

# Upcoming Opportunities & Available Resources

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## I. Grant Opportunities

### The Homeless Assistance Fund (HAFI) FY2011 RFP

**Goal:** To fund projects that will assist homeless families and individuals in accessing permanent housing and limit the likelihood of recidivism.

HAFI is specifically seeking projects which:

- Identify and use creative strategies to assist low-income individuals and families to exit the shelter system or transitional housing more expeditiously.
- Identify specific barriers to permanent housing and propose remedies.
- Identify solutions to unique barriers preventing access to permanent housing.
- Leverage other funding sources to remove barriers in accessing permanent housing.

**Eligibility:**

Grant funding may be used for, but is not limited to:

- Housing Related Costs
- Case Management
- Project Administration
- Support Services

Requirements:

- Project beneficiaries must meet the McKinney-Vento definition of homelessness
- A minimum of 20% of the funding request must be used for housing related costs.
- Requests for on-going rental subsidies (multi-year) will not be accepted

**Amount:**

The maximum funding request per project may not exceed \$50,000.00. HAFI expects to grant a total of \$200,000.00 in funding under this RFP.

**Deadline:** March 12, 2010

**Website:** <http://www.hafi-phila.org>

**Questions?:** Contact Jennifer Leith, Executive Director, 215-779-8095 [jennifer@hafi-phila.org](mailto:jennifer@hafi-phila.org)

## McCormick Foundation Grants for Veterans Programs

**Goal:** To support nonprofit organizations that assist veterans in overcoming their unique challenges and successfully reentering life at home and work.

**Eligibility:** Grants are provided to organizations that focus on one of the five key areas relevant to veterans:

- Mental health (including traumatic brain injury, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, and traumatic injuries);
- Family issues (including psychological support for family members of veterans suffering from injuries);
- Shelter and homelessness (including programs to help homeless veterans or provide special needs housing);
- Job and career development (including job training, counseling, and resume preparation);
- Legal challenges

**Awards:** between \$5,000 and \$250,000

**Deadline:** Letters of inquiry are accepted throughout the year and are reviewed on a quarterly basis. If approved, the organization will be invited to submit a formal application.

**Website:** [http://www.mccormickfoundation.org/veteransprogram/veterans\\_program.aspx](http://www.mccormickfoundation.org/veteransprogram/veterans_program.aspx)

**Questions?** Email: [thoulihan@McCormickFoundation.org](mailto:thoulihan@McCormickFoundation.org)

## The WHO Foundation: Education/Literacy Grant Program

**Goal:** To support grassroots nonprofit organizations serving the overlooked needs of women and children.

**Eligibility:** Grants are provided to free after-school programs and other education or literacy programs for low-income children of all ages.

Organizations focusing on education and literacy that meet the following guidelines will be considered for funding:

- Been incorporated for a minimum of three years prior to applying,
- An operating budget of \$3 million or less,
- Government funding totaling less than 30% of income
- United Way funding of less than 30% of income
- Greater organizational program costs than personnel costs.

**Deadline:** March 9, 2010

**Website:** [http://www.whofoundation.org/Funding/WHO\\_FundingEd.asp](http://www.whofoundation.org/Funding/WHO_FundingEd.asp)

## II. Trainings/Workshops

### Tracks to Success: Creating a Grantseeking Calendar for 2010

**Description:**

Free resources are available online to nonprofits seeking to improve their grantseeking strategy. This five-part series walks you through the process of building next year's grantseeking calendar. The articles contain easy-to-follow "how to's" and several worksheets that focus on how to design and effectively use a grant decision matrix, simplify your grants research, and create project specific grantseeking strategies.

**Topics include:**

- **Part 1** – Adopting a Process
- **Part 2** – Developing a Decision Matrix
- **Part 3** – Identifying Needed Funding
- **Part 4** – Generating a Grants Strategy
- **Part 5** – Establishing a Grantseeking Calendar

**Available:**

[http://www.grantstation.com/Public/tracks\\_to\\_success/grantseeking\\_calendar/main.asp](http://www.grantstation.com/Public/tracks_to_success/grantseeking_calendar/main.asp)

### Project ECO Capacity Building Training

**Description:**

Project ECO – Enhancing Community Organizations – offers free and customized technical assistance and capacity building training to help organizations in the areas of:

- Cultural competency,
- Executive and leadership training,
- Fundraising, board development,
- Grantwriting,
- Human resources,
- Information technology,
- Marketing and communications,
- Outreach,
- Self-assessment tools,
- Staff training
- Strategic planning.

**Contact:**

For more information about the services offered, email Alicia Verleysen, [averleysen@fsmontco.org](mailto:averleysen@fsmontco.org) or call 610-630-2111 ext. 229.

**Note:** Services are available in English and Spanish.

## BHTEN Cycles of Violence Series: Impact of Trauma and Violence on Children and Adolescents

### **Description:**

This introductory training provides an overview of PTSD for all staff levels in behavioral health and other human services agencies.

Objectives of the training include:

- Define Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and factors that contribute to the disorder in children & adolescents;
- Identify signs and symptoms of PTSD in children and adolescents;
- Explore the effects of childhood abuse, trauma and violence on the developing adolescent;
- Describe steps for establishing safety in the helping relationship.

**Cost:** \$20.00 per person

**Registration Form and Payment Deadline:** March 9, 2010

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, March 16, 2010, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM (REGISTRATION BEGINS 8:30 AM)

**Location:** Riverview Place Building, 520 North Delaware Avenue, 7th Floor, Suite C, Philadelphia

**For more information and to register:**

[http://www.bhten.com/Flyer-Reg\\_ImpctTrCh&Ado\\_16Mar10.pdf](http://www.bhten.com/Flyer-Reg_ImpctTrCh&Ado_16Mar10.pdf)

## Introduction to Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT): An Evidence-Based Treatment for Borderline Personality Disorder

### **Description:**

This seminar will introduce service providers to dialectical behavior therapy's goals, assumptions, modes, and hierarchies of target behaviors, as well as some of DBT's acceptance and change strategies that can help reduce negative counter-transference and burn-out.

Objectives of the training include:

- State the goal, modes, and behavioral targets of each mode of DBT
- Identify at least three distinguishing assumptions made in DBT
- Describe at least two acceptance strategies used in DBT
- Describe at least two change strategies used in DBT
- Describe strategies for beginning to use DBT in workplace settings

**Cost:** \$110 per person

**Date/Time:** March 19, 2010, 9:30- 4 pm

**Location:** Holiday Inn, 2175 Marlton Pike Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

**For more information and to register:**

<http://www.sourcesforhumanservices.com/Bowlan.Mannion.3.19.10.doc>

## LaSalle Webinar Series for Nonprofit Leaders

**Description:**

The Nonprofit Center at La Salle University's School of Business has developed a series of one-hour Webinars to assist nonprofit leaders in developing an effective Board of Directors. All webinars are taught by Laura Otten, PhD, Director of the center and run from 12:00- 1:00 pm on their designated date.

The four webinars offered are:

- Board Development, Part 1- February 19
- Board Development, Part 2- March 12
- Running an Effective Board Meeting- March 26
- The Role of the Board in Fundraising- April 9<sup>th</sup>

**Cost:** \$50 per session or \$175 for the series for members and \$60 per session or \$215 for the series for nonmembers

**For more information and to register:** go to <http://www.lasallenonprofitcenter.org/Courses> and search "Board" under the course name.

## III. Other Resources

### HPRP Virtual Discussion sponsored by NAEH

**Description:**

The National Alliance to End Homelessness is sponsoring a free virtual discussion in which Alliance staff and national partners will discuss HPRP implementation and be available to answer questions. Participants are also invited to share information with each other on the call. The Virtual Discussion will be held on Community ShareNet, the Alliance's online community.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, February 25, 1:00- 4:00 pm.

**To participate:**

To participate in the discussion, please register for [Community ShareNet](http://endhomelessness.projectsaces.com/no_login/invite/868_57015b848dbae42d2d40ec17f56e15b3) at [http://endhomelessness.projectsaces.com/no\\_login/invite/868\\_57015b848dbae42d2d40ec17f56e15b3](http://endhomelessness.projectsaces.com/no_login/invite/868_57015b848dbae42d2d40ec17f56e15b3) Type in your email address and click "check email" to access the registration page.

On the day of the Virtual Discussion, log in and click on the "Discussion" tab at the top of the page, and look for the "HPRP Implementation" discussion thread in the middle of the page.