

Workforce Development Funding Guide

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WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUNDING

The impact of Exploring in your community and, specifically, on your local council is lasting and can be seen in three categories: Funding, Exposure, and Membership Retention. A graphic explaining that impact is provided as **Appendix A** in this document. With a renewed emphasis on Exploring there is tremendous opportunity for your council/district to secure funding through a youth workforce development strategy. The philanthropic community continues to support programs that address:

- The building of college and career readiness skills
- Providing quality employment readiness training
- Offering a range of career exploration and work-based learning opportunities

For young people to thrive as adults, they need a strong academic foundation and the knowledge and skills to be successful in the workplace. This is exactly what the Exploring program provides.

This guide has been designed to aid a district, service area, and/or council in starting discussions with key leadership and their executive board on implementing a funding strategy for Exploring. This program is new to many and a methodical approach should be taken when discussing. Those implementing the strategy should include a cross section of staff and volunteers to ensure proper planning and success.

The Workforce Development Funding Project in your council could be an Exploring program fundraising campaign that solicits local businesses, corporations, and individual donors. To make the funding project successful, the Exploring program's mission and its function as an answer to greater societal issues must be communicated clearly. Measurable outcomes and a service area implementation toolkit must also be developed. Proper training with staff and volunteers will be essential.

Funding Exploring for a Year

The table below illustrates the approximate costs of delivering the Exploring program.

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Program Delivery Needs	Expense
Exploring executive salary and benefits	\$50–\$60K, based upon cost of labor
	G1, G2, G3, or G4
Paper surveys	\$2,975.20 (40,000 surveys)
	\$2,231.40 (30,000 surveys)
	\$1,487.60 (20,000 surveys)
	\$743.80 (10,000 surveys)
	\$40.09.90 (5,000 surveys)
	\$247.74 (3,000 surveys)
	\$82.58 (1,000 surveys)
	\$41.29 (500 surveys)
	Note: Please add shipping cost if the surveys are
	scanned by the national LFL vendor.
Sales kits (Bin Item SKU 634694)	\$0.00
Other marketing materials	\$500.00
Expenses for cultivation event for an average of	Printing-\$500.00
50 people:	 Postage-\$100.00
	Meals-\$2,500.00
	• Facility rental—\$500.00
	• Equipment-\$500.00

Recognitions and awards—\$500.00

Miscellaneous-\$500.00

Training materials \$300.00

Council-sponsored activities \$3,000.00

Council-sponsored membership \$6,000.00

Recognitions and awards \$500.00

Camp program expenses (EX: COPE) \$4,000.00

Miscellaneous \$1,000.00

Administration fee 10%

FUNDING SOURCES AND METHODS

Peer-to-Peer Campaign

In this type of campaign, each volunteer sees or manages only three to five prospects (or secures that number of gifts). This can be done online or through personal contact. Click here for a guide to online peer-to-peer campaigns.

Ask Event

Unlike typical fundraising events, this is a free event where previous contributors and new guests receive personal invitations from a table host. The ask event can be a phenomenal tool for you and your volunteers to maintain campaign discipline with built-in deadlines; provide soft-sell approaches for volunteer advocates; strengthen your ties with previous contributors; showcase your current Exploring programs; and build your campaign's base. If necessary, the dinner can be organized in 60 to 90 days, but a longer period is desirable for adequate preliminary planning. Councils throughout the country are using this model successfully to raise millions of dollars.

Fundraising Events

A fundraising event can generate additional contributions when properly conducted and utilized as a part of your council's overall fund development plan. The event could be an auction, a charity ball or gala, a distinguished citizen luncheon to present one or more Exploring or Learning for Life awards, a phone-athon, or a sports event such as a 5K run/walk or a golf benefit. A sampling of different events can be found in **Appendix B.** Another source for event ideas can be found here.

e-Funding

Fundraising via digital technology, or e-funding, can be launched in several ways: advocacy web pages, social media campaigns or pleas, email solicitation, or a designation on your donation page. Using those various methods, different strategies may be deployed based on needs. Support from the National Service Center is available to help you decide which method and strategy would benefit your council most. Multiple statistics on the value of e-funding and ideas for getting started can be found in these online resources:

- 10 Reasons Your Newsletter Could Raise More Money
- Are Millennials the Most Likely to Give Online?
- Email and Monthly Giving Boost Online Revenue

- Follow The Leaders: Learn From Charities Making the Most of Digital Giving
- Online Mobile Giving Grows
- Share of Donors Giving by Mobile Devices Up 80% Since 2013
- NFG's Online Fundraiser's Checklist

Grant Writing

Many companies, families and individuals, service organizations, and chambers of commerce have charitable foundations that can assist with the funding of workforce development programs. The Potential Funding Sources document, found in **Appendix C**, provides a list of companies and foundations, including ones accredited by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, who offer grants to workforce development programs. A case statement for workforce development can be found in **Appendix D**. If you need assistance in communicating with your local chamber of commerce, contact:

Ali Ehrlich, IOM | Director of Operations
Political Affairs and Federation Relations | U.S. Chamber of Commerce
aehrlich@uschamber.com | 202-463-5760

Proposals

To be effective, a proposal needs to reflect thoughtful planning and clearly defined, measurable outcomes. It must address and meet the needs of three groups: your Exploring program, the youth served, and the foundation or individual that you are soliciting. A sample proposal can be found in **Appendix E** and **Appendix F**.

You will also find sample United Way outcomes aligned to the Exploring program in Appendix G.

A sample grant proposal to fund an Exploring Executive position in your council is available in Appendix H.

Partnerships/Relationships

In one example, the Atlanta Area Council and S.A.M.E. (Society of American Military Engineers) have formed a partnership that ties new unit development together with program and revenue generation. The Exploring Engineering Academy, held annually, was created through this partnership. If your council would like to do something similar, a copy of the memorandum of mutual support signed with S.A.M.E. can be found online at www.exploring.org. In addition, a promotional brochure and the academy schedule can be found in **Appendix I** and **Appendix J**.

Connecting to industries such as health care, law enforcement, technology/STEM, or construction/skilled trades (four key areas of potential Exploring growth) may also provide financial resources. The closer the ties between mission, program delivery, and fundraising, the better it will be for everyone. To illustrate this point: A large hospital where the CEO had a direct relationship with a council board organized a benefit event for Exploring. The impact on council staff was minimal, and the CEO's influence and relationship with the council helped make the event a success. As another example, a construction company may be a good funding partner for Exploring programs where youth are learning skilled trades and might eventually join the company's workforce.

Learning for Life Foundation

The Learning for Life Foundation was set up as a resource for local councils to use when institutions will not fund Scouting programs, but will fund Exploring and Learning for Life curriculum-based programs. Find the step by step instructions in **Appendix K**.

Exploring Experience Research Study

If you're looking for a program-outcomes research study on Exploring, this is it! The Exploring program contributes to the healthy development of today's young adults by providing them with the environment, resources, and relationships they need to learn and grow. This study addresses the issue of how healthy development is fostered by addressing a key question that a growing number of organizations concerned with youth development have attempted to answer: What are the specific components or elements of youth development that contribute to healthy, positive outcomes? Read the full study in the **Appendix L**.

CONTACTS

If your council needs assistance or if you have questions or concerns, please contact one of these departments at the National Service Center:

Fund DevelopmentExploring972-580-2116972-580 2433Fund.Development@scouting.orgexploring@lflmail.org

You can also find contact information for the National Exploring Team at www.exploring.org/about-us.

APPENDIX

Appendix A – Graphic: Effects of Exploring

The Impact of One Cub Scout



- Activity Income
- Popcorn Sales
- Scout Shop Sales
- Day Camp
- Cub Resident Camp
- · Friends of Scouting
- Cause Campaigns
- Iconic Brand
- Community Service
- Unique Life-changing Experiences
- Duty to God and Country

- Adult and Family Involvement
- Future Boy Scout
- Year-round Activities
- Alumni Development

The Impact of One Exploring Post



- Activity Income
 - Exploring Competitions
- Greater Donor Pool for "Workforce Development"
- Scout Shop Sales
- Increase Council-Owned Property Revenue/Capacity
 - Exploring Week at Camp
- Enhanced Revenue Generation
 - Ask and Cultivation Events
 - · Peer to Peer Fundraising
 - Cause Campaigns
- Develops New Talent Pool
- Strengthen and Expand Community Relationships With:
 - Schools
 - Chamber of Commerce
 - Community Service Providers (Police, Fire, Medical, etc.)
- Door Opener to Community's Corporate Structure
 - Visible as Co-Educational
 - Community Workforce Development
- Adult Involvement (Mom/Dad)
- Younger Siblings Likely to Become Involved in
- Alternative Program Track
- Alumni Development

Appendix B – Fundraising Event Sampling

Samples taken from 24 fundraising event Ideas, published by MobileCause

Chores for Charity

Nobody likes doing chores. But if you have a group of families, business partners, or community members willing to donate their time and handy skills in exchange for donations to your organization, then you have yourself a great handyman/chores services fundraiser!

Dodge Ball Tourney

This is a simple and fun competition idea for all ages. To increase participation, you can have different levels of competition and age groups to make it appealing to a wider audience.

Haunted House

Set up a scare-fest that'll raise funds instead of the undead. Save your organization some money by asking supporters and the community for decoration donations or loans of their own spooky stuff.

Moving for a Cause

Most people can always use an extra hand when moving. Gather a team of strong men and women who can do some heavy lifting to help the community (and your cause).

Obstacle Course

Instead of your normal race event, raise the bar with an obstacle course that challenges participants in exciting and rewarding ways.

Yard Sale

Gather some friends and start collecting all those unwanted items in search of a new owner. It's a great way to clear the clutter and create change!

Appendix C – Potential Funding Sources

Туре	Source	Name	Resource	Notes
Corporation	Grant	3M Company	Community Affairs	In St. Paul, Minn., and Austin,
			3M Ctr., Bldg. 225-1S-23	Texas, proposals are by invitation
			St. Paul, MN 55144-1000	only.
			Phone: (651) 733-0144	In all other 3M U.S. communities,
			Toll-Free: 1-800-364-3577	send a letter of inquiry to the
			Fax: (651) 737-3061	local facility addressed to 3M
			Web site: http://www.3Mgiving.com	Plant Manager.
Private	Grant	Abelard	Mailing address for organizations West of the	
Foundation		Foundation (The)	Mississippi:	
			Cynthia Carey-Grant, Executive Director	
			Common Counsel Foundation	
			678 13th Street, Suite 100	
			Oakland, CA 94612	
			Mailing address for organizations East of the	
			Mississippi:	
			Susan Collins	
			The Abelard Foundation-East	
			P.O. Box 148	
			Lincoln, MA 01773	
			Web site: http://foundationcenter.org/	
			grantmaker/abelardeast/eligibility. html (Abelard-East)	
			or http://www.commoncounsel.org/Abelard%20	
			Foundation%20West	

Private Foundation	Grant	Abell Foundation	The Abell Foundation 111 S. Calvert Street, Suite 2300 Baltimore, MD 21202-6174 Phone: (410) 547-1300 Fax: (410) 539-6579 E-mail: abell@abell.org Web site: http://www.abell.org/ grantmaking/index.html	
Private Foundation	Grant	Able Trust	The Able Trust 106 East College Avenue, Suite 820 Tallahassee, FL 32301 Phone: (888) 838-ABLE (toll-free in Florida) TDD: (850) 224-4493 Fax: (850) 224-4496 E-mail: info@abletrust.org Web site: http://www.abletrust.org/grant/	
Private Foundation	Grant	Achelis & Bodman Foundation	The Achelis and Bodman Foundations 767 Third Avenue, 4th Floor New York, NY 10017 Phone: (212) 644-0322 Fax: (212) 759-6510 E-mail: main@achelis-bodman-fnds.org Web site: http://fdncenter.org/grantmaker/achelis-bodman/	
		AEGON Transamerica Foundation	Tax Dept. 4333 Edgewood Rd., N.E. Cedar Rapids, IA 52499-3210 E-mail: shaegontransfound@aegonusa.com Website: http://www.transamerica.com/about_us/aegon_transamerica_foundation.asp	

Corporation	Grant	Alcatel-Lucent	E-mail: sustainable.development@alcatel.com	The purpose of the Alcatel-
			Web site: http://www.alcatel-lucent.com/	Lucent Foundation is to support
			wps/portal/foundation	the local communities where
				Alcatel-Lucent employees work
				and live in the United States and
				around the world. Alcatel-Lucent
				teams analyze the diverse needs
				within those communities and
				make careful decisions about the
				programs that Alcatel-Lucent will
				support to better the
				communities where its
				employees work and live.
Corporation	Grant	Alcoa	Phone: (412) 553-2348	
			E-mail: alcoa.foundation@alcoa.com	
			Web site: http://www.alcoa.com/ global/	
			en/community/info_page/foundation. asp	
Private	Grant	Alfred P. Sloan	Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	
Foundation		Foundation	630 5th Ave., Ste.	
			2550 New York, NY 10111-0242	
			Contact: Paul L. Joskow, Pres.	
			Phone : (212) 649-1649	
			Fax: (212) 757-5117	
			Web site: http://www.sloan.org/main.shtml	

Corporation	Grant	Alliant Energy	Executive Director Alliant Energy Foundation P.O. Box 77007 Madison, WI 53707-1007 Phone: (608) 458-4483 or (800) 255-4268, ext. 458-4483 E-mail: foundation@alliantenergy.com Web site: http://www.alliantenergy.com/docs/groups/public/documents/pub/ p014350.hcsp	
Corporation	Grant	Allstate	Regional Contact information available at: http://www.allstate.com/foundation/ contact-us.aspx Website: http://www.allstate.com/ citizenship/Allstate-foundation.aspx	
		Altman Foundation	Karen L. Rosa, V.P. and Exec. Dir.; Jeremy Tennenbaum, C.F.O. 521 5th Ave., 35th Fl. New York, NY 10175-3599 Phone: (212) 682-0970 E-mail: info@altman.org Website: http://www.altmanfoundation.org	
		American Association of Community Colleges	1 Dupont Cir., N.W., Ste. 410 Washington, D.C. 20036-1145 Phone: (202) 728-0200 Fax: (202) 833-2467 Website: http://www.aacc.nche.edu	
Corporation	Grant	American Express	Regional Contact Information is available at: http://home3. americanexpress.com/corp/gb/submit.asp Website: http://home3.americanexpress. com/corp/csr.asp?us_nu=subtab	

Corporation	Grant	American Financial Holdings, Inc.	American Savings Foundation 185 Main St. New Britain, CT 06051-2296 Phone: (860) 827-2556 E-mail: info@asfdn.org Website: http://www.asfdn.org	
Corporation	Grant	Ameriprise Financial	Ameriprise Financial, Inc. Corporate Giving Program 55 Ameriprise Financial Ctr. Minneapolis, MN 55474 Phone: (866) 625-1697 E-mail: ameriprise.financial.community. relations@ampf.com Website: http://www.ameriprise. com/amp/global/about-ameriprise/ community- relations.asp	
Private Foundation	Grant	Annie E. Casey Foundation	The Annie E. Casey Foundation Attention: Office of the President 701 St. Paul Street Baltimore, MD 21202 E-mail: webmail@aecf.org Website: http://www.aecf.org/AboutUs/ GrantInformation.aspx	
		AONE Foundation for Nursing Leadership Research and Education	325 Seventh St. N.W Washington, D.C. 20004-2818 Phone: (202) 626-2240 Fax: (202) 638-5499 Website: http://www.aone.org/aone_foundation/index.shtml	

		Applied Materials Foundation (The)	Claudia Schwiefert, Grant Mgr.; Siobhan Kenney, Exec. Dir. 3050 Bowers Ave., MS 0106 Santa Clara, CA 95054-3201 E-Mail: applied_materials_foundation@amat.com Website: http://www.appliedmaterials.com/company/corporate -responsibility	
		Arizona Community Foundation	2201 E. Camelback Rd., Ste. 405B Phoenix, AZ 85016-3431 Phone: (602) 381-1400 Fax: (602) 381-1575 E-mail: info@azfoundation.org Website: http://www.azfoundation.org	
		Armstrong County Community Foundation (The)	Mindy Knappenberger, Exec. Dir. 220 S. Jefferson St., Ste. B Kittanning, PA 16201 Phone: (724) 548-5897 Fax: (724) 548-4275 E-mail: accfound@windstream.net Website: http://www.accfound.org	
Corporation	Grant	AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals	Phone: 1-800-236-9933 E-mail: azgiving@astrazeneca.com Website: http://www.astrazeneca-us. com/community-support/	

Corporation	Grant	B.F. Goodrich	The Goodrich Foundation, Inc.	
-			4 Coliseum Centre	
			2730 W. Tyvola Rd.	
			Charlotte, NC 28217-4578	
			Contact: Kelly Chopus, Secy.	
			Phone: (704) 423-7489	
			Fax: (704) 423-7011	
			Website: http://www.goodrich.com/	
			CDA/GeneralContent/0,1277,50,00.html	
Corporation	Grant	Bank of America	See local branches for information.	
			Phone : (800) 218-9946	
			E-mail: https://www1.bankofamerica.	
			com/foundation/index.	
			cfm?template=contact_us_here	
			Web site: http://www.bankofamerica.	
			com/foundation/	
Corporation	Grant	Bank of New York	The Bank of New York Mellon,	
		Mellon	One Mellon Center — Room 1830,	
			Pittsburgh, PA 15258	
			Website:	
			http://www.bnymellon.com/about/communityinvolve	
			ment/charitablegiving.html	
Corporation	Grant	Bayer	Bayer USA Foundation	
			100 Bayer Rd.	
			Pittsburgh, PA 15205-9741	
			Contact: Rebecca Lucore, Executive Director	
			Phone: (412) 777-2000	
			Website: http://www.bayerus.com/	
			Foundation/Foundation_Home.aspx	

Corporation	Grant	Ben & Jerry's	Ben & Jerry's Foundation, Inc. 30 Community Dr. South Burlington, VT 05403-6828 Contact: Debby Kessler, Administrative Assistant Phone: (802) 846-1500 Website: http://www.benjerry.com/ foundation/index.html	
		Black Philanthropy Initiative	Keva Womble Arizona Community Foundation 2201 E. Camelback Rd., Ste. 202 Phoenix, AZ 85016-3481 Phone: (602) 381-1400 Fax: (602) 381-1575 E-mail: jgordon@azfoundation.org Website: http://www.azfoundation.org/InitiativesImpact/Philant hropyforAll/BlackPhilanthropyInitiative.aspx	
Private Foundation	Grant	Blandin Foundation	Blandin Foundation 100 North Pokegama Avenue Grand Rapids, MN 55744 Phone: (218) 326-0523 Toll Free: (877) 882-2257 Fax: (218) 327-1949 Website: http://www.blandinfoundation.org/html/grants.cfm	

Corporation	Grant	Blockbuster	National: Office of Corporation Contributions	
·			1201 Elm Street	
			Dallas, TX 75270	
			Phone: (214) 854-3077	
			Fax: (214) 854-3822	
			Local: Refer to web site	
			Website: http://www.blockbuster.com/	
			corporate/communityRelations	
		DI - C DI -	Calcula Ballilla and Laterian Barra	
		Blue Cross Blue	Celeste Reid Lee, Interim Pres.	
		Shield of	Landmark Ctr.	
		Massachusetts	401 Park Dr.	
		Foundation, Inc. for	Boston, MA 02215-3325	
		Expanding	Phone: (617) 246-3744	
		Healthcare Access	Fax: (617) 246-3992	
			E-mail: info@bluecrossmafoundation.org	
			Website: http://www.bcbsmafoundation.org	
		Pooing Company	Pridget Sweepey Penzulli	
		Boeing Company	Bridget Sweeney-Renzulli	
		Charitable Trust	Bank of America, N.A.	
			P.O. Box 831041	
			Dallas, TX 75283-1041	
			Phone: (312) 544-2071	
			Website:	
			http://www.boeing.com/companyoffices/aboutus/com	
			munity/index.html	

Private	Grant	Bradley Foundation	Grants Program	
Foundation			The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation	
			The Lion House	
			1241 North Franklin Place	
			Milwaukee, WI 53202-2901	
			Phone: (414) 291-9915	
			Fax: (414) 291-9991	
			Website:	
			http://www.bradleyfdn.org/application_procedure.asp	
		California	221 S. Figueroa St., Ste. 400	
		Community	Los Angeles, CA 90012	
		Foundation	Phone: (213) 413-4130	
			Fax: (213) 383-2046	
			E-mail: info@calfund.org	
			Website: http://www.calfund.org/	
		California Wellness	Amy Scop, Dir., Grants Mgmt.	
		Foundation (The)	6320 Canoga Ave., Ste. 1700	
			Woodland Hills, CA 91367-2565	
			Phone: (818) 702-1900	
			Fax: (818) 702-1999	
			E-mail: tcwf@tcwf.org	
			Website: http://www.calwellness.org/	
		Cathay Bank	Nancy Morikawa	
		Foundation	777 N. Broadway	
			Los Angeles, CA 90012	
			Phone: (626) 279-3876	
			Website: https://www.cathaybank.com/Cathay-	
			Foundation/Home/	

Other	Grant	Center for	Center for Nonprofit Management	
		Nonprofit	1000 N. Alameda Street Suite 250	
		Management	Los Angeles, CA 90012	
			Phone: (213) 687-9511	
			Fax: (213) 687-7159	
			E-mail: main@cnmsocal.org	
			Website: http://www.cnmsocal.org/	
Private	Grant	Ceres Foundation	The Ceres Foundation	
Foundation			18606 Reliant Drive	
			Gaithersburg, MD 20879	
			E-mail: Ceresmd@comcast.net	
			Website: http://fdncenter.org/ grantmaker/ceres/	
Private	Grant	Charles E. &	Charles E. & Caroline J. Adams Trust	
Foundation		Caroline J. Adams	P.O. Box 55886	
		Trust	Boston, MA 02205-5886	
			Application address:	
			c/o Bank of America, N.A.	
			Philanthropic Mgmt.	
			Attn.: Kerry H. Sullivan, Sr. V.P.	
			100 Federal St. MA5-100-05-01	
			Boston, MA 02110	
			Phone: (617) 434-4846	

	Mott Foundation	C.S. Mott Foundation
		Mott Foundation Building
		503 S. Saginaw St., Ste. 1200
		Flint, MI 48502-1851
		Phone: (810) 238-5651
		Fax: (810) 766-1753
		Website: http://www.mott.org/about/
		thefoundation.aspx
		For other locations, consult the site here:
		http://www.mott.org/Home/about/
		thefoundation/contactinfo.aspx
rant	Chicago	Ms. Sandy Phelps, Director, Grants Management
	Community Trust	The Chicago Community Trust
		111 East Wacker Drive
		Suite 1400
		Chicago, IL 60601
		Phone : (312) 616-8000
		Fax: (312) 616-7955
		E-mail: info@cct.org
		Web site: http://www.cct.org/page28925.cfm
rant	Chrysler	The Chrysler Foundation
		1000 Chrysler Dr.
		CIMS: 485-10-94
		Auburn Hills, MI 48326-2766
		Phone: (248) 512-2502
		Community Trust

Corporation	Grant	Citi Foundation	Citi Foundation 850 3rd Ave., 13th Fl. New York, NY 10022-6211 Phone: (212) 559-9163 Fax: (212) 793-5944 E-mail: citigroupfoundation@citi.com URL: http://www.citigroupfoundation.com	
		Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation	William P. Getty, Pres. 223 4th Ave. 1400 Benedum-Trees Bldg. Pittsburgh, PA 15222-1713 Phone: (412) 288-0360 Fax: (412) 288-0366 E-mail: info@benedum.org Website: http://www.benedum.org	
Corporation	Grant	Comcast	Regional contact information available here: http://www.comcast.com/ corporate/about/inthecommunity/ foundation/serviceareas.html E-mail for Scholarship Program Administrators: comcast@spaprog.com Website: http://www.comcast.com/ corporate/about/inthecommunity/ foundation/comcastfoundation.html	
Private Foundation	Grant	Community Foundation for Greater New Haven	The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven 70 Audubon Street New Haven, CT 06510-9755 Phone: (203) 777-2386 Fax: (203) 787-6584	

			E-mail: contactus@cfgnh.org	
			Website: http://www.cfgnh.org/page10000271.cfm	
		Community	Terri Lee Freeman, Pres.	
		Foundation for the	1201 15th St. N.W., Ste. 420	
		National Capital	Washington, D.C. 20005-2842	
		Region (The)	Phone: (202) 955-5890	
			Fax: (202) 955-8084	
			E-mail: tfreeman@cfncr.org	
			Website: http://www.thecommunityfoundation.org	
		Community	Rebecca Byrne, Pres.	
		Foundation of	212 St. Joseph Rd.	
		South Alabama	Mobile, AL 36602	
		(The)	Phone: (251) 438-5591	
			Fax: (251) 438-5592	
			E-mail: info@communityendowment.com	
			Website: http://www.communityendowment.com	
		Community	For grants and scholarships:	
		Foundation of	Michelle Eberly, Prog. Off.	
		Western Virginia	611 S. Jefferson St., Ste. 8	
			Roanoke, VA 24011	
			Phone: (540) 985-0204	
			Fax: (540) 982-8175	
			E-mail: programs@foundationforroanokevalley.org	
			Website: http://www.foundationforroanokevalley.org	
Other	Grant	Community	To locate a community foundation in your area and	
		Foundations	determine whether your organization might be eligible	
			for funds, visit: http://www.communityfounda- tions.net/	

Corporation	Grant	Constellation	Ms. Leanne P. Posko Managing Director Community	
		Energy (Baltimore	Partnerships	
		Gas and Electric)	Constellation Energy	
			111 Market Place, 10th Floor	
			Baltimore, Maryland 21202	
			Phone: 1-888-460-2002	
			Website: http://www.constellation.com/	
			portal/site/constellation/menuitem.531e0	
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			Indianapolis, IN 46280	
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Corporation	Grant	Goldman Sachs	The Goldman Sachs Foundation 85 Broad Street, 22nd floor New York, NY 10004 Website: http://www2.goldmansachs. com/citizenship/philanthropy/index. Html	
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Corporation	Grant	Hilton Foundation	Website: https://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news/118- our-new-approach-to-funding-hospitality-workforce- development	

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			http://www.irvine.org/grants_program/overview.shtml	
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			Href&urlname=jpmc/community/grants	
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			site: http://www.jpmorganchase.	
			com/cm/cs?pagename=Chase/Href&urlname=jpmc/co	
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			http://www.northropgrumman.com/community/index.	
			html	
Corporation	Grant	Office Depot	Office Depot	
Corporation	Grant	Office Depot	2200 Old Germantown Road	
			Delray Beach, FL 33445	
			Attn: Donations	
			E-mail: communityrelations@ officedepot.com	
			Website: http://www.community.	
			officedepot.com/odfoundation.asp	
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		Old National Bank Foundation, Inc.	Janet Heldt Baas, Pres.; Linda Ford, Fdn. Prog. Admin. Janet H. Baas, Fdn. Pres. 1 Main St. Evansville, IN 47708 Phone: (812) 464-1515 E-mail: grants&sponsorships@oldnational.com Website: https://www.oldnational.com/about- us/community-partnership/foundation- grants/index.asp	
Corporation	Grant	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	For contacts in your region, consult this web site: http://www.pge.com/about/community/contributions/ apply/#section4pgerepresentatives E-mail: charitablecontributions@pge.com Website: http://www.pge.com/about/community/contributions/	
Corporation	Grant	Pentair	The Pentair Foundation 5500 Wayzata Boulevard Suite 800 Golden Valley, MN 55416-1259 Phone: (763) 545-1730 Website: http://www.pentair.com/ About-Us/The-Pentair-Foundation.aspx	
Corporation	Grant	PepsiCo	The PepsiCo Foundation, Inc. c/o Dir., Corp. Contribs. 700 Anderson Hill Rd. Purchase, NY 10577-1401 Contact: Jacqueline R. Millan, V.P. Website: http://www.pepsico.com/PEP_ Citizenship/Contributions/index.cfm	

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	Round Table	1150 17th Street, NW Suite 503	
		Washington, D.C. 20036	
		Phone: (202) 822-8333	
		Fax: (202) 822-8325	
		E-mail: main@philan- thropyroundtable.org	
		Website: http://www.philanthropy- roundtable.org	
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	Gas Foundation	4720 Piedmont Row Dr.	
		Charlotte, NC 28210-4269	
		Phone: (704) 731-4262	
		Fax: (704) 731-4086	
		E-mail: timothy.greenhouse@piedmontng.com	
		Website:	
		http://www.piedmontng.com/ourcommunity/ourfound	
		ation.aspx	
	Pitney Bowes	Kathleen Ryan Mufson, Pres.	
	Foundation (The)	1 Elmcroft Rd., MSC 6101	
		Stamford, CT 06926-0700	
		Phone: (203) 460-5336	
		E-mail: Kathleen.RyanMufson@pb.com	
		Website: http://www.pitneybowes.com/us/our-	
		company/corporate-responsibility/community.html	
Grant	PMI	The PMI Foundation	
		3003 Oak Rd.	
		Walnut Creek, CA 94597-2098	
		Contact: Laura Kinney, Human Resources Department	
		Phone: (800) 288-1970	
		Website: www.pmifoundation.org/	
		Piedmont Natural Gas Foundation Pitney Bowes Foundation (The)	Round Table 1150 17th Street, NW Suite 503 Washington, D.C. 20036 Phone: (202) 822-8333 Fax: (202) 822-8325 E-mail: main@philan- thropyroundtable.org Website: http://www.philanthropy- roundtable.org Piedmont Natural Gas Foundation Timothy Greenhouse, Managing Dir., Community Rels. 4720 Piedmont Row Dr. Charlotte, NC 28210-4269 Phone: (704) 731-4262 Fax: (704) 731-4086 E-mail: timothy.greenhouse@piedmontng.com Website: http://www.piedmontng.com/ourcommunity/ourfound ation.aspx Pitney Bowes Foundation (The) Fitney Bowes Foundation (The) Kathleen Ryan Mufson, Pres. 1 Elmcroft Rd., MSC 6101 Stamford, CT 06926-0700 Phone: (203) 460-5336 E-mail: Kathleen.RyanMufson@pb.com Website: http://www.pitneybowes.com/us/our-company/corporate-responsibility/community.html Grant PMI The PMI Foundation 3003 Oak Rd. Walnut Creek, CA 94597-2098 Contact: Laura Kinney, Human Resources Department Phone: (800) 288-1970

Private	Grant	Polk Bros.	Polk Bros. Foundation	
Foundation		Foundation	Attn: Sheila A. Robinson, Grant Admin	
			20 West Kinzie Street, Suite 1110	
			Chicago, Illinois 60610	
			Phone: (312) 527-4684	
			Fax: (312) 527-4681	
			E-mail: info@polkbrosfdn.org	
			Website: www.polkbrosfdn.org	
		Prudential	Lata Reddy, V.P., Corp. Social Responsibility	
		Foundation (The)	751 Broad St., 15th Fl. Prudential Plz.	
			Newark, NJ 07102-3777	
			Phone: (973) 802-4070	
			E-mail: community.resources@prudential.com	
			Website:	
			http://www.prudential.com/view/page/public/12182	
Corporation	Grant	Qwest	Qwest Foundation	
			1801 California Street, 50th Floor	
			Denver, CO 80202	
			Phone: 303-896-1266	
			E-mail: qwest.foundation@qwest.com	
			Website: http://www.qwest.com/about/	
			company/community/foundation/	
			innovative_Uses.html	
		Rhode Island	1 Union Station	
		Foundation (The)	Providence, RI 02903-1746	
			Phone: (401) 274-4564	
			Fax: (401) 331-8085	
			E-mail: nsteinberg@rifoundation.org	
			Website: http://www.rifoundation.org	

Private	Grant	Richard King	Mr. Michael Watson, Vice President	
Foundation		Mellon Foundation	Richard King Mellon Foundation	
			One Mellon Center	
			500 Grant Street, Suite 4106	
			Pittsburgh, PA, 15219-2502	
			Phone : (412) 392-2800	
			Website: http://foundationcenter.org/	
			grantmaker/rkmellon/	
		Richmond	Jim Becker, C.E.O.;	
		Community	For grants: Erwin Reeves, Chief Community Investment	
		Foundation	Off.	
			1014 Florida Ave., Ste. 200	
			Richmond, CA 94804-2420	
			Phone: (510) 234-1200	
			Fax: (510) 234-3399	
			E-mail: info@richmondcf.org	
			Website: http://www.richmondcf.org	
Private	Grant	Robert R.	http://www.mccormickfoundation.org/communities/is	The objectives of our Workforce
Foundation		McCormick	sues/workforce-development	Development issue area are to
		Foundation		support agencies that help the
				chronically unemployed attach to
				the labor market and to also
				support programs assisting
				under-employed individuals in
				their move to living wage jobs.
				Job preparation programs that
				help youth acclimate to the
				workforce are also considered.
				Youth Skills Training: job services
				to youth that leads to a

				credential and job placement for youth, ages 16 - 24.
Private Foundation	Grant	Rockefeller Foundation	The Rockefeller Foundation 420 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10018 Phone: (212) 869-8500 Fax: (212) 764-3468 Website: http://www.rockfound.org/	Additional location contact information can be found at: http://www.rockfound.org/about_us/contact.shtml
Corporation	Grant	Rohm and Haas Company	Rohm and Haas Company 100 Independence Mall West Philadelphia, PA 19106-2399 Phone: (877) 288-5881 Website: http://www.rohmhaas.com/wcm/contact.page See web site for regional offices: http://www.rohmhaas.com/community/giving/guidelines/guidelines.html	

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		Foundation of	11327 Shaker Blvd., Ste. 600 W.
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			Fax: (216) 431-8015
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			Phone: (651) 224-5463
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			Website: http://saintpaulfoundation.org
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			Downers Grove, IL 60515-5424
			Phone: (630) 598-8459
			Website: http://www.saraleefoundation.org/
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Corporation	Grant	Sempra Energy (formerly SDG&E)	Sempra Energy Phone: (877) 736-7729 E-mail: Community@sempra.com Website: http://www.sempra.com/community The Sempra Energy Foundation Phone: (866) 262-4842 E-mail: SempraEnergyFoundation@sempra.com SDG&E Phone: (877) 736-7729 E-mail: Community@sempra.com Website: http://www.sdge.com/community Southern California Gas Phone: (877) 736-7729 E-mail: Community@sempra.com Website: http://www.socalgas.com/community	
Private Foundation	Grant	Singing for Change Foundation	Judith Ranger Smith Executive Director SFC Charitable Foundation, Inc. P.O. Box 729 Sullivan's Island, SC 29482 Phone: (843) 882-8021 E-mail: info@singingforchange.com Website: http://www.margaritaville. com/index.php?page=sfc	

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		Partners Cleveland	10819 Magnolia Dr., Ste. 200
			Cleveland, OH 44106-1803
			Phone: (216) 231-2300
			Fax: (216) 231-2331
			E-mail: info@svpcle.org
			Website: http://www.svpcle.org
		South Central	Terri Kaufman, Exec. Dir.
		Workforce	4201 Crums Mill Rd., Ste. 200
		Investment Board	Harrisburg, PA 17112-2893
			Phone: (717) 236-7936
			Fax: (717) 236-4426
			E-mail: wib@wibpa.org
			Website: http://www.wibpa.org
		Southwest	Jeanne Bennett, Exec. Dir.
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		Workforce	Vancouver, WA 98660-3319
		Development	Phone: (360) 567-1070
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			Website: http://www.swwdc.org
Corporation	Grant	Sprint	All proposals must be submitted online.
			Website: http://www.sprint.com/
			citizenship/sprint_foundation/index. html
Corporation	Grant	SRP	SRP
			Corporate Contributions, PAB 337
			P.O. Box 52025
			Phoenix, AZ 85072-2025
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			Website: http://www.srpnet.com/ community/contributions/guidelines. Aspx	
Corporation	Grant	Staples	Staples Foundation for Learning, Inc. 500 Staples Dr., 4 W. Framingham, MA 01702-4478 Fax: (508) 253-9600 E-mail: foundationinfo@staples.com Website: www.staplesfoundation.org	
Corporation	Grant	State Street	State Street Corporation State Street Financial Center One Lincoln Street Boston, MA 02111 Phone: (617) 664-1937 See web site for local contact info: http://www.statestreet.com/company/ community_affairs/global_philanthropy/ overview.html	
		Strafford County Community Action Committee, Inc.	Betsey Andrews Parker, Exec. Dir. P.O. Box 160 Dover, NH 03821-0160 Phone: (603) 516-8130 Fax: (603) 516-8140 E-mail: cap@co.strafford.nh.us Website: http://www.straffcap.org	

Corporation	Grant	Sun Microsystems	Global Community Development Sun Microsystems, Inc. 4220 Network Circle Drive Santa Clara, CA 95054 MS/USCA12-310 Phone: (303) 272-2354 E-mail: corpaffrs@Sun.com Website: http://www.sun.com/aboutsun/ comm_invest/giving/foundation.html	
Corporation	Grant	SUPERVALU	SUPERVALU Foundation P.O. Box 990 Minneapolis, MN 55440 Phone: (952) 828-4000 Website: http://www.supervalu.com/sv-webapp/community/guidelines.jsp	
Corporation	Grant	Target	Local Store Grants Website: http://sites.target. com/site/en/corporate/page. jsp?contentId=PRD03- 001818 Target Foundation Website: http://sites.target. com/site/en/corporate/page. jsp?contentId=PRD03- 001819	
Corporation	Grant	Textron	Cate M. Roberts Director Diversity and Community Affairs Textron Inc. 40 Westminster Providence, RI 02903 Website: http://www.textron.com/about/ commitment/corp_giving/index.jsp	

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		Charitable Trust	1202 E. Missouri Ave.	
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			Phone: (480) 948-5853	
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			101 Park Ave., 21st Fl.	
			New York, NY 10178-4799	
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			Fax: (212) 949-9778	
			E-mail: info@tigerfoundation.org	
			Website: http://www.tigerfoundation.org	
Corporation	Grant	Tommy Hilfiger	Tommy Hilfiger Corporate Foundation, Inc.	
			601 W. 26th St., 6th Fl.	
			New York, NY 10001-1101	
			Phone: (212) 549-6010	
			Website: http://www.tommy.com/	
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Corporation	Grant	U.S. Bancorp	Please consult the following web site for contacts by	
			state: http://www.usbank.com/cgi_w/cfm/	
			about/community_relations/charit_	
			giving_contacts.cfm	
			Website: http://www.usbank.com/	
			cgi_w/cfm/about/community_relations/	
			grant_guidelines.cfm	

Other	Grant	U.S. Chamber of	Institute for a Competitive Workforce	See next sheet for accredited
		Commerce;	U.S. Chamber of Commerce	locations
		Institute for a	1615 H Street NW	
		Competitive	Washington, DC 20062	
		Workforce	Phone: (202) 463-5525	
			Fax: (202) 887-3424	
			E-mail: ICW@uschamber.com	
			Website: http://www.uschamber.com/ icw/default	
		UniHealth	Mary Odell, Pres.	
		Foundation	800 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1300	
			Los Angeles, CA 90017-2665	
			Phone: (213) 630-6500	
			Fax: (213) 630-6509	
			E-mail: webadmin@unihealthfoundation.org	
			Website: http://www.unihealthfoundation.org/	
		United Negro	Melissa C. Green Ph.D., Dir.	
		College Fund	6402 Arlington Blvd., Ste. 600	
		Special Programs	Falls Church, VA 22042-2343	
		Corporation	Phone: (703) 677-3400	
			Fax: (703) 205-7645	
			E-mail: portal@uncfsp.org	
			Website: http://www.uncfsp.org	
Private	Grant	Valentine Perry	The Valentine Perry Snyder Fund	
Foundation		Snyder Fund	c/o Megan Watkins, Program Officer	
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			345 Park Ave., 4th Floor	
			New York, New York 10154	
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			Phone: (812) 491-4176	
			E-mail: mmiller@vectren.com	
			Website: http://www.vectrenfoundation.org/	
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		Foundation	4001 Mission Oaks Blvd.	
			Camarillo, CA 93010-8364	
			Phone: (805) 988-0196	
			Fax: (805) 485-2700	
			E-mail: vccf@vccf.org	
			Website: http://www.vccf.org	
Corporation	Grant	Verizon	Phone: (800) 360-7955	
			Fax: (908) 630-2660	
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			Web site: http://foundation.verizon.com/	
Private	Grant	W.K. Kellogg	W. K. Kellogg Foundation	
Foundation		Foundation	One Michigan Avenue East	
			Battle Creek, MI 49107-4012	
			Phone: (269) 968-1611	
			Fax: (269) 968-0413	
			Additional regional office contact info can be found at:	
			http://www.wkkf.org/	
			default.aspx?tabid=111&ItemID=68&NI	
			D=141&LanguageID=0	
			Website: www.wkkf.org	

Corporation	Grant	Wachovia	Regional Contacts: http://www.wachovia.com/inside/page/0,,139_414_430_7288,00.html	
			E-mail: communityaffairs@wachovia.com	
			Website: http://www.wachovia.com/	
			inside/page/0,,139_414_430,00.html	
		Walter and Elise	Pamela H. David, Exec. Dir.	
		Haas Fund	1 Lombard St., Ste. 305	
			San Francisco, CA 94111-1130	
			Phone: (415) 398-4474	
			Website: http://www.haassr.org	
Corporation	Grant	Wells Fargo	Regional Contact Information: https://	
			www.wellsfargo.com/about/charitable/	
			index.jhtml?_requestid=23842	
			Website: www.wellsfargo.com/donations	
		West Central	Nancy Straw, Pres.; Sandra King, V.P., Opers.	
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			Phone: (218) 739-2239	
			Fax: (218) 739-5381	
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Corporation	Grant	Western Union	Western Union Foundation	
			12500 East Belford Avenue Suite M1-I	
			Englewood, CO 80112	
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		Wisconsin Public Service Foundation	700 N. Adams St. P.O. Box 19001 Green Bay, WI 54307-9001 Website: http://www.wisconsinpublicservice.com/company/foundation.aspx	
Other	Grant	Workforce3one.org	Web site: http://www.workforce3one.org	
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Other	Grant	Workforce USA.net	E-mail: info@workforceusa.net Website: http://www.workforceusa.net/	

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			Xerox Foundation	
			45 Glover Avenue, 6th Floor	
			P.O. Box 4505	
			Norwalk, CT 06856-4505	
			Website: http://www.xerox.com/	
			go/xrx/template/Promotions.	
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			(256) 237-
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'	<u> </u>		(334) 298-
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			(501) 327-
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			(479) 521-
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Rogers-Lowell Area Chamber of Commerce	Rogers	AR	1240
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			(949) 492-
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San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce	San Diego	CA	1300
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Simi Valley Chamber of Commerce	Simi Valley	CA	3900
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			(970) 482-
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			(302) 734-
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			(239) 992-
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			(352) 334-
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Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce	Brandon	FL	1221
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Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce	Delray Beach	FL	1380
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			(515) 331-
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			(847) 438-
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Fort Mitchell	KY	(859) 578- 8800
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Plano Chamber of Commerce	Plano	TX	7547
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Richardson Chamber of Commerce	Richardson	TX	2800
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Rockport-Fulton Area Chamber of Commerce	Rockport	TX	6445
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Round Rock Chamber of Commerce	Round Rock	TX	5805
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San Angelo Chamber of Commerce	San Angelo	TX	4136
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San Antonio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	San Antonio	TX	0462
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Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce	Tyler	TX	1661
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Salt Lake Chamber	Salt Lake City	UT	3631
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Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce	Bedford	VA	9401
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Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce	Norfolk	VA	2312
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Lynchburg Regional Business Alliance	Lynchburg	VA	5966
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Martinsville-Henry County Chamber of Commerce	Martinsville	VA	6401
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Association of Washington Business	Olympia	WA	1600

Tri City Regional Chamber of Commerce	Kennewick	WA	(509) 736- 0510
Eau Claire Area Chamber of Commerce	Eau Claire	WI	(715) 834- 1204
Green Bay Area Chamber of Commerce	Green Bay	WI	(920) 437- 8704
Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce	Oshkosh	WI	(920) 303- 2266
Wausau Region Chamber of Commerce	Wausau	WI	(715) 845- 6231
Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce	Jackson	WY	(307) 733- 3316

Appendix D – Workforce Development Case Statement

With baby boomers beginning to retire, members of the Generation X and Millennial generations are moving into increasingly advanced positions to fill the gap. Still, today's employers point to a skills shortage in the United States, with many applicants lacking the expertise to get hired for and retain jobs that will allow them to be self-sufficient and advance economically. Not only are science and technology skills currently in short supply in many industries, but hiring managers continue to emphasize the importance of interpersonal skills such as communication and teamwork.

The co-ed Exploring program, for youth ages 10 to 20, provides opportunities to learn from experts in various career fields through hands-on, experiential education. Youth join an Explorer post or club sponsored by a local business in their selected career field of interest and meet on a regular basis to learn and develop career skills. At the same time adult volunteer leaders coach the youth in character and leadership skills. Local Exploring programs include arts & humanities, aviation, business, communications, engineering & technology, fire & EMS, health care, law & government, law enforcement, science, skilled trades and social services.

Successful workforce development programs typically have a strong network of ties in the community and are equipped to respond to changes in their environments. Our objective is to help future generations of young people develop strong moral character, become self-reliant, and be prepared to lead. We need visionary leaders to help us reach this goal. We need your organizational skills for a laser focus on results, and we need your colleagues to build a network of support. It is imperative that, as a community, we make workforce development a priority.

Appendix E – Proposal Sample for Helping Disadvantaged Students to Join Exploring

EXPLORING: AN OVERVIEW

Our Exploring program offers worksite-based career education to more than [XXXX] young men and women ages 10–20 throughout [COUNCIL AREA.] Exploring brings disadvantaged high school students who may have few opportunities for employment experience and limited access to career guidance to workplaces where they learn in a group setting about different careers, as well as the education and soft skills they will need to obtain gainful full-time employment. Exploring advisors encourage participants to finish high school and go to college so they can be prepared for a productive future.

Most young people lack information about what various careers actually entail, as well as information about the necessary education and training programs. Mentoring, internships, and work-experience programs provide such information, and can lead to better outcomes for young people. According to the Center for Labor Market Studies, students who gain work experience in high school are less likely to drop out of school and more likely to be employable and receive formal training in their early adult years. As the Annie E. Casey Foundation concluded, all work experiences during the teen years "build job-readiness, skills, knowledge and confidence."

Many young people have never been in an office setting; they cannot easily make a connection between their current lives and choices and their future careers. Exploring offers young men and women of high school age firsthand experience at workplaces with advisors who actually work in the fields the students are considering.

HOW EXPLORING WORKS

We offer Exploring "posts" at a variety of organizations and industries. Some of the	ne participating businesses and
organizations that host programs include	Many of these companies and
agencies offer the opportunity for entry-level full-time jobs with growth potential	

¹ Peralta, Katherine. "Baby Boomers' Impact on Participation Rate Big, Expected." U.S. News and World Report. July 17, 2014. http://www.usnews.com/news/articles/2014/07/17/baby-boomers-are-a-big-part-of-labor-participation-rate-decline.

Students select the programs they want to participate in based on word of mouth, checking our website, and encouragement from teachers and guidance counselors. Our staff conducts class-to-class presentations at high schools to recruit students. Partners such as [the local police department] also conduct recruitment visits at schools and hold open houses.

Participating organizations agree to open their facilities to students after school for a series of sessions. At these meetings, students tour the facilities, learn about the types of careers offered, the education and training necessary to hold the jobs, pay scales, and what staff members do on a daily basis.

Posts typically are engaged in hands-on projects that are as varied as our partner companies and agencies. Explorers at a police precinct post, for example, learn the basics in law enforcement such as arrest, search and seizure, first aid and CPR, and crisis intervention—and then practice these procedures in drills. Explorers in the [XXXX] Explorer club build architectural scale models, while participants in Law and Government Posts conduct mock trials. At one newspaper that sponsors an Explorer post, students have written stories and taken photographs for a special student edition of the paper. They met with editors, reporters, and the staff photographer for guidance in undertaking their projects.

Exploring helps young people develop a pathway toward a fulfilling career. Participants learn leadership, teamwork, diligence, and other soft skills that enhance their receptivity to and readiness for higher education and the world of work. Exploring encourages participants to graduate high school and enroll in college or special training, and it gives them firsthand knowledge of where their education can lead them.

Exploring is the largest program of its kind in the nation. In the past three years, Exploring has grown more than [XX] percent. The scale of the program and the emphasis on volunteer service offers greater leveraging of resources, keeping costs very low. The participating organizations are recruited by volunteers, and volunteers also deliver the programs. Staff members work with school guidance counselors and teachers to recruit young people, and they work with participating organizations in the design of their programs.

Most of the young people we serve come from diverse backgrounds, and we now, when needed, offer financial assistance to youth who participate in our programs. For the vast majority of participants, Exploring is the first hands-on experience they have had in a professional workplace environment. Exploring is inclusive in its membership, asking only that students be committed to active participation in the program and remaining in school.

Explorers' personal commitment is impressive. It is not uncommon for teenagers in Exploring programs to commute as much as an hour and a half to their post meetings, such as students who travel after school from the outer boroughs of New York City to a construction company office in lower Manhattan. We encourage students to participate in more than one program, so they may explore a variety of careers.

Exploring offers comprehensive year-round programming, including weekly sessions, local and national competitions, field trips, outdoor adventures, and community service opportunities. In-depth summer experiences include, for example, the three-week Law Enforcement Exploring Academy at Fordham University and Ten Mile River Scout Reservation in the Greater New York Councils as well as the National Mock Trial Competition held at a different college campus in the country each year.

Last year, Explorers performed close to [XXXX] hours of volunteer service, including graffiti cleanup, disaster relief, honor guards at parades, walk-a-thons, and other community service projects.

THE IMPACT OF YOUR SUPPORT

We hope that [XXXX] will partner with us and provide a \$[XXXX] grant toward our Exploring program. This will allow us to offer a wide variety of work experiences and mentoring to many more at-risk youth, and prepare them for a productive future. Your support will go toward staff support, training of volunteers, student transportation, and a wide range of program activities including [XXXX]. Your investment will enable us to help thousands of disadvantaged

students develop a clear pathway to completing their education and obtaining gainful employment upon completion of their studies. Thank you for your consideration.

Appendix F – Sample Grant Proposal

Executive Summary

Project Overview

The goal of the Takeany Council, Learning for Life, is to serve young people and their families by fostering the development of a strong values-centered life. Exploring is designed to challenge and strengthen the lives of high school aged students by helping them explore vocational and vocational interests.

Takeany Council serves more high school youth than any other organization through this type of program. More than 8,000 youth are involved in Exploring. The increasing number of young people joining Exploring, and the need to expand outreach to other youth, have seriously impacted the council's ability to fund this program. For these reasons, we respectfully seek special consideration of the XYZ Foundation for a gift of \$10,000 to further the work in this crucial area of youth development.

Introduction

The XYZ Foundation's giving focuses on economic self-reliance, advancement, equal opportunities, and developing leadership skills -- all of which are also crucial elements of Scouting.

A Partnership That Delivers: When you support Exploring you're supporting the informal educational system that is working to develop tomorrow's employees. Exploring strives to instill values of civil and corporate responsibility. Explorer posts (club-like groups) specialize in one of a variety of career areas and plan activities that offer hands on career exploration. Each post is structured through a participating organization. The resources, skills of the adults and the interests of youth become the tools to develop a program. Business, industry, governmental agencies, professional societies, civic clubs, labor unions and other community organizations operate posts.

A Countdown to Success: There are thousands of young people who are fast approaching adulthood and their work lives. The Takeany Council's Exploring program has been there to help them identify their interests and choose their paths into the future. With the XYZ Foundation's support, we can continue to provide this unique and valuable service to our youth and our community.

Service Sets Us Apart: Like the XYZ Foundation, the Takeany Council understands the vital role it plays in the lives of its clients -- in our case, youth involved in Exploring. The activities in Exploring revolve around the interests, needs, concerns, and, most importantly, the curiosity of youth. Business professionals and trades-related adults provide a forum for sharing thoughts and ideas. Exploring is an avenue for the adventurous, a vehicle for the curious, and a valuable program for youth enjoying life's most exciting time.

Explorer posts focus on areas such as health, accounting, banking, aviation, communications, law, science, engineering, veterinary medicine, law enforcement, photography, and other areas.

Because our program is helping prepare tomorrow's work force, we hope you will see an appropriate giving opportunity in this program. Your financial backing will ensure continued support to high school students in our communities.

Organization Overview

Mission and History of Organization

The Takeany Council has served youth since 1910. Our programs aim to provide unique personal growth opportunities to an ever-increasing number of youth, helping them mature into strong adults with sound character, personal fitness, citizenship, employability, and a sense of service to others.

Geographic Area Served and Populations

The council is headquartered in Anytown and serves youth in the tri county area.

In 2016 more than (insert number) youth received services in our area. The council relies on more than 10,000 adult volunteers to deliver and maintain the various programs offered.

Programs cross all socioeconomic barriers. Youth and volunteers come from a cross section of high, middle, and low income groups, as well as varied educational experiences, physical abilities, mental abilities, and ethnic and religious backgrounds.

Current Programs

Our mission is to challenge and strengthen young people in all areas of their lives: physical, psychological, social, and vocational. Exploring is a coed career education program that serves youth ages 10 to 20 years. The program also addresses character and leadership skills development.

Program Goals and Objectives

The combined objective of the Exploring program is to provide quality career information and experience to an increasing number of high school youth. The program aims to meet this objective through expanded opportunities for participation in career and lifetime hobby programs with trained adult role models.

The goal of Exploring is to build adult volunteer / community involvement to strengthen the leadership and improve the quality of the program and expand our services to meet the growing demand for our programs.

Program Design

This unique and time-proven delivery system is a special partnership with business, the professions, and trades. It also maintains a close relationship with 90 secondary schools, and especially with their guidance counselors.

The Takeany Council's collaborative effort with local high schools revolves around annual surveys of more than 18,000 youth in 52 schools. The survey is designed to assess student career and hobby interest and counseling needs. Results indicated that by far the most frequently mentioned need was assistance in making future educational and vocational plans. Although this is a substantial need, this need is not effectively being met by school guidance counselors. In fact, it is estimated that young people receive less than ten minutes of vocational guidance each school year.

Using the survey results, Exploring staff and school personnel can better meet the needs of high school students. The Takeany Council takes the information and designs programs for Exploring. For example, because aviation was the number one career choice in the survey, a series of recruitment meetings was scheduled at particular aviation businesses to form posts focused in their field. By joining an aviation post, students are better able to explore the aviation industry and career paths within that field.

Probably the most important ingredient to youth is the hands-on experience Exploring provides. Programs are not designed to be lectures, but rather a learning-by-doing experience. Where possible, the Explorer is provided a chance to get actively involved. The actual process of being hooked up to an EKG machine or developing pictures, for example, have a much greater impact than just hearing about it.

All methods are vital ingredients to providing an exciting and flexible method for adults to interact with young people as they prepare for their future roles in society.

Evaluation

Exploring service team volunteers meet with post advisors monthly to determine the post's progress and serve as trouble shooters to identify any problem areas.

A thorough year-end evaluation will be conducted by the post's Advisors, participating organizations and Exploring staff. Local Posts can annually earn the Exploring Excellence Award by meeting national guidelines.

Exploring Budget

Personnel Costs

Executive salaries (3 staff)	\$65,532.00
Office staff salary	\$15,000.00
Employee benefits	\$7,516.00
Payroll taxes	\$6,972.00
Professional fees	\$1,600.00

	Subtotal	\$96,620.00
Non-personnel Costs		
Supplies		\$3,150.00
Travel		\$12,398.00
Telephone		\$1,845.00
Occupancy		\$6,205.00
Postage		\$4,343.00
Equipment / maintenance and leasing		\$1,713.00
Printing and publications		\$798.00
Conferences		\$1,387.00
Recognitions		\$1,415.00
Miscellaneous		\$4,170.00
Charter fee and quota		\$2,675.00
	Subtotal	\$40,099.00

Total

The Takeany Council respectfully requests the XYZ Foundation to provide funding in the amount of \$10,000 to help support the Exploring program's annual budget of \$136,719.00.

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Appendix G – Sample United Way Outcomes

United Ways' Community Impact Area: Strengthening and Supporting Families	Exploring Program & Activities	Indicators	Outputs	Measurable Outcomes		
Have the knowledge and skills to thrive.	Character education activities.	Explorers participate in three or more character education activities.	Explorers will be able to translate ethical decision making and consensus-building model to resolve conflicts within their	# of Explorers surveyed can identify at least three conflict-resolution skills.		
	Career Achievement Award.	Increase in the number of Explorers that earn the Career Achievement Award.	Explorers who earn the Career Achievement Award will have the ability to make informed career decisions.	# or % of Explorers can list # of skills needed for future success in career they are interested in pursuing.		
Live in a safe and healthy environment.	Personal safety video. What Every Teen Should Know About Sexual Abuse brochure.	# of Explorers view the video or review the brochure and recognize situations.	Explorers will have knowledge to recognize potentially dangerous situations.	# of Explorers will participate in youth protection training and can recognize at least two dangerous situations.		

Have strong family and community ties.	Explorer post meetings. National Exploring Excellence Award and Career Achievement Award.	Positive relationships with caring adults. Community service projects. Pride in local community.	Explorers will respond to the caring environment created by adult leaders from the post's participating organization.	# of Explorers will participate in # of community service projects (or # of Explorers will perform # of hours of community service). # of posts will complete the community service project requirement from the National Exploring Excellence Award. # % of Explorers will earn the Career Achievement Award		
United Ways' Community Impact Area: Helping Children and Youth Succeed	Exploring Program & Activities	Indicators	Outputs	Measurable Outcomes		
Enjoy healthy social, emotional, cognitive and physical development.	Explorer post meetings. Youth leaders planning post and council activities. Youth officers.	Develop peer socialization skills. Improved sense of self- worth.	Explorers learn teamwork skills. # of Explorers will serve in a youth leadership position.	# of Explorers surveyed agree that participation in program develops socialization skills.		
	Leadership Workshop Series. Post leaders' workshop.	Cultivation of leadership skills.	# of leadership skills learned and put into practice. # of Explorers will participate in leadership training (or # of leadership training hours).	# of Explorers can apply/identify leadership skills.		

	Life skills as part of post's five areas of program emphasis.	Opportunities for physical and mental development through Exploring activities.	Increased opportunities to participate in physically and mentally challenging activities.	# of Explorers will participate in # of activities that are physically or mentally challenging.
 Have nurturing and supportive caretakers and providers. Experience safe, quality learning environments. 	Post meetings, planning sessions, post activities, training for adult leaders.	Post Advisors, adult committee, and others work with Explorers to counsel them to plan meetings and activities. Adults serve as positive role models.	Explorers participate in educational (workplace) activities organized in a secure environment created by concerned and caring adults.	# of hours adults spend in role modeling situations with Explorers. # of adults who complete training on needs of youth.
United Ways' Community Impact Area: Promoting Self- Sufficiency	Exploring Program & Activities	Indicators	Outputs	Measurable Outcomes
Receive quality education and have life and work skills.	Post meetings that take place at work sites.	Increased knowledge, soft skills (teamwork, character), and hard skills (job requirements) in the workplace.	Explorers work with adults in job shadowing and mentoring situations.	# of career topics (competencies) demonstrated to Explorers in a year. # of work sites that offer Exploring. # of hours adults work with youth.
	Career Achievement Award.	In-depth knowledge about job- related skills and requirements.	# % of Explorers will earn the Career Achievement Award.	# of Explorers surveyed made career decisions based on program participation.

	Youth officers' Fast Start. Youth officers' seminar. Post leaders' workshop. Leadership Workshop Series.	Development and enhancement of leadership skills by organizing activities. Leadership as a life and work skill.	# of Explorers serving in leadership capacity. # of Explorers attending training sessions.	# of Explorers will demonstrate leadership by organizing # of activities.	
Have access to quality jobs, work supports, and career opportunities.	Post meetings. Career cluster/career specialty organization. Career opportunities one of the programs of emphasis.	Exposure to a wide variety of career options within career cluster/specialty of posts.	# of Explorers shown # of career presentations in # of posts.	# of Explorers surveyed agree that program helped with career decision. # of Explorers surveyed after or at end of participation pursue career interest discovered in Exploring.	
Can build savings and capital.	Post meetings and activities.	The free enterprise system is discussed and reviewed. Activities operate with a budget tracking income and expenses.	Explorers see the American economic system in operation. Explorers can organize an event with a budget and necessary controls.	# of Explorers surveyed agree they have a greater respect and understanding of American free enterprise system. # of activities operated by # of Explorers.	
United Ways' Community Impact Area: Building Vital and Safe Neighborhoods	Exploring Program & Activities	Indicators	Outputs	Measurable Outcomes	

Have access to affordable housing and economic opportunities.	Post meetings at work sites. Presentations by adults in the career field. Career opportunities are an area of emphasis.	Explorers gain access to adults in the workplace and the business community.	# of post meetings that review information about careers.	# of Explorers making a career decision based on experiences in program.
Are active in civic life.	Community service projects.	Explorers will perform service projects to improve community.	# of hours Explorers assist in community service projects (by neighborhood or community).	# of Explorers that had opportunity to perform community service.
Trust, respect, and cooperate with each other.	Character education activities.	Explorers learn coping skills, respect for others, including laws.	# of sessions involving # of Explorers in character education activities.	# of Explorers involved in violence or criminal activities as compared with general population. # of Explorers surveyed that agree that character education activities helped with trust, respect, and cooperation skills.
Lead community- building efforts.	Juvenile diversion programs. Law Enforcement programs. Fire and Emergency Services programs. Other career programs that expose youth to local careers that serve community.	Explorers gain skills and knowledge about justice system. Explorers become volunteers for community organizations.	# of Explorers who volunteer in local community as result of program participation.	# of Explorers surveyed agree that program participation increased community service. # of Explorers completing the juvenile diversion program.

Appendix H – Sample Grant Proposal to Fund Exploring Executive Position

Partnership with XYZ Geographical Area

The Executive Board of the XYZ Council proposes a three-year grant of partnership to utilize the BSA's Exporing program to address the skills gap issue within XYZ Geographical Area.

The XYZ Council proposes to add to its staff an entry-level Exploring Executive at a salary of \$33,000 to serve XYZ Geographical Area.

THE NEED:

Presently the XYZ Council serves only 4.8% of available Exploring Age youth across our 10 County Area. With the addition of an Exploring professional whose duties are dedicated to this program, we would expect to increase our market penetration to 20% in XYZ Geographical Area at the end of three years.

PLAN OF ACTION:

With the approval of this partnership, an Exploring Executive will be hired to commence serving XYZ Geographical Area. The new Exploring Executive would be trained by and work with the Assistant Scout Executive.

The funding for employee costs beyond those provided by the partnership would be raised by a combination of the following: Friends of Scouting campaign, special events, and local foundations. Over the three year partnership we will work to make this position self-sustaining.

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

An immediate and major impact would be in the number of Explorers receiving on the job skills training. There would be a marked change in the number of Explorers and post with a goal of having 15 new posts and 465 new Explorers within three years.

INTERMEDIATE (SECOND YEAR)

The trend toward increased membership, units, and community involvement in Exploring would continue to increase toward the goal of 20% density. We would anticipate having 10 units registered with 310 new members by the end of the second year. This anticipated growth in units and membership will be translated into direct support for the county in numbers of new youth receiving training and for the XYZ Council in Community support for this position

LONG RANGE (THIRD YEAR AND BEYOND)

The BSA Exploring program would be the preeminent career skills training for high school age youth in XYZ Geographical Area. As a result the increased financial support through Friends of Scouting, special events, and foundations would allow this position to become self-sustaining.

XYZ Geographical Area Career Exploring Initiative 2015 – 2018

Statement of Need

A skills gap currently exists in the XYZ Geographical Area workforce. In many cases youth and family members are not aware of the excellent vocational and career opportunities which exist in the county.

The Career Exploring program can serve as a vehicle to address this issue.

<u>Career Exploring Program Delivery</u>

A business serves as the host site for an Explorer Post. The objective of the Exploring Program is for youth members to learn about career opportunities in the industry or field specific to the host site and receive on-the-job skills training. Youth do so by participating in regular evening sessions at the host site. At these sessions youth have a chance to learn in an interactive way – participating in hands-on experiences learning from the individuals who practice that trade. Youth who are members of the Explorer Post learn about the careers available through a specific employer or in a job field; the job outlook, salary, and opportunities in that field; education and skills needed; and what they can do as middle-school or high-school students to prepare themselves for work in that industry.

An individual from the business is selected to serve as the Post Advisor. Their role is to coordinate the Post's program. They will select topics which are interesting and engaging to the youth but also help educate youth and families about their field of work.

Any business, regardless of field, can host an Explorer Post – medical, manufacturing, emergency services, hospitality, etc. Post program occurs based on the availability of the host site and Post Advisor. Some will operate monthly over the course of the school year; others may be seasonal and meet with greater frequency over a shorter time period.

Career Exploring Demographics

The Career Exploring program is available to youth aged 12-20. Middle-school and high-school programs will likely differ. The goal with middle-school youth is to provide broad exposure to career fields and opportunities while the high-school program will have more of a technical focus.

Explorer Posts will be hosted throughout XYZ Geographical Area. Each community with a high school and/or significant employers will be targeted for participation in this program

In many cases parents are also exposed to the industries of XYZ Geographical Area through a young person's participation in the program. At the open-house/sign-up for each Explorer Post, parents are invited to participate over the course of the program.

Youth and families are invited to attend an open house where they are educated about the Exploring Program and offered the opportunity to sign up. These open houses are promoted through the schools, community marketing campaigns, and by the business. School-based promotion and collaboration with educators, school administrators, and counselors remains the most significant vehicle for program promotion.

Career Exploring Executive

The success of the Career Exploring program in XYZ Geographical Area is contingent on the hiring and employment of an Exploring Executive. The job profile for this position calls for an individual who can succeed in an accountable environment and who possesses strong relationship cultivation, marketing, and customer service skills. They will need to be comfortable working with business and community leaders as well as engaging and working with the educational institutions of XYZ Geographical Area. They must be as comfortable working with a business CEO as they are working with a high-school principal. Ideally the Exploring Executive will be a resident of XYZ Geographical Area.

This individual will be managed and employed by the XYZ Council Council, Boy Scouts of America. Their primary and most significant job responsibility will be to ensure that the Exploring Program develops and

is successful in XYZ Geographical Area. Operating through the Performance and Development System of the Boy Scouts of America they will have specific and measurable annual goals related to this program's success.

Three-Year Objectives

The ultimate goal of this program is to serve 20% of the middle-school and high-school age youth in XYZ Geographical Area (465 youth) and to offer fifteen different Explorer Posts. Posts will cover a variety of fields and be active throughout the County.

The Exploring Executive will also be charged with generating funds through community and business support to ensure that after three years their position is sustainable and no longer contingent on XYZ Geographical Area budgetary support.

In Year 1 the Exploring Executive would be tasked with learning and networking in XYZ Geographical Area. Six new Explorer Posts would be started in the Fall of 2015 as the school year begins. The Exploring Executive would also be tasked with raising \$5,000 of direct support prior to 12/31/2015.

An Exploring Committee will also be developed. This will be comprised of stakeholders including community leaders and members interested in economic development and a narrowing of the skills gap, business leaders, and school administrators/educators. In Year 1 the Exploring Committee will begin to meet and provide guidance and direction to the program in terms of new Post development, Post Advisor training and mentoring, Post program quality and support, and community fundraising.

In Year 2 the Exploring Program should grow to ten total Posts with approximately three-hundred youth participants. \$20,000 of direct support will be generated with a significant portion occurring through a fundraising special event which involves Exploring stakeholders. The Exploring Committee should be growing and have volunteers intricately involved in the above functions. Some type of skills academy or workshop which brings together all Exploring participants also is started in Year 2. Community and school relationships continue to improve.

In Year 3 the Exploring Program has grown to fifteen total Posts with 20% of XYZ Geographical Area youth being served (465). \$30,000 of direct support is generated through a special event fundraiser and direct community donations from stakeholders. The Exploring one-day Skills Academy event provides substantial value to participants and community exposure; it also generates \$4,000 in revenue. The Exploring Committee has developed and evolved to the point where executive transition is not disruptive to the sustainability of the Exploring Program. The Exploring Program is recognized throughout XYZ Geographical Area as a key solution to the skills-gap issue.

Program Benefits

The Exploring Program provides benefits to multiple stakeholders and entities. The youth of XYZ Geographical Area benefit as they are exposed to potential careers and receive valuable skills related to their future employment. These skills include not only the hard skills needed by employers in a specific field but also the soft skills needed in all industries. The business community of XYZ Geographical Area benefits as well as they develop a potential workforce and expose their career fields to youth and families; the business and its employees also benefit through this community involvement. The educational community benefits as they have one more tool to meet their stated goal of post-secondary readiness.

Request for Support

The XYZ Council, Boy Scouts of America respectfully requests support of \$75,000 per year with a 3-year commitment from XYZ Geographical Area. We request an initial payment of \$37,500 and subsequent quarterly payments of \$18,750 until the conclusion of the 3-year period.

Exploring Executive Position Description

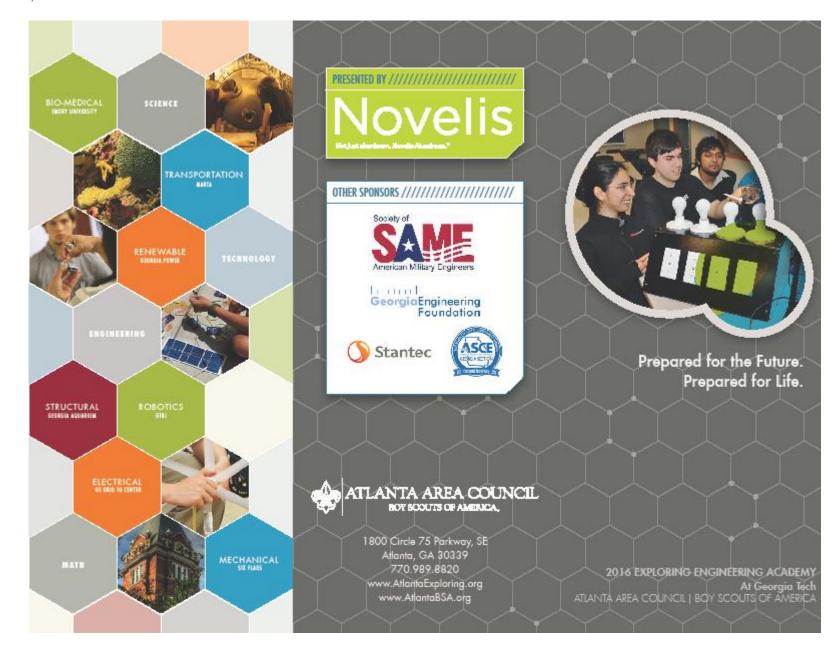
Executive position is open with the XYZ Council, Boy Scouts of America for an entry-level professional in a position that involves sales, fundraising, and management. The role of the Exploring Executive is to be fully responsible for the success of the XYZ Career Exploring Initiative. Success will be defined by strong and productive relationships with the educational and business communities of XYZ; achievement of annual membership and fundraising objectives; and development of a volunteer network to advise and support the program. Successful applicant will be people oriented and have the ability to work with community and business leaders.

Bachelor's Degree required. Some nights and weekends required. Candidate must be able to pass a criminal background check. Position offers beginning salary of \$##,000; full benefits; and auto allowance.

Position Responsibilities

- Define the importance of XYZ Career Exploring Initiative (XYZEI) to communities of XYZ and serve as its marketing, sales, and customer service representative.
- Promote Career Exploring to educators, school administrators and counselors, students and families, & business and community leaders.
- Secure commitments from the business community to sponsor Career Exploring Posts. Work with businesses to identify Post advisors and develop curriculum.
- Recruit students to participate in Career Exploring posts. Persistence and tenacity will be needed to ensure that membership objectives throughout the XYZEI and in specific Explorer Posts is achieved.
- Provide follow-up and oversight to ensure that a quality and value-added experience is being offered in Career Posts.
- Generate funds for the Exploring Program through community and business support and special event fundraising. Solicit funds directly, either independently, or through volunteers.
- Develop an Exploring Advisory committee by recruiting, training, and coaching XYZEI stakeholders into volunteer roles.
- Cultivate, develop, and maintain a close rapport with the host businesses, educators/administrators, and community leadership. Working with those active at the highest levels of leadership in XYZ is necessary.
- Demonstrate a positive attitude and enthusiasm. Work collaboratively with other Council staff, current Scouting volunteers, and XYZEI stakeholders.
- Have the ability to succeed in an accountable results-based environment. Be able to develop daily/weekly workplans and operate independently.
- Have excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Be able to demonstrate personal interactions with a wide variety of individuals and groups.

Appendix I – Sample Academy Promotional Brochure





CAN YOU HANDLE THE GA TECH **EXPERIENCE?**

During your week at the Exploring Engineering Academy, you'll stay in the dorms of one of the top engineering schools in the country - the Georgia Institute

You'll see first hand what campus life is like. You'll have the chance to meet actual engineering students, and learn what it takes to succeed at one of the nation's most respected universities. You'll meet professors, and learn about all the specialty engineering programs at Georgia Tech.

EVERYTHING ATLANTA HAS TO OFFER

There is no other city that can offer you the same variety of engineering experiences as Atlanta. From the campus of Emory University to the halls of more than 30 businesses like Georgia Power and General Electric, Atlanta is the best place to learn about all facets of engineering.

It is also the most fun. Students will see first-hand how engineering impacts your favorite activities.

APPLY BEFORE MARCH 1, 2016 & GET S50 OFF THE REGISTRATION FEE*

2016 EXPLORING ENGINEERING ACADEMY

June 5 - June 10, 2016

Cost: \$1,000 (includes lodging, meals, local travel, limited edition T-shirt, and all activity fees).

"Registration is only \$900 for all students registered before December 31, 2015 - and \$950 for from registered before February 28, 2016.

Limited scholarships for the 2016 program are available. For questions, contact your Exploring Executive.

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Visit www.AtlantaExploring.org today to fill out an application for the program.

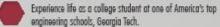
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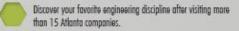
Have you ever wondered what makes a roller coaster stay on the tracks in the middle of an inverted loop? Or how electricity instantly turns on your lights even though the power plant is miles away? This summer 70 students will get the answers to these questions and more by working hands-on with some of Atlanta's top engineers.

The 2016 Exploring Engineering Academy is a once-in-alifetime experience for 9th-12th grade students to get to live on the Georgia Tech campus and get behind the scenes access to more than 15 Atlanta-area companies like GE and GA Power.

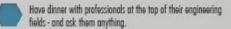
No other summer camp combines learning and fun like the Exploring Engineering Academy. Learn how different STEM concepts impact you every day, then experience these principles first-hand.

Why should you attend the Exploring Engineering Academy?

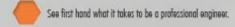












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Appendix J – Sample Academy Schedule

Exploring Engineering Academy 2016 Schedule June 5th-June 10th

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Steps for a Local Council to Use the LFL Foundation

- 1. Local council prepares proposal addressed to donor prospect. Proposal needs to specify that the funds will be used only for Learning for Life (perhaps a specific project).
- 2. Proposal is sent to Angela Sanchez, Director of Curriculum Programs, via email at least three weeks before the proposal's due date.
- 3. Angela Sanchez will send to the Learning for Life Legal Department for review and approval.
- 4. Angela Sanchez will send the proposal with a cover letter to the prospective donor. The letter will include information about the Learning for Life Foundation.
- 5. Donor sends check to the Learning for Life Foundation.
- 6. Learning for Life will send a thank you letter to the donor.
- 7. Learning for Life will submit a check request for the same amount and send the funds to the local council's Scout Executive/Executive Director along with a cover letter.
- 8. Local Executive Director sends thank you to donor and any needed reports.

Note: Proposal and all letters should make no reference to Scouting or use of the Boy Scout emblem. Also, please allow three weeks for the National Learning for Life Office for the review and approval process.

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Appendix L – The Exploring Experience Research Study

The Exploring Experience

A National Program-Outcomes Study Conducted by Louis Harris & Associates

The Exploring program contributes to the healthy development of today's young adults by providing them with the environment, resources, and relationships they need to learn and grow. This study addresses the issue of how healthy development is fostered by addressing a key question that a growing number of organizations concerned with youth development have attempted to answer: What are the specific components or elements of youth development that contribute to healthy, positive outcomes?

Two organizations in particular, the Carnegie Council on Adolescent Development and the Search Institute, have focused attention on desirable traits that youth programs should address. The Carnegie Council, after a decade-long research effort, offers the following 10 conditions as "fundamental human requirements"* that must be met if children are to grow up to be healthy, constructive adults:

- Develop sustained, caring relationships with adults.
- Receive guidance in facing serious challenges.
- Become a valued member of a constructive peer group.
- Feel a sense of worth as a person.
- Become socially competent.
- Know how to use support systems.
- Achieve a reliable basis for making informed choices.
- Participate in the constructive (age-related) expression of curiosity and exploration.
- Believe in a promising future with real opportunities.
- Find ways of being useful to others.

Similarly, youth development researchers at the Search Institute in Minneapolis, Minnesota, have developed the following framework of developmental assets that give young people a strong foundation for life:**

- Support Receive support from family, teachers, and other adults.
- Empowerment Feel useful and safe.
- Boundaries and expectations Move in an environment with rules, structure, and high expectations.



- Constructive use of time Spend time creatively on hobbies, with friends, and in religious functions.
- Commitment to learning Engage in learning and spend time daily on schoolwork and other reading.
- Positive values Learn honesty, integrity, personal responsibility, as well as to care for others, and act on this knowledge.
- Social competencies Develop respect for others and become comfortable with people of different cultures.
- Positive identity Develop a sense of purpose and self-worth.

From the important youth-development variables identified by these two comprehensive sources, several common elements emerge. Integrating these common elements yields the following six critical elements of healthy youth development:

- 1. Strong personal values and character
- 2. A positive sense of self-worth and usefulness
- 3. Caring and nurturing relationships with parents, other adults, and peers
- 4. A desire to learn
- 5. Productive/creative use of time
- 6. Social adeptness

The results of this report demonstrate that the Exploring program addresses each of these important elements.



Exploring exists to accomplish a major goal: To provide the structure and resources needed for the youth of America to learn about career opportunities, to make ethical choices, and to achieve their full potential as individuals. In a new study, researchers at Louis Harris & Associates have built on the work of two particular organizations, the Carnegie Council on Adolescent Development and the Search Institute, that are pioneers in the study of desirable characteristics that youth programs should foster.

- * Carnegie Council on Adolescent Development; Great Transitions, Preparing Adolescents for a New Century, page 49
- ** Peter L. Benson, Ph.D.; Judy Galbraith, M.A.; and Pamela Espeland; What Teens Need to Succeed; Search Institute and Free Spirit Publishing, 1998

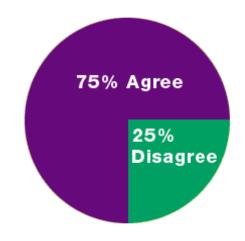
Strong Personal Values and Character

Providing young people with experiences to help them mature into responsible and caring adults is one of the purposes of the Exploring program. Making ethical choices and helping others are key components of this goal.

Ethical decision-making opportunities arise in Exploring when the post is faced with decisions about right and wrong. Three of four Explorers (75 percent) indicate that their group has dealt with such a decision during the past three months.

One of four Explorers (25 percent) participates in a service project during a typical three-month period. For teens, the importance of service projects is threefold: First, the projects help meet important physical and emotional needs; second, they communicate the value and importance of other people; and third, they allow young people to develop empathy for people who are in need.

Ethical Decision Making

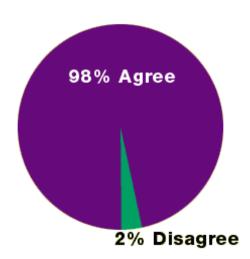


"Your post has been faced with situations when the group had to make decisions about right and wrong."

A Positive Sense of Self-Worth and Usefulness

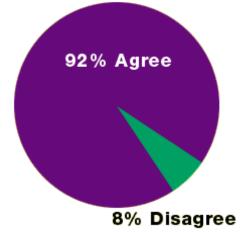
Exploring is focused on teaching youth about career fields that might interest them and encouraging them to prepare for the future. In doing so, the program aims to build self-worth and self-confidence in youth. In part, it does this by providing an atmosphere of teamwork, learning, and accomplishment. Nearly all Explorers (98 percent) agree that Exploring activities help to prepare them for the future.

Preparing for the Future



"The activities in Exploring help you prepare for the future."

Building Confidence



"Being an Explorer has taught you to have more confidence in yourself and your abilities."

The belief among members that Exploring contributes to their self-esteem is also strong: 92 percent of Explorers agree that being an Explorer has taught them to have more confidence in themselves and their abilities.



"It has been a good learning experience. He wants to be a police officer." - Mother of a 16-year-old Explorer

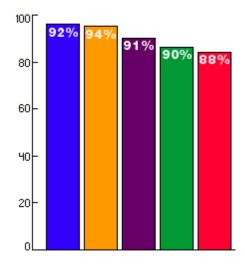
Self-worth is closely tied to relationships with others. Relationship building between youth, their peers, and adults plays an important developmental role by establishing a place of belonging and security and by fostering feelings of value. In Exploring, positive self-worth is reinforced through encouragement from others. Overall, 91 percent of Explorers agree that they receive such encouragement from other Explorers, and 94 percent agree that they are encouraged by their parents to participate in Exploring activities.

Positive self-worth is also supported through early leadership experiences in Exploring. About one in five Explorers (22 percent) hold an elected or appointed leadership position within the post.

Caring and Nurturing Relationships With Parents, Other Adults, and Peers

A key reason young people join Exploring is the opportunity it gives them to establish relationships with others. Specifically, 87 percent of Explorers indicate that "socializing with others" was an important factor in their decision to join. Furthermore, 90 percent indicate that such social development contributed to making their program experience positive.

Interaction and Communication with Adults/Peers



- Encouraged to share your ideas and opinions.
- You made new friends in your post.
- You can talk to your post Advisor about things that are important to you.
- You talk to parents about what you learn at meetings/outings.
- You talk with other Explorers about what you learn.



"[Exploring] has given her a strong sense of community participation and leadership skills." - Father of a 15-year-old Explorer

Exploring serves as a catalyst for interaction and communication between members, their parents, and other adults. Almost all Explorers are encouraged to share their ideas and opinions with the group (95 percent) or have made new friends in their Exploring post (94 percent). The strength of such peer-to-peer interaction is further evidenced by 88 percent saying they talk with other Explorers about what they learn in the program.

A clear majority of Explorers (90 percent) talk to their parents about what they learn at meetings and outings, and almost two-thirds (64 percent) talk to adults other than their parents about their Exploring experiences. Perhaps more importantly, nine of 10 (91 percent) agree that they can talk to their post Advisors about things that are important to them.

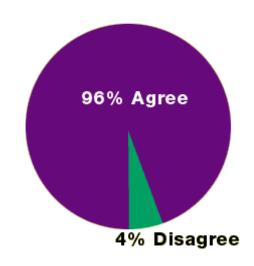
A Desire to Learn

The Exploring program matches youth who share common career interests with community members who can inform, encourage, and develop those interests. Given Exploring's goals, perhaps it is not surprising that in a typical three-month period, a majority of Explorers have learned about a career field.

Explorers value the program for these new learning experiences. In total, 96 percent agree that Exploring gives them a chance to do things and go places they would not be able to experience otherwise.

In general, further learning is important to the youth involved in the Exploring program: 99 percent of Explorers say that going to college is important to them.

Broadening Horizons

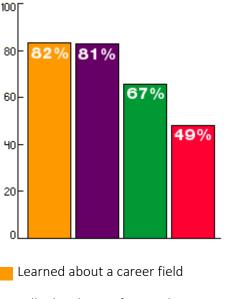


"Exploring gives you a chance to do things and go places that you would not otherwise do or visit."

Productive/Creative Use of Time

Presentations, mentoring, and hands-on experiences in career fields are the activities Explorers experience most commonly in the program. Three-fourths (74 percent) participate in presentations or lectures by experts during a typical three-month period, and two-thirds (63 percent) have hands-on experiences in career fields.

New/Unique Experiences



- Talked with a professional or expert
- Did something never done before
- Went somewhere never been before

Goals and Planning



Exploring provides members with an incentive to stretch themselves and reach beyond what they already know, see, and feel. During a typical three-month period, a majority of Explorers have learned about a career field (82 percent) or talked with a professional or expert (81 percent). Two-thirds (67 percent) have done something they have never done before, and about half (49 percent) have gone somewhere they have never been before.



Another important outcome related to productive use of time is found in Exploring's component of goal setting and accomplishment. Because of Exploring, almost all of the members (92 percent) agree that they were encouraged to think about and plan for their futures. Eighty-five percent of Explorers set personal goals for meetings and activities, and 75 percent indicate having to rely on themselves to accomplish these goals.

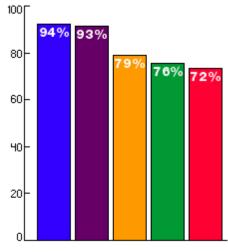
An important element of Exploring is that the program encourages young people to fulfill personal development needs while working to meet the needs of others. Over a typical three-month period, one-quarter (25 percent) of Explorers participate in a service project. Among these, 42 percent work with children, which is by far the most common type of service project.

Social Adeptness

The Exploring program teaches teamwork, leadership, and other life skills, with a particular focus on the development of career interests. These tools equip Explorers to effectively and productively contribute to collaborative efforts and cooperate with people who are different from themselves. In a typical three-month period, more than nine of 10 Explorers agree that their participation in the program helped them learn to get along with people who are different from themselves (94 percent) and learned something about how to be a team player and work in a group (93 percent). Also, about eight of 10 (79 percent) participated in group discussions, whereas just under three of four (72 percent) participated in a vote or decision made by the group.

Conflict resolution is an outcome of participation in the Exploring program, as 76 percent of members agree that they were able to resolve conflicts they had with others while participating in Exploring outings and activities.

Social Adeptness: Learning Life Skills



- Learned to get along with people who are different from yourself
- Learned something about how to be a team player and work in a group
- Participated in group discussions
- Were able to resolve conflicts you had with others
- Participated in a group vote or decision