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**Grant Development Newsletter/Opportunities Listing for December**

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**Subject :** Grant Development Newsletter/Opportunities Listing for December

**To :** everyone <everyone@philasd.org>

All,

I am pleased to share the December issue of the Office of Grant Development newsletter, which features a curated list of grant opportunities for which individual teachers, schools and/or community partners may apply. Formal central office "approval" to apply for any of these grants is not needed, but it is very important that you communicate with your principal about any resources you are hoping to bring into your school. We strongly encourage you to contact us in the Office of Grant Development if you are considering applying for a grant. Our team of experienced grant-writers can help you by discussing strategy or reviewing drafts. You can also email me directly (my contact info is below, hitting "reply" to this email will not work), or click [here](#) to contact us via our website.

Good luck to everyone pursuing grants on behalf of Philadelphia public schools!

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## OGD Newsletter: December 2019 Issue

*Funders may change their mission, strategy, and target recipients at any time. The OGD has reviewed all of the opportunities for appropriateness to our audience, however, it is possible that changes were made after our review. Please be sure to*

*carefully review the funder's policies and practices before beginning any application and reach out to OGD with any changes you find.*

**UPCOMING GRANT OPPORTUNITY DEADLINES DECEMBER 2019 - FEBRUARY 2020**

**OPPORTUNITY:** Kids Gardening: Youth Garden Grant

- 1. Due Date:** Dec. 16
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Any nonprofit organization, public or private school, or youth program in the United States or US Territories planning a new garden program or expanding an established one that serves at least 15 youth between the ages of 3 and 18 is eligible to apply
- 3. Purpose:** The Youth Garden Grant has supported school and youth educational garden projects that enhance the quality of life for students and their communities.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** 25 programs will be awarded. Top 5 will receive packages valued at \$2360. 20 programs will receive packages valued at \$775.
- 5. Website:** <https://kidsgardening.org/2020-youth-garden-grant/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** PA Department of Environmental Protection: Environmental Education Mini Grants

- 1. Due Date:** Dec. 31
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Public Schools K-12 are open to apply. Awarded projects may begin on or before July 1, 2020, and must end by June 30, 2021.
- 3. Purpose:** The Environmental Education Grants program was established by the Environmental Education Act of 1993, which mandates setting aside five percent of the pollution fines and penalties DEP collects annually for environmental education in Pennsylvania. While all topics are considered, water quality, climate change, and environmental justice are priority areas. Formal and nonformal education projects are eligible. Project examples include tours, hands-on workshops, and demonstrations focused on watershed stewardship and community action, renewable energy, energy conservation, vehicle idling, alternative transportation, and healthier air quality.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** \$3000
- 5. Website:** <https://www.dep.pa.gov/Citizens/EnvironmentalEducation/Grants/Pages/default.aspx>

**OPPORTUNITY:** ALDI Smart Kids Program

- 1. Due Date:** Dec. 31
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Public or private K-12 school in communities within geographic areas where ALDI has stores, offices or warehouses and conducts business
- 3. Purpose:** ALDI Smart Kids is a special program dedicated to supporting the health and wellness of the children in our communities. We do this by supporting local community organizations that encourage kids to be active in the areas of education, physical activity, nutrition, socializing and the arts.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Monetary donations and ALDI gift cards between \$100-\$5000
- 5. Website:** <https://corporate.aldi.us/en/corporate-responsibility/aldi-smart-kids/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** American Chemical Society: Hach Professional Development Grant

- 1. Due Date:** Jan. 4
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** High school chemistry educators
- 3. Purpose:** ACS requests applications for the ACS-Hach Professional Development Grant program. The program supports high school chemistry teachers as they identify and pursue opportunities that advance their professional development. The program also helps chemistry teachers to enhance the teaching and learning of chemistry in their classrooms.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Grants up to \$1500
- 5. Website:** <https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and-awards/hachprograms/acs-hach-professional-development-grant.html>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Gift of Life: Donors Are Heroes *Spirit for Life* Grants

- 1. Due Date:** Jan. 10
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** Philadelphia County high schools
- 3. Purpose:** The Spirit for Life Grant Program provides financial support to Philadelphia County high schools to create new and innovative projects which provide sustainable organ and tissue donation-related learning opportunities for their students and/or enhance, supplement and enrich existing programs.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Up to \$5000 per school

5. **Website:** <https://www.donors1.org/about-gift-of-life/community-outreach/high-school-programs-and-resources/>

6. **Other Info:** If interested, please contact the OGD for the application.

**OPPORTUNITY:** Captain Planet Foundation

1. **Due Date:** Jan. 15
2. **Eligible Applicants:** PreK-12 Schools
3. **Purpose:** The Captain Planet Foundation solicits applications for the ecoTech Grants program. The program seeks to engage children in inquiry based, STEM-related projects that leverage technology and/or use nature-based designs to address environmental problems in local communities.
4. **Estimated Range of Awards:** Up to \$2500
5. **Website:** <https://captainplanetfoundation.org/grants/ecotech>

**OPPORTUNITY:** iRun4Life Gives Back Program

1. **Due Date:** Jan. 31
2. **Eligible Applicants:** Elementary schools that serve children grades K-6th. Can only receive award once.
3. **Purpose:** iRun4Life Gives Back Program supports schools in extreme need of new exercise equipment. Our goal is to give children the opportunity to be healthy and strong, and achieve our mission to help combat childhood obesity.
4. **Estimated Range of Awards:** NA
5. **Website:** <https://irun4life.com/html/support.php>
6. **Other Info:** If interested, please contact the OGD for the application. Principals should assign a teacher to complete the application.

**OPPORTUNITY:** American Honda Foundation Education Grants

1. **Due Date:** For new applicants, applications are due February 1 and August 1, annually. For returning applicants, applications are due May 1, annually.

- 2. Eligible Applicants:** 501(c)(3) public charities, public school districts, and private and public elementary and secondary schools with a program focused on youth ages birth to 21 and scientific education.
- 3. Purpose:** The American Honda Foundation supports education with a specific focus on the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); the environment; job training; and literacy. It engages in grant making that reflects the basic tenets, beliefs, and philosophies of Honda companies, which are characterized by the following qualities: imaginative, creative, youthful, scientific, humanistic, and innovative.
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Awards range from \$20,000 to \$75,000 over a one-year period.
- 5. Website:** <http://www.honda.com/community/applying-for-a-grant>

**OPPORTUNITY: NEA Foundation Student Success Grants**

- 1. Due Date:** Feb. 1, June 1, & Oct. 15
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** **Current members of the National Education Association** who are educators in public schools or public institutions of higher education. We especially encourage education support professionals to apply.
- 3. Purpose:** Grant funds can be used for resource materials, supplies, equipment, transportation, technology, or scholars-in-residence. Although some funds may be used to support the professional development necessary to implement the project, the majority of grant funds must be spent on materials or educational experiences for students. We give preference to proposals that incorporate STEM and/or global competence in their projects. **NOTE: All proposals must include partner information. The partner should be prepared to assume leadership of the project should the lead applicant be unable to complete the work. Administrators may not serve as either the lead or partner applicant. Applications without partner data will not be considered. Partner not required to be NEA member.**
- 4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Two levels of funding are available: \$2,000 and \$5,000
- 5. Website:** <https://www.neafoundation.org/for-educators/student-success-grants/>

**OPPORTUNITY: Clif Bar Foundation**

- 1. Due Date:** Feb 1, June 1, & Oct 1 annually
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** 501(c)3s, Schools, School Districts

**3. Purpose:** Priority is given to applicants that address our funding priorities from a holistic perspective: Protect Earth's beauty and bounty; Create a robust, healthy food system; Increase opportunities for outdoor activity; Reduce environmental health hazards; Build stronger communities. These grants are awarded for general organizational support as well as funding for specific projects.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** \$500 - \$10,000

**5. Website:** <http://clifbarfamilyfoundation.org/Grants-Programs/Small-Grants>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Gro More Good Grassroots Grants

**1. Due Date:** Due mid-Feb 2020; online application opens early January

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Schools in the U.S.

**3. Purpose:** The 2020 Gro More Good Grassroots Grant presented by The Scotts Miracle-Gro Foundation and KidsGardening is designed to bring the life-enhancing benefits of gardens to communities across the United States. Awards provide funding for the development of new and expansion of existing youth garden programs and greenspaces serving 15 or more youth. Winners will be selected based on their commitment to the maintenance and sustainability of their garden program including plans for growth and future fiscal stability.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Check awards of \$500 and \$1,000

**5. Website:** <https://kidsgardening.org/2020-gromoregood-grassroots-grant/>

**ONGOING GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

**OPPORTUNITY:** Justin J. Watt Foundation

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing based on athletic season.

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Afterschool sports programs running from 3- 5pm for youth 6th-8th grades. Must have a secure place to store uniforms and equipment they support.

**3. Purpose:** Seeks to provide after-school opportunities for middle school-aged children in the community to become involved in athletics by funding re-usable equipment and uniforms.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Varies

**5. Website:** <http://jjwfoundation.org/request-funds/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Victor C. Clark Youth Incentive Program

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** High school radio clubs, youth groups, and general-interest radio clubs that sponsor subgroups of young people.

**3. Purpose:** The ARRL Foundation's objective is providing support for the development of Amateur Radio among high-school age (or younger) youth. Funded by endowment and contributor support, the Program makes mini-grants available to groups that demonstrate serious intent to promote participation in Amateur Radio by youth.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Maximum \$1000.00

**5. Website:** <http://www.arrl.org/the-victor-c-clark-youth-incentive-program>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Schools and 501 C (3)

**3. Purpose:** Our mission is to inspire and enable high-poverty youth to participate in sports.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Maximum request \$25,000.00.

**5. Website:** <https://www.sportsmatter.org/faq/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Alternative Fuel Foundation

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Any individual, non-profit, public or private K-12 school, or parent group associated with a non-profit or public or private K-12 school

**3. Purpose:** There is a preference for funding requests that promote the awareness and use of alternative fuels or promote the concept of sustainability. Projects that encourage parent involvement and build stronger community spirit will be favored.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Typical grants range from \$250-\$500. Larger grants will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**5. Website:** <https://www.alternativefuelfoundation.org/grants/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** YSA Young Hero Award

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Young 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 (SDGs)

**3. Purpose:** Projects can provide a direct service, be philanthropic or raise awareness or advocacy around a particular community need. The chosen youth may have a project that is developed in or outside of the classroom, in conjunction with an organization or religious institution or it can be an initiative or organization started by the youth.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** \$250 grant to continue the service work

**5. Website:** Nomination Form at <http://ysa.org/awards/eyh/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** The Awesome Foundation

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing- every other month on the second Tuesday

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Everyone

**3. Purpose:** Awesome projects include initiatives in a wide range of areas including arts, technology, community development, and more. Many awesome projects are novel or experimental, and evoke surprise and delight. Awesome sometimes challenges and often inspires.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** \$1000 grants for 2 winners

**5. Website:** <https://www.awesomefoundation.org/en/chapters/philadelphia>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Karma for Cara Foundation Grants

**1. Due Date:** Quarterly - October 1; January 1; April 1; July 1

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Students 18 years of age and under

**3. Purpose:** We fund microgrant applications supporting a wide variety of projects and events; evidence of your creativity and ingenuity only serves to

fuel the likelihood that your application will be successfully funded.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Between \$250 and \$1,000

**5. Website:** <http://karmaforcara.org/apply-for-a-microgrant/>

**6. Other Info:** This application may include school-based projects, such as school gardens and playgrounds.

**OPPORTUNITY:** 3rd Grade Cabbage Program by Bonnie Plants

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** 3rd Grade Classrooms

**3. Purpose:** The program offers free cabbage plants to students in the 3rd grade. This is a unique, hands-on gardening experience through growing colossal cabbages. Students with the biggest cabbages at the end of the growing season can win “best in state” and receive a \$ 1,000 scholarship from Bonnie Plants.

**4. Estimated Range of Awards:** Competition for \$1,000.00 Scholarship

**5. Website:** <http://bonniecabbageprogram.com/participate/>

**OPPORTUNITY:** Good Sports Equipment Grants

**1. Due Date:** Ongoing

**2. Eligible Applicants:** Schools and Athletic programs

**3. Matching Funds:** 5% of the value of goods donated

**4. Purpose:** Good Sports gives all kids the lifelong benefits of sport and physical activity by providing equipment, apparel and footwear to those most in need.

**5. Estimated Range of Awards:** Equipment

**6. Website:** <https://www.goodsports.org/apply/>

**7. Other Info:** Live application that requires district information. Please contact OGD for assistance.

**OPPORTUNITY:** Axalta All-Pro Teachers

- 1. Due Date:** Ongoing based on NFL season
- 2. Eligible Applicants:** 5th through 12th grade teachers in the tri-state area
- 3. Matching Funds:** No
- 4. Purpose:** Axalta All-Pro Teachers is a program that recognizes outstanding 5th through 12th grade teachers in the tri-state area for their contribution to their students, school and community. During the NFL season, Axalta and the Philadelphia Eagles will select ten (10) exceptional teachers to be honored in their classrooms and by Eagles fans.
- 5. Estimated Range of Awards:** 10 teachers will receive \$2000 donation for school, Eagles tix and memorabilia, and invite to Teacher of the Year Dinner; Teacher of the Year will receive additional \$5000 donation and Eagles Pep Rally
- 6. Website:** <http://fanpages.philadelphiaeagles.com/axalta-program.html>
- 7. Other Info:** Please notify the OGD if you get awarded as the check will be mailed to 440.

**School-Based Staff ONLY: DonorsChoose Match Offers**

Make sure to check out this month's DonorsChoose Match Offers for Pennsylvania.

<https://www.donorschoose.org/match-offers>

\*To find the page online, search "DonorsChoose Match Offers" in your browser. Remember to select PA to see offers available in our area.

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