



Summer Meals Grant Opportunities

Background

For organizations operating the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), a grant can be leveraged to expand organizational capacity, invest in equipment, provide quality programming, and improve meal quality. Supplemental funding can play a vital role in program expansion- ensuring that every child has the opportunity to receive a free, healthy meal when school is out for the summer. Below is a compilation of existing grant funding, either directed at summer programming, summer meals programs, organization capacity, and program implementation.

***Please Note:** This list is only a summary and provides a foundation for funding opportunities. Some of the listed grants have not yet released 2014 funding opportunities. Please check the organization's website for more information.*

I. Summer Meals Programs

[Share Our Strength](#): Start-up and expansion of summer meals programs and nutrition education programs provided by Share Our Strength's Cooking Matters partners.

Geographic focus: Arkansas, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, Montana, New Orleans, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia.

Applications: Check with state-based No Kid Hungry campaigns

II. Summer Programming

[Baker & Taylor Summer Reading Program Grant](#): Implementation of summer reading programs for children ages 0-14 years.

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

[Dollar General Literacy Foundation Summer Reading Grant](#): Implementation of summer reading programs for pre-K through 12th grade students who are new readers, below grade level readers or readers with learning disabilities.

Applications: Applications due February 27, 2014

[The PeyBeck Foundation](#): Provision of enrichment programming for children outside the typical school day (afterschool and summer).

Geographic Focus: Indiana, Louisiana, Tennessee and Denver Metro Area

Applications: Due February 3, 2014

III. Hunger Relief

[Bank of America Charitable Foundation Critical Needs Grants](#): Addressing basic needs such as food and shelter in low-income communities.

Applications: July 21- August 8, 2014

[ConAgra Community Impact Grants Program](#): Implementation of hunger relief and nutrition education programs; organizational capacity building; outreach and awareness building.

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

[The Dominion Foundation](#): Implementation of hunger relief efforts.

Applications: Reviewed quarterly

[The Kroger Co Foundation](#): Implementation of hunger relief efforts and organizational capacity-building.

Applications: Accepted on a rolling basis

[The Safeway Foundation](#): Provision of hunger relief, education, and health and human services efforts.

Applications: Accepted on a rolling basis

[Sam's Club Giving Program](#): Provision of hunger relief and healthy eating services.

Applications: Accepted on a rolling basis

[Walmart Local Giving Program](#) : Provision of hunger relief and healthy eating services.

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

IV. Health and Education Services

[Build-a-Bear Workshop Foundation Children Health and Wellness Grant](#): Provision of health, wellness, literacy, and education services for children.

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

[General Mills Champions for Healthy Kids](#): Improving nutrition and physical fitness behaviors for youth.

Applications: Due March 15, 2014

[Coca-Cola Foundation](#): Provision of exercise, physical activity, education, and nutritional education programs.

Applications: Accepted on a rolling basis

[JCP Cares](#): Provision of health and welfare, education, and arts and culture services.

Applications: Accepting LOI on rolling basis

[LEGO Children's Fund](#): Implementation of early childhood education and development programming that is directly related to creativity, and/or technology, and communication projects.

Applications: Reviewed quarterly

[PNC Foundation](#): Provision of direct services for children in their classroom or community, health, education, and quality of life for low-and moderate-income individuals and families.

Applications: Accepted on a rolling basis

[Reiman Family Foundation](#): Provision of education, health care, and children's initiatives.

Applications: Accepted on a rolling basis

[RGK Foundation](#): Provision of programs that focus on formal K-12 education (particularly mathematics, science and reading), literacy, and higher education; human services, community improvement, abuse prevention, and youth development programs; the health and well-being of children.

Applications: Accepting LOI on rolling basis

[Sidgmore Family Foundation](#): Provision of health and education services for children and youth.

Applications: Accepting LOI on rolling basis

[The Mayer Foundation](#): Implementation of educational, literary, cultural, humanitarian, and scientific programming.

Applications: Accepting applications on rolling basis

[Wish You Well Literacy Foundation](#): Implementation and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs.

Applications: Reviewed quarterly

[Women Helping Others Foundation](#): Provision of health and social services for children and women.

Applications: Accepted on a rolling basis

V. Physical Activity

[Jubilation Foundation](#): Implementation of music and dance programming to youth.

Geographic focus: Washington and Oregon

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

[Nike N7 Fund Grants for Native Youth Sports Programs](#): Provision of sports and physical activity programs for Native American and Aboriginal youth of high school age or younger.

Applications: June 2014

[U.S. Soccer Foundation Safe Places to Play](#): Building and improvement of existing fields in underserved areas.

Applications: Accepted on February 1, 2014 and June 1, 2014

[U.S. Soccer Foundation Program Grants](#): Provision of equipment and operational expenses for soccer programs.

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

VI. Services for Women and Children

[Singing for Change](#): Provision of programming at children, families, and disenfranchised groups.

Applications: Accepting LOI on a rolling basis

[Social Justice Grant Fund](#): Provision of services for low-income women and children.

Applications: Accepted on May 15, 2014

[The Dorthea Haus Ross Foundation](#): Provision of direct aid and assistance to vulnerable children.
Applications: Accepting LOI on a rolling basis

VII. Organizational Capacity Building

[Corporation for National and Community Service AmeriCorps State and National Grants](#): Organizational capacity building.

Applications: Accepted January 22, 2014

[Modest Needs Grant](#): Organizational capacity-building for small nonprofits (budgets \$50,000-\$500,000).

Applications: Accepted on a rolling basis

VIII. Capital Expenditures

[Rosie's For All Kids Foundation](#): Funding for small renovations, equipment upgrades, playground construction and staff development for community-based programs serving children in low-income areas.

Geographic focus: Urban areas

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

[USDA Rural Development Community Facilities](#): Funding for the development of essential community facilities for public use in rural areas and may include hospitals, fire protection, safety, as well as many other community-based initiatives.

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

[USDA Rural Community Development Initiative](#)

Focus areas: Provision of technical assistance and training funds to qualified intermediary organizations to develop their capacity to undertake housing, community facilities, and community and economic development projects in rural areas.

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released

[The Carol M. White Physical Education Program \(PEP\)](#): Provision of physical education programs that help students in Kindergarten through 12th grade meet their state standards for physical education.

Applications: 2014 dates not yet released