

Funding Tips

1. Ask about grant information. Please be mindful that you must apply for grants well in advance because it usually takes several months for a grant to be approved and funded.
2. Check with your State Department of Education or Department of Human Services. Alcohol and Drug Abuse Divisions and Criminal Justice Departments may have funds for programs that are directed at youth, educators, and/or parents.
3. Check with your school district and inquire about federal grant money which might be available for a major theme such as Red Ribbon Week. For example, Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (SDFSCA) may approve a funding request for a drug and alcohol free school zone or character-building speaker.
4. Check with your school district for Title VI funding for teacher in-service programs and staff development.
5. Contact local businesses. If they are willing to help sponsor a speaker, you can offer the local business to set up a booth with products from their company, to distribute coupons to drive business to the establishment, etc.
6. Invite other schools or clubs to participate and help co-sponsor and host a fund-raising event.
7. Consider a speaker from www.docandfriends.com.
8. Check the list on this Web site. We've compiled a list of funding sources that align with our educators:

The following are possible resources for funding one of Doc's presentations, seminars, or workshops:

Abell Foundation

Sets an agenda that allocates grants for schools, hospitals, and human service organizations and reaches out to the disadvantaged in the Baltimore community and the region. – [more info](#)

Abington Foundation

Provides gifts for educational programs. – [more info](#)

Alcoa Foundation

Has a strong interest in building community from ground up. Good for improving opportunities for students with disabilities to participate actively in their communities and also those struggling with schoolwork. – [more info](#)

Ameren Foundation

They give their funds primarily in Missouri and Illinois. Invests in education, youth services, and the environment. (Missouri, Illinois) – [more info](#)

American Honda

Focuses on math, science, and technology. Applicants need to send self-addressed, stamped envelopes to American Honda Foundation, P.O. Box 2205, Torrance, CA 90509-2205. – [more info](#)

Anheuser-Busch Foundation

Funds education, cultural, and civic projects. – [more info](#)

Annie E. Casey Foundation

Seeks to make a difference in child and family lives and supports preschool concepts. – [more info](#)

APS Foundation

Education of the disadvantaged is of a high priority. – [more info](#)

Asbury-Warren Foundation

Funds educational projects for public as well as religious schools. Their projects lean toward the Appalachian region of the country. – [more info](#)

Bayer Foundation

Stresses the advancement of science education and a strong, reliable workforce. (California, Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, West Virginia) – [more info](#)

Braitmayer Foundation

Supports curricular reform, professional development, and the arts. – [more info](#)

Carnegie Foundation

Stimulates scientific literacy and the importance of coherent communication. – [more info](#)

Charles A. Frueauff Foundation

Funds social service organizations, education, and disadvantaged youth. – [more info](#)

Charles Lafitte Foundation

Focuses on education, children's advocacy, and the arts. – [more info](#)

Colorado Trust

Supports after-school initiatives and bullying prevention. (Colorado) – [more info](#)

Daniels Fund

Supports early childhood readiness, school choice, teacher quality, and development of ethics and integrity. (Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming) – [more info](#)

Dekko Foundation

Favors requests from the states of Alabama, Indiana, and Iowa. Dekko, too, favors early-learning and after-school programs. – [more info](#)

Deluxe Family Foundation:

Supports education K-12, particularly science and reading. – [more info](#)

Denver Foundation

Funds arts and culture, civic and education, health, and human services programs. (Colorado) – [more info](#)

DuPage Community Foundation

Supports programs that further the arts, culture, education, and human services. – [more info](#)

Early Childhood Professional Development

Seeks to improve the knowledge and skills of early childhood educators who work in high-poverty areas. – [more info](#)

Enhanced Assessment Grants

A program designed to assist in the administering of and development of accountability measures. – [more info](#)

Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation

Sees entrepreneurship and education as the most effective ways to empower people to create their own futures. (Missouri) – [more info](#)

Frederick and Nancy DeMatteis Family Charitable Trust

The mission of the foundation is to make life better by serving human needs through support of institutions involved in education. (New York) – [more info](#)

Gannet Foundation

Funds programs not normally covered by regular budget – only special initiatives. – [more info](#)

Gates Foundation

Supports raising graduation rates and graduates who will be strong citizens ready for college or the workplace. – [more info](#)

Goals 2000 State Grants

These grants are awarded to assist in the improvement of K-12 education and aid educators with in-service training. – [more info](#)

Hall Family Foundation

Supports education and the arts. (Kansas City, Missouri) – [more info](#)

Halliburton Foundation

Endorses education K-college. – [more info](#)

Humana Foundation

Aims to develop tools to improve literacy and increase the use of technology. – [more info](#)

Inasmuch Foundation

Funds education, health, the arts, and the environment. (Oklahoma) – [more info](#)

Innovative State Grants

This is a formula grant under Title V which stimulates educational innovation by encouraging broad-based reform efforts. The funds may be used for technology, professional development software, or curricular materials. – [more info](#)

Intel

Intel has an ongoing grant program that can be accessed by schools in Arizona, California, Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, and Washington. – [more info](#)

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

This foundation leads in a plan or movement that attempts to bring about a systematic change in educational theory or practice across a community or society. – [more info](#)

Joyce Foundation

Aims to provide students in the Great Lakes region with an education, allowing them to live fruitful, productive lives. – [more info](#)

Kansas Health Foundation

Supports programs that encourage leadership potential. (Kansas) – [more info](#)

Lilly Endowment

The endowment views education at all levels as indispensable to personal, civic, and economic success. – [more info](#)

Louis R. Cappelli Foundation

Directs funds toward innovative educational experiences that tie school and parents together in the educational adventure of children. – [more info](#)

Lumina Foundation

Expands knowledge and improve practices that affect students' access and success in postsecondary education. – [more info](#)

M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust

The Trust's mission is to enrich the quality of life in the Pacific Northwest by providing grants and enrichment programs to organizations seeking to strengthen the region's educational, spiritual, and cultural base in creative and sustainable ways. – [more info](#)

McCune Foundation

The broad mission of the McCune Foundation continues to be improving the community and enhancing the quality of life for citizens. – [more info](#)

McGregor Fund

Grants to relieve misfortune and promote well-being are made in the following program areas: human services, education, health care, arts and culture, and public benefit. The area of principal interest to the McGregors is metropolitan Detroit. – [more info](#)

Medina Foundation

The Foundation strives to improve the human condition by supporting organizations that provide critical services to those in need. – [more info](#)

Meyer Memorial Trust

The Trust seeks to invest in organizations and projects that utilize resources efficiently and effectively to enhance the quality of life. – [more info](#)

Milken Family Foundation

Their mission is to discover and advance inventive and effective ways of helping people help themselves and those around them lead productive and satisfying lives. – [more info](#)

National Science Foundation

Promotes and advances scientific programs in the United States and advances grants for science, math, and engineering research in education. – [more info](#)

Perkins Vocational Act

Funds may be used for vocational and technology education activities and professional development opportunities for teachers and counselors. – [more info](#)

Reading First

This program provides districts assistance in setting up scientific, research-based reading programs for children in Grades K-8. Funds may be used for staff development or instructional materials. – [more info](#)

RGK Foundation

Gives funds to Texas institutions. The foundation is primarily attracted to humanitarian concerns and K-12 education with significant interest in literacy. – [more info](#)

Richard P. Kimmel & Laurine Kimmel Charitable Foundation, Inc.

Concerned with areas of education, arts, agriculture, humanities, and human services. (Iowa, Nebraska) – [more info](#)

Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust

The grant-making activities in this area are divided into three broad categories: elementary education, secondary education, and higher education. – [more info](#)

Safe And Drug-Free Schools

This program consists of two major programs: state grants for drug and violence prevention programs and national programs. State Grants is a formula grant program that

provides funds to states and local school districts for a broad range of prevention and education programs. – [more info](#)

Sarkey's Foundation

Supports scientific and educational improvement. (Oklahoma) – [more info](#)

Sunderland Foundation

Funds arts and culture and youth-services groups. (Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Arkansas) – [more info](#)

Title I

The largest of the elementary and secondary education programs, this program requires states to develop standards in reading and math and assessments linked to those standards for students. The program is also structured to assist high-poverty schools give their students an equal opportunity to meet state standards. – [more info](#)

Union Pacific Foundation

Strong emphasis on civic and cultural programs. (Communities served by Union Pacific Railroad) – [more info](#)

Walton Family Foundation

Invests heavily in education at all levels including teacher education. Wide range of options. (Arkansas, Mississippi) – [more info](#)

William T. Grant Foundation

Supports the Foundation's mission of improving the lives of young people ages 8 to 25. Program supports intervention research to improve youth-serving organizations, such as schools and community-based organizations. – [more info](#)

Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation

Supports economic development, education, and social justice. (Arkansas) – [more info](#)

Woods Charitable Fund

Funds academic, community, government, business, public service, and faith-based organizations. (Lincoln, Nebraska) – [more info](#)