

The School District of Philadelphia

# Grant Opportunity Newsletter

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## Office of Grant Development

All,  
I am pleased to share another 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 email us at [grants@philasd.org](mailto:grants@philasd.org), or find more resources on our webpage.

<https://www.philasd.org/grants/>

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

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Office of Grant Development

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Happy Black History Month!

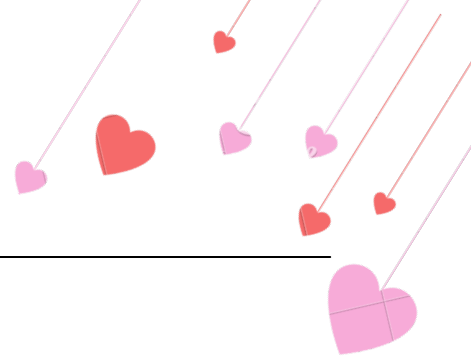


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***NOTE: Funders may change their mission, strategy, and target recipients at any time and some funders have stopped accepting proposals during the pandemic. The OGD has reviewed all of the opportunities to ensure that all are still accepting applications as of February 27th and are appropriate for 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.***

# OGD Announcements

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## Have a GIANT supermarket near you?

For nearly 100 years, The GIANT Company has been actively involved in the community to connect families for a better future. That is why they remain focused on eliminating hunger, especially among children.

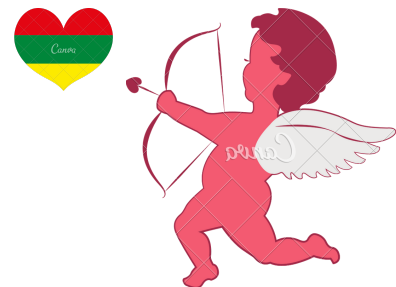
The GIANT Company is pleased to announce that the Round Up Program, in support of feeding children throughout our school districts, will continue in 2022. They are excited to help The School District of Philadelphia find new ways to eliminate childhood hunger in our communities.

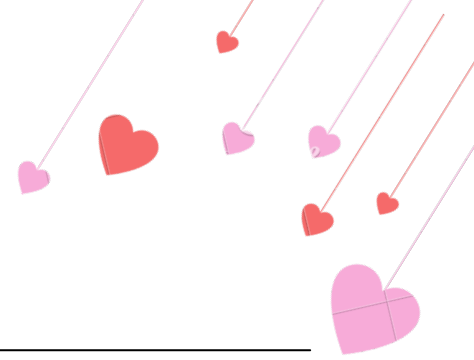
Throughout January and February 2022, The GIANT Company will invite their customers to donate to support school district food and meal programs. And The GIANT Company will directly support their customers' generosity with an additional \$250,000 donation.



## Have questions?

Please contact: [Grants@philasd.org](mailto:Grants@philasd.org)





# Grant Opportunities

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**Opportunity:** GroPlus Specialty Award

**Due Date:** Friday, February 4th, 2022

**Eligible Applicants:** Any nonprofit organization, school district, university, government entity, or tax-exempt organization in the United States and US Territories serving at least 15 youth is eligible to apply. Applicants must be planning to use the funds to install new or expand existing youth gardens or green spaces.

**Purpose:** Designed to fund new and existing garden programs that have greater funding needs due to, but are not limited to, financial, environmental, safety, health, and regulation challenges. The award will provide 5 programs \$1,000 in 2022 in addition to the \$500 base award.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$1,500

**Website:** [https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/gromoregood-grassroots-grant-22/?mc\\_cid=c5175357bf&mc\\_eid=ed5c4678d6](https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/gromoregood-grassroots-grant-22/?mc_cid=c5175357bf&mc_eid=ed5c4678d6)

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**Opportunity:** GroPride Specialty Award

**Due Date:** Friday, February 4th, 2022

**Eligible Applicants:** Any nonprofit organization, school district, university, government entity, or tax-exempt organization in the United States and US Territories serving at least 15 youth is eligible to apply. Applicants must be planning to use the funds to install new or expand existing youth gardens or green spaces.

**Purpose:** Designed to fund new and existing garden programs that serve a majority of the LGBTQ+ youth. The award will provide 5 programs \$1,000 in 2022 in addition to the \$500 base award.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$1,500

**Website:** [https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/gromoregood-grassroots-grant-22/?mc\\_cid=c5175357bf&mc\\_eid=ed5c4678d6](https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/gromoregood-grassroots-grant-22/?mc_cid=c5175357bf&mc_eid=ed5c4678d6)

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**Opportunity:** GroEquity Specialty Award

**Due Date:** Friday, February 4th. 2022

**Eligible Applicants:** Any nonprofit organization, school district, university, government entity, or tax-exempt organization in the United States and US Territories serving at least 15 youth is eligible to apply. Applicants must be planning to use the funds to install new or expand existing youth gardens or green spaces.

**Purpose:** Designed to fund new and existing garden programs led by people of color that serve a majority of youth of color. The award will provide 5 programs \$1,000 in 2022 in addition to the \$500 base award.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$1,500

**Website:** [https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/gromoregood-grassroots-grant-22/?mc\\_cid=c5175357bf&mc\\_eid=ed5c4678d6](https://kidsgardening.org/grant-opportunities/gromoregood-grassroots-grant-22/?mc_cid=c5175357bf&mc_eid=ed5c4678d6)

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**Opportunity:** The Awesome Foundation

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

**Eligible Applicants:** Anyone

**Purpose:** To support anyone working on a project to improve their community in Philadelphia

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$1,000

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



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**Opportunity:** Whole Kids Foundation

**Due Date:** February 14th - March 11th, 2022

**Eligible Applicants:** Private, Charter, Public, Other (including homeschool, 501 (c)(3) organizations)

**Purpose:** Through the Whole Kids Foundation's School Garden Grant Program, schools and organizations turn outdoor spaces into powerful hands-on learning gardens that connect kids with food, spark their curiosity, and support classroom curriculum. Grants support new or existing edible educational gardens.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$3,000

**Website:** <https://www.wholekidsfoundation.org/programs/school-gardens-grant>

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**Opportunity:** Aldi's Smart Kids Program

**Due Date:** The application window opens August 1

**Eligible Applicants:** Applicants must be tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, public or private K-12 schools, or faith-based organizations that benefit children in their communities.

**Purpose:** The ALDI grocery store chain is inviting applications for its ALDI Smart Kids program, which provides support to organizations working to address the health and wellness needs of children in communities where ALDI has stores, warehouses, offices, and conducts business. To that end, grants will be awarded to local community organizations that encourage children to actively participate in the areas of education, physical activity, nutrition, socializing, and the arts.

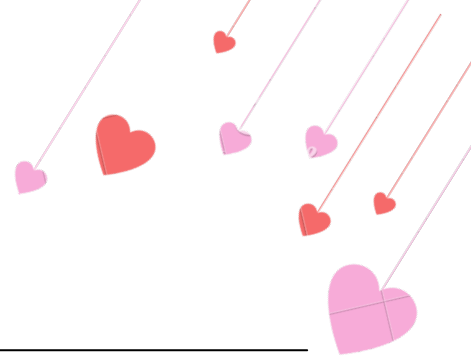
**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$5,000

**Website:** <https://corporate.aldi.us/en/corporate-responsibility/aldi-smart-kids/>

\*Please reach out to Grant Development for assistance with this Grant Opportunity\*

# Grant Opportunities

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**Opportunity:** Lovett Fund for Elementary Drama

**Due Date:** Rolling basis, being in August of each school year

**Eligible Applicants:** Elementary Educators, 501c3s

**Purpose:** Funding is available for the production of plays and musicals performed by elementary school students (grades 1–5) in a school program.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$300

**Website:** <http://lovettfoundation.org/apply.html>

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

**Due Date:** Ongoing

**Eligible Applicants:** 501c3s

**Purpose:** To inspire and enable high-poverty youth to participate in sports.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** Up to \$25,000

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



# Grant Opportunities

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**Opportunity:** Classics Association of the Atlantic States Grant

**Due Date:** Rolling

**Eligible Applicants:** Teachers

**Purpose:** Each year CAAS offers its members grant money to strengthen the teaching of and foster public support for the languages, civilizations, and cultures of ancient Greece and Rome.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** \$600

**Website:** <https://caas-cw.org/caas/grants/>

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**Opportunity:** SnapDragon Book Foundation

**Due Date:** November 2021-February, 2022

**Eligible Applicants:** Any school library that serves disadvantaged youth may apply.

**Purpose:** The Snapdragon Book Foundation was started in December, 2008 to provide funds to improve school libraries for disadvantaged children. Grants will be awarded to public, private, and experimental schools.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** Grants typically range from \$2,500 to \$10,000.

**Website:** <http://snapdragonbookfoundation.org/application/>



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**Opportunity:** Team First Book Philadelphia

**Due Date:** The 1st of every month

**Eligible Applicants:** Community-based mentoring, tutoring, and family literacy programs

**Purpose:** TFBP provides new books to children in need addressing one of the most important factors affecting literacy – access to books. TFBP supplies books to schools, after-school programs and other organizations that already have the tools to teach and use the books for lessons, and then the books go home with the kids so they can share the joy of reading with their family and friends. All books distributed by First Book are brand new and are provided at no cost to the child.

**Estimated Range of Awards:** Varies

**Website:** <https://www.firstbookphiladelphia.org/apply-for-books>

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## 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>



### Some Current Highlights Include:

**\*\*Please note that match offers change frequently\*\***

- hand2mind 2x matching donations on projects requesting select hand2mind resources:  
<https://help.donorschoose.org/hc/en-us/articles/360052938313>
- 3x match for eligible TOON Books Kit projects:  
<https://help.donorschoose.org/hc/en-us/articles/4415253994135>
- Tony the Tiger and Kellogg's Frosted Flakes® 2x matching donations on middle school sports projects:  
<https://help.donorschoose.org/hc/en-us/articles/360032750234>
- Dick's Sporting Goods Foundation 2x matching on team sports projects  
<https://help.donorschoose.org/hc/en-us/articles/206863337>

Don't see a match offer for your classroom, consider making your own, start your project today [www.donorschoose.org](http://www.donorschoose.org)



# Literacy Resources for Teachers

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## Some Current Highlights Include:

**\*\*Please note that some resources require memberships\*\***

### **The Book Bank:** <https://readingrecycled.org/the-book-bank-1>

The Book Bank is member supported through annual dues of just \$25. In exchange for those dues, Book Bank Members receive up to 375 books per school year, as well as classroom supplies, with a combined value of over \$4,000. We are chiefly supported by the kind and generous donations of many individual, community, and corporate partners.

**Note:** The Philly Book Bank is located at Martin Luther King High School, 6100 Stenton Avenue, Room T137.

### **Book Smiles:** <https://www.booksmiles.org/>

BookSmiles, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, promotes literacy and the joy of reading by giving books to children throughout New Jersey and Greater Philadelphia. We provide students and younger siblings with high-quality new or gently used books, laying the groundwork for academic success.

Your online donation of \$25 will provide you with 100 books to distribute to your students and school community!



## Additional Resources

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### Policy 702

[https://www.philasd.org/schoolboard/wp-content/uploads/sites/892/2019/07/702\\_Gifts-Grants-Donations-and-Student-Fundraising\\_Policy\\_May.pdf](https://www.philasd.org/schoolboard/wp-content/uploads/sites/892/2019/07/702_Gifts-Grants-Donations-and-Student-Fundraising_Policy_May.pdf)

### Policy 702.2

<https://www.philasd.org/schoolboard/wp-content/uploads/sites/892/2018/07/Policy-702.2.pdf>



### Philly FUNDamentals (Principals Only)

<https://foundationgive.com/foundations/15/PhillyFUNDamentals>

### DonorsChoose (School Facing)

<https://www.donorschoose.org/>

### Contact us for more information

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