



Rural Development Funding Opportunities  
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**Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program and Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE)**

Funding Source: National Science Foundation  
Funds Available: \$80 million (\$400,000 for a 5-year duration minimum award)  
Deadline: 07/20/2008-07/24/2008 (varies by field)  
Overview: CAREER: The Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program is a Foundation-wide activity that offers the National Science Foundation's most prestigious awards in support of junior faculty who exemplify the role of teacher-scholars through outstanding research, excellent education and the integration of education and research within the context of the mission of their organizations. Such activities should build a firm foundation for a lifetime of leadership in integrating education and research. NSF encourages submission of CAREER proposals from junior faculty members at all CAREER-eligible organizations and especially encourages women, members of underrepresented minority groups, and persons with disabilities to apply. PECASE: Each year NSF selects nominees for the Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) from among the most meritorious new CAREER awardees.  
For More Info: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2008/nsf08557/nsf08557.htm>

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**Demonstration Project Rural Host Homes for Basic Center Program**

Funding Source: Family and Youth Services Bureau  
Funds Available: \$1 million  
Deadline: 08/04/2008  
Overview: The Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) is looking for innovative projects that provide services in rural areas to runaway and homeless youth through Basic Center Programs (BCP) using a host home model. The awards funded under this announcement are authorized by section 344 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act. BCPs provide an alternative for runaway and homeless youth, who might otherwise end up with law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. Each BCP must provide runaway and homeless youth with a safe and appropriate shelter; individual, family and group counseling-as appropriate; and aftercare.  
For More Info: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2008-ACF-ACYF-CY-0129.html>

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**Community-Based Grant Program**

Funding Source: Union Pacific Foundation  
Funds Available: Unspecified  
Deadline: 08/15/2008  
Overview: The Union Pacific Foundation has a limited amount of funds available through an annual grant application process for nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations that are located in a community served by Union Pacific Railroad and fall within one of the three areas of interest outlined below. Southeastern states with Union Pacific Railroad lines include Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Oklahoma. The Foundation interest areas include the following:  

- (1) Community and Civic: To assist community-based organizations and related activities that improve and enrich the general quality of life in the community. This category includes organizations such as aquariums, botanical gardens, children's museums, history/science museums, public libraries, public television and radio, zoos, etc.
- (2) Fine Arts: To create a wider opportunity for the enjoyment of and participation in the visual and performing arts.
- (3) Health and Human Services: To assist organizations dedicated to improving the level of health care or providing human services in the community.

For More Info: <http://www.up.com/found/grants.shtml#3>

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**Technology-Based Learning (TBL) Initiative**

Funding Source: Department of Labor  
Funds Available: \$10 million

Deadline: 08/19/2008

The purpose of the Initiative is to expand access to training resulting in an increased number of workers trained, particularly in high-growth, high-demand occupations, and to meet the needs of industry for skilled employees. Desired outcomes include an increased amount of workforce training available online and/or enhanced with TBL, and an increased number of people trained in high-growth jobs through the use of TBL methods. Funds will be awarded to public, private for-profit, and private non-profit organizations, including educational institutions and registered apprenticeship sponsors. Partnership with the publicly-funded workforce investment system is required. A Webinar for prospective applicants will be held for this grant competition on July 29, 2008, 2 p.m. EDT. Access information for the Webinar will be posted on the U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL), Employment and Training Administration (ETA) Web site at <http://www.workforce3one.org>.

Overview:

For More Info: <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2008/pdf/E8-13967.pdf>

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**Disney Minnie Grant 2008**

Funding Source: Youth Service America, Disney

Funds Available: \$500 per project

Deadline: 08/30/2008

Overview: Youth Service America and Disney are pleased to launch a second round of Disney Minnie Grants to engage children and youth, ages 5-14 as community volunteers. Projects can address any issue that youth care about including literacy, hunger, the environment, or the UN Millennium Development Goals (Eradicate Extreme Poverty and Hunger, Achieve Universal Primary Education, Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women, Reduce Child Mortality, Improve Maternal Health, Combat HIV/AIDS, Malaria and other Diseases, Ensure Environmental Sustainability and Develop a Global Partnership for Development.) The selected applications will receive \$500 to support their youth-led service projects. The deadline is August 30 and projects must take place October 15-November 15, 2008. Individuals and organizations may both apply.

For More Info: [http://tools.ysa.org/downloads/grants/disney/disney\\_2008\\_2nd\\_round.htm](http://tools.ysa.org/downloads/grants/disney/disney_2008_2nd_round.htm)

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**Community Health Care Program**

Funding Source: Johnson & Johnson Family of Companies Contribution Fund

Funds Available: \$150,000

Deadline: 10/01/2008

Overview: The Johnson and Johnson Community Health Care Program, in partnership with the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, is pleased to announce a grant-funding opportunity for non-profit community based healthcare organizations. The program's goal is to assist community-based, non-profit organizations whose primary goal is to provide creative and effective access to quality health care for the medically underserved. Proposals from foundations, universities, and political advocacy groups will not be considered. Special consideration is given to projects improving access to care to underserved populations. This year's grant focus will promote wellness programs and healthy life choices related to diabetes and obesity. Prevention and other interventions that address these health conditions in high risk groups will receive priority consideration. Additional consideration will be given to programs focusing on quality of care for children, including adolescents.

For More Info: <http://www.jhsph.edu/johnsonandjohnson>

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**Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program**

Funding Source: Federal Emergency Management Agency

Funds Available: \$100 million (award ceiling of \$3 million)

Deadline: 12/19/2008

Overview: FEMA's Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) program provides funds to States, Territories, Tribes, and communities for hazard mitigation planning and for the implementation of mitigation projects prior to a disaster event. The PDM program provides a significant opportunity to raise risk awareness and reduce the nation's disaster losses through pre-disaster mitigation planning and the implementation of feasible, effective, and cost-effective mitigation measures. The PDM program provides funding to reduce loss of life as well as damage and destruction to property from natural hazards. The Pre-Disaster Mitigation program was authorized by Part 203 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Assistance and Emergency Relief Act (Stafford Act), 42 USC 5133, to assist States and communities to implement a sustained pre-disaster natural hazard mitigation program to reduce overall risk to the population and structures, while also reducing reliance on Federal funding from actual disaster declarations. PDM funds must be used primarily to support mitigation activities that address natural hazards, although hazard mitigation projects and plans also may address hazards caused by manmade events.

For More Info: <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/pdm/index.shtm>