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The following are descriptions of and links to sources of information about funding opportunities for weight and health related activities.

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Government Resources

21st Century Community Learning Centers Program

This government program awards grants to rural and inner-city public schools to enable them to plan, implement, or expand projects that benefit the educational, health, social services, cultural and recreational needs of the community.

<http://www.ed.gov/21stcclc/index.html>.

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The California Nutrition Network for Healthy, Active Families

The California Nutrition Network for Healthy, Active Families offers an opportunity to participate in their innovative Local Incentive Award Program for the Federal Fiscal Year October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2003. U.S. Department of Agriculture funds this program, and local public entities may receive an additional \$.50 in federal matching funds for every dollar of approved local in-kind activity pledged and paid for by non-federal sources that is targeted to lower income consumers. The State matching dollars also must be spent on qualifying nutrition and physical activity interventions in addition to pledged in-kind contribution. Interventions are expected to promote both healthy eating and physical activity to the maximum degree possible.

To participate in the Local Incentive Award Program, you must submit a Letter of Collaboration by April, and a Match Scope of Work and Budget and Justification by June. www.ca5aday.com



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Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA)

The comprehensive listing of all federal grant dollars covering 1,400 different programs. <http://www.cfda.gov/>

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention is recognized as the lead federal agency for protecting the health and safety of people and promoting health through strong partnerships. CDC serves as the national focus for developing and applying disease prevention and control, environmental health, and health promotion and education activities designed to improve the health of the people of the United States. CDC's web site lists funding announcements in categories including chronic disease prevention, health promotion, and immunizations. www.cdc.gov

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Community Micro Grants

Through a new HHS micro-grant initiative, money will be distributed to local, non-profit organizations and coalitions in different geographic areas to support programs designed to increase the quality and years of healthy life of residents and to eliminate health disparities. Grantees could use the money for such activities designed to promote prevention and improve health locally. *Currently, grants are available to organizations in North Carolina and parts of Connecticut as part of a pilot project.*

www.health.gov/healthypeople

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Food Assistance and Nutrition Research Grants Program (FANRP)

This program established by USDA's Economic Research Service (ERS) funds a portfolio of extramural projects through competitive contracts and through a tightly run peer review process for awarding competitive grants and cooperative agreements. FANRP also sponsors a Small Grants Program to stimulate new research and to broaden the participation of social and nutrition science scholars in food assistance and nutrition policy issues. In the past, these applications have been due around May each year.

<http://www.ers.usda.gov/briefing/FoodNutritionAssistance/>

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The Federal Register

The official record for federal programs and more complicated source of information about grant dollars than the CFDA (above). Regulations needed to administer any major federal grant are posted here.

http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html

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FedStats

A government initiative that brings together statistics from a variety of sources. It is very useful for putting together a profile of your area.

<http://www.fedstats.gov/>

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FedWorld

An easier user-interface for guidance to the right source of federal money or contact than the CFDA or Federal Register.

<http://www.fedworld.gov/>

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GovSpot

A large and well organized collection of government related links. Local, State, and Federal links are all available from this easy to navigate site.

<http://www.govspot.com/>

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Grants.gov

This site allows organizations to electronically find and apply for competitive grant opportunities from all Federal grant-making agencies. Navigation of the site is simple. Use the colored tabs and links at the top of the screen to access primary sections of the site and links on the left side of the screen to access content within each section. <http://www.grants.gov/>

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GrantsNet

GrantsNet is an internet application tool created by the DHHS Office of Grants Management for finding and exchanging information about HHS and other Federal grant programs. GrantsNet serves the general public, the grantee community, and grant-makers.

<http://www.hhs.gov/grantsnet/>

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Healthy Youth Funding Database (HY-FUND)

Formerly known as the Adolescent and School Health Funding Database, this is a searchable database of information on federal, foundation, and state-specific funding sources for school health programs.

<http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dash/funding.htm>

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Initiative for Future Agriculture and Food Systems (IFAFS)

A USDA research, extension and education competitive grants program to address a number of critical emerging agricultural issues, related to future food production, food safety, environmental quality, natural resource management, and farm income. <http://www.reeusda.gov/ifafs/>

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Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)

MCHB funds projects related to child and adolescent health. Visit the *Grants Guidance* section of the web site for current grant information.

<http://www.mchb.hrsa.gov>

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National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Program Project Grants support research related to fundamental processes and diseases of the heart, blood vessels, lungs, and blood.

<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/funding/policies/ppg.htm>

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National Institutes of Health (NIH)

NIH funds organizations outside NIH to accomplish program goals related to protecting and improving human health through research:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/index.cfm>, requests for applications:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/index.html>, program

announcements: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/index.html>

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National Research Initiatives (NRI) Competitive Grants Program: The office in the Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service (CSREES) of the USDA that funds research on key problems of national and regional importance in biological, environmental, physical, and social sciences relevant to agriculture, food, and the environment on a peer-reviewed, competitive basis.

<http://www.reeusda.gov/1700/funding/ourfund.htm>

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National Science Foundation (NSF)

Gives grants to academic institutions for basic research and education projects in science and engineering.

<http://www.nsf.gov/home/menus/funding.htm>

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School Health Funding Project (SHFP)

The principal objective of this CDC project is to share with staff in local school districts practical information about how they can acquire funds for developing and improving various components of school health programs.

<http://www.ncsl.org/programs/health/pp/schlfund.htm?link=yes>

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USDA Community Food Projects Competitive Grants Program

Community Food Projects grants are designed to increase food security in communities by bringing the whole food system together to assess strengths, establish linkages, and create systems that improve the self-reliance of community members over their food needs. These federal grants are intended to help eligible private non-profit entities that need a one-time infusion of Federal assistance to establish and carry out multi-purpose community food projects.

<http://www.reeusda.gov/crgam/cfp/community.htm>

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Private Sector Resources

Active Living Policy and Environmental Studies (ALPES)

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policies that have the potential to influence physical activity and sedentary behavior throughout the population. We plan to issue a CFP on measurement of environmental variables in the first half of 2002. The first CFP on policy and environmental factors related to physical activity will be issued in Summer or Fall of 2002.

[Click here to read the full March 2002 Status Report](#)

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The Allen Foundation

The Allen Foundation makes grants to projects that benefit human nutrition in the areas of education, training, and research.

Dale Baum, 517-832-5678; website is <http://www.allenfoundation.org/>

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The California Endowment

The California Endowment is the state's largest health care foundation, awarding community-based organizations and institutions that directly benefit the health and well-being of Californians, and those who work to provide and expand access to affordable, quality health care for California's underserved individuals and communities. Community-based organizations and agencies can apply year-round to the Communities First program.

http://www.calendow.org/about/frm_about.htm

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California Wellness Foundation

The California Wellness Foundation seeks to improve the health of the people of California by making grants for health promotion, wellness education and disease prevention.

Rolling basis, <http://www.tcwf.org/>

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CANFit: California Adolescent Nutrition & Fitness Program

The CANFit Program supports local projects in California that build community leadership and stimulate change at multiple levels, from individual behavior to policy, in the areas of nutrition education and physical activity. CANFit offers planning or intervention grants for non-profit organizations working with low-income 10-14 year old adolescents of color.

<http://www.canfit.org/index.html>

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Columbia Foundation

Philanthropy and the non-profit sector have a critical leadership role to play not only in addressing the present needs of human beings and other species, but also in promoting the transition to sustainability for the future. The goal of sustainability is to secure, within the means of nature, a quality of life that is just and equitable for all humanity, other species, and for future generations. The foundation awards grants: 1) to enhance the quality of life through the arts; 2) to advance human rights; and 3) to create sustainable communities and economies. Applications due Dec.15,

<http://www.columbia.org>

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GuideStar

A database of more than 850,000 U.S. nonprofit organizations. Non-profits may register here in order to be more visible to donors seeking out and comparing charities to monitor for giving purposes.

<http://www.guidestar.org/>

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East Bay Community Foundation

The East Bay Community Foundation is a permanent endowment of charitable funds dedicated to improving the human condition and enhancing the quality of life of the residents and communities of Alameda and Contra Costa counties. The objective of the Foundation's stewardship and development of these philanthropic funds is to carry out donors' wishes by addressing ever-changing community needs through Foundation leadership, collaboration and grantmaking.

Rolling basis, <http://www.eastbaycf.org>

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Kaiser Permanente Community Service Fund Grants

Kaiser Permanente California awards Community Service Fund grants and collaborates with numerous community organizations who share a commitment to community health. Call the Kaiser Permanente Regional Office in your area and ask about the "Small Grants Project". The website below has phone numbers for regional offices.

<http://www.kaiserpermanente.org/locations/california/index.html>

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Kellogg Foundation

A foundation with sets of grants and activities that are designed to address program goals and strategies, and intended to stimulate societal impact. Among the programming areas are *Youth and Education, Health, Food Systems and Rural Development*. <http://www.wkkf.org>

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League of California Community Foundations

The League is a statewide partnership that fosters collaboration among community foundations in California in order to advance community philanthropy. Visit the *Member Foundations* section of their web site to identify potential grant sources.

<http://www.lccf.org/index.html>

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Mazon

A national, nonprofit agency which allocates donations from the Jewish community to nonprofit organizations providing food assistance to hungry people of all faiths and backgrounds.

<http://www.mazon.org/>

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National 4H Council Youth Grants Program

Offers grants for youth in local communities, in counties, and on the state level. These grants provide opportunities for young people and adults to take action on issues critical to their lives, their families, and their communities. Get updates on grant opportunities by subscribing to the list-

serve: grantsinfo-join@4hlists.org. <http://www.fourhcouncil.edu/>

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National Recreation and Park Association

An example of available monies include the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Program (UPARR) that awards funds to allow communities to remodel, rebuild, or develop existing recreation areas and facilities.

<http://www.nrpa.org/>

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National Youth Development Information Center (NYDIC)

This very well-organized site offers a wealth of information. In addition to advice on fundraising, it includes basic facts on youth development, publications, directories, research, and evaluation.

<http://www.nydic.org/nydic/>

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The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation seeks to improve the health and health care of all Americans. Grants are prioritized into four goal areas: To assure that all Americans have access to quality health care at reasonable cost; to improve the quality of care and support for people with chronic health conditions; to promote healthy communities and lifestyles; to reduce the personal, social and economic harm caused by substance abuse — tobacco, alcohol, and illicit drugs. Grantees include: hospitals; medical, nursing, and public schools; hospices; professional associations; research organizations; state and local government agencies; and community groups.

<http://www.rwjf.org/index.jsp>

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Youth Garden Grants

The National Gardening Association awards 400 Youth Garden Grants annually to schools, neighborhood groups, community centers, camps, clubs, treatment facilities, and intergenerational programs throughout the United States. <http://www.kidsgardening.com/grants.asp>

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Current RFPs

Community Food Projects Grants

The Community Food Projects (CFP) Competitive Grants Program provides the major funding source for community-based food and agriculture projects in the U.S. Approximately \$4.6 million in grant funds will be available in 2004. The Request for Applications was released February 12, with proposals

due by April 14, 2004. Visit

<http://www.reeusda.gov/crgam/cfp/community.htm> for information and summaries. 2004 Request for Applications (RFA):

http://www.reeusda.gov/1700/funding/04/04RFA_Community_Food.htm.

For more information on the program, contact Liz Tuckermanty at etuckermanty@csrees.usda.gov or (202) 205-0241.

*There is an important change in the application process this year: USDA is now requesting electronic submission. This requires going through a multi-stage registration process and completing application forms at <http://www.grants.gov>. See the RFA for instructions on how to access the forms and CFSC's website for additional tips, and allow several weeks to complete the registration process. (Those who are unable to submit electronically will be allowed to submit hard-copy proposals.)

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The Community Food Security Coaliton

The Community Food Security Coalition (CFSC) offers free services to help you understand the Community Food Projects (CFP) program and submit a strong proposal. http://www.foodsecurity.org/cfp_help.html

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Other Grant Seeking Resources

California Management Assistance Partnership (C-MAP)

C-MAP is a statewide partnership of 14 centers that provide resources (including classes on fundraising and grantwriting) for nonprofit organizations. Because the sites receive grants from various funding sources and operate independently of one another, services vary from site to site. The main website contains links to each of the C-MAP resource centers. <http://search.genie.org/genie/cmap.lasso>

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Center for Nonprofit Resources (Formerly the Grant and Resource Center of Northern California)

As a program of the Shasta Regional Community Foundation, the expansion of the scope of services lends to taking a new, more descriptive name that will be effective in the Center's continued growth and outreach into the nonprofit community in Northern California. The Center for Nonprofit Resources truly reflects the growth and expanding services provided by the Center such as consulting services, organizational assessment and planning, and customized training and management services. The Center will continue to offer its first-rate training program and library services to the North State nonprofit community. www.grcnc.org

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The Foundation Center

The Foundation Center libraries make the best and most comprehensive information available to grant-seekers so that they can identify appropriate funders and develop targeted proposals. <http://fdncenter.org/> Foundation Center [publications](#)

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Grant Proposal.com

An excellent site for learning the art of grant writing, includes tips, advice from funders, sample inquiry letters, FAQ's, and other resources for the grant writer. <http://www.grantproposal.com/>

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The Sustainable Community Network

Provides case studies, funding sources, and links to promote the concept of healthy development. Learn how other communities are managing growth to avoid congestion and outstripping local resources.

<http://www.sustainable.org/index.html>

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granthelp

granthelp provides the grant writer with on-line tips, techniques, and books related to grant writing. Every month they post quick tips. If you need a more complete explanation of the techniques of grant writing, attend their free grant writing school. A list of Internet resources is kept on their resources page.

<http://granthelp.clarityconnect.com/>

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Nonprofit Resource Center

The Nonprofit Resource Center has a library containing over 1,850 books, periodicals, videos, audiotapes, and computer databases with information on all aspects of nonprofit management and fund raising. The Center provides grant and fund raising workshops led by experts and professionals on topics including developing and writing powerful grant proposals and researching funding sources. www.nonprofitresourcectr.org

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SchoolGrants

Tips, links, and resources for education (PreK-12) grant seekers.

<http://www.schoolgrants.org/>

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**Active Living Policy and Environmental Studies (ALPES)
A Robert Wood Johnson Foundation National Program
March 2002 Status Report**

Background: As part of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's new initiatives on physical activity, a high priority has been placed on advancing

research on environmental and policy influences on physical activity. The National Program Office of ALPES opened October 1, 2001 to stimulate and support research in this new field. James Sallis, PhD, of San Diego State University, is the Program Director. Leslie Linton, J.D., M.P.H. is the Deputy Director. Kate Kraft, Ph.D. is the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Project Officer.

Purpose: Our goal is to encourage trans-disciplinary collaboration and build a research field that identifies environmental factors and public and private policies that have the potential to influence physical activity and sedentary behavior throughout the population. We hope to build a strong research field that will attract continued funding from multiple public and private sources. Results from this new field of scientific inquiry are expected to inform policy changes that will promote active living among Americans.

Directions: The success of the initiative depends on a collaborative approach among investigators in widely divergent fields. We have consulted with investigators in physical activity, public health, transportation, urban planning, architecture and the design professions, the behavioral sciences, and recreation to determine how to chart a course for the future of this research field. We will expand the collaboration to fields such as geography, law enforcement, economics, policy studies, education, and others. We are consulting with elected officials, other policy makers, and advocacy organizations to ensure that the research generated will be valued by those in a position to apply it. The results of ALPES studies will be widely communicated so they have maximum impact on research and practice.

Functions of the ALPES National Program Office: Our staff will work with advisors from multiple sectors to define research priorities that will build a strong scientific foundation for a new field and inform policy decisions. Calls for Proposals (CFP's) will be written and distributed to a wide range of professional groups. Field-building activities will be offered to stimulate interest in this research area and enhance capacities of potential applicants to respond to CFP's. We will manage the proposal review process, along with a National Advisory Committee. After funding, our office will provide technical assistance, manage the grants, and organize annual meetings of grantees. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has approved a \$12.4 million research budget for a 4-year program. We anticipate funding small (\$50K - \$150K) and large (up to \$600K) grants, as well as rapid response grants, traineeships, new investigator grants, and minority supplements.

Current status: We plan to issue a CFP on measurement of environmental variables in the first half of 2002. The first CFP on policy and environmental factors related to physical activity will be issued in Summer or Fall of 2002.

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