Grant Opportunities

**Technology Opportunities Program** (U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration)

The purpose of the Technology Opportunities Program (TOP) is to provide underserved communities with the opportunity to explore the possibilities that emerging digital network technologies offer to solve critical local challenges. Funds can be used to support innovative plans to apply digital network technology to local problems. Projects may address issues such as lifelong learning, community and economic development, safety, health, and arts and culture. Allowable costs include personnel and benefits; computer hardware, software and end-user equipment; telecommunications services; and occupancy costs. Matching funds are required.

It is expected that $12.5 million dollars will be available for grants averaging $500,000 each.

**DEADLINE:** MARCH 21, 2002

**Course, Curriculum and Laboratory Improvement** (National Science Foundation)

The Course, Curriculum and Laboratory Improvement (CCLI) program seeks to improve the quality of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education for all students in two– and four-year colleges and universities. Guidelines have recently been issued for two of the program’s tracks:

1. Educational Materials Development (CCLI-EMD) Projects are expected to produce innovative materials that incorporate effective educational practices to improve student learning in STEM disciplines. Projects to develop textbooks, software, or laboratory materials are appropriate. Such materials are expected to be disseminated nationally for adoption and adaptation.
2. National Dissemination (CCLI-ND) Projects are expected to provide faculty with professional development opportunities to enable them to introduce new content into undergraduate courses and laboratories, and to explore effective education practices to improve the effectiveness of their teaching. Projects should be designed to offer workshops, short courses, or similar activities on a national scale. (Guidelines for a third track—Adaptation and Implementation—are scheduled for release in August.)

It is expected that $24 million will be available to fund approximately 100 grants in FY 2003.

Optional letters of intent are due April 22, 2002.

**DEADLINE:** JUNE 6, 2002

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**St. Louis Community Foundation**

The St. Louis Community Foundation funds grants that serve as a catalyst to:

- Solve community problems
- Empower people to enhance and better the community
- Enable organizations to explore new approaches to address community problems and participate in meaningful collaborations.

Priority is given to projects that represent new approaches to unmet needs, enable people to move toward greater self-reliance or increase the effectiveness and efficiency of established organizations. Funding categories include arts and culture, community building, community health, education, environment, and human services.

**2002 DEADLINES:**

- Education & Human Services—April 12
- Community Health & Environment—July 12
- Arts & Community Building—December 13

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**Faculty and Staff Kudos**

A number of faculty and staff members have been awarded grants and contracts over the past few months. Project Directors for recent awards include:

**Sarah Perkins/Adrienne Mazdra**—**SMARTer Kids Foundation, $650.**

Grant to St. Louis Community College for the Florissant Valley campus to participate in the SMARTer Kids Grant for SMART Roomware. Funds will be used toward the purchase of a smartboard and floor stand.

**Jeanne Edwards, Karen Olson, and Gwen Pennington**—**Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, three grants of $550.**

Award of three Heads Up! Reading Enhancement grants, for the Florissant Valley, Forest Park, and Meramec campuses. Funds will be used to purchase items that enhance or support the quality of HeadsUp! Reading broadcasts.
Congratulations!

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