



Education Grants

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California State Library's 2022-2023 Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)-funded Inspiration Grants

Deadline: 2/21/24

Granting Agency: CA Library

Estimated funding range per grant: \$25k-\$75k

Match: No.

Link: <https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/inspiration/>

Description: The California State Library has a new grant opportunity to help make your library organization more sustainable! Grant funds can be used to enroll in a California cohort of the national Sustainable Libraries Initiative and for staff and supply costs to support the implementation of sustainable practices in your library.

Library staff will have access to leadership development opportunities to help libraries and communities become more environmentally sound, socially equitable, and economically feasible. Are you ready to integrate sustainability principles and practices into your organization? This opportunity is for you! This grant program complements the Sustainable California Libraries programming grants by focusing on library services, operations, policy and practices. We welcome applications from all California public libraries who are ready to begin developing and implementing sustainable practices.

Toshiba America Foundation

Deadline: Grades K-5 due October 1st annually; Grades 6-12 for up to \$5,000 due March 1, June 1, September 1, December 1 annually. Applications for grants more than \$5,000 are due May 1 and November 1, annually.

Amount: Up to \$5,000 (see website for details on grants over \$5,000)

Eligibility: 6-12 grade Teachers in public or private schools

Link: <http://www.toshiba.com/taf/about.jsp>

Summary: The Toshiba America Foundation is dedicated to promoting quality science and mathematics education in our nation's schools. Grants for Grades 6-12 are provided to teachers who have an idea for making science and mathematics more fun for their students.

School Breakfast Program (SBP) and Summer Meal Programs (SMP) Grants

Deadline: March 1st, 2024

Amount: \$15,000.00 per site

Eligibility: To qualify for SBP grants, at least 20 percent of enrolled students at the school site must be approved for free or reduced-price meals. To receive SMP grants, the site must meet program eligibility criteria. The Budget Act allows the California Department of Education (CDE) to award grants only to school districts, county offices of education, and direct-funded charter schools.

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/profile.asp?id=6118>

Funding is for nonrecurring expenses incurred in initiating or expanding a: (1) SBP, serving students in transitional kindergarten through grade twelve or (2) SMP, serving children and youth eighteen years of age and under during school breaks. School districts, direct-funded charter schools, and county offices of education may apply for grants; however, only one type of grant may be awarded per school site. Private schools, residential child care institutions, and juvenile detention centers are not eligible.

California State Library: Community Impact Grants

Deadline: March 6, 2024, at noon

Amount: \$10,000 to \$100,000

Eligibility: Libraries. Libraries with up to 14 outlets may apply for one local grant; libraries with between 15 and 30 outlets may apply for two local grants; libraries with 31 or more outlets may apply for three local grants.

URL: <https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/>

Summary: Community Impact Grants (formerly known as “Local and Collaborative Grants”) help library workers respond effectively to local needs and align services with community aspirations. This program supports experimentation and research and development in California’s libraries. To receive funding, applicants must demonstrate attention to equity in their planning and implementation through existing and planned community partnerships, intentional connections made with marginalized communities, and the integration of equity principles and practices.

California State Library: Play for All

Deadline: March 6, 2024, at noon

Amount: \$10,000 to \$75,000

Eligibility: Libraries

URL: <https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/>

Summary: The Play for All funding opportunity provides grants to help California libraries design and create welcoming family play spaces and offer meaningful programming around play for marginalized young children. The purpose of these grants is to support libraries in addressing the barriers and inequitable access to quality play spaces and play-based programming young children may experience in marginalized, under-resourced, and underserved communities.

California libraries can apply for grant funding to support:

- Staff time to co-design, coordinate, and implement play-based programs.
- Purchases of mobile and/or child-friendly furnishings, manipulatives, and materials to create play spaces for young children.
- Services from community organizations including parenting workshops and presentations about play-based child development.
- Participation in professional development workshops to gain knowledge and skills around play-based programming and spaces.
- Outreach and promotion of play resources and programs.
- Any additional allowable expenditures that help libraries provide young children access to play. Please note that if grant funds will be used to pay for a service from a

community organization or organizations, those organization(s) cannot be considered as a partner in the application.

California State Library: Sustainable California Libraries

Deadline: March 6, 2024, at noon

Amount: \$10,000 to \$75,000

Eligibility: Libraries

URL: <https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/>

Summary: The Sustainable California Libraries grant program funds climate and sustainability related community-driven programming for adults and intergenerational groups. The initiative also fosters connections between California library workers supporting climate resilience in communities. The purpose of these grants is to fund services, programming, and educational opportunities focused on sustainability and climate resilience.

California State Library: Teens Succeed

Deadline: March 6, 2024, at noon

Amount: \$50,000 to \$75,000

Eligibility: Libraries

URL: <https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/>

Summary: The Teens Succeed opportunity provides grant funding for teen internships, with a focus on developing social emotional and workforce readiness skills. The purpose of this grant is to address the challenges teens face in the aftereffects of the pandemic and to help prepare youth for success in life.

California State Library: eBooks for All

Deadline: March 6, 2024, at noon

Amount: The collection, currently consisting of over 150,000 copies of over 90,000 titles, is designed to meet the recreational and informational reading needs of California's diverse communities. Many titles are licensed for simultaneous use. The collection is available to all public libraries to provide for free to readers of all ages. Libraries wishing to have access to this collection must be on the Palace App, an eReader aggregator that can browse and display materials from Overdrive, CloudLibrary, and other similar services.

Match: Yes - 25%

Eligibility: In order to participate in this opportunity, libraries must join the eBooks for All project and offer access to Palace to their patrons. If your library has not yet joined and you are interested in participating, please email ebooksforall@library.ca.gov to get started.

URL: <https://www.library.ca.gov/grants/>

Summary: The eBooks for All opportunity provides funding for California libraries to build a diverse and inclusive collection accessible to all California libraries participating in the project and the communities they serve. The purpose of this project is to help create greater equity of access to eBooks and eAudiobooks for California readers.

Education for Homeless Children and Youth

Deadline: March 7th, 2024

Amount: The maximum amount of funding will be based on the number of enrolled homeless children and youth as reported on the 2022-23 Cumulative DataQuest reports. Max funding amounts: 50-99 / \$15,000; 100-249 / \$25,000; 250-499 / \$50,000; 500-1,499 / \$75,000; 1,500-2,499 / \$100,000; 2,500-3,999 / \$125,000; 4,000-4,999 / \$175,000; Over 5,000 / \$250,000

Match: No

Link: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/profile.asp?id=6098>

The purpose of this program is to facilitate the enrollment, attendance, and success in school of homeless children and youth and ensure homeless children and youth have equal access to the same free, appropriate, public education as provided to all other students. Services provided cannot replace the regular academic program and must be designed to expand or improve services that are part of the school's regular academic program.

CA Dept of Education Funding: Golden State Pathways Program Consortium Grant

Deadline: March 19, 2024

Amount: \$2,000,000 - \$4,000,000

Match: No

Eligibility: An applicant must be a school district, charter school, county office of education, or regional occupational center or program operated by a joint powers authority or county office of education. California Education Code Section 53022 (b).

Link: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/profile.asp?id=6155>

Funding Description: The purpose of the Golden State Pathways Program Consortium Grant is to provide local educational agencies with the resources to promote pathways in high-wage, high-skill, high-growth areas, including technology, health care, education, and climate-related fields. The program serves students enrolled in career pathways by providing more access to postsecondary education opportunities, workforce training opportunities, and gainful employment in industries that align with market needs.

CalSHAPE Plumbing and CalSHAPE Ventilation

Deadline: Can apply up until May 31, 2024

Amount: Varies depending on project

Link: <https://www.energy.ca.gov/programs-and-topics/programs/california-schools-healthy-air-plumbing-and-efficiency-program>

The California Schools Healthy Air, Plumbing, and Efficiency Program (CalSHAPE) provides funding to upgrade heating, air conditioning, and ventilation (HVAC) systems in public schools and replaces noncompliant plumbing fixtures and appliances that fail to meet water efficiency standards.

CA Dept of Education Funding: Specialized Secondary Programs (SSP) Grant 2024-25

Deadline: May 29th, 2024

Amount: Up to \$100,000

Match: No

Eligibility: The proposed SSP must be new to the identified school site(s) and will provide students with advanced instruction and training in high technology fields and in the performing arts in grades nine through twelve. All California public high schools, county offices of education, consortium of local educational agencies (LEAs), and direct-funded charter schools are eligible to apply.

Link: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/profile.asp?id=6195>

The Specialized Secondary Programs (SSP) provides start-up funds for the establishment of a new specialized program or school, to provide advanced instruction and training in high technology fields and in the performing arts, for students in grades nine through twelve in high schools. The Legislature intends for SSP to benefit the state economy by having programs located in close proximity to areas in which these industries are located. Funding is available for planning and implementing new programs.

Dollar General Literacy Foundation: Beyond Words

Deadline: Ongoing

Amount: Not specified

Eligibility: Pre-K-12 public schools whose library programs have incurred substantial damage or hardship due to a natural disaster, fire, or an act of terrorism within the past three years.

Link: <https://www.dgliteracy.org/grant-programs/?#beyond-words>

Summary: Beyond Words, a program of the Dollar General Literacy Foundation, supports public school libraries in the communities served by Dollar General. Grants are intended to help replace or supplement books, media, and library equipment.

KaBOOM!: Build it with KaBOOM!

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$15,000 - Grantees are awarded a \$15,000 grant to be used toward the purchase of playground equipment. To supplement the \$15,000 KaBOOM! grant, grantees are required to raise a minimum of \$9,000 (for a total project value of \$24,000) up to a maximum of \$35,000 (for a total project value of \$50,000) towards the cost of the playground project. This amount does not include the cost for safety surfacing, freight, site preparation, installation supervision and any other non-playground equipment items.

Match: \$9,000

Eligibility: Must be located in San Jose, Los Angeles County, San Francisco, Brisbane, San Bernardino, Anaheim, Oakland or Santa Ana (See other qualified Community Partner requirements)

https://kaboom.org/grants/build_it_with_kaboom#eligibility

A Build it with KaBOOM! grant provides the facilitation and support of an experienced Project Manager as community members embark on a 5–12 week planning process. After selection, all partners will join together for a community Design Day, inviting play experts (the kids, of course) to design their dream playspace.

Wish You Well Foundation®

Deadline: Continuous

Amount: \$200- \$10,000

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations

Match: No

Link: <https://www.wishyouwellfoundation.org/>

Summary: Wish You Well Foundation provides private funds to nonprofit organizations that promote family literacy in the United States. The foundations focus is on the development and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs.

US Soccer Foundation

Deadline: Rolling, Applications will be reviewed on the following deadlines in 2024 (est.):

March 31

June 30

September 30

December 31

Estimated Total Program Funding: Obtain a budget estimate by contacting your local Musco representative using this form: <https://www.musco.com/soccerfund/>

Application: <https://www.tfaforms.com/4871632>

Link: <https://ussoccerfoundation.org/programs/safe-places-to-play/>

Musco Sports Lighting and the U.S. Soccer Foundation view soccer as a powerful vehicle for social change. By supporting the development of the U.S. Soccer Foundation's Safe Places to Play program, we share a goal to ensure that children in underserved communities have easy and affordable access to quality soccer programs that support their physical and personal development.

The Soccer Fund was established to offer financial support for sports lighting projects on a rolling basis. Projects can include the Mini-Pitch System™ or soccer lighting projects of all sizes.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES:

USA Football Grants

Deadline: Spring and Fall Grants (Fall grant announced July/August)

Amount: TBD

Eligibility: Churches, individual schools or school districts, cities, or municipalities, etc.

Link: <https://assets.usafootball.com/documents/FAQ-Grants.pdf>

Summary: The USA Football Grant Program enables youth, middle school, and high school programs to upgrade equipment, improve playing fields, and acquire life-saving equipment. Applications for equipment, field and product grants are available each year.

Learning Communities for School Success Program

Deadline: TBD

Amount: Approved LEAs will receive \$50 per 2020-21 enrolled student for each year of the three-year grant. Minimum three-year grants for LEAs with 100 or less enrollment will be \$15,000. Maximum LEA grants will be \$2,000,000 for three-year grant period. This Award is made contingent upon the availability of funds.

Match: Yes

Eligibility: All LEAs, which includes school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools, are eligible to apply. LEAs with a high rate (exceeding the state average) of chronic absenteeism, dropout, and out-of-school suspension will be given priority, as well as those with a significant representation of foster youth or in a community with a high crime rate.

Link:

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/profile.asp?id=5596#:~:text=Approved%20LEAs%20will%20receive%20%2450,upon%20the%20availability%20of%20funds.>

Purpose: The Learning Communities for School Success Program (LCSSP) provides funds to local education agencies (LEAs) to support programs aimed at improving student outcomes by reducing truancy and supporting students who are at risk of dropping out of school or are victims of crime. The LCSSP is the result of Proposition 47, which reduced the penalties for certain non-serious, non-violent offenses and allocates 25% of the resulting statewide savings for LEA grants.

U.S. Dept. of Energy Renew America's Schools Round 2

Deadline: Spring 2024

Amount: TBD

<https://www.energy.gov/scep/renew-americas-schools#:~:text=Yes!,entities%20regardless%20of%20past%20participation.>

The Renew America's Schools grant is the program's flagship funding opportunity. This competitive award focuses on funding infrastructure upgrades at K-12 public school facilities, prioritizing high-need school communities. The first round of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) launched in November 2022. After unprecedented public interest, the application period closed on April 21, 2023.

FY22-23 Urban and Community Forestry Green Schoolyards

Deadline: Spring 2024

Amount: Between \$200,000 and \$6,000,000 awarded per application including no more than \$1,000,000 per child care facility

Match: encouraged 25% of the project budget

Eligibility: Nonprofit, Public Agency, Cities, Counties, Qualifying School Districts, and Non-profit Organizations.

URL: <https://www.grants.ca.gov/grants/fy22-23-urban-and-community-forestry-green-schoolyards/>

Purpose:

The purpose of this grant type is to create green schoolyards to protect the health, well-being, and educational opportunity of children most vulnerable to increasing temperatures and extreme heat across California. Projects shall be centered around improving the environmental conditions and experiences for school children with the highest levels of co-benefits.

JJ Watt Foundation

Deadline: January 15th, 2024

Amount: Varies depending on ask (reimbursement for equipment)

Match: No

Link: <https://jjwfoundation.org/request-funds/>

The mission and priority of the JJWF is to help as many schools/programs as possible. Due to the current economic impact of Covid 19 and inability to hold our annual fundraiser, we are currently prioritizing schools who have not yet received funding from our foundation. We understand that you may need new uniforms and/or equipment across all programs. However, we have limited funds and request that you discuss overall athletic needs with your AD or Principal and apply for what is needed most.

Before submitting an application for funding, ensure that your organization meets the Foundation's criteria listed below and you've read through the entire FAQ section.

California Apprenticeship Initiative New and Innovative Grant Program FY 2023-24

Deadline: January 15, 2024

<https://www.cccco.edu/About-Us/Chancellors-Office/Divisions/Workforce-and-Economic-Development/WEDD-RFA>

Create or bolster apprenticeship opportunities in priority and emerging industry sectors or areas in which apprenticeship training is not fully established or does not exist. Planning, Implementation and Expansion grants.

2023 National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Equipment Assistance Grant (EAG)

Deadline: December 4th, 2023

Amount: \$100,000 per local education agency

Match: No

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/profile.asp?id=6117>

These funds allow school food authorities (SFA) to purchase food service equipment to serve healthier meals that meet the meal pattern requirements, replace outdated or worn equipment, improve procurement of goods, improve food safety, improve the lunchroom to be more appealing to the students, help support the maintenance of an existing kitchen or the establishment of a new school kitchen or School Nutrition Program. It gives priority to those SFAs that have not received an equipment grant since 2019.

FY 2023 Virtual Reality Training Development for Law Enforcement

Deadline: Grants.gov deadline: December 4, 2023, JustGrants deadline: December 11, 2023

Amount: dependent on program

Eligibility: Public and state controlled institutions of higher education

With this solicitation, the Bureau of Justice Assistance seeks to support a collaborative partnership between two or more universities to develop, design, and pilot a virtual reality training program designed to improve law enforcement interactions with all individuals, with an emphasis on de-escalation tactics. New technologies, including virtual reality systems designed for use by police, allow for multiparticipant engagement and can be integrated into training programs focused on improving law enforcement encounters. Universities are required to partner to carry out the activities of the federal award; however only one applicant can apply.

Link: https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/opportunities/o-bja-2023-171886?utm_campaign=funding_opportunities_23&utm_content=vr_training_development_law_enforcement&utm_source=newsfrombjia

California Department of Parks and Recreation: Outdoor Equity Program (Round 2)

Deadline: December

Amount: \$20,000 to \$700,000

Match: No

Eligibility: Public Agencies: Includes all local, state, and federal agencies, including school districts and other public education agencies, cities and counties, JPAs, open-space authorities, regional open-space districts, Federal and State recognized tribes, and other relevant public agencies. Nonprofits (501c3) are eligible.

Link: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=30443

Summary: The Outdoor Equity Grants Program (OEP) provides program operation funding for

community activities and trips to natural areas. OEP funds transportation, labor, equipment, supplies, etc. supporting access to nature, outdoor leadership education, career pathways, and environmental justice engagement for underserved communities.

21st CCLC Elementary/Middle & 21st CCLC ASSETs

Deadline: November 16th, 2023

Amount: \$50,000-\$250,000

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/r27/rfa21standassets2024-25.asp>

The purpose of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Elementary/Middle is to support community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities for students in transitional kindergarten through grade 8 who attend high poverty and low-performing schools. The purpose of the 21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens (ASSETs) Program is to support community learning centers for students in grades nine through twelve with academic enrichment opportunities and activities designed to complement students' regular academic program.

California Department of Education: CalWORKs: California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids 2022-23

Deadline: November

Amount: Varies. \$9,743,917 for entire program

Match: No

Eligibility: Funding is restricted to public school adult education programs and regional occupational centers and programs that serve welfare recipients. Funding is allocated to counties based on the number of CalWORKs clients in each county.

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/profile.asp?id=5880>

CalWORKs funding is only for public school adult education programs and regional occupational centers and programs. It provides education and training to: (1) prepare CalWORKs clients for entry level employment; (2) assist employed clients receiving subsidies or supportive services to advance toward higher employment and self-sufficiency; and (3) divert CalWORKs clients into short-term education and training programs leading to employment. Note: CalWORKs monies are not part of the categorical flexibility spending.

Laura Bush Foundation For America's Libraries

Deadline: November

Amount: Varies depending on ask

Match: No

<https://www.bushcenter.org/lbf-application-details>

Eligibility:

- A certified librarian or other paid professional must be assigned as responsible for the collection, care, and use of the materials housed in the school library.
- Public school applicants must be Title 1 eligible. Neighborhood schools, charter schools, magnet schools, etc. are all welcome to apply if Title 1 eligible.
- Private and parochial schools are also welcome to apply if at least 50% of their student population qualify for financial aid.
- Your school must have a library or designated space on campus where books are accessible to all students to check out.
- Principal must digitally sign principal agreement in the application.
- All financial documentation must be completed for your application to be complete – this includes the school/district W-9 and a voided blank check OR a bank letter.

- Per the grant guidelines of the Laura Bush Foundation, the grant is to be used to purchase school library books, e-books, and magazine requests as outlined in your grant application. Use of the funds for shelving or furniture of any kind, equipment (i.e.: computers, electronic readers, Kindles, etc.), staffing, software, videos, guides, tests or exams, classroom book sets, or similar items, is prohibited.