

# Upcoming Opportunities & Available Resources

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## I. Grant Opportunities

### Women Helping Others Foundation Invites Grant Applications

**Goal:**

Grants will be awarded to nonprofits working to provide resources to underserved women, children, and families in the United States and Puerto Rico. Specific projects and programs addressing health and social service needs are the Foundation's priority. The Foundation recognizes the value of new programs created to respond to changing needs and will consider funding projects of an original or pioneering nature within an existing organization.

**Eligible Applicants:**

Funding will be considered for grass-roots charities with:

- Total organization budget of \$3 million or less
- Government funding total of less than 30% of income
- United Way funding of less than 30% of income
- Salaries / wages and benefits not more than 50 % of budget

**Application Deadline:**

Tuesday, September 7, 2010

**Grant Awards:**

Grants of up to \$40,000

**Website:**

[http://www.whofoundation.org/Funding/Who\\_funding.asp](http://www.whofoundation.org/Funding/Who_funding.asp)

## State Farm Company Grant – Strong Neighborhoods

**Goal:** To help maintain the vibrancy and culture of neighborhoods in various communities throughout the U.S. and Canada.

**Eligible Applicants Include:** Nonprofit organizations

**Eligible Programs:**

State Farm supports programs that focus on the following areas:

- Affordable Housing
- 1st Time Homeowners
  - Promote first-time homeownership
  - Eliminate barriers to homeownership
  - Educate homebuyers about insurance, loss mitigation, and home ownership
- Community Revitalization
  - Foster sustainable communities
  - Rehabilitate neighborhoods or communities
- Economic Development
  - Promoting small business ownership
  - Creating job training program

**Application Deadline:** Sunday, October 31, 2010

**Website:** [http://www.statefarm.com/about/part\\_spos/grants/cogrants.asp](http://www.statefarm.com/about/part_spos/grants/cogrants.asp)

## Free Directory of Private Grants for Community Health Programs

**Description:**

CD Publications is giving away a limited number of 2009 Directory of Private Grants for Community Health Programs-- an \$80 value. Featuring more than 200 listings of funders, the directory includes deadlines, dollar amounts, insider tips and contact information—the key data you need to get the application process started right away.

The directory is absolutely **free** and there is no purchase of any kind necessary to receive the downloadable copy today. All you have to do is to sign-up for free access to any of CD Publications' online news and grant finding services.

**Website:**

<http://www.cdpublications.com/pcodeprocess/pcodes.php?pc=F112>

After signing up for free access to the online publication of your choice (you can choose up to 3), you will be sent a link to download your free grant directory.

## II. Trainings/Workshops/Opportunities

### Strategies for Change: Implementing Plans & Practices to End Homelessness

**Description:**

The Homelessness Resource Center is offering **free** online learning modules that provide practical advice for how to plan, organize, and sustain a comprehensive, integrated system of care for chronically homeless persons who have serious mental illnesses, including those with co-occurring substance use disorders. The five modules cover the following topic areas:

- Homelessness 101
- Strategic Practices
- Partnering and Planning
- Financing, and Evaluation

**Website:**

<http://homeless.samhsa.gov/Channel/Free-Online-Training-with-CEUs-541.aspx>

### Employment Opportunity: Veteran's Jail Diversion Coordinator

**Job Description:**

The Veterans Jail Diversion Coordinator is part an initiative that will divert United States military veterans with trauma-related disorders from the criminal justice system and incarceration in local jails to programs that address their behavioral health and recovery needs. Pennsylvania has been selected as one of the sites in a national multi-site project, and will have two pilot projects in Philadelphia and Allegheny counties.

This position will oversee the local Philadelphia pilot, as well as:

- develop working relationships with the criminal justice, behavioral health, veterans services, and support services communities;
- track individuals who have been diverted;
- collaborate with the evaluators in their data collection efforts;
- expand on existing jail diversion efforts by working to significantly expand provider capacity to build evidence-based trauma-informed care and trauma-focused services into the behavioral health and justice systems of Philadelphia.

For more information, please visit:

<http://www.pmhcc.org/PMHCC/JP.nsf/ByPosition?OpenView>

## “What a Difference a Friend Makes” Video and Essay Contest

SAMHSA and the Ad Council are pleased to announce the [What a Difference a Friend Makes Contest](#). If you have a great story about how you have been there for a friend through his/her recovery from a mental health problem, or how a friend has been there for you, they'd love to hear from you.

To enter, submit a short video or an essay that tells in a creative and meaningful way how you've supported a friend during a tough time in his/her life or how a friend supported you. Be sure to follow the rest of the rules and guidelines found on SAMHSA's website.

**Deadline:** Tuesday, August 31, 2010. Winners will be announced September 15, 2010

**Prizes:**

- **One Video Contest Grand Prize:** Trip for two to the 2010 Voice Awards in Hollywood, CA, where the winning video will be shown during the event
- **Two Video Contest Runner-Up Prizes:** A Flip MinoHD™ video camera
- **Two Essay Contest Prizes:** A Flip MinoHD™ video camera

For more information on contest: <http://www.whatadifference.samhsa.gov/contest/>

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### III. Other Resources

#### Forging Ahead: the State of the Supportive Housing Industry in 2010

On May 26<sup>th</sup>, the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) held a Hot Topics in Supportive Housing Audio-conference where the results of the first ever industry survey were shared. The survey was designed to learn how industry leaders and stakeholders view the present and future state of the supportive housing industry.

Speakers included Barbara Geller from the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Daniel Malone of Downtown Emergency Service Center and CSH's Richard Cho and Jacquelyn Anderson. The speakers provided insight about the availability of funding for supportive housing, current political support, and strategies for ensuring that the industry remains viable and thrives.

**Website:**

A recorded version of the audio-conference and a copy of the survey results are available at: <http://www.csh.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Page.ViewPage&PageID=4291>

## HUD Announces \$190 Million in Homeless Grants

***Funding supports unprecedented federal strategy to prevent and end homelessness***

**PHILADELPHIA** was awarded \$27,464,495 in the competitive portion, and 2,975,613 in formula Emergency Shelter Grant funds.

The year's award includes funding for:

- **116** new units of housing: **25** units for singles, **26** units for families, and **65** units for chronically homeless.
- In addition, this award provides renewal funding (including rental assistance, operating funds, and supportive service funds) for non-profits currently operating 2,622 units of Safe Havens, transitional housing, and permanent housing for homeless individuals and families.
- All renewal requests were fully funded.

For complete details visit:

[http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/press/press\\_releases\\_media\\_advisories/2010/HUDNo.10-144](http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/press/press_releases_media_advisories/2010/HUDNo.10-144)

A complete listing of new project awards can be found at:

[http://www.hudhre.info/documents/CoC\\_NewProjectsAwards2009.pdf](http://www.hudhre.info/documents/CoC_NewProjectsAwards2009.pdf)

## Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness

On June 22, 2010, USICH and the four lead Cabinet Secretaries on the Council unveiled the first-ever comprehensive national plan to prevent and end homelessness.

### **Core Values:**

- Homelessness is unacceptable
- There are no "homeless people" but rather people who lost their homes who deserve to be treated with dignity and respect.
- Homelessness is expensive
- Homelessness is solvable – we have learned a lot about what works
- Homelessness can be prevented
- There is strength in collaboration

The full report, titled *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness*, is available at [www.usich.gov](http://www.usich.gov).