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Langlois Foundation for Art, Science & Technology: Strategic Grants for Organizations

Deadline Dates: Unspecified

Funding Amount: \$ Unspecified

The Daniel Langlois Foundation for Art, Science and Technology is a private nonprofit organization whose scope of activity is international. The foundation's purpose is to further artistic and scientific knowledge by fostering the meeting of art and science in the field of technologies. The foundation seeks to nurture a critical awareness of technology's implications for human beings and their natural and cultural environments, and to promote the exploration of aesthetics suited to evolving human environments. Through the Strategic Grants for Organizations program, the foundation seeks to support the projects of organizations in its priority regions outside the European Union and North America, with the exception of Canada and Mexico. Generally, the foundation supports projects that allow artists, researchers, and scholars to develop their knowledge and expertise locally in their own regions. The foundation accords priority to two thematic areas: Arts, sciences, and technologies and Arts, technologies, and the environment

Through the arts, sciences, and technologies thematic focus, the foundation promotes contemporary artistic practices that use digital technologies to express aesthetic and critical forms of discourse. The foundation encourages interdisciplinary research and, in general, supports the development of projects involving cooperation between stakeholders from a variety of fields, such as artists, scientists, technologists and engineers. Projects funded through the arts, technologies, and the environment theme must be supported by ecologically based concepts; present an original fusion of art, science, and technology and propose an ecological intervention; and address ecological issues, and propose solutions that foster public participation or awareness of a community's natural and cultural environment.

<http://fundingopps.cos.com/cgi-bin/fo2/getRec?id=45341>



Translating Basic Behavioral and Social Science Discoveries Into Interventions to Reduce Obesity: Centers for Behavioral Intervention Development

Deadline Dates: Letter of Intent - December 16, 2008

Proposal - January 13, 2009

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) solicits cooperative agreement applications from institutions and organizations that propose to translate findings from basic research on human behavior into more effective clinical, community, and population interventions to reduce obesity and improve obesity-related behaviors. This FOA will support Centers for Behavioral Intervention Development in which interdisciplinary teams of basic and applied behavioral and social science researchers develop and refine novel interventions based on basic research findings to reduce obesity and alter obesity-related health behaviors (e.g., diet, physical activity).

The interventions to be developed include any of a wide range of strategies aimed at promoting weight loss and/or preventing weight gain. Interventions can be targeted to the individual, family, social network, community, environmental, clinical or population level, or combinations of these, and to any age group. Investigators at each CBID will conduct several types of studies during the funding period, including laboratory experimental studies, formative research, early phase trials and pilot/feasibility studies, in order to create promising new avenues for reducing obesity and improving obesity-related behaviors. Because the emphasis is on accelerating the translation of discoveries in basic biological, behavioral and social science research to facilitate the prevention and treatment of obesity, this FOA seeks to fund research aimed at developing, characterizing and refining new, innovative obesity-reducing strategies rather than evaluating the effectiveness of already well-defined or proven strategies. At the end of the period of support, the strategies that have been developed should be well characterized and demonstrated to be safe, feasible to implement, effective in small-scale trials, acceptable to the target populations of interest, and ready to be tested in large-scale randomized clinical and community trials.

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HL-08-013.html>

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

Standard of Living and Economic Performance

Deadline Dates: Continuing

Funding Amount: \$ Unspecified

This program (formerly "Role of the Corporation") supports academic research and scholarship aimed at painting a realistic picture of how corporations and other business organizations function, with special emphasis on how the people in them actually behave, how they are motivated, and how they are rewarded. The Foundation has sought to increase understanding of these organizations because of the enormous effect they have on the standard of living and quality of life for most people in the United States and around the world.

Much of the academic work concerned with the nature and purpose of business organizations has been carried out over the years by scholars in economics, corporate law, and business. The Foundation has supported work in each of these areas, and plans to continue supporting innovative work in these fields as well as others, such as sociology, anthropology, political science and business history.

http://www.sloan.org/programs/stdnrd_role.shtml



High Performance Computing System Acquisition: Towards a Petascale Computing Environment for Science and Engineering

Deadline Dates: November 28, 2008

Funding Amount: \$ Unspecified

NSF's five-year goal for high performance computing (HPC) is to enable petascale science and engineering through the deployment and support of a world-class HPC environment comprising the most capable combination of HPC assets available to the academic community. By the year 2010, the petascale HPC environment will enable investigations of computationally challenging problems that require computing systems capable of delivering sustained performance approaching 10^{15} floating point operations per second (petaflops) on real applications, that consume large amounts of memory, and/or that work with very large data sets. Among other things, researchers will be able to perform simulations that are intrinsically multi-scale or that involve the simultaneous interaction of multiple processes.

<http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2008/nsf08573/nsf08573.htm>

Virginia Foundation for the Humanities

African American History Grant Program

Deadline Dates: February 01, 2009

Funding Amount: \$ Unspecified

Originally designed as a complement to the African American Heritage Trails initiative, the goals of this program are to increase public understanding of African American history and culture, to support research and documentation of African American historic sites, to strengthen institutions that interpret Virginia's African American history, and to provide a solid intellectual foundation for African American heritage tourism in every region of Virginia.

<http://www.virginiafoundation.org/grants/opportunities.html#discretionary>

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—Gandhi