

# Grants for Libraries Hotline

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## Library Services

### Great Books Giveaway

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**Eligibility:** Personal or organizational members of the Young Adult Library Services Association.

**Deadline:** Dec. 1, 2019.

**Funds:** Varies.

**Contact:** Young Adult Library Services Association; (800) 545-2433, ext. 4387; [YALSA@ala.org](mailto:YALSA@ala.org).

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The Young Adult Library Services Association continues to offer its unique grant program, one that awards literature rather than money. The deadline to apply is Dec. 1, 2019. However, if you miss this year's deadline, start forming your application for 2020. This is an annual award given out by the Association.

The Great Books Giveaway Competition is open to personal or organizational members of the Young Adult Library Services Association, and it is estimated that nearly 1,200 newly published books, videos, CDs, and audiotapes (all geared toward young adults) are received each year by the Association. In order to make room in its collections, YALSA must remove the prior collections. That's where the Great Books Giveaway Competition comes into the picture.

The YALSA Board of Directors believes that several libraries that serve young adults would benefit by receiving this collection of materials. YALSA and the cooperating publishers offer one year's worth of review materials as a contribution to a library in need through this application process.

As part of the application process, applicants first must demonstrate why the collection is needed in their community, why the collection is needed in their institution, how acquiring the collection will help them better serve the youth of their community, that the library's commitment to intellectual freedom and equity of access for young adults is supported by an up-to-date, board-approved collection development policy, which is based upon the guidelines in the *Intellectual Freedom Manual* (ALA, 1996) and/or *Censorship and Selection: Issues and Answers for Schools* by Henry Reichman (ALA, 2001).

Each application will be judged on a number of criteria, including the

degree of need in the community; the degree of need of the school, public library, or institution where the library is located; the degree of improvement of service to young adults in the community; the degree of clarity and effectiveness of the statement of need; an estimate of the age of the nonfiction collection; and the currency and completeness of the institution's board approved collection development policy, including the materials selection policy, with procedures for handling challenges.

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More information about the application process: All entries must include the cover sheet provided by YALSA. The application must be signed by the director of the public library, the superintendent of schools, the building-level administrator, or the director of the institution. Applicants must agree to accept all the materials received at the YALSA office, with the understanding that this collection is material targeted primarily for young adults, ages 12-18. The cover sheet, supplementary materials, and an electronic copy of the current, board-approved collection development policy must be submitted via email by Dec. 1, 2019, to either [YALSA@ala.org](mailto:YALSA@ala.org) or [ngilbert@ala.org](mailto:ngilbert@ala.org). Applications must be sent electronically. Hard copies will not be accepted. If you have any questions, send an email to [YALSA@ala.org](mailto:YALSA@ala.org).

More info online . . .

For more information, visit <http://www.ala.org/ya/lsa/awardsandgrants/yalsasgreatbook>.

## Children and Youth

### Youth Garden Grants

**Eligibility:** Schools and community organizations with child-centered garden programs.

**Deadline:** To be announced.

**Funds:** Varies.

**Contact:** National Gardening Association, 1100 Dorset St., South Burlington, VT 05403; (800) 538-7476.

The National Gardening Association has been around for more than 40 years, and for more than three decades, it has aimed to sustain the connection between people, plants, and the environment. The Association says of itself as, "a nonprofit leader in plant-based education," and its mission is to offer free educational plant-based materials, grants, and resources, "that speak to young minds, educators, youth and community organizations, and the general gardening public in five core areas." And those areas are: education, health and wellness, environmental stewardship, community development, and home gardening.

One way that the National Gardening Association also likes to help relay its vision is through the Youth Garden Grants program. Since they were first awarded, the Youth Garden Grants have helped roughly two million children learn life lessons from working in gardens in habitats. The Youth Garden

Grants are open to schools and community organizations with child-centered garden programs. Applicants must plan to garden with at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18 years. The 2019 deadline is fast approaching as applications must be submitted by Dec. 16, 2019.

Priority is given to programs that emphasize one or more of these elements: educational focus or curricular/program integration; nutrition or plant-to-food connections; environmental awareness/education; entrepreneurship; and social aspects of gardening such as leadership development, team building, community support, or service-learning.

The National Gardening Association is providing a total of 25 total programs with award packages that are valued between \$775 and \$2,360. The five programs to win the \$2,360-valued package will receive:

- a \$250 cash prize;
- \$1,000 customizable garden tool package from Corona;
- Pallet of Black Gold soil by SunGro Horticulture;
- 25' Soaker Hose from Dramm;
- One Touch Fan Nozzle from Dramm;
- Tubtrug from Gardener's Supply Company;
- Paper Pot Press from Gardener's Supply Company;
- Five pairs of Thea Webbed Gardening Gloves from GardenFreak;
- Seed Package from High Mowing Organic Seeds;
- Organic fertilizer from Javacycle;
- Big Bag Bed from Smart Pot;
- Mobile Green Wall from Watex; and
- KidsGardening.org curriculum package.

The 20 programs to win the \$775-valued package will receive:

- a \$250 cash prize;
- hand tool package from Corona;
- One Touch Fan Nozzle from Dramm;
- Tubtrug from Gardener's Supply Company;
- Paper Pot Press from Gardener's Supply Company;
- Five pairs of Thea Webbed Gardening Gloves from GardenFreak;
- Seed Package from High Mowing Organic Seeds;

- Organic fertilizer from Javacycle;
- Big Bag Bed from Smart Pot;
- Mobile Green Wall from Watex; and
- KidsGardening.org curriculum package.

There is a post-grant or final project reporting requirement. Grantees will be required to submit an impact report at the end of the summer gardening season. The impact reports help the National Gardening Association determine the overall impact of the grant program, and they assist the Association in gathering ongoing support.

If you have any questions about the National Gardening Association's Youth Garden Grants, contact the Association at (800) 538-7476.

More info online . . .

For more information, visit <https://kidsgardening.org/2020-youth-garden-grant>.

## Foundation Profiles

### Keta Legacy

**Eligibility:** Conservation-focused nonprofits.

**Deadline:** Varies.

**Funds:** Up to \$15,000.

**Contact:** Keta Legacy Foundation, P.O. Box 5739, Bremerton, WA 98312.

The Keta Legacy Foundation, formerly known as the Mountaineers Foundation, was founded in 1968 and has combined its dedication to conservation and its desire to connect others to healthy ecosystems to form a multi-purpose strategy.

In 2018, the foundation changed its name to Keta Legacy to better reflect its core values. The foundation states that while it no longer identifies itself as Mountaineers Foundation, it "still loves mountaineering and we will continue to protect strategic mountain habitats." The foundation says that its founding ideals remain central to its mission.

The Keta Legacy Foundation stewards, preserves, and restores the 426-acre Rhododendron Preserve on the Kitsap Peninsula in Washington State. It works with local schools and community members to offer educational opportunities at the Preserve and works with donors to acquire land and increase conservation efforts at the Preserve and throughout the Salish Sea region. The foundation also offers a competitive grant program that benefits other qualifying conservation-focused non-profit organizations.

The foundation offers the grant program to qualifying conservation-focused non-profit organizations whose programs and activities preserve and protect environments and living organisms of the Salish Sea region. By helping others fulfill their conservation missions, the foundation supports the health of the Salish Sea region. The Salish Sea region is the intricate network of coastal mountains, land, and waterways that include the southwestern portion of the Canadian province of British Columbia and the northwestern portion of the U.S. state of Washington. Its major bodies of water are the Strait of Georgia, the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and Puget Sound.

Funding criteria for these conservation education grants are based on the foundation's by-laws, articles of incorporation, status as an IRS-designated 501(c)(3) organization, and the wishes of Paul Wiseman, founding member of the Keta Legacy Foundation. The foundation offers two levels of grants: Community Conservation Education Grants and the Paul Wiseman Conservation Education Grant.

The Community Conservation Education Grants are limited to no more than \$5,000 and are meant to support modest, short-term projects related to conservation education and consistent with the Keta Legacy Foundation's vision and mission. The Level 1 grants will be offered once during the calendar year, with the next grant application deadline on April 19, 2020.

The Paul Wiseman Conservation Education Grant is composed of two grants, totaling a maximum of \$15,000 each. For one award, the foundation will welcome substantial projects that envision significant environmental education benefits with carefully articulated goals and outcomes. The second award will be given for a restoration project that includes a strong educational research component. Both grant types should have high impact or visibility and could span multiple years. The grant will be offered once during the calendar year, and the next deadline is Sept. 20, 2020.

The Keta Legacy Foundation grants support selected projects of 501(c)(3) or of other non-profit organizations and of certain agencies such as libraries and schools; and selected projects that involve a variety of community organizations. Projects may include: direct educational programs and materials related to environmental conservation; lectures, conferences, seminars; written or audiovisual awareness materials; and curriculum or other instructional materials.

The foundation is unable to support for-profit

organizations; regular operating expenses (e.g. overhead, ongoing or administrative salaries, or other indirect costs); projects that include legislative lobbying or support candidates for office; commercial ventures or feasibility studies that might lead to commercial products or programs; fund drives; projects that could harm the environment; memberships in organizations; projects that have no start/end dates; and projects that repeat established and/or verified studies.

When judging proposals, the foundation looks for evidence of the following: innovation and originality; audience/message/probable impact of educational projects; the applicant's ability to conduct and complete the work; feasibility of the project; a realistic and reasonable budget; commitment from the other agencies you will partner with; and significance to the environment or the community.

Note that the foundation does not pre-screen applications or accept letters of inquiry and will not review incomplete applications. There should be five key pieces to your application, including a completed grant application form, which is available on the foundation's website; a short (4-page maximum) narrative telling us about: your organization's mission, exactly what you propose to do; why it is important; how it addresses the Foundation's priorities for conservation education; what outcomes you expect to achieve, who will do the work; include either resumes or short narrative descriptions of qualifications, and a project schedule, including regular progress reports to the Keta Legacy Foundation; your organization's previous year's Profit and Loss statement and current Balance Sheet (please do not include audit reports or IRS filings); and a specific detailed budget for this project, including cash flow, which shows how the Keta Legacy Foundation funds, and the funds you have requested from others, will be spent; your organization's tax-exemption statement from the IRS; and evidence of commitment from any organization you have included in your project's work scope. For instance, if you intend to conduct your project in a school, we need to know that school officials have approved the project.

Note that if your project is canceled for any reason, including lack of funds, the grant may not be used for general operating expenses and must be returned to the Keta Legacy Foundation. If you have any questions about the Keta Legacy Foundation or its grants program, send an email to the foundation at [info@ketalegacy.com](mailto:info@ketalegacy.com).

More info online . . .

For more information, visit <https://ketalegacy.org/grants>.

## Russell Sage Foundation

**Eligibility:** Various organizations and institutions.

**Deadline:** Rolling.

**Funds:** Up to \$35,000.

**Contact:** Russell Sage Foundation, 112 East 64th St., New York, NY 10065; (212) 750-6000.

The Russell Sage Foundation is one of the oldest American foundations. It was established by Mrs. Margaret Olivia Sage in 1907 for "the improvement of social and living conditions in the United States." In its early years, the Foundation undertook major projects in low-income housing, urban planning, social work, and labor reform.

The Foundation now dedicates itself exclusively to strengthening the methods, data, and theoretical core of the social sciences as a means of diagnosing social problems and improving social policies. The Russell Sage Foundation is an operating foundation that directly is involved in the conduct and dissemination of social science research. In its effort to improve the social effectiveness of social research, the Foundation invites individual scholars and collaborative groups working in areas of Foundation interest to participate in the Foundation's Visiting Scholar Program to pursue their research and writing projects.

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The Russell Sage Foundation also provides support for scholars at other institutions to pursue research projects that advance the Foundation's research programs; assures widespread access to the research that the Foundation supports through its own book publishing program; sponsors special seminars and working groups aimed at developing new topics in social science; participates in the planning of each study or program as an active partner and reserves the right to publish any resulting

manuscripts; and collaborates with other foundations, granting agencies and academic institutions in studies of social problems.

The Russell Sage Foundation's program on the Future of Work supports research on the causes and consequences of changes in the quality of jobs for less and moderately skilled workers in the United States. The Foundation seeks research proposals that will broaden its understanding of the role of changes in employer practices, the nature of the labor market and public policies on the employment, earnings, and the quality of the jobs of American workers.

The Foundation is especially interested in funding analyses of original qualitative and quantitative data sources, and novel uses of existing sources of data to address important questions about the interplay of market and non-market forces in shaping the well-being of workers, today and in the future.

Note that all applications should limit budget requests for no more than a two-year period, with a maximum of \$150,000 per project, and this includes overhead. In addition, make yourself aware that the Foundation will not pay for conference travel or for tuition for doctoral student research assistants.

Deadlines for both letters of inquiry and project proposals are oriented around the Foundation's regularly scheduled Board meetings. All Project Awards with budget requests greater than \$35,000 must be approved by the Foundation's Board of Trustees. All budget requests up to \$35,000 are treated as Presidential Authority Awards and may be approved without prior Board review.

The Foundation encourages interested applicants to submit letters of inquiry in advance of the deadline to allow adequate time for the program staff to respond to the letter and, if invited for full submission of an application, for investigators to prepare a well-developed proposal.

The links to the Letter of Intent form, as well as information on eligibility, budgets, and proposal, may be found on this Web page: <http://www.russellsage.org/how-to-apply>. There also is a very helpful frequently asked questions page on that page as well. If you have any questions about the Russell Sage Foundation's grant program or the Foundation itself, call the Foundation at (212) 750-6000.

More info online . . .

For more information, visit <http://www.russellsage.org/research/future-work>.

## 3M

**Eligibility:** Organizations that are located within communities where 3M has a facility.

**Deadline:** Open.

**Funds:** Varies.

**Contact:** 3M Corporate Headquarters, 3M Center, St. Paul, MN 55144-1000; (888) 364-3577.

3M is a global technology company that produces thousands of imaginative products. It has companies in more than 60 countries. In addition to the success of its company, 3M has built a successful community giving campaign. It awards grants to organizations that are located within communities where 3M has a facility. All grant requests must be submitted online.

The goal of the 3M community giving program is to positively impact 3M communities in the giving areas that it supports. To find where 3M communities are located and where 3M gives, visit <https://multimedia.3m.com/mws/media/16443120/3mgives-communities-updated-1-10-19.pdf>. The community giving program seeks initiatives that have defined and measurable results that target underserved populations.

The giving areas that 3M supports are:

- **Environment:** 3M states that it invests in environmental initiatives that promote sustainability and environmental stewardship in the communities where it operates. The company is committed to supporting organizations focused on conservation and improving air and water quality. 3M also supports quality environmental learning activities for students;
- **Community:** 3M thrives to build inclusiveness, diversity, and vibrancy in 3M communities. This is accomplished by supporting programs that assure access to basic needs, prepare youth for life-long success, increase access to quality and diverse arts opportunities, and contribute to global humanitarian relief efforts; and
- **Education:** 3M supports initiatives that advance equitable outcomes in STEM and business for under-represented and under-resourced populations. Its goal is to help build a diverse pipeline of global talent by increasing student interest and achievement in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics).

Through its community giving program, 3M does not support: individuals, government agencies, for-

profit organizations, hospitals, athletics, scholarship funds, religious organizations, and social organizations. Also, the 3M company does not fund advocacy and lobbying efforts to influence legislation, endowments, film production, playground equipment, and conferences. To begin the application process, you must begin by taking the eligibility quiz. The quiz is at: [https://www.cybergrants.com/pls/cybergrants/ao\\_survey.form?x\\_gm\\_id=1464&x\\_section\\_id=1436288&x\\_quiz\\_survey\\_id=47480](https://www.cybergrants.com/pls/cybergrants/ao_survey.form?x_gm_id=1464&x_section_id=1436288&x_quiz_survey_id=47480).

3M and the 3M Foundation do not accept unsolicited proposals in St. Paul/Minneapolis, Minn., and Austin, Texas. In these communities, all grants by invitation only. For other 3M communities, send a letter of inquiry to the local 3M facility addressed to "3M Plant Manager." Outside of the United States, you may make direct requests to the 3M office in your country. For more information about 3M's community giving program, contact 3M at (888) 364-3577.

More info online . . .

For more information, visit [https://www.3m.com/3M/en\\_US/gives-us/nonprofit-guidelines](https://www.3m.com/3M/en_US/gives-us/nonprofit-guidelines).

## Charitable Trust

**Eligibility:** Nonprofits that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code and not classified as a private foundation under Section 509(a) of the Code; and non-U.S. organizations that can demonstrate that they would meet the requirements for such status.

**Deadline:** Open.

**Funds:** Varies.

**Contact:** May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust Grants Manager; 770 Tamalpais Drive, Suite 309, Corte Madera, CA, 94925; (415) 332-0166; [grants@smithct.org](mailto:grants@smithct.org).

The May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust states that it envisions a human community that recognizes each individual as vital to the strength, richness, and well-being of the whole, and that motivates, empowers, and invites each to contribute and participate according to his or her ability and potential.

The Trust supports organizations that offer opportunities to children and youth; adults and families; elders; and people with disabilities that enrich the quality of life, promote self-sufficiency, and assist individuals in achieving their highest potential.

The Trust take a "person-centered approach" in

its grantmaking and prioritize organizations that provide direct services to individuals. It does this, “because we believe these organizations offer the types of practical assistance that people need to make transformative changes in their lives. At the same time, we acknowledge that changes that result in lasting improvements in people’s lives may often depend on adjustments in attitudes, social behaviors, laws, and policies that influence access to and uptake of resources and opportunities.”

The Trust funds organizations intervening at various levels: individuals, families, organizations, communities, and the field to effect positive change, as well as organizations working to change systems, policies, and/or behaviors in ways that contribute to improved well-being and opportunity for its target populations.

The May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust was established in 1989. The Trust “stewards the charitable intentions of May and Stanley Smith beyond their lifetimes.” The Trust’s 2014-2018 Strategic Plan aims to focus, deepen, and enhance its efforts to achieve significant, lasting, positive changes that promote well-being for individuals and communities. For the term of the Plan, the Trust has identified the following focus populations: children

and youth (foster children and youth); elders (adults over the age of 60); adults and families (military veterans and their families; and people with disabilities (adults and Youth transitioning to adulthood, living with physical, intellectual, or developmental disabilities).

Grants are awarded to those living in the Western Region of the United States and British Columbia, Canada. The Western Region is defined as: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, Utah, Wyoming, and Washington. Eligible applicants include: nonprofits that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code and not classified as a private foundation under Section 509(a) of the Code; and non-U.S. organizations that can demonstrate that they would meet the requirements for such status.

If you have any questions about the May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust funding program, contact the Trust’s grants manager at either (415) 332-0166 or [grants@smithct.org](mailto:grants@smithct.org).

More info online . . .

For more information, visit <https://smithct.org/grant-seekers>.

## Deadline Update

Agency   Program	\$ Available*	Deadline	Contact	Issue
<b>Children and Youth</b>				
National Gardening Association Youth Garden Grants	Varies	Dec. 16, 2019	<u>(800) 538-7476</u>	11/19
<b>Foundation Profiles</b>				
3M	Varies	Open	<u>(888) 364-3577</u>	11/19
Keta Legacy Foundation	Up to \$15,000	Varies	<u>info@ketalegacy.com</u>	11/19
May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust	Varies	Open	<u>grants@smithct.org</u>	11/19
Russell Sage Foundation	Up to \$35,000	Rolling	<u>(212) 750-6000</u>	11/19
<b>Library Services</b>				
Young Adult Library Services As- sociation Great Books Giveaway Competition	Varies	Dec. 1, 2019	<u>YALSA@ala.org</u>	11/19

Bolded grants are in this issue. \*All amounts are approximate and may be based on past giving records.