

# Grant Opportunities

**Arco Foundation** supports education programs with a wide variety of objectives, including more effective college preparation, increased parental involvement in the educational system, professional development for teachers, improving services to English Language Learners, and higher retention rates for university students of color. Programs must impact the West, Southwest, the Rocky Mountain region and Alaska. See [www.arco.com/Corporate/reports/foundation/home.htm](http://www.arco.com/Corporate/reports/foundation/home.htm). Contact: 515 South Flower Street, Los Angeles, CA 90071, (213) 486-3342. **Deadline: Open.**

**The BankAmerica Foundation** supports educational programs that focus on scholarship support and building diversity at all levels of the education system. For guidelines, see [www.bankamerica.com/community/comm\\_rep\\_guidelines.html](http://www.bankamerica.com/community/comm_rep_guidelines.html), or write BankAmerica Foundation, Department 3246, P.O. Box 37000, San Francisco, CA 94137, (415) 953-3175. **Deadline: Open.**

**The Ben & Jerry's Foundation** provides grants from \$1,000 - \$15,000 to projects that are models of systemic change and examples of creative problem solving. Favors grassroots models that demonstrate a plan for long-term viability, and support the self-empowerment of the traditionally disenfranchised. See [www.benjerry.com/foundation/index.html](http://www.benjerry.com/foundation/index.html) for more information. Contact: Ben & Jerry's Foundation, c/o: Rebecca Golden, 30 Community Drive, S. Burlington, VT 05403-6828. **Deadline: Open.**

**Carnegie Corporation of New York** awards grants of \$25,000 or less to nonprofit organizations or institutions to support reform efforts in early childhood education, urban schools and higher education. The program or research funded must have wide-ranging impact, and explicitly affect more than one school or college. For more information, see [www.carnegie.org](http://www.carnegie.org). Contact: 437 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022, (212) 207-6289. **Deadline: Open.**

**Davis (Arthur Vining) Foundations** funds programs that strengthen high school teaching, encouraging collaboration between college faculties, high schools and reform organizations. Grants range from \$75,000 to \$150,000. For more information, visit [www.jvm.com/davis](http://www.jvm.com/davis), email [arthurvining@msn.com](mailto:arthurvining@msn.com) or download forms at [www.jvm.com/davis/APPLY.HTM](http://www.jvm.com/davis/APPLY.HTM). Contact: Dr. Jonathan T. Howe, Executive Director, 111 Riverside Avenue, Suite 130, Jacksonville, FL 32202-0670, (904) 359-0670. **Deadline: Open.**

**Disney Learning Initiative Grant Program**—Up to 30 multi-year grants totaling \$2 million will be awarded in 1999. Grants limited to elementary schools, and range in size depending on scope of work and size of school from \$25,000 to \$100,000 annually for three to five years for individual schools. Contact: Alicia Layvas, The Walt Disney Company, 500 South Buena Vista Street, Burbank, CA 91521-7765, phone (818) 526-1164.

**The Heinz Endowments** provide grants to enhance capability of schools and districts to pursue new ideas and partnerships, develop a region-wide network focused on performance, increase synergy among improvement efforts, develop exemplary teacher training

programs, and explore use of technology in schools. See [www.heinz.org/education/index.html](http://www.heinz.org/education/index.html) for more information. Contact: The Heinz Endowments, 30 CNG Tower, 625 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15222. **Deadline: Open.**

**Metropolitan Life Foundation** supports national organizations that work in curriculum and program development (as well as youth violence prevention and school-to-work initiatives). Past grants have been multi-year commitments including those ranging from \$200,000 to \$2.2 million. [www.metlife.com/Companyinfo/Community](http://www.metlife.com/Companyinfo/Community). Contact: One Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010, (212) 578-6272. **Deadline: Open.**

**The National Academy of Education**—Individuals who hold a doctorate or equivalent degree in behavioral or social sciences, the humanities, or education may apply for one of up to 30 Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship (2000-2001). These fellowships support teachers' research on improving education. The degree must have been earned between January 1, 1994, and December 31, 1999. Full-time fellows receive \$45,000 for one year; part-time fellows receive \$22,500 annually for two years. Contact: NAE, New York University, School of Education, 726 Broadway, Fifth Floor, New York, NY 10003-9580; 212-998-9035; e-mail [nae.info@nyu.edu](mailto:nae.info@nyu.edu); Visit [www.nae.nyu.edu](http://www.nae.nyu.edu) for more information. **Deadline: December 1, 1999.**

**Pew Charitable Trusts** are funding projects (up to \$390,000) that encourage fundamental changes in curriculum, teaching practices, assessment of teaching and learning, and school organization and management in elementary and secondary education to bring about significant improvements in student performance. Contact: Program Officer, Pew Charitable Trusts, 2005 Market Street, Ste., 1700, Philadelphia PA 19103, (215) 575-4835. **Deadline: Open.**

**Prudential Foundation Grants** target innovative early childhood education reform initiatives, professional development programs for teachers from pre-K to grade 3 parental involvement efforts, as well as school-based health and human services. Contact: 751 Broad Street, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, Newark, NY 07102-3777, (201) 802-7354. **Deadline: Open.**

**Sony USA Foundation** supports institutions that bring commitment and innovation to the task of strengthening education at the primary and secondary school levels; positive consideration is given to efforts that promote literacy and basic education competency. Contact: Community Affairs, Sony Electronics Inc., Sony Drive, Park Ridge NJ, 07656-8003. **Deadline: Open.**

**The Sprint Foundation** provides grants for programs that encourage innovation in the use of technology in the classroom, enhance the quality of education for minorities and/or the disadvantaged, and encourage employee and public support of education. See [www.sprint.com/sprint/overview/commun.html](http://www.sprint.com/sprint/overview/commun.html) for more information. Proposals should be sent to: Executive Director, Sprint Foundation, 2330 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Westwood, KS 66205, (913) 624-3343.