

## **Expanding Horizons Workshop - Grant Writing 101**

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### **INTRODUCTION**

The Problem - Chicken or Egg Syndrome?

### **A LOOK AT SAMPLE GRANT PROGRAMS**

1. Who is eligible to apply?
2. When is the application due?
3. How many awards will be made?
4. What is the most amount of money you may receive in one year?
5. What is the anticipated average size of award?
6. Does the grant require match?
7. Who is the contact person for this grant?
8. What is the grant's absolute priority? Is there a competitive priority for this RFP?
9. What types of activities would this program fund?
10. What specifically would this program NOT fund?
11. Does it fit your organization mission and goals?

### **TIPS FOR GRANT WRITING**

12. What kind of application (electronic or paper) and what is the outline?
13. What is the page limit for the narrative section of the grant?
14. Can you single space the narrative section?
15. What are the criteria areas used to evaluate your application? What section of the grant application is worth the most points?
16. How many copies of the application must you send?
17. What are the reporting requirements for the grant if awarded?

### **WRAP UP**

## **Web locations for grant programs:**

### **FEDERAL**

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Justice Small Grants Program

<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/environmentaljustice/grants/ej-smgrants.html#applications>

United States Department of Agriculture, Farmers Market Promotion Program

<http://www.ams.usda.gov/AMSV1.0/FMPP>

### **STATE**

Iowa Department of Transportation, Safe Routes to School Grants Program (federal flow-through)

<http://www.iowadot.gov/saferoutes/>

Iowa Arts Council

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

Iowa Department of Natural Resources, REAP Conservation Education

1) Standard Grants

2) Mini-grants

<http://www.iowadnr.gov/reap/cep.html>

State Historical Society of Iowa, Historic Preservation Grants

<http://www.iowahistory.org/about/grants/index.html>

### **LOCAL NONPROFIT**

United Way of Siouxland, Community Impact Grant

<http://www.unitedwaysiouxland.com/index.php?cdf=13>

Prevent Child Abuse Iowa

<http://www.pcaiowa.org/council-information.html>

Diocese of Davenport, 2010 St. Vincent's Home Corporation Grant

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/socialaction/sastvincenthomecorporation.htm>

## **COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

Community Foundation of Northeast Iowa – Black Hawk County, Neighborhood Improvement Fund; Vision for Education

<http://cfneia.org/Receive/Grants.aspx>

Mills County Community Foundation, Community Grants

<http://locator.iowacommunityfoundations.org/page11074.cfm>

Story County Community Foundation, Major Grant Application 2010

<http://storycountyfoundation.com/12601/11501.html>

## **BUSINESS & CORPORATE FOUNDATION**

Alliant Energy Charitable Foundation, Community Grants

<http://www.alliantenergy.com/Community/CharitableFoundation/index.htm>

Prairie Meadows Racetrack and Casino, 2010 Community Betterment Grants

[http://www.prairiemeadows.com/community\\_betterment.cfm](http://www.prairiemeadows.com/community_betterment.cfm)

Walmart Company Foundation

<http://walmartstores.com/communitygiving/203.aspx>

## **OTHER**

Humanities Iowa, Independent Nonprofit State Affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, Major and Mini Grants

<http://www.uiowa.edu/~humiowa/grants-how%20to%20apply.html>

## **REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS** (fee for services)

Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission

[http://www.seirpc.com/Funding%20Guide/fundingguide\\_openingpage.html](http://www.seirpc.com/Funding%20Guide/fundingguide_openingpage.html)