



Grantsline

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Staples Foundation for Learning

Since its launch in 2002, the Staples Foundation has provided support to hundreds of 501 (c)(3) organizations across the country. The foundation provides support to organizations that mirror their mission to teach, train and inspire people from all walks of life through educational and growth opportunities. Programs seeking funding can provide **job skills or education** to any segment of the population; however, the foundation does place a special emphasis on disadvantaged youth.

Grant applications are reviewed quarterly and awards range between \$5,000 and \$25,000. Recipients in 2008 included:

- Community centers
- Education foundations
- Performing arts centers
- Mediation centers
- Afterschool programs
- Mentoring programs
- Sports organizations
- Services for the disabled
- Child care programs
- Nature centers
- Arts programs
- Libraries
- Intervention programs
- Summer camps

Applications are submitted on line and require the following information: organization mission, community need, client demographics, program description, program goals and objectives. Budget information must include other sources of funding and the percent of funds that will be used towards program expenses vs. the percentage that will be used towards operational expenses.

Deadlines: October 24, 2009 for January 2010 awards

For more information go to:

<http://www.staplesfoundation.org/foundhome.html>

Great Web Sites:

American Association of Grants Professionals

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

Foundation Center

<http://foundationcenter.org/>

Grant Proposal Writing Tips

<http://www.cpb.org/grants/grantwriting.html>

Network for Good

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

Brookdale Foundation Group

The Brookdale Foundation Group is committed to enhancing the quality of life of America's elderly. The group distributes funds through three major initiatives:

National Group Respite Program: Through this program, the foundation supports the development of cost-effective, community-based efforts to provide adult day care services delivering respite and other supports to families. In addition, the foundation is interested in addressing the gap in supportive services for those recently diagnosed with Early Memory Loss. Early Memory Loss programs should include memory enhancement and compensatory skill building for people with Alzheimer's disease.

Deadline: July 1, 2009

Relatives as Parents Program: This initiative focuses on the creation or expansion of services for grandparents and other relatives who have taken on the responsibility of surrogate parenting. The program awards seed money of \$10,000 over a two year period to local or regional public agencies. To date, the program has distributed funding for services in 44 states.

Deadline: Winter 2010

Brookdale Leadership in Aging Fellowship: This program encourages and supports emerging leaders in the field of aging from a broad range of disciplines. Two year fellowships are awarded to individuals to enable them to conduct research in the area of aging.

Deadline: Fall 2009

For more information, go to:

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

Home Depot Foundation

The Home Depot Foundation funds programs that support their mission of "Affordable Housing Built Responsibly". Preference is given to projects that engage the community to provide, preserve or finance **housing for low to moderate income families**. Projects should be environmentally friendly and energy efficient. Grants typically range from \$50,000 to \$125,000 and are available to non-profit organizations.

See the website for more information:

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

**Deadlines: July 1, 2009 – Letter of Inquiry
September 15, 2009 – Full Project Description**

Recent Grant Applications and Awards:

Carroll County
Department of Citizen Services

Rental Allowance Program

Access Carroll

Community Development Block Grant

Carroll County
Department of Citizen Services

Weatherization

Carroll County
Department of Planning

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act - Transportation Capital Programs

Carroll County
Department of Citizen Services

HOME Grant - Welcome Home Program

Carroll County Circuit Court

2009 Adult Drug Court Award

TechSoup

TechSoup provides a range of technology services for nonprofits, including news and articles, discussion forums, and most importantly **discounted and donated technology products**. The TechSoup website is easy to navigate and is divided into four main areas:

Learning Center - this area offers a wide range of articles on all types of technology questions

Community Discussion Forums - find out how non-profits throughout the country handle their technology challenges

Products - TechSoup offers deeply discounted software through partner organizations such as Adobe, Cisco, Microsoft, and Symantec. One featured product was Microsoft Small Business Server 2003 which retails for \$1,499 - available for a \$69 administration fee. The administration fee includes technical support

Services - TechSoup maintains a database of technology service providers who work with non-profit organizations.

Non-profits in Carroll County have used this organization successfully to obtain software at deeply discounted prices.

For more information go to:

<http://www.techsoup.org/index.cfm>

Office Depot Foundation

Non-profits in communities served by an Office Depot store can request donations of products or financial support. All grants and donations must directly impact the **health, education or welfare of children**.

To request a contribution, organizations should submit:

- Description of program and other funding sources
- Description of organization including community track record and future direction of organization
- Federal tax ID # and IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter

The Foundation supports nonprofits as well as government agencies, schools and libraries. Requests should be submitted on-line at:

http://www.officedepotfoundation.org/grant_guidelines.asp

Deadline: Rolling

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Chatlos Foundation

The Chatlos Foundation supports non-profits across the United States in the following areas:

- **Religious causes**
- **Medical Concerns**
- **Social Concerns**

The foundation gives priority to providing program support as opposed to capital projects or administrative expenses. Initial funding for new organizations tends to be for less than \$10,000. Ongoing support from the foundation can not be guaranteed; therefore, projects are expected to have a sustainability plan for future operations.

Inquiries should be sent to:

Grant Administrator
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P. O. Box 915048
Longwood, FL 32791-5048

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

Training - The Recession Tool Kit

The Maryland Non-Profit Association has announced a new workshop introducing the Recession Tool Kit for non-profits. The kit is a set of tools specifically designed to help non-profits navigate the current economic climate. The Tool Kit and workshop will help non profits establish:

- 1) A clear assessment of where an organization stands relative to the economic environment
- 2) Strategic decision making to keep the organization sustainable
- 3) Action steps to implement the necessary organizational changes

The cost of the training is \$45 and will be held at the organization's Baltimore office. For more information, go to

http://eseries.mdnonprofit.org/source/Meetings/cMeetingFunctionDetail.cfm?PRODUCT_MAJOR=060209OD&FUNCTIONSTARTDISPLAYROW=1
