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... On the State Level

Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund

Department of Education

Three types of competitive grants are available: *individual projects* involving a single government; *cooperative projects* involving two or more local governments acting on one activity; and *complex projects* involving a single local government addressing extremely complex records management issues. Grants are available for inventory and planning, active records, inactive records, historical records, and educational uses of local government records projects. The State Archives encourages local government officials to attend one of the many LGRMIF grant application information sessions held in all regions of the state beginning in late summer and continuing through the fall. In addition, the Archives provides technical advice to local governments through its Regional Advisory Officers (RAOs).

ELIGIBILITY: Local governments, including but not limited to Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES), cities, counties, fire districts, school districts, towns, and villages.
FUNDING: Single, up to \$75,000; cooperative and complex, up to \$125,000.

DEADLINE: February 1, 2008.
FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact the New York State Archives, Grants Administration Unit, Room 9A81 Cultural Education Center, Albany, NY

12230. Call 518-474-6926, or e-mail archgrants@mail.nysed.gov

Documentary Heritage Program

Department of Education

All projects must focus on activities that document life in New York State. 1) Projects to identify, survey and plan for the systematic collection of records relating to underdocumented subjects, institutions or activities, particularly education policy; impact of the World Trade Center attacks; New York's changing industries and new population groups; as well as mental health activities and environmental affairs. 2) Projects to arrange and describe historical records already in repositories or community organizations. 3) Projects to develop strategic plans for historical records repositories or not-for-profit community organizations. 4) Projects for regional documentation planning to identify underdocumented topics or activities.

ELIGIBILITY: Not-for-profit archives, libraries, historical societies and similar institutions in New York State and consortia or cooperating groups of such agencies, historical service agencies, colleges and universities, professional associations or other not-for-profit institutions or systems which provide services to historical records programs.
FUNDING: Amounts from \$1,000 to \$25,000, with a total of \$100,000.

DEADLINE: February 1, 2008.
FOR MORE INFORMATION: New York State Archives, Documentary Heritage Program, Room 9C71, Cultural Education Center, Albany, NY 12230, call 518-474-6926 or e-mail dhs@mail.nysed.gov

2007 Adirondack Park Community Smart Growth Program Grants

Department of Environmental Conservation

This is a competitive grant program and projects must be located wholly within the Adirondack Park and implement the Smart Growth Principles as they apply to the special conditions of the Adirondack Park as identified in the RFA. Projects may be of three types: Local - projects that involve one municipal government; Regional - projects that involve two or more municipalities in a similar geographic region of the Park; and Park-wide - projects that involve multiple municipalities and have a Park-wide scope. There are three categories for eligible projects: 1) Village, Hamlet and Town Center Revitalization; 2) Sustainable Economic Development; and 3) Cultural, Environmental and Natural Adirondack Resources. Projects eligible for state assistance must be located within the geographic boundaries of the Adirondack Park. State assistance may fund up to 100 percent of approved project-related costs.

ELIGIBILITY: Municipalities located wholly or partially within the geographic boundaries of the Adirondack Park.

FUNDING: Anticipated grant funds from the NYS Environmental Protection Fund for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2007-08, are approximately \$1 million. Local projects, up to \$50,000; Regional, up to \$100,000; and Park-wide, up to \$200,000.

DEADLINE: November 16, 2007.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Francis Sheehan at 518-402-9405 or e-mail at fesheeha@gw.dec.state.ny.us

Local Waterfront Revitalization Program Grants

Department of State

The Department of State is soliciting applications from local governments for matching grants available under Title 11 of the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) for local waterfront revitalization projects. The grants may be used for the following purposes: Visioning and development of local or regional revitalization strategies; completing or implementing a local or regional waterfront revitalization program, preparing or implementing a local or regional waterbody management plan, downtown and hamlet revitalization, urban waterfront redevelopment, creating a Blueway Trail and interpreting waterfront resources - New York State Coastal Resources Interpretive Program.

ELIGIBILITY: Municipalities (cities, towns, and villages) located within the state coastal area or along a major inland waterway designated pursuant to Executive Law, Article 42.

FUNDING: Grants will be available for up to 50 percent of the total eligible project costs set forth in the application and as approved by the department.

DEADLINE: November 30, 2007.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact the Department of State, Division of Coastal Resources at 518-474-6000.

Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

State Emergency Management Office

The State Emergency Management Office (SEMO) is requesting Letters of Intent (LOI) from eligible applicants for the development of mitigation plans. Funding will be available under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) from three major disaster declarations—FEMA-1665, FEMA-1670 and FEMA 1692-DR-NY. These declarations were made subsequent to the October 2006 snowstorm that impacted Erie and several other western New York counties, the November 2006 flooding that impacted several counties in the Southern Tier-east and central parts of the State and

the “Nor’easter” that affected the New York Metropolitan region of the state. Via the regulations governing the use of HMGP funds, planning grant funds will be used to support the development of multi-hazard

single or multi-jurisdiction hazard mitigation plans. It may also be used to support the required update needed to maintain currency. FEMA-approved mitigation plans are required to be in place before eligible applicants can apply for project funding. Only those counties and other local governments that do not currently have FEMA-approved hazard mitigation plans or are currently engaged in such planning can apply for these funds. It is imperative that LOIs be submitted as soon as possible because FEMA requires the funds be committed within one year of the disaster declaration. The first anniversary of 1665 is 10/24/06; 1670 is 12/12/06 and 1692 is 4/24/07.

ELIGIBILITY: State and local governments, private non-profit organizations or institutions that own or operate private non-profit facility, or Indian tribes.

FUNDING: Will depend on disaster area.

DEADLINE: LOI due by January 2, 2008.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Robert Olazagasti, Chief of Planning, at 518-292-2302.

Integrated Cancer Services Program, Breast, Cervical and Colorectal Cancer Screening Partnerships

Department of Health

Applications for grants are now being accepted to support community-based programs that provide uninsured and underinsured men and women in New York State (NYS) with routine screening for breast, cervical and colorectal cancer, with the overall goal of reducing the mortality rates for these diseases in NYS. These community-based programs (known as Cancer Services Program partnerships, or CSP partnerships) will coordinate recruitment for and provision of comprehensive, age-appropriate breast, cervical and colorectal cancer screening services, follow-up care and other related services to eligible men and women.

ELIGIBILITY: Health departments and incorporated, not-for-profit organizations, which may include community-based organizations, hospitals, health care facilities, and health maintenance organizations.

FUNDING: Maximum of \$345,000 for the first year.

DEADLINE: December 7, 2007.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Sheri Scavone, Director, Cancer Services Program by e-mail at BCDSCAL@health.state.ny.us

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...Grant Writing

Grantsmanship Center

The Grantsmanship Training Program is coming to New York: Syracuse, November 12-16 hosted by the ARC of Onondaga.

The classes will be conducted by The Grantsmanship Center and are kept at a maximum of 30 participants. The cost is \$875, which includes one-year enrollment in the TGCI Membership Program. A limited number of half-tuition scholarships are available to agencies with annual budgets of less than \$300,000.

To register, or to apply for a scholarship, contact TGCI at (800) 421-9512 or visit www.tgci.com.

For local information for the Syracuse, NY event, contact: Tina Cornue-Chapman at 315-476-7441 x135 or email at tcornue@arcon.org

The Foundation Center

The Foundation Center has scheduled the following free training opportunities during November 2007:

Grantseeking Basics: *November 6, 14 and 20.*

Attendees will learn how the Center's resources can help make them more effective grantseekers. For beginners, this introduction to the library provides instruction in foundation research and identification of potential funders. A tour of the library will follow.

Proposal Writing Basics: *November 7.*

Attendees will learn about the basics of writing a proposal for their nonprofit organizations.

Introduction to the Foundation Directory Online: *November 6, 14 and 20.*

This session provides a hands-on introduction to the Center's comprehensive Web subscription database.

How to Approach a Foundation: *November 19.*

Attendees will learn how to initiate contact with potential funders; plan calls and meetings; and build partnerships with donors. This class is intended for fundraisers with some experience, though not necessarily with foundations.

Classes are held at The Foundation Center, New York Library, 79 Fifth Avenue, 2nd Floor in New York City. Space is limited and you can register online at www.fdncenter.org, in person, or by calling (212) 620-4230. You may also visit the Web site for information on other training opportunities available through the Center.