



June UPDATE: Take a look at available grants

News and new grant funding opportunities and resources for the IndyEast Promise Zone

UPDATE OVERVIEW

In this update, you will find new information and recent news on a variety of topics, including:

NEWS: Read about UIndy's Grant Writing Training, the IndyEast Promise Zone's Industrial Site Bus Tour, and the upcoming departure of the Promise Zone VISTAs.

LEARNING: See links to training opportunities and other information.

FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: There are lots of new and current funding opportunities, plus many for which deadlines are approaching. See below for a comprehensive list of what's new and available.

RESOURCES: This section provides links to studies and stories that you may find helpful.

NEWS

University of Indianapolis Hosts Grant Writing Training

On Wednesday, May 31st, the University of Indianapolis, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, the HUD Indianapolis Field Office, and the IndyEast Promise Zone, hosted a capacity building and grant writing training. During this training, HUD staff presented strategies to enhance community and organizational development and to engage in successful capacity building efforts for organizations. Topics covered included creating winning connections, building organizational capacity, sharing a vision, strategic planning, budgeting and financial management, elements of a successful grant proposal, finding grants, packaging and submitting grant proposals, dispelling myths and building relationships, reading grants from the funders' perspective, logic models, and knowledge of top funders. The training was well-attended, and we are looking forward to hearing from attendees regarding their experiences. If you have any ideas for future trainings, please submit them to lcrespo@jbncenters.org.

IndyEast Promise Zone Hosts Industrial Site Bus Tour

On Thursday, June 15th, at 1:30pm, please join the City of Indianapolis and the Indy Chamber for a dynamic bus tour, tailored to the interests of employers, developers, funders, and real estate professionals, which will showcase key industrial sites, ripe for redevelopment, located within the IndyEast Promise Zone. If you are planning to start, relocate, or expand a business, this tour will highlight many viable sites just east of Indy's energetic downtown and will connect you with the sites, community partners, and success stories which define the Near Eastside.

The tour will begin at the Circle City Industrial Complex (CCIC) and will make its way around the Promise Zone, stopping to hear from knowledgeable representatives offering specific insights on the reuse potential of each featured site. Guests will also receive a booklet of site summary information and contacts for community partners willing to assist with next steps. The bus will return to CCIC at 5pm, with an opportunity for networking at Center Point Brewing. Please click here to register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/indyeast-promise-zone-industrial-site-bus-tour-tickets-33679077026>.

IndyEast Promise Zone Congratulates VISTAs on a Year of Service

At the end of June, the IndyEast Promise Zone VISTAs will have completed their year of service with the Promise Zone and will continue their professional journeys, prepared with the knowledge, skills, and relationships they have developed over the past year. If you see Mary, Bailey, or Rebekah, please wish them well as they move forward, and if you see Whitley, please thank her for offering another year of service to the Promise Zone!

LEARNING

Technical assistance and training opportunities

As a reminder, technical assistance is available through the Promise Zone for your grant project. As a Promise Zone, we can conduct a technical review of a grant application, strategize on how to leverage funding and partners, assist with program design, provide data, and serve as a liaison between your organization and any relevant federal agency.

Additionally, we are currently organizing training sessions for the year. This year, we will host a tour of the Promise Zone with several federal agencies and a discussion of applicable grant programs, and more information will be coming soon. If you have any programs or agencies about which you would like more information, please send a note to lcrespo@jbncenters.org.

Finally, we will continue to share information about other TA opportunities as it becomes available. Current opportunities include:

Foundation Center: Driving Collective Action: Strategies for Community Engagement Webinar

The Alliance for Nonprofit Management and The Building Movement Projects have released a new publication: The Nonprofits Integrating Community Engagement (NICE) Guide. The NICE Guide offers a wealth of resources, including background information, exercises, tools, case studies, and more to help nonprofits develop core competencies on constituent and community engagement. The NICE Guide is designed to help service groups leverage their unparalleled reach into low-income communities to address the larger problems faced by their constituents and surrounding community. This webinar highlights the Guide but also touches on key strategies for community engagement as part of collective action efforts. Those interested in participating can learn more and register here:

<http://marketplace.foundationcenter.org/Training/Webinars/Driving-Collective-Action-Strategies-for-Community-Engagement>

FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

USDA: Food Safety Outreach Program

This program will focus on delivery of customized training to members of the target audiences. New projects will focus on, but are not limited to, addressing knowledge and resource gaps for the target audience in the areas of pre- and post-harvest water testing and sampling, soil amendments, developing supply chain programs, and/or developing food safety plans.

- Funding: Maximum of \$400,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 6, 2017

NEH: Digital Humanities Advancement Grants

This program supports digital projects throughout their lifecycles, from early start-up phases through implementation and long-term sustainability.

- Funding: Not specified
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 6, 2017

NEH: Digital Projects for the Public

This program supports projects that cogently interpret and analyze humanities content in formats that will attract broad public audiences.

- Funding: From \$30,000 to \$400,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 7, 2017

Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention: *Second Chance Act Community Supervision Reform*

This program supports strategic planning that will implement evidence-based strategies to reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for juveniles under community supervision.

- Funding: Up to \$650,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 8, 2017

HHS: *Street Outreach Program*

This program provides street-based services to runaway, homeless, and street youth less than 22 years of age who have been subjected to, or are at risk of being subjected to, sexual abuse, prostitution, sexual exploitation, and severe forms of trafficking in persons.

- Funding: From \$90,000 to \$200,000 per year for a period of three years
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 11, 2017

Health Resources and Services Administration: *Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training*

This program seeks to close the gap in access to services by establishing partnerships with a broad range of organizations and community partners to ensure a wide recruitment of students, opportunities for field placements, career development, and provide job placement services.

- Funding: Up to \$480,000 per year for the Professional Track. Up to \$300,000 per year for the Paraprofessional Certificate Track.
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 12, 2017

NASA: *Competitive Program for Science Museums, Planetariums and NASA Visitors Centers*

This program seeks projects that feature NASA-themed content in space exploration, aeronautics, space science, Earth science, or microgravity, or a combination of these topics.

- Funding: From \$300,000 to \$1,000,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 14, 2017

SBA: *Program for Investment in Microentrepreneurs (PRIME)*

This program funds organizations interested in providing assistance and guidance to disadvantaged microentrepreneurs or microenterprise development organizations.

- Funding: From \$50,000 to \$250,000 over a period of one year
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 16, 2017

ED: Supporting Effective Educator Development

The program provides funding to increase the number of highly effective educators by supporting the implementation of evidence-based practices that prepare, develop, or enhance educators.

- Funding: From \$1,000,000 to \$6,000,000 for the first year of the project
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 19, 2017

USDOT: Low Income Taxpayer Clinic Grant

The program supports organizations providing representation, education, and advocacy for low income and English as a second language taxpayers.

- Funding: Maximum of \$100,000 per year for up to three years
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 20, 2017

DOJ: Community Policing Development Program

The program advances community policing through training and technical assistance, the development of innovative community policing strategies, applied research, guidebooks, and best practices that are national in scope and responsive to the program topics.

- Funding: Maximum of \$7,500,000 over a period of two years
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 23, 2017

National Institute of Food and Agriculture: Childhood Obesity Prevention Challenge Area

The program works to reduce the prevalence of obesity among children and adolescents.

- Funding: Not specified
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 28, 2017

DOJ: Second Chance Act Comprehensive Community-Based Adult Reentry Program

The program supports organizations in developing and implementing comprehensive and collaborative programs that support people who are reentering communities from incarceration and are at medium to high risk of reoffending.

- Funding: Maximum of \$1,000,000 over a period of three years
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through July 5, 2017

DOC: Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant Opportunity

EDA provides strategic investments on a competitive merit basis to support economic development, foster job creation, and attract private investment in economically distressed areas of the US. EDA funds provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects and are designed to leverage existing regional assets and support the implementation of economic development strategies that advance new ideas and creative approaches to advance economic prosperity in distressed communities. Promise Zones are considered “Special Needs” areas, and applicants should submit a letter of support from the lead Promise Zone organization.

- Funding: From \$100,000 to \$3,000,000.
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

DOC: Economic Development Assistance Programs – Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs

This U.S. Department of Commerce program seeks to support projects in rural and urban areas to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects. There will be 70-150 public works awards and 70-140 economic adjustment assistance awards.

- Funding: From \$100,000 to \$3,000,000.
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

USDA: National School Lunch After School Snack Program

The USDA Food and Nutrition Service offers funding for schools and residential child care institutions to provide after school snacks to low-income children who participate in the National School Lunch program.

- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

USDA: FSA Microloans

USDA’s Farm Service Agency provides financial assistance for small, beginning farmer, niche and non-traditional farm ownership or operations. Non-traditional farm operations can include truck farms, farms, direct marketing farmers, Community Supported Agriculture, restaurants and grocery stores, or those using hydroponic, aquaponic, organic, and/or vertical growing methods.

- Funding: Maximum of \$50,000.
- **Deadline:** Ongoing

NON-FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Santander Bank: N/A

This organization provides support for funding priorities including affordable housing, financial education, economic development, and neighborhood revitalization.

- Funding: Not specified.
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 2, 2017 and again through September 8, 2017.

Crayola: School Leadership Program

This program supports innovative, creative leadership team building within elementary/middle schools.

- Funding: \$2,500 and Crayola products valued at \$1,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 5, 2017

Enterprise Community Partners: N/A

This group provides small grants for short-term projects that build community agency, engage local voices, and connect to long-term community goals. Examples include creative placemaking, mapping, and community events.

- Funding: \$5,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 9, 2017

Saucony Run for Good Foundation: N/A

Grants support and initiate running programs for kids, to fight childhood obesity.

- Funding: \$1,692 to \$25,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 15, 2017

Brookdale Foundation: N/A

This foundation is accepting proposals for 1) Establishing a Group Respite or Early Memory Loss Program for Elders with Dementia or 2) Expanding Supportive Services for Grandparents and Other Relatives Raising Children.

- Funding: \$5,000 to \$15,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 15, 2017

Home Depot Foundation: Veterans Housing Grants

This program provides funding for new construction, rehab or repair, single-family or multifamily, permanent supportive housing or transitional housing – hard costs only.

- Funding: \$100,000 to \$500,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 23, 2017

Finish Line Youth Foundation: N/A

This foundation provides funding to support youth athletic programs and sports-based camps, with priority given to those serving disadvantaged children and children with special needs. Programmatic grants up to \$5,000 will be awarded to nonprofit organizations for community-based athletic programs and camps that teach active-lifestyle and team-building skills. Legacy grants of up to \$75,000 will be awarded for new facilities improvements and/or renovations to existing buildings and property. Founders grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded for emergency needs created by unforeseen circumstances such as a natural disaster or unforeseen fiscal circumstance.

- Funding: From \$5,000 to \$75,000.
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 30, 2017.

David Bohnett Foundation: N/A

This foundation provides support for funding priorities including LGBT community support, gun violence prevention, cyber centers, municipal leadership, and animal language.

- Funding: From \$500 to \$2,700,000.
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through June 30, 2017.

Target Corporation: Target Field Trip Grants

This program funds experiences that connect students' classroom curricula to out-of-school experiences, from January to June.

- Funding: Up to \$700
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open from August 1, 2017 to October 1, 2017.

National Alliance for Grieving Children: Grief Reach Grant

This funding supports children's bereavement programs in order to expand their reach to underserved youth populations.

- Funding: From \$15,000 to \$100,000.
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through August 7, 2017.

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation: Learning Impact Grants

Learning Impact Grants support school improvement projects, such as facility enhancement and landscaping/cleanup. Projects with parent involvement and other community partners are encouraged.

- Funding: From \$2,000 to \$5,000.
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through August 7, 2017.

Calvin K. Kazanjian Economics Foundation: N/A

The Foundation provides grants to programs with national impact that address 1) raising the public's participation in economic education and creating a demand for greater economic literacy; 2) encouraging measurement of economic understanding; 3) developing the application of new strategies for teaching economics; and 4) helping disenfranchised youth or young adults with children learn to participate in the economic system.

- Funding: Average grant is \$22,000. Seed grants of \$20,000 are also available.
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through August 15, 2017.

Russel Sage Foundation: N/A

This foundation provides two-year grants for innovative research on the effects of race, citizenship, legal status, politics and political culture, and public policy on outcomes for immigrants and the native-born of different racial and ethnic groups and generations.

- Funding: Up to \$150,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through August 21, 2017.

William Randolph Hearst Endowed Foundation: N/A

The Aspen Institute Program on Philanthropy and Social Innovation seeks to introduce a diverse group of students to issues and challenges affecting philanthropy, social enterprise, nonprofit organizations, and other actors in the social sector.

- Funding: Hourly compensation for 12-15 weeks.
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through September 8, 2017.

Project Learning Tree: GreenWorks!

This program supports environmental service-learning projects that link classroom learning to the real world. Students implement an action project they help design to green their school or to improve an aspect of their neighborhood's environment.

- Funding: Up to \$1,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through September 30, 2017.

Captain Planet Foundation: N/A

The foundation funds hands-on, innovative, environmental projects that empower children and youth around the world to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities.

- Funding: From \$500 to \$2,500
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through September 30, 2017.

Toshiba America Foundation: Grants for Grades K-5

This program supports innovative, project-based learning.

- Funding: Up to \$1,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through October 1, 2017.

Whole Kids Foundation: School Garden Grant

This program supports an edible educational garden on the grounds of a K-12 school.

- Funding: \$2,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through October 31, 2017.

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics: Equity in Math

This program supports projects that incorporate middle school classroom materials or lessons designed to improve the achievement of student groups with a previous record of underachievement.

- Funding: Up to \$8,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through November 3, 2017.

Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation: N/A

This foundation supports museums, cultural, and performing arts programs; schools and hospitals; educational and skills training programs; programs for youth, seniors, and the disabled; environmental and wildlife protection activities; and other community-based organizations and their programs.

- Funding: From \$1,000 to \$20,000
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through November 10, 2017 and May 10, 2018, annually.

Home Depot Foundation: N/A

Funding priorities include renovation, refurbishment, retrofitting, accessibility modifications, and/or weatherization of existing homes, centers, schools, and other similar facilities.

- Funding: Up to \$5,000 on a Home Depot gift card for the purchase of tools, materials, or services
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through December 31, 2017.

Salesforce Foundation: N/A

This foundation is accepting Letters of Inquiry for STEM Education, Girls in STEM, and Youth Workforce Development.

- Funding: Not specified
- **Deadline:** RFP period is open through December 31, 2017.

American Heart Association and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Voices for Healthy Kids – Strategic Campaign Funds

This initiative aims to engage, organize, and mobilize people to help all children grow up at a healthy weight. Applications must be specific to an individual campaign focused on changing public policy in one state, local, or tribal geographic location and must align with one of the Voices for Health Kids policy priorities: community; schools; early care and education; and out-of-school time.

- Funding: Maximum of \$90,000 over a period of up to one year.
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Voya Foundation: N/A

This program supports organizations that provide innovative and experiential K-8 STEM learning opportunities that promote an early interest in STEM career fields and improve teachers' capabilities in STEM; or that provide financial education curriculum to grade 9-12 students focused on navigating major financial milestones such as student debt, credit, home ownership, financial products and services/financial capability, and family needs.

- Funding: Minimum \$2,500.
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Wish You Well Foundation: N/A

This program supports child and family literacy programs. Priority goes to development and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs.

- Funding: Minimum \$10,000.
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Public Welfare Foundation: N/A

The foundation focuses funding on justice and workers' rights issues. Criminal Justice funding focuses on reducing incarceration rates and jail populations and developing and promoting strategies to reduce the overrepresentation of racial and ethnic minorities in the criminal justice process.

- Funding: From \$70,000 to \$300,000.
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Kresge Foundation: N/A

This foundation offers grants for diverse social investment in Arts and Culture, Education, Environment, Health, and Human Services.

- Funding: Not specified.
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Sunoco Foundation: N/A

This program workforce development, environmental stewardship and responsibility, and strengthening communities.

- Funding: From \$500 to \$10,000 (local) and from \$2,500 to \$500,000 (national).
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Youth Service America: **Everyday Young Heroes**

Everyday Young Heroes are people, ages 5-25, who are improving their communities through service to others and making significant progress in achieving the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. Each week, the YSA Team selects one young person to receive this honor. YSA will also select a monthly winner who will receive \$250 to continue and expand their project.

- Funding: \$250
- **Deadline:** Nominations accepted on an ongoing basis.

Good Sports: **N/A**

This organization provides a wide range of sporting equipment, footwear and apparel to schools and community organizations.

- Funding: In-kind
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Surdna Foundation: **Thriving Cultures**

This foundation offers grants to organizations that believe communities with robust arts and culture are more cohesive and prosperous and benefit from the diversity of their residents. The Thriving Cultures Program seeks to create just and sustainable communities in four ways: cultural advancement, educational development, community engaged design, and social change.

- Funding: Not specified
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Toshiba America Foundation: **N/A**

This foundation accepts applications from teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for their students.

- Funding: Up to \$5,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Cornell Douglas Foundation: **N/A**

This foundation funds projects and programs that address the following issues: environmental health and justice, land conservation, sustainability of resources, mountaintop removal mining, watershed protection, and financial literacy for elementary and high school students.

- Funding: Average grant is \$10,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Charles Stewart Mott Foundation: N/A

This foundation funds projects and programs that address the following issues: civil society and education.

- Funding: From \$150 to \$2.95 million
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Sears Holdings: N/A

This group funds projects and programs that address the following issues: health, education, military, and homes.

- Funding: Not specified
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Verizon Foundation: N/A

This foundation funds projects and programs that address STEM education for K-12 youth.

- Funding: From \$5,000 to \$10,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Bob Barker Company Foundation: N/A

This foundation supports organizations that work with a minimum of 100 incarcerated or formerly incarcerated individuals annually to reduce recidivism, using evidence-based practices.

- Funding: From \$5,000 to \$25,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Good Sports: N/A

This group provides a wide range of sporting equipment, footwear and apparel to schools and community organizations operating organized sports, recreational activities, or fitness programs to economically disadvantaged youth ages 3-18.

- Funding: In kind
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

TechStars Foundation: N/A

This foundation seeks to increase diversity in entrepreneurship through grants leveraging the Techstars network to empower organizations to accelerate their mission.

- Funding: From \$10,000 to \$50,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Dr. Robert C. and Tina Sohn Foundation: N/A

Funding priorities include the environment, health and human services, education, and the arts.

- Funding: From \$375 to \$30,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Corning Incorporated Foundation: N/A

Funding priorities include education, cultural programs, community, health and human services, and disaster relief.

- Funding: From \$600 to \$800,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

JPMorgan Chase Foundation: N/A

This foundation funds pathways to opportunity through workforce development, financial capability, small business development, and community development.

- Funding: Up to \$1,000,000
- **Deadline:** Letters of Inquiry accepted on an ongoing basis.

Wallace Global Fund: N/A

This fund supports activities and movements that are global or national in scope, such as local or regional initiatives with the potential to leverage broader national or global impact. Proposals can be for either core or project-specific support.

- Funding: From \$2,000 to \$160,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Singing for Change: Social and Environmental Problem Solving Grants

This program offers grants to progressive nonprofits working to address the root causes of social or environmental problems. Focus areas include 1) children and families, 2) the environment, and 3) disenfranchised groups. Special attention is given to projects that “help people overcome social or economic barriers to education or employment; promote the empowerment of individuals toward self-sufficiency, and provide opportunities for personal growth that benefit their greater community; and demonstrate human equality and encourage people to cross boundary lines to help others.”

- Funding: From \$2,000 to \$160,000
- **Deadline:** Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

RESOURCES

Building a Stellar Grant Seeking Committee

This webinar, taught by GrantStation’s CEO, Cynthia Adams, takes you through a step-by-step process to develop and grant seeking team, all working toward a common vision: to strengthen and build your grants program. This online training focuses on a well-defined process to craft an effective committee, develop a process to energize your team, and discover ways to create a sustainable program. See attached.

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