

From Big Mama's Playbook:

Did you know:

- Grandparents Day is September 8, 2024. Research shows that nationally, 32.7% of grandparents are [currently raising their grandchildren](#), under the age of 18 and responsible for their care. There are geographic patterns that reflect the demographics and cultural characteristics of people who live across the U.S. The South, for example, has a higher percentage of [Black or African American populations in the region](#) who have a relatively high rate of grandparents living with grandchildren.
- **About several new grants** available for faith based and nonprofit organizations in California, youth (under 18 and for those under 30 years old). Are you a K-12 teacher who could use a grant? Do you know any craft artists? Located near a Footlocker? Also see **grant deadlines closing soon:** funding for youth activist and youth-led organizations, nonprofits in Oakland, CA. at Big Mama's Playbook (keep reading below! 😊)

***Featured Grant Opportunities This Week:**

- **Art**

(new) The Center for Cultural Innovations (CCI) invites applications for its Investing in Artists: Tools & Equipment grant program, which will award grants of between \$1,000 to \$5,000 to individual craft artists to purchase artistic tools, materials, or equipment that support their ability to make object-based work. The 2024 funding round is open to craft artists, ages 18 or older, living full-time in **Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Northern Mariana Islands, Oklahoma, Oregon, Puerto Rico, South Dakota, Utah, Virgin Islands, Washington, or Wyoming.**

Deadline: September 4, 2024, at 11:59 a.m. PT

[Center for Cultural Innovations](#)

(new) The CCI also invites applications for its Investing in Artists: Artistic Innovation program. The program supports diverse, **Bay Area** working artists (**applicants must reside full-time in Alameda, Contra Costa, or San Francisco County**) developing new work in the performing or media arts. Grant awards up to \$9,000

Deadline: August 26, 2024, at 11:59 a.m. PT

[Center for Cultural Innovations Bay Area](#)

- **Children**

Through the Kenneth Rainin Foundation, grants of up to \$100,000 will be awarded support organizations promoting early language and literacy development for **Oakland, California**, children from birth to five years old. NOTE: While an organization can operate and provide services outside of Oakland, funding can only go towards its Oakland-based programming.

Deadline: **Applications will be accepted until August 19, 2024**, and upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal, due September 30, 2024.

[Kenneth Rainin Foundation](#)

- **Community:**

(new) The Healy Foundation supports nonprofits in **Hawaii and Oregon** in the areas of **youth, environment, and community**. In the area of youth, the focus is on youth education, youth advocacy, and reducing childhood poverty. In the area of the environment, the focus is on climate change mitigation and organizations working to protect ecosystems. Grants up to \$50,000.

Deadline: Letters of inquiry are accepted on an ongoing basis. Invited applications are reviewed quarterly.

[The Healy Foundation](#)

(new) The Silicon Valley Community Foundation invites applications for its SVCF Community Action Grants program. Through this grant program, SVCF supports organizations led by people of color and allied organizations that prioritize community-based solutions. Organizations must serve **San Mateo and/or Santa Clara** counties.

Deadline: August 30, 2024

[Community Action Grants program](#)

The **New Orleans** Foundation and the Gert Town Fund invites applications from nonprofit organizations working within the Gert Town boundaries, to address the needs of children and youth, housing, older adult services (including transportation), community leadership and capacity building, adult education, legal services, and in community beautification projects.

Deadline: Applications accepted starting on August 1, 2024, - August 30, 2024.

[GNOF Gert Town community](#)

Seventh Generation Fund for Indigenous Peoples is dedicated to Indigenous Peoples' self-determination and the sovereignty of Native nations. The Fund is currently accepting applications from Native-led and community-generated organizations through its four grant program areas. See website for descriptions. Nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status, federally-recognized tribal nations, applicants with a 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor, and Seventh Generation Fund affiliate projects are eligible to apply. **Grants awards:** \$500 to \$50,000

Deadline: Ongoing basis until December 2, 2024.

[Seventh Generation Fund](#)

The Wonderful Company invites applications from schools and nonprofit organizations that demonstrate a commitment to making the **rural communities of the San Joaquin Valley in California** more equitable places to live, work, and play. Grants between \$1,000 and \$50,000 will be awarded until funds are exhausted, and up to four \$100,000 grants over two years.

Deadline: August 31, 2024

[Wonderful Community Grants Program](#)

The U.S. Bank Foundation's Community Possible Grant Program supports nonprofit organizations in **U.S. Bank's 26-state** geographic scope: AZ, AR, CA, CO, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NM, NC, ND, OH, OR, SD, TN, UT, WA, WI, and WY

Grants are provided in a number of areas. From the website: “New and emerging organizations bring balance to our grant making through our Letter of Interest (LOI) application. Nonprofit organizations new to the U.S. Bank Foundation may submit an LOI at any time during the year.”

[U.S. Bank Community Possible Grant Program](#)

- **Education:**

Toshiba America Foundation (TAF) is dedicated to helping classroom teachers make STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) learning fun and exciting for students in U.S. schools. Teachers at public and nonprofit private schools throughout the United States are eligible to apply. Grant amounts vary – up to \$1,000 for K-5 grade, grades 6-12 up to \$5,000. Deadlines vary depending on grade levels, typically between May – November

[Toshiba America Foundation](#) (click the dropdown menu under Toshiba America Foundation)

The Society of Aviation & Flight Educators, Inc. (SAFE) is offering four \$250.00 grants designed to encourage **K-12 classroom teachers** to incorporate aviation-themed lessons into their normal curriculum.

Deadline: August 31 of each year

[Aviation Grant for Educators](#)

The Nora Roberts Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations in the United States, with **preference given to Maryland; Washington, DC; and West Virginia**. The Foundation's primary focus is on supporting literacy organizations. Other areas of interest include children, the arts, social justice, and the environment. Grants: \$2,500 to \$7,500

Next Deadlines: September 1, 2024 (then December 1st)

[Nora Roberts Foundation](#)

The Cornelia T. Bailey Foundation provides support in **Florida, New York, Connecticut, and Washington, DC**, to assist organizations seeking to promote the arts or create programs that inspire, engage, and teach. *No application deadline indicated.*

[Funding Guidelines](#)

- **Food/Hunger/Nutrition:**

Food Lion Feeds Charitable Foundation grants are focused on feeding the hungry and can only be used for the purchase of food in support of organizations based in or providing support in the 10 states in which we operate (**within a 20-mile radius of a Food Lion store**): Delaware, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia that provide hunger-relief efforts.

Deadline: September 12, 2024

[Food Lion Feeds](#)

The ALDI Community Gift Card program supports nonprofit organizations **where ALDI stores are located** that are dedicated to improving Children's Health & Wellness and combating Food Insecurity. For organizations whose mission or core programs meet these pressing issues head on, ALDI can provide gift cards to assist in food costs. Find out more information:

[ALDI Community Gift Card Program](#)

- **Health/Safety/Environment:**

(new) The mission of the MrBallen Foundation is to honor victims and families of victims affected by heinous crimes. The Foundation's Honor Grants provide support to nonprofits that provide services to victims, or families of victims, affected by heinous or egregious crimes or crimes that resulted in accidental death or dismemberment. Grants up to \$25,000 are awarded quarterly and can be used for a wide range of projects or programs.

Deadline: NONE

[MrBallen Foundation Honor Grants](#)

The Georgia Health Initiative aims to support projects that identify emerging opportunities to advance health equity in Georgia. Through the 2024 Building the Field of Health Advocacy grant program, the Initiative is accepting applications from organizations seeking to advance advocacy initiatives to bring about systems change in order to improve the health of people in Georgia. Grant size: up to \$75,000

Deadline: September 4, 2024, at 12 noon ET To access the Request for Application (RFA) portal:

[Georgia Health Initiative](#)

The California State Nonprofit Security Grant Program will provide \$76 million to faith communities and nonprofit organizations with funding for security enhancements including reinforced doors, gates, high-intensity lighting, access control systems, and Inspection and screening systems.

Deadline: September 24, 2024

[California Governor's Office of Emergency Services \(Cal OES\)](#)

Ben & Jerry's Foundation invites applications to its National Grassroots Organizing Program (NGO), which offers two-year, unrestricted, general operating support grants of up to \$30,000 per year—with an average grant size of \$20,000 per year—to *small, constituent-led grassroots organizations across the United States and its territories*.

Deadline: October 1, 2024

[NGO Application](#)

The Rose Foundation for Communities and the Environment is administering the **California Hazardous Waste Protection Fund**, a grants program providing support to disadvantaged communities working on issues related to hazardous waste and toxins across the state. Established nonprofit organizations: grants in the range of \$20,000 to \$25,000. ***The foundation also welcomes proposals from small grassroots conservation and environmental justice groups***, but the requested amount should be in the \$5,000 to \$7,500 range and not exceed 25 percent of the organization's typical annual expenses.

Deadline: Accepted throughout the year ***until April 2025*** or when funds are exhausted.

[Rose Foundation](#)

- **Racial Equity/Social Justice**

The Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation partners with organizations and networks working to alleviate poverty and increase social and economic justice in 11 Southern states. Organizations may use funds for general operating support, project support, "glue" support for networks of grassroots and partner organizations, and organizational development. **Geographic scope:** AL, AR, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, and WV

Deadline: No date listed. Submit organizational summaries anytime throughout the year.

[Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation](#)

- **Youth**

(new) The NBA Foundation supports organizations operating in [NBA markets](#) in the U.S. and Canada that promote school-to-career employment opportunities, including job readiness, skill training, job placement, and career advancement, for Black youth ages 14 to 24. U.S. nonprofit organizations and Canadian registered charities that target Black youth ages 14 to 24 years old and serve a minimum of 25 youth annually are eligible for support.

Deadline: Applications for 2024 are being accepted on a rolling basis.

[NBA Foundation](#)

The Karma for Cara Foundation's Microgrant Program supports youth engagement and service to others in U.S. communities. The program provides youth, age 18 and under, grants of between \$250 and \$1,000 to complete service projects. The Foundation suggests that applicants be connected to a sponsoring school or organization to receive the funds. Examples include a school, scout troop, youth group, etc.

Deadline: October 1, 2024

[Karma for Cara](#)

We Are Family Foundation - Youth to the Front Fund supports and funds under-30-years-old youth activists, youth-led organizations, projects, innovations, and creative solutions that are at the forefront of fighting systemic racism, inequality, inequity, and injustice in the United States and around the world. The Fund will support artist individuals & collectives, cultural storytellers, creative organizers, and heritage keepers who are using their voice and power to address systemic injustice and shift narratives in global and local communities. Grant awards up to \$20,000.

Deadline: August 16, 2024

[We Are Family Foundation](#)

The Foot Locker Foundation Community Empowerment Program provides grant funding to support local nonprofit community-based organizations in 13 cities whose programs advance opportunities for youth in **eligible cities include** Los Angeles, Oakland, and San Francisco, CA; Atlanta, GA; Chicago, IL; Baltimore, MD; Detroit, MI; Newark, NJ; New York City, NY; Philadelphia, PA; Dallas and Houston, TX; and Washington, DC. Program AND capital improvement grants ranging from \$25,000 to \$100,000 are available to support youth programming, or support capital improvement projects that enhance the impact of youth programming.

Deadline: September 30, 2024

[Foot Locker Community Empowerment Program](#)

*This listing primarily focuses on regions of the country and targets communities: urban/suburban/rural where I have lived or worked, or other places that touch my life – where I know people are working hard to make a difference. And besides regional and state-specific grants, national and Federal grant opportunities related to the health and well-being of communities and families will also be included in this listing.

