Hats Off... to this Month’s Money Magicians

Dr. Cindy Bond—$17,000 from the Idaho Community Foundation to enhance New Hope Student support beyond Scholarships. The money will be administered by the CSI Foundation.

Dr. Russ Tremayne—$3,000 from the Idaho Humanities Council to support national speaker Geoffrey Stone for the Idaho Civil Liberties Conference.

CSI Foundation Mini Grant Awards

This fall and spring over $28,000 has been awarded to mini-grant applicants. Each of the projects was fully funded and will enhance educational opportunities for our students.

Alice Anderson—Training for childhood caregivers

Dr. Jenny Emery-Davidson—Materials for student/community art displays at the Blaine Center

Teri Fattig—Preservation of CSI/community history

Evin Fox—“Active Parenting” classes

Julie Heithecker—"Real time" communications with students

Tracey Meyerhoeffer—Classroom management training

Janet Milligan—Patient monitors

Dr. Barry Pate—Equipment for polymerase chain reaction education

Brett Reid—Collapsible batons for student training

Dawnette Reis—Participation in sign language exchange program

David Rodriguez—Vehicle communication interface

Dr. Randy Smith—GPS monitors

Jaime Tigue—Playground pack for kids’ fitness and wellness camp

Dr. Russ Tremayne—Co-sponsorship for students to attend the 2008 civil liberties symposium
On behalf of the Office of Planning and Grant Development, thank you for reading the CSI Grants Gazette! We hope you will find the information contained inside useful in pursuing grant funding. As most of you know, grant funding is of increasing importance. The staff here in the Planning and Grant Development office are pleased to help you in any way we can.

So, 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.

- **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 you as possible.

- **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!

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**Monica Castañeda-Kessel at x 6258**

On January 2008, CSI was visited by the US Department of Labor regarding its implementation of the Community Based Job Training Grant called the **Power of Rural Partnerships—Solutions for Health Occupations Shortages**. It was a lovely three day Monitor Site Visit. Some of the positive observations included the following:

- The grantee is commended for the work done in preparation for the on-site visit and for the creation of files specifically based on the DOL ETA Core Monitoring Guide. The grantee staff was very responsive in providing additional documents or information to the reviewers when needed.

- The College of Southern Idaho has made a unique effort to leverage and utilize resources that impact training participants and the community through technology based learning. CSI is ahead of the curve in providing technology based learning opportunities to all students at the college and high school in order to access post-secondary learning opportunities in low access areas in rural Idaho.

- The grantee’s commitment to the scope of work and continued support of the healthcare industry [and] the K-12 partnerships with several school districts in the community...CSI is pursuing strategies to cultivate enrollment at the community college for generally first generation college bound high school graduate populations.

- CSI’s commitment to the Statement of Work has expanded the college’s capacity through training of faculty, installation of new simulation laboratory, and constructing streamlined state-approved healthcare curriculum all in a timely manner. CSI is applauded for the ongoing commitment to the project timeline, most especially participant training, despite the need to carry out numerous capacity building activities simultaneously.

Thank you to everyone who does what they do to make projects like this possible. YTD CBJT has served over 1200 students. Placed over 670. Earning an average of nearly $5,000 per month. You make a difference!

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CSI will be pursuing a Title IIIA Strengthening Institutional Capacity Grant. This is a unique five year grant that specifically addresses needs in instruction, technology, student services, and professional development, etc. I strongly encourage you to discuss your big picture needs and costs with your department chair or dean or with any of the committees you are working on. We would love to hear from you! This is an opportunity for you to share your thoughts on innovative instruction, strategic enrollment management implementation, technology needs, lab needs, tutoring, etc. The thing you need to remember is that there are 4 critical student benchmarks that are measured annually:

- Increasing Student Enrollment
- Improving Persistence
- Increasing the Graduation Rate
- Reducing the Cost of Degree Attainment

Ask yourself does my request apply to at least one of these four things?

The new Health Science and Human Services Building will break ground this summer. View an innovative 3-D fly-around of the building on mms://www.csi.edu/HSHS_360_high.wmv. This will be the first LEED certified building on campus and public building in the state. The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System™ encourages and accelerates global adoption of sustainable green building and development practices through the creation and implementation of universally understood and accepted tools and performance criteria. For more information about LEED go to: http://www.usgbc.org/DisplayPage.aspx?CategoryID=19.

CSI received its first grant from the USDA program for the Welding program for $19,600. This has improved the learning environment for students and workflow within the welding classroom by purchasing multifunctional welders. The goal is to increase the number of students trained to better meet the needs of small businesses and the community. Great job - John and crew!

CSI also received the federal grant called Scholarships for Disadvantaged RNs which has funded 195 RN students. Way to go Janet Sandy and Mark Sugden!

Amazing student support from both the CSI Foundation and Grants Development Office

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As per Mary Jo

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Combined Total Amount Awarded $1,170,779
Total Students Impacted 1,380

The great thing is that we are still awarding until JUNE 2008. We are over $1 million!
Thank you for helping us do what we do.
MIKE’S MESSAGE...

For those of you who might not know, HCDC stands for the Health Care Development Council and is based upon a joint partnership between the College of Southern Idaho and St. Luke’s Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. The purpose of the collaboration is to find and pursue health-related funding opportunities that benefit both organizations and the populations they serve. The Council has recently submitted a Campus Suicide Prevention application through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for $467,436, and is currently working on an Electronic Medical Records application through the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality for approximately $1,200,000. Keep your fingers and toes crossed that these worthy projects will be funded!

MAGAN’S 2 CENTS...

Hello all, It’s good to be back…..I have missed the Grants Gazette. Thank you to the office of Planning and Grant Development for bringing it back. I hope that you find the information I provide helpful.

As we are approaching the last quarter of the fiscal year, please make sure that your budgets are in-line. If at this point you are concerned about getting your money spent or you need a budget modification, we need to take care of this now rather later. Monica and I are available to help you in this process. Please give us a call.

For those completing time and effort, first and foremost, thank you!! I will be reviewing the year to ensure we have everything documented for audit purposes. All time and effort should be completed through March 31st and submitted to me by April 15th. You will be hearing from me if I am missing something.

Our fiscal year-end is just around the corner. I would like to remind our current grant managers & grant teams to be reviewing their overall budgets and to be mindful of the new fiscal year. I will need copies of all quarterly and narrative reports, if you haven’t sent me a copy, please do so. Your budgets should be spent down, especially capital outlay, as it can take several weeks to receive equipment items.

Those of you considering applying for external funding in the new fiscal year, remember to ALWAYS submit the CSI *External Funding Prior-Approval form before applying for a grant. This form ensures that we are all on the same page and the proper authorization is in place.

Magan at ext 6216

*PREAPPROVAL FOR GRANT DEVELOPMENT IS REQUIRED

Preapproval has been implemented for the last three years for the following reasons: to ensure that commitments are not made on behalf of the institution if they are not viable; to eliminate submission of multiple applications to a single funding source; to improve SBOE reporting; and, to improve internal communication about what kinds of applications are being submitted. Information is also coordinated with the CSI Foundation.

The form is available online at:
http://www.csi.edu/support/pd/grants/External_Funding_Request_Form%209_2007.doc

P.S. Monica is happy to meet with you to discuss developing your innovative ideas for funding.

Call her (732-6258) or email (mkessel@csi.edu) at your convenience.

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