

## **POTENTIAL GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

Counselors' Council 10/13/2011  
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### **Project Ignition**

The National Youth Leadership Council® and State Farm® are sponsoring Project Ignition grants for public high school students and teachers to address teen driver safety through service-learning.

Twenty-five schools will be chosen to receive \$2,000 grants to support the implementation of their campaigns between January and April, 2012. Ten of these 25 schools will be granted an additional \$5,000 to support their participation in a significant national conference or event. They will also be given the opportunity to be named "National Leader Schools" and receive an additional \$2,500 to go deeper with their campaigns during the 2012-2013 school year.

Amount: \$2,000 + possible \$5,000 extra

Due: November 15, 2011

**<http://www.sfprojectignition.com/>**

### **We Can Change the World Challenge**

Top prizes include a grant for your school and green prize packs full of the latest in fun and sustainable products for each member of the winning classes.

Grants are available in three levels: Elementary, Middle, and High School. The Siemens We Can Change the World Challenge offers students the opportunity to use science, math, and reading/language arts concepts and skills to create sustainable, reproducible environmental improvements.

Amount: \$5,000/\$3,000/\$2,000 plus many other prizes

Due: March 15, 2012

**<http://www.wecanchange.com/>**

### **Best in Class Grant Competition**

Funds projects that make creative use of common teaching aids, approach curriculum from an imaginative angle, or tie nontraditional concepts together for the purpose of illustrating commonalities.

Amount: \$5,000/\$3,000/\$2,000 plus many other prizes

Amount: \$100 to \$500 per classroom

Due: Dec. 9, 2011

**[http://www.kinf.org/grants/2011\\_loft\\_app.php](http://www.kinf.org/grants/2011_loft_app.php)**

### **Free Public Alert Radios for your School!**

Public Alert Radios are being distributed to schools in your community to help safeguard your children. With 24/7 capability, these radios are always on guard to alert school personnel to terrorist threats, emergencies and weather conditions in your immediate area, even when other communication lines are unavailable

**<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr/schools/index.html>**

### **The Education Fund**

Develop and implement instructional projects that motivate and challenge students to learn. Teacher Mini-Grants are awarded in all content areas. In addition, several grants will be funded in each of the following categories:

- \* Literary - programs that motivate students to be lifelong readers & build in students a love of literature
- \* College/postsecondary access for at-risk students
- \* Engineering

Amount: \$300-\$1,000

Due: November 14, 2011

**<http://www.educationfund.org/programs/teacherminigrantsprogram/>**

### **United Health HEROES Service Learning Grants**

The UnitedHealth HEROES program is a service-learning, health literacy initiative developed by United Healthcare and YSA. The program awards grants to help youth, ages 5-25, create and implement local, hands-on programs to fight childhood obesity.

Each grant engages participating youth in service-learning, an effective teaching and learning strategy that supports student learning, academic achievement, and workplace readiness. The grants encourage semester-long projects that launch on [Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service](#) (January 16, 2012) and culminate on [Global Youth Service Day](#) (April 20-22, 2012).

Amount: \$500 to \$1,000

Due: OCTOBER 17, 2011 (yearly competition, so perhaps plan for next year?)

**<http://www.ysa.org/HEROES>**

### **NFL Youth Football Fund Grassroots Program**

The NFL Youth Football Fund Grassroots Program provides support for neighborhood-based organizations and middle or high schools to improve local football fields. Grants of up to \$200,000 are available to help finance the resurfacing of fields. Grants of up to \$50,000 are available for capital projects such as the installation/refurbishment of bleachers, concession stands, lights, etc.

Due: December 16, 2011

**<http://www.lisc.org/section/ourwork/national/youth/request>**

### **Office Depot Foundation**

The Office Depot Foundation supports nonprofit organizations, government agencies, libraries, and schools on a local and national scale that bring systemic change to the communities they serve. The Foundation provides grants averaging \$1,000 in three distinct categories. Requests are reviewed monthly. Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant application guidelines and take the eligibility survey.

**<http://www.officedepotfoundation.org/funding.asp>**