

CSI Grants Gazette

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*Hats Off.....
to this Month's Money Magicians!...*

CSI Foundation Mini Grant Awards

This spring over \$15,000 has been awarded to mini-grant applicants. Their projects are varied and meet a variety of needs.



Jennifer Hall - Marketing materials to help increase the numbers of GED graduates that transition to CSI.



Kathy Stover - Stipends for development of internet lessons and purchase of materials for elementary teacher courses.



Evin Fox - Collaboration to provide community members, educators and parents the opportunity to hear a noted speaker present on current issues pertaining to educating children.



Dennis Heiner - North American Small Business International Trade Educators conference to learn more about international business and how students can become Certified Global Business Professionals.



Kody Ketterling - Computers for prospective students to self-register at recruitment events.



Jim Knight - Promotional materials for the CSI Benefit Draft Horse Show.



Sylvia Jensen and Jim Tarter - specimens and disposable gloves for summer Science Camp.



Bart Wilson - Tools for Horseshoeing class.



Julie Rietdorf - jumps and helmets for Equestrian Team class.



Thanks for a great year!

2005-06 saw the Grants Office submit nearly \$7 million in grants. We earned nearly \$3 million and couldn't have done it without you. Thanks for all your help - we'll see you next year.

On behalf of the Office of Planning and Development, thank you for reading the CSI Grants Gazette! We hope you will find the information contained useful in pursuing grant funding. As most of you know, grant funding is of increasing importance. We here in the Office of Planning and Development are pleased to help you in any way we can.

So what are some of those ways? What are some of the services you can expect from your Grant Development team? It would be easy for us to say "Whatever it takes" (which is true: we'll help in any way we can!), but that's a little vague. Here are some of the specific kinds of things we can assist you with:

- **Funding research**-there are a multitude of resources (both hard copy and electronic) available to seek funding sources for grant applications. I'd be happy to sit down with you and review some possible funding avenues we might pursue. Of course, ya gotta come in and see us first!
- **Proposal development**-one of the greatest challenges educators face today is time management. Faculty are very busy, and the idea of having to fit in grant writing time is daunting to say the least. As your Grant Development Coordinator, it is my responsibility to take the lead in writing, reviewing, editing and submitting grant proposals. I'll make the process as easy for faculty as possible, and who knows? You just might enjoy it!
- **Grant management expertise**-getting a grant is only half the battle. Managing external funding can be tricky. Get the latest grant management information to keep your program on-track and running smoothly.
- **Budgetary issues**-not sure what matching is? Unsure of how much indirect to charge in your budget? Let us help you unravel all of the strings that come with external funding!

These are but a few of the ways we can be of service to faculty and staff. As we are part of Planning and Development, we can assist in program development and implementation as well as grant-related activities. Contact any of the following folks for more information. Thanks again for your time, and we look forward to seeing you soon!



Greg Rogers, Grant Development Coordinator x 6248
 Monica Castañeda-Kessel, HCDC Grant Writer x 6258
 Magan Ruffing, Grant Accountant x 6216
 Donanna McKinstry, Office Specialist x 6244



Current Grant Opportunities

Here are a few of the many grant competitions currently underway. For more information on these and other grants, contact the Planning and Development Office. Thanks!

1. Earth Sciences: Instrumentation and Facilities- from the National Science Foundation, this grant (as the name implies) provides for instrumentation and facilities remodeling to facilitate the instruction of Earth Sciences. Cross-disciplinary projects involving an Earth Science (biology, botany, etc.) and another discipline such as math, chemistry, etc. are fair game. Grants of at least \$200,000 will be considered for funding. Due date for the grant is August 8, 2006.
2. Education Research Grants-from the Department of Education, these grants are concerned with researching “best practices” in education both at the secondary and post-secondary levels. This allows for partnerships with local school districts, or it can be strictly CSI-based. Topics for project activities include Reading and Writing, Mathematics and Science Education, Teacher Quality, Educational Leadership, Interventions with Struggling Adolescent and Adult Readers and Writers, and Educational Policy, Finance and Systems. Funding amounts and due dates depend on the subject.
3. The Thomas and Michelle Praggastis Family Foundation-based in Ketchum, this Idaho foundation provides funds for educational projects including scholarships that range from \$500-\$6,000. There is no deadline for these applications.
4. Youth Venture-this private foundation helps to empower young people ages 18-20 by providing them with all the tools necessary to create civic-minded organizations, clubs (like those at CSI) and businesses. A venture can be any youth-led project designed to provide a lasting benefit in a school, neighborhood or community. Due dates are open.

Grants recently submitted and awaiting approval include:

- Nursing Workforce Diversity - \$943,000
- Scholarships for Disadvantaged RN's - \$100,000
- Congressional Award - \$230,576

GREG, THE GRANT GUY SEZ

....international education (for both students and faculty) is a growing area of grant allocations in the federal government. As the "globalization" of world economies (and educational systems) becomes more pervasive, greater overseas opportunities are available.

For students, the Fund to Improve Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE) program from the Department of Education creates pathways to education in countries like Brazil, Mexico, Canada and several European countries. FIPSE projects usually revolve around student exchanges and cooperative curriculum. For faculty, the Fulbright-Hays program (also from the Department of Education) offers many choices for overseas study. Research, group projects and doctoral dissertation work are all a part of Fulbright-Hays. Give me a call to find out more about these overseas opportunities. Thanks!

Greg at ext 6248

MONICA'S MAGIC...

HCDC has been focused on development for two large projects. The first is related to the high turnover in long-term care and assisted living settings. It targets incumbent workers for two basic purposes 1) retention and 2) career latticing. The second is a simulation project related to the expansion of the clinical labs in order to accommodate the increased number of nursing students. These projects are due this month and will improve the quality of care at the point of care. HSHS appreciates all of your support as it is acclimating to the increased number of students this semester. Thank you.

Monica Castañeda-Kessel at ext 6258

MAGAN'S 2 CENTS...

With only 2 months to go until the end of our 05/06 fiscal year, unfortunately, close-out is coming whether we like it or not. Please review your budgets to make sure things are okay. I appreciate the calls I have been getting from those of you trying to spend your money down. Please, continue to call with any questions you might have.

For those of you involved in time and effort reporting, I will need all your reports for this fiscal year by July, 15, 2006. Please, double check to make sure your efforts are where they need to be as far as percentage of effort is concerned.

I am currently working on a fiscal grant packet to be given to each grant manager. My hope with these packets is that as you begin your grant/external funding project, you will have the fiscal tools and contacts you need to help make grant life a little easier. I hope to have the packets ready to go by July 1. These packets will contain grant start-up information, helpful contacts, fiscal policy, and other necessary paper work and information.

Thanks again for all the hard work each of you put into your projects. I have enjoyed working with you. I am looking forward to another great year!!

Magan at ext 6216

Fiscal Fact: Fiscal Fact: Did you know that all funds coming in to CSI, should be directed to the CSI Business Office, rather than an individual person or department? If you invoice off campus, please send a copy of the invoice to Dawn Orr in the Business Office. The invoice should always reference the department and account number to which the invoiced funds should be deposited.

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We create educational possibilities for the CSI community and build public partnerships through innovative planning, fundraising, and grant development.