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## OPGS News

**OPGS Seeks 2009-2010 Strengthening Partners Initiative Participants.** *OPGS* is seeking up to 30 nonprofit and/or faith-based organizations to participate in its year-long capacity building program, the Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI). This 12-month intensive training program will help you and your organization acquire skills and resources to respond to complex obstacles and opportunities encountered by nonprofit organizations. Topics and activities addressed in the program include: implementing successful fundraising plans; improving administrative and program operations; and collaborating with like-minded nonprofit organizations. The application **deadline is August 28, 2009**. To learn more and to download the application visit our website, [www.opgs.dc.gov](http://www.opgs.dc.gov) and click on the link to *Strengthening Partners Initiative*.

**Summer GIRC Hours.** *The Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC)* provides technical assistance and information about resources that improve community services in the District of Columbia for its “customers” - District government, nonprofit, and faith-based representatives. The primary focus is to assist customers who either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to strengthen their organizations. The GIRC will be open Mondays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m., by appointment only. Thursdays are reserved for previous GIRC users. To make an appointment call 202-727-8900.

## American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) News

### Recovery Act Reporting Information

The full set of recipient reporting tools for ARRA funds – XML Schema, XLS –are now available on Recovery.gov. Go to <http://www.recovery.gov/?q=content/recipient-reporting> to connect to those tools.

### Recovery Act and Grants.gov

A new feature was unveiled on Grants.gov to help users find and apply for ARRA grant opportunities. The launch of the ARRA or Recovery Act feature on the homepage of Grants.gov will direct users to Recovery Act opportunities, other Recovery Act resources, upcoming Webinars and links to [www.whitehouse.gov/recovery](http://www.whitehouse.gov/recovery) and [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov).

### Recovery Act Webinars

Grants.gov is offering webinars on Recovery Act funds in August. Registration will open on August 10, 2009. Go to [http://www.grants.gov/applicants/recovery\\_webinar.jsp](http://www.grants.gov/applicants/recovery_webinar.jsp) to learn more and to register.

## Federal Opportunities

*Please note – if the link for a Federal Grant opportunity does not work, go to [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and enter the CFDA # (found in our Grants Database <http://app.opgs.dc.gov/grantautomation/grantfinder.asp> by inputting the “Grant ID” number provided below).*

**Commercial Motor Vehicle Operator Safety Training Grant.** *Department of Transportation (DOT)* announces funds to train future drivers in the safe operation of Commercial Motor Vehicles (CMVs) and expand the current number of commercial driver’s license (CDL) holders with enhanced operator safety training and to assist economically distressed regions of the United States by providing workforce training opportunities for qualified individuals to become CMV operators. Both goals are to assist the Agency in reducing the severity and the number of crashes on U.S. roads involving CMVs.

**Eligible:** City or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations and private institutions of higher education.

**Deadline:** December 1, 2009.

**Funds:** \$1,000,000 is available to fund 12 awards, ranging from \$56,000-\$250,000. A match is required.

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**Information:** Go to [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) and under “advanced search” enter CFDA# 20.235.

**GrantID:** GD3536

**Highways for LIFE Technology Partnerships Program - 2009.** *Department of Transportation (DOT)* announces funds to support projects that foster the development, improvement, and creation of innovative technologies and facilities to improve safety, enhance the speed of highway construction, and improve the quality and durability of highways.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations other than small businesses and small businesses.

**Deadline:** September 23, 2009.

**Pre-proposal teleconference:** September 2, 2009 from 2 pm – 4 pm. Interested potential applicants who wish to participate must register for the meeting by August 28, 2009 by calling or emailing Elizabeth Morris at [Elizabeth.Morris@DOT.GOV](mailto:Elizabeth.Morris@DOT.GOV) or 202-366-0131.

**Funds:** \$2,000,000 is available to fund 5 awards, ranging from \$200,000-\$500,000. A match is required.

**Information:** Sarah Tarpgaard at (202) 366-5750 or [Sarah.Tarpgaard@dot.gov](mailto:Sarah.Tarpgaard@dot.gov); or go to:

<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/hfl/tech.cfm>.

**GrantID:** GD3533

## District Opportunities

**FY2010 Senior Wellness Center Operations Grants.** *Office on Aging (OA)* re-announces funds to operate four District of Columbia Government-owned senior wellness centers. Senior wellness centers promote healthy lifestyles, good nutrition, exercise, and general wellness among the District’s elderly population, aged 60 and above.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations other than small businesses and small businesses.

**Deadline:** September 1, 2009.

**Funds:** \$1,354,780 is available to fund 1-4 awards.

**Information:** Aurora Delespin-Jones at (202) 724-8821, or go to:

<http://www.opgs.dc.gov/opgs/cwp/view,a,1316,q,609787.asp>.

**GrantID:** GD3540

**Lead Agency Grant Program.** *Office on Aging (OA)* re-announces funds for qualified applicants to provide a full array of services and activities that are designed to enhance the overall health and well-being of the District’s elderly population, aged 60 and above.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations other than small businesses and small businesses.

**Deadline:** September 4, 2009.

**Pre-Application Conference:** Tuesday, August 25, 2009 from 10:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. at the D.C. Office on Aging, 441 4th St., NW, Conference Room 950 South.

**Funds:** \$4,712,599 is available to fund 8 awards, ranging from \$252,981-\$793,340.

**Information:** Aurora Delespin-Jones at (202) 724-8821, or go to:

<http://www.opgs.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,609787.asp>.

**GrantID:** GD3539

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor’s Office of Partnerships and Grant Services* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia’s grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgs.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
Department of Human Services	Promoting Responsible Fatherhood Community Access	August 28, 2009

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Office on Aging	FY2010 Senior Wellness Center Operations Grants	September 1, 2009
District Department of the Environment	District Department of the Environment Notice of Funding Availability	September 4, 2009
Department of Human Services	Refugee Resettlement Grant	September 4, 2009
Office on Aging	Lead Agency Grant Program	September 4, 2009
Serve DC	2009 Make A Difference Day Grant	September 8, 2009
DC Commission on Arts and Humanities (DCARTS)	All DCARTS Grant Opportunities – visit <a href="http://dcarts.dc.gov">http://dcarts.dc.gov</a> to learn more	Dates vary.

## Foundations

**Anna Lalor Burdick Program.** *The Lalor Foundation* announces funds to support projects that focus on young women who have inadequate access to information regarding reproductive health, including the subjects of contraception and pregnancy termination, and as such may be particularly lacking options in their lives.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations and community-based organizations.

**Deadline:** November 1, 2009.

**Funds:** Awards range from \$10,000-\$50,000.

**Information:** The Lalor Foundation, Inc. at (617) 426-7080 or [shaff@gmafoundations.com](mailto:shaff@gmafoundations.com); or go to: <http://www.lalorfound.org/albguidelines.html>.

**GrantID:** GD3531

**State Giving Program.** *Walmart Foundation* announces funds to support organizations with programs that create opportunities so people can live better. Focus areas include: education, workforce development/economic opportunity, health & wellness, and environmental sustainability.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations.

**Deadline:** September 18, 2009.

**Funds:** Awards start at \$25,000

**Information:** <http://walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/8168.aspx>.

**GrantID:** GD3538

## Announcements and Resources

**Preventive Health Services Block Grant (PHSBG) Annual Public Hearing.** *The D.C. Department of Health (DOH)/Community Health Administration (CHA)* announces a Public Hearing of the Public Advisory Committee on Wednesday, September 2, 2009, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at 825 North Capitol Street, NE, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Room 4131. The grant supports programs operated by CHA and community-based organizations including chronic diseases, primary care and access to healthcare. Citizens may register to present views concerning the magnitude of the health problem and proposed solutions (oral and/or written) limited to five minutes each, by contacting Valerie Brown at 202-442-9386 or [valerie2.brown@dc.gov](mailto:valerie2.brown@dc.gov) by Tuesday, September 1, 2009 before 4:45 p.m.

**Serve DC.** *Mayor's Office on Volunteerism* is currently seeking feedback and input from partners and stakeholders for the development of the 2010-2013 District of Columbia State Service Plan. This plan will identify programmatic priority areas and guide collaborative efforts lead by Serve DC to address critical community issues in Washington, DC over the next three years. This comprehensive plan we will be added to the overall strategic plan being crafted by and for the agency. To view the current District of Columbia State Service Plan go to;

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[http://serve.dc.gov/cncs/frames.asp?doc=/cncs/lib/cncs/dc\\_state\\_service\\_plan.pdf](http://serve.dc.gov/cncs/frames.asp?doc=/cncs/lib/cncs/dc_state_service_plan.pdf). To complete and submit the online survey go to [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=jM\\_2bcaR2GqurSbIBYIcynlw\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=jM_2bcaR2GqurSbIBYIcynlw_3d_3d). The survey must be completed and submitted before 5:00 pm on Tuesday, August 25, 2009. For more information contact Kristen Henry at [Kristen.Henry@dc.gov](mailto:Kristen.Henry@dc.gov) or 202-727-8003.

## Previous Announcements and Resources

**990 Online Resource.** In collaboration with the *National Association of Attorney's General/National Association of State Charity Officials (NAAG/NASCO)* and *GuideStar*, the *National Center for Charitable Statistics NCCS* has developed an online system, the *990 Online*, for charities to complete all their federal Form 990 and state registration filing requirements and file these forms electronically. E-Filing of IRS Form 990s and state charity forms benefits nonprofit organizations, regulators, researchers, and donors alike. This online service offers an easy-to-use web-based system for completing IRS Form 990s, 990s-EZ or 8868 (application for extension). The system is free for organizations with less than \$100,000 in gross receipts and there is a sliding scale for larger organizations. To complete and electronically file your Form 990, 990-EZ, 8868 (extension request) and State Charity Registration Forms go to: <http://efile.form990.org>.

**Awards for Local Arts and Education Programs.** *Barnes & Noble Booksellers* offers ongoing fundraising opportunities for local level pre-K-12 schools, not-for-profit arts and literacy organizations. Opportunities include in-store bookfairs and holiday gift-wrapping. They offer a limited number of sponsorships and donations to organizations that meet their mission of seeking partnerships that offer in-store events, visibility, and reach a wide audience. Opportunities must be located in the community or communities in which Barnes & Noble operates, and it must serve the greater good of the local community or region. For more information go to: [http://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/our\\_company/sponsorship/sponsorship\\_local/donations\\_local.html](http://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/our_company/sponsorship/sponsorship_local/donations_local.html).

**Celebrating Solutions Awards.** *Mary Byron Project*, a national organization working to address the root causes of domestic violence and help build safer, healthier communities announces awards to showcase and applaud local innovations that demonstrate promise in breaking the cycle of violence. The program provides cash awards of \$10,000 to each organization. The awards would be presented to programs that can serve as models for the nation in their efforts to reduce violence. Eligible applicants are non-profits organizations and government agencies. Application deadline is November 17, 2009. For guidelines and nomination forms go to: <http://marybyronproject.org/CelebratingSolutions.html>.

**Color Your Community Contest.** *Sherwin-Williams Company* is holding an essay contest for "Color Your Community." Individuals should submit a short essay that discusses a public space, such as a playground or non-profit community center, and why you feel such space requires and/or is deserving of a renovation. Winning entry could get a prize worth \$5,000 in paint, supplies and cash from Sherwin-Williams and iVillage to help refresh your community. The deadline for submitting the short essay is August 25, 2009. For more information go to: <http://www.ivillage.com/0,,fn7cp620,00.html>.

**Competition: Rethinking Mental Health: Improving Community Wellbeing.** *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)* announces an online, open source competition co-sponsored by RWJF's Vulnerable Populations Portfolio and Changemakers, that challenges organizations to explore innovations that allow individuals, families, communities and society to move past narrow perceptions of mental health and expand our understanding and collective involvement in finding solutions. The deadline for applications is October 14, 2009. For more information and to download the application go to <http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=20881>.

**Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders.** *The Louisville Institute*, a center to support research and leadership education on American religion, announces funds to award up to forty grants for eight-week (\$10,000) and twelve-week (\$15,000) sabbaticals. Eligible applicants include but are not limited to Christian clergy, church staff

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members, denominational staff, and others employed in recognized positions of pastoral leadership, ordained and lay. The application deadline is September 1, 2009. For more information go to <http://www.louisville-institute.org/Grants/programs/sgpldetail.aspx>.

**Seminar: How Will the New IRS Form 990 Impact Your Organization?** *Gelman, Rosenberg & Freedman, CPAs*, a firm that provides accounting, auditing and consulting services to nonprofit organizations, announces an upcoming seminar titled “How Will the New IRS Form 990 Impact Your Organization?” The speakers, two Nonprofit Tax Specialists from Gelman, Rosenberg & Freedman, will explain exactly how the new Form 990 has changed and provide practical tips on completing the new Form 990 and interpreting the many new instructions. The seminar is open to nonprofits with revenues of \$1 million+, for-profit corporations including government contractors, research and development firms, retail businesses, professional service firms, partnerships, trusts and individual clients. It will be held on Thursday September 24, 2009 at Marriott Residence Inn Bethesda, 7335 Wisconsin Avenue Bethesda, Maryland 20814. For online registration go to: <http://www.grfcpa.com> or email [MARKETING@GRFCPA.COM](mailto:MARKETING@GRFCPA.COM), or call (301) 663-8578. Advance registration is required.

**Succeed Newsletter Summer 2009.** *Grants.gov* is a central storehouse for information on over 1,000 grant programs, which provides access to approximately \$500 billion in annual awards. The website released “Succeed Newsletter Summer 2009” which provides information about Grant.gov website quarterly and is also a guide to the latest updates, handy tips and useful articles on how to best use Grants.gov. To view the “Success” newsletter go to: <http://www.grants.gov/assets/grantsummernewsletter09.pdf> .

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