or administrative costs. Grants range from \$2,500 to \$50,000 and are reviewed quarterly.

**Deadline: September 12, 2008**

For more information go to:

<http://www.ing-usa.com/us/aboutING/CorporateCitizenship/INGFoundationGrants/index.htm>

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## 2008 Governor's Grants Conference

On September 8, 2008, the Governor's Grants Office will host their annual conference at the University of Maryland, University Conference Center in Adelphi, MD. In addition to a keynote speaker, the conference will offer over 20 training sessions including:

- Researching Grant Opportunities
- Capacity Building for Non-Profit Organizations
- Advanced Grant Writing
- Performance Measures

The conference will include time to mingle with presenters, and a technical assistance lab to help agencies complete all the steps required to register for federal grants.

To learn more and to register on-line, go to:

<http://www.gov.state.md.us/grants/2008conference.html>