



Grants Development Office



MOVING TRITON COLLEGE FORWARD

Funding Opportunities Newsletter/ December 2020

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recent Awards

Congratulations to the following Triton employees for their recent grant awards!

- ❖ **Paul Jensen** and **Lee Jackson** for a second round of funding from the Illinois Community College Board's Workforce Equity Initiative grant program. The \$1,046,224 award will cover tuition, fees, books, study supplies, job search materials, transportation costs, and childcare fees for program participants. The Workforce Equity Initiative was created to help individuals in at-risk communities complete short-term postsecondary credentials and secure employment in high-skill, high-wage, and in-demand occupations.
- ❖ **Cindy Mentone, Linda Ricchio,** and the **Child Development Center** for a second round of funding from the Childcare Restoration grant program (a part of the Illinois Business Interruption Grants [BIG] program). The Child Development Center will use the \$56,364 award to cover expenses associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Programs of Study Approval Cohorts

Join the ICCB as they kick-off the Programs of Study Approval Cohorts and discuss upcoming professional development opportunities for the winter and spring. Led by your ICCB CTE liaisons, the cohorts will walk you through the POS Expectations Tool and new ICCB POS approval process.

When: December 9, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Registration: <https://illinoisstate.zoom.us/meeting/register/tj0rc--qqzlrH9Q2evyDPv8HKynF69jtnroN>

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

FEDERAL

U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)

Secondary Education, Two-Year Postsecondary Education, and Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom Challenge Grants Program (SPECA)

Deadline: February 4, 2021

Award: \$50,000 - \$300,000

The purpose of this grant program is to (a) promote and strengthen secondary education and two-year postsecondary education in the food and agriculture sciences, and to (b) encourage collaboration between secondary, two-year postsecondary, and higher education programs in the food and agriculture sciences with the goal of increasing the number of students who pursue degrees in this field. Proposed projects must focus on one of three areas: 1) Promotion of new and improved curricula and materials; 2)

Faculty development in the areas of teaching competency, subject matter expertise, pedagogy, responsiveness to changes in student demographic composition and learning styles, and student recruitment and advising skills; and, 3) Collaboration/linkages between secondary, two-year postsecondary, and baccalaureate degree-granting institutions to maximize the use of resources that support education in the food and agricultural sciences.

<https://nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/secondary-education-two-year-postsecondary-education-and-agriculture-k-12>

FOUNDATION

American Honda Foundation

Deadline: February 1, 2021

Award: \$20,000 - \$75,000

The American Honda Foundation supports youth education with a specific focus on the STEM subjects as well as the environment. The Foundation's funding priority is youth education, specifically in the areas of STEM, the environment, job training, and literacy. Proposed projects should include creative methods to address the complex educational concerns currently facing society; be broad in scope, intent, impact and outreach; and demonstrate an urgent need (a public/societal need, not necessarily a financial one).

<https://www.honda.com/community/applying-for-a-grant>

American Family Insurance Dreams Foundation, Inc.

Deadline: February 27, 2021

Award: \$10,000 (average)

The Dreams Foundation grants fund projects in two priority areas: life-long learning and basic needs. Life-long learning includes programs and services that provide individuals with access to education and empower them to take part in a diverse, sustainable, and growing workforce. Funding supports wrap-around educational programming (including STEAM and early childhood development) and job training, financial literacy, and workforce readiness activities. The basic needs priority area supports programs that provide food security (e.g., food pantries, community gardens, and sustainable food sources), housing, and transportation and daycare for individuals pursuing education and/or trying to maintain employment.

<https://www.amfam.com/about/givingback/community-investment/community-grants>

Dr. Scholl Foundation

Deadline: March 1, 2021

Award: \$5,000 - \$25,000

The Dr. Scholl Foundation, located in Northbrook, Illinois, prioritizes funding for education, social services, healthcare, the environment, and civic and cultural projects. Grants are considered on an annual basis and may be submitted anytime between October 1 and March 1. Prospective grantees are notified of the Board's decision in November and, if approved, grant payments are made in December of the grant year.

<https://www.drschollfoundation.com/>

Many of these opportunities are time-sensitive and require a quick response time. Please email christinaskasa@triton.edu, raquelcotuno@triton.edu, or normavillasenor@triton.edu (or contact us at ext. 3631) if you are interested in any of these funding opportunities.



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