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Advocates for Youth is dedicated to creating programs and advocating for policies that help young people make informed and responsible decisions about their reproductive and sexual health. Advocates provides information, training, and strategic assistance to youth-serving organizations, policy makers, youth activists, and the media in the United States and in developing countries.

Advocates believes that:

* Adolescents have the right to balanced, accurate, and realistic sexuality education, confidential and affordable sexual health services, and a secure stake in the future.

* Youth deserve respect. Today, they are perceived only as part of the problem. Valuing young people means they are part of the solution and are included in the development of programs and policies that affect their well-being.

* Society has the responsibility to provide young people with the tools they need to safeguard their sexual health and young people have the responsibility to protect themselves from too early childbearing and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV.

Advocates carries out its mission by:

* Promoting best practices as identified by research
* Offering information and support to educators, health care providers, and youth-serving professionals
* Empowering and involving youth to increase their skills and abilities to work as activists in their own communities to promote positive sexual health policies
* Encouraging the media to publicize the lessons learned
* Promoting positive policy climates to improve the sexual health of all the world’s youth.

Contact Advocates for Youth for information, advocacy, training, publications and other services that make a difference in adolescent reproductive and sexual health.

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**RECOMMENDED RESOURCES**
Preface

The 2001 edition of Funding the Future: Resources for Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health Programs in Developing Countries updates and expands Advocates' 1994 publication of the same name.

The new edition was prepared following extensive, worldwide outreach to over 100 organizations that provide financial assistance (directly or indirectly) to programs and events focused on adolescent reproductive and sexual health (ARSH). A two-page questionnaire elicited a description of each organization, its priority geographic region and/or countries, its general purpose, types of projects supported, and application procedures. In addition, Advocates gathered information via the Internet.

Funding the Future is divided into four sections:

- Part I — foundations, mostly based in the United States, providing financial assistance to programs in developing countries
- Part II — governmental agencies providing financial assistance to programs in developing countries
- Part III — international agencies and non-governmental organizations providing financial assistance to programs in developing countries, often through mini-grant programs
- Part IV — adolescent reproductive and sexual health programs and Web links, including sites focusing on adolescent reproductive and sexual health issues and sites specifically for youth activists and other youth.

Finally, four appendices focus on fund raising, proposal writing, recommended resources, and additional Advocates publications.

Acknowledgements

Advocates for Youth thanks the Wallace Global Fund and the Summit Foundation for their support of this publication.

Additionally, staff is grateful to the contributors who completed the questionnaire, providing information that will continue to help program developers put their ideas into action. Also, staff thanks those organizations that were not included in this edition, but that took the time to respond to staff’s inquiries.

Please note: Advocates for Youth is not listed among the donor foundations or agencies. Unfortunately, Advocates for Youth cannot offer seed grants or other forms of financial assistance nor is Advocates for Youth able to act as intermediary between your organization and the foundations and agencies listed in this book. Please contact the foundations and agencies directly and follow their grant-making procedures on your own behalf.
Introduction

For planners of health programs that serve adolescents around the world, this new edition is a tool for identifying sources of support. Featuring over 90 agencies and organizations, Funding the Future is a directory of foundations, agencies, and organizations that support adolescent reproductive and sexual health related programs in developing countries, through direct and/or indirect financing, technical assistance, and information.

Commitment, concern, and new ideas are basic to establishing and running any reproductive and sexual health program for youth. However, ideas only go so far without assistance and money. Identifying and collaborating with funding agencies is, therefore, an integral part of a program developer’s work.

Responding to the Need

In a world climate of rising HIV/AIDS, other sexually transmitted infections (STIs), and teen pregnancy, young people face social, cultural and financial obstacles to health and family planning services. Cultural globalization affects the social norms of youth, and donors increasingly recognize the importance of addressing adolescent reproductive and sexual health. Since the publication of the previous edition of Funding the Future, many donors (including governments) have awakened to the reproductive and sexual health needs of youth. Numerous governments currently have policies in place (or are considering) mandating “evidence-based” adolescent reproductive and sexual health programs.

Unfortunately, sound policies in nations with few financial resources too often translate into minimal attention to proven adolescent reproductive and sexual health programs. Advocates for Youth’s 1999 survey of model programs revealed that only 15.8 percent were government programs and only 2.5 percent received local government funding. As in previous surveys, the 1999 version showed that programs at the local level are frequently under-financed.

Since its inception in 1980, Advocates for Youth has recognized that community-based efforts are often successful in improving adolescent reproductive and sexual health. Thus, Advocates has advocated for and collaborated with efforts by local non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to develop innovative programs addressing adolescent reproductive and sexual health. Advocates has also advocated for NGOs to sustain and increase their programs by diversifying their funding. Funding the Future was developed as a resource so these NGOs might seek additional support for innovative and effective programs.

Advocating for and with Youth

Within adolescent health programs, several priority issues compete for funds. Moreover, misinformation, morality, politics, and false perceptions often contribute to lack of support for adolescent reproductive and sexual health programs from the public, governments, and donors.

To change attitudes and ensure lasting financial support for adolescent reproductive and sexual health programs, professionals need to advocate on behalf of their constituents and to empower constituent youth to advocate for themselves. One of the most important roles of any program leader working with youth is to ensure that youth’s voices are heard and that youth are not absent from the political agenda. Additionally, it is important to educate and sensitize the public about adolescents’ rights and needs.

Advocacy supports programs. Moreover, potential donors may be interested in learning about successful advocacy efforts. Advocacy is an art, and when conducted properly, it can influence the success of a program. For more information, check out Advocates for Youth’s advocacy manuals, listed in the back of this publication. Some are available free, online, at www.advocatesforyouth.org.
PART I:

Foundations
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Contact
Regional representative (Please specify Africa, Asia, Central Europe, Latin America, or U.S./Canada.

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Ashoka supports Fellows in 38 countries worldwide, in five regions: Africa, Asia, Central Europe, Latin America (including Mexico), and the United States/Canada.

General Purposes
Ashoka is a global organization that identifies and invests in leading social entrepreneurs—individuals with innovative and practical ideas for solving social problems. Over the past 20 years, Ashoka has launched over 1,000 social entrepreneurs, known as Ashoka Fellows.

Ashoka’s modest investment in social entrepreneurs consistently yields extraordinary returns in the form of nation-wide advances in education, health, human rights, the environment, and other areas of social concern. Ashoka provides each Fellow with a need-based stipend for an average of three years, allowing the Fellow to work full time on his/her idea. Ashoka also provides an array of non-financial services to allow each Fellow to enlarge and share his/her enterprise.

Types of Projects Supported
Ashoka funds individuals, not their programs. It funds individuals in developing countries, usually at the launch phase of a program that has the potential for regional and national growth.

Sample Grant
An Ashoka Fellow in Nigeria is enabling thousands of teenagers to make informed choices by engaging peer educators, volunteer parent counselors, and teachers in a comprehensive program that provides information about health and sexuality.

Application Procedure
To be elected an Ashoka Fellow, an individual must have a new idea, be in the early stages of launching the idea, and possess creativity, entrepreneurial spirit and temperament, an idea with the potential for nation-wide impact, and strong ethical fiber.

To nominate a social entrepreneur or for more information, contact Ashoka.
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Contact
Krystal Fletcher, Foundation Secretary

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, Middle East, Russia/Former Soviet Union

General Purposes
The goal of the Brush Foundation is to ensure worldwide that family planning becomes acceptable, available, accessible, affordable, effective, and safe. Currently, the Foundation focuses its funding, nationally and internationally, on those organizations that:

- Protect and enhance people's ability to manage their reproductive health;
- Carry out public policy analysis and public education in areas related to reproductive behavior and its social implications; and
- Advance the personal knowledge and purposeful behavior of young people with respect to sexuality within a broad social context.

Types of Projects Supported
The Brush Foundation supports projects on advocacy, litigation, media, policy analysis, research, service delivery, and training. Grants are generally in the range of $5,000 to $25,000.

Sample Grant
The Brush Foundation has given grants for capacity building, general support, planning, project support, seed money, start-up, and technical assistance.

Application Procedure
Please note that the Brush Foundation will not accept unsolicited proposals. Organizations that feel they meet the Foundation’s stated goals may submit a brief letter of inquiry (maximum length, two pages). Letters of inquiry should explain what the applicant wants to do, why it is needed, and how much of the project’s cost is asked of the Brush Foundation. Deadlines for letters of inquiry are June 15th and January 15th.

Projects the Board wishes to consider will be notified by July 15th or February 15th and will have approximately six weeks to submit a grant proposal, with the deadlines falling on August 31 and March 31. The Foundation does not fund political campaigns, lobbying efforts, videos, conferences, pre- or postnatal care, or teen theater groups.

For more information or a complete copy of the guidelines, contact the Brush Foundation.
Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation supports projects on youth development, peer training, and appropriate education for indigenous youth groups.

Sample Grant
The Children and Youth Foundation provided grants for an organizational conference on the Psychosocial and Legal Assistance for the Sexually Abused Children Project and for an Asia Pacific seminar on HIV/AIDS and drug abuse.

Application Procedure
While the Foundation’s program partners receive priority for funding, the Foundation will consider any NGO with an effective program on reproductive health as long as the program leads to positive youth development. For more information, contact the Children and Youth Foundation.

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Internet: www.fillib.org.ph/cyfp

Contact
Felicitas C. Rixhon, Executive Director

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Philippines

General Purposes
The Foundation focuses on responsible parenthood, HIV/AIDS prevention, and improving young women’s health.
Contact
Program Development Department

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East; CCF will consider proposals from any country.

General Purposes
The ChildAlert Grant Program of CCF seeks to reach children in emergency and other high-risk situations, to meet their immediate needs (in so far as possible), to and support fundamental improvements in their situation. ChildAlert seeks to demonstrate and test innovative approaches to such situations and build the capacity of local organizations to address the needs of children at high risk. The term “children” includes adolescents, consistent with the definition in Article One of the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child. That is, a child is any person below 18 years of age unless, under the laws of the country concerned, majority is attained earlier.

Types of Projects Supported
The ChildAlert Grant Program supports projects to benefit children in especially difficult circumstances, i.e., children whose health, development and/or physical security is at significantly greater risk than the majority of children living in poverty in the country concerned. ChildAlert is particularly interested in assisting:

- Children affected by AIDS, such as children living with AIDS, orphaned by AIDS, or at risk of contracting AIDS;
- Children affected by war, civil conflict, torture, or other violence, as regards their physical survival, health and psychological and emotional well being;
- Children whose health and well-being is put at risk by disasters, in particular unaccompanied children; and
- Seriously handicapped children.

Sample Grant
Previous ChildAlert grants have supported:

- Rehabilitation counseling and training for young women and girls injured in the Intifada;
- Child care and development services for the children of HIV-positive women in the Dominican Republic;
- A center providing health and counseling services for children in East Jerusalem;
- A center treating South African children traumatized by violence; and
- An AIDS prevention program among Ugandan primary school children.

Application Procedure
Plan to submit a two-page summary proposal as a first step, unless a full proposal has already been prepared. For more information, contact the Christian Children’s Fund.
Contact
Edith T. Eddy, Executive Director

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa, Latin America, and the Caribbean

General Purpose
The Compton Foundation addresses community, national, and international concerns in the fields of:

- Peace and world order
- Population
- Environment
- Equal educational opportunity
- Community welfare and social justice
- Culture and the arts

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation’s priorities in the area of population include:

- Interrelationship between population, peace and world order, and environmental issues;
- Model population and reproductive health programs, with particular attention to women’s empowerment and rights, male involvement, and personal responsibility;
- Family life and sexuality education for young people and the reduction of teenage pregnancy;
- Public education, advocacy, and coalition building to influence policy makers on domestic and international population policies, including immigration;
- Fellowship support for doctoral candidates from developing countries through grants to selected university-based population programs.

Sample Grant for Youth Work
The Centre for Development and Population Activities (CEDPA) received a multi-year grant to expand its previous work and significantly increase reproductive health education and services to youth in Ghana, Mali, and South Africa through its new program, the Adolescent Choice, Access, and Participation Initiative. This program builds networks of local YMCA’s and YWCA’s to develop cadres of skilled youth leaders. A major emphasis is to increase male participation and responsibility and improve access to quality family planning and HIV/STI education and services.

Application Procedure
Prospective applicants should review the Foundation’s priorities and concerns and general criteria to determine whether a proposal is relevant to the Foundation’s interests before applying. In general, proposals should be brief (3-4 pages), and should describe the:

- Organization making the request;
- Goals and objectives of the designated project, including specific outcomes;
- Means by which the project’s effectiveness will be measured;
- Update of previous work supported by the Foundation (one-half to one page).

Limit each of the following attachments to one side of one page:

- Proposal outline form;
- Qualifications of key people involved;
- List of members of the board of directors with affiliations;
- Project budget;
- Organizational budget for year of project;

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Part I: Foundations

• Statement of assets and liabilities (preferably audited);
• Statement of revenue (including sources) and expenditures (preferably audited);
• Names and contact information for three to five references; and
• One copy of the organization’s current IRS tax exemption letter.

Please note that the Compton Foundation does not accept proposals sent by fax or e-mail. In the interest of preserving the environment, the Foundation actively discourages prospective applicants from sending more than the minimum amount of information requested. For more information, contact the Compton Foundation, Inc.
General Purpose
The Dickler Family Foundation funds programs worldwide focused primarily, but not exclusively, on voluntary family planning.

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation supports projects aimed at improving access to family planning, reproductive health services, women’s rights, and the quality of reproductive health services.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
Organizations interested in applying for funding should submit a two-page letter of inquiry in care of the Foundation Service. Do not send full proposals or other unsolicited materials until or unless requested to do so. For more information, contact the Foundation Service.
Types of Projects Supported

The Foundation emphasizes nongovernmental organizations, researchers, and government agencies acting on the expanded understanding of sexuality and reproductive health issues proceeding from major United Nations conferences in the last decade. A primary concern is empowering women to participate in improving reproductive health and related policies. The Foundation directs its support to activities that are within its current interests and that are likely to have wide effect.

Most of the Foundation's grants go to organizations. Although it also makes grants to individuals, these grants are few in number relative to demand and limited to research, training, and other activities related to the Foundation’s program interests. The Foundation does not normally provide support for routine operating costs of institutions or for religious activities. Except in rare cases, funding is not available for the construction or building maintenance.

Sample Grant

In 2000, the Ford Foundation awarded Action Health Inc. of Nigeria, US $300,000 to promote adolescent reproductive health and youth development.

Application Procedure

The Foundation considers applications throughout the year. Before requesting a grant or program-related investment, please send a brief letter of inquiry to determine whether the Foundation’s present interests and funds permit consideration of the request. Direct requests to the nearest Foundation office. See below for location of field offices. For more information, contact the Ford Foundation.
Part I: Foundations

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Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation is a private philanthropic institution with a major focus on helping to improve people’s lives through health and learning.

General Purpose
Improving the health of women and children, particularly in the developing world, is the overriding goal of the Global Health Program. Consistent with the aims of the Cairo Plan of Action, the Foundation makes grants for a range of programs that address reproductive health needs and issues throughout the life cycle, including safe motherhood, family planning, and cervical cancer.

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation supports programs that expand access to voluntary family planning. This includes support for reproductive health information and services for adolescents to reduce teenage pregnancy and to prevent disease. Initiatives selected for funding will be those which, to the greatest extent possible:

- Address important disease burdens in the poorest countries;
- Offer an opportunity to achieve leverage, catalyze a larger response, or mobilize new resources to improve health;
- Form creative partnerships or coalitions to achieve project objectives;
- Have global relevance or provide results that transcend any country or regional focus;
- Result in measurable benefits to impoverished groups;
- Focus on interventions with potential for high cost-effectiveness; and
- Ensure broad dissemination and utilization of results and lessons learned.

Current priorities do not include the following:
- Construction or procurement of equipment for health facilities or research laboratories;
- Endowments or core funding to support institutions;
- Support for recurrent costs of personnel or health service delivery;
- Interventions that will provide substantial or earlier health benefits in industrialized countries; and
- Support for ongoing programs.

Sample Grant
In May 1999, MexFam of Tlalpan, Mexico was awarded US $2,500,000 over five years to expand and enhance the Gente Joven (Young People) Program in the states of Sinaloa, Nayarit, and Coahuila. The project aims to educate 250,000 Mexican youth and their parents on reproductive responsibility and gender equality.

Application Procedure
The foundation will consider letters of inquiry from tax-exempt, charitable organizations whose requests fall within the program guidelines. Please review the detailed program guidelines for each giving area before submitting a request. Please note that the foundation neither encourages nor generally considers unsolicited proposals. In keeping with its charter, the foundation cannot accept proposals that benefit specific individuals or that serve exclusively religious purposes. For more information, contact the Gates Foundation.

Please address all letters of inquiry to: Info@gatesfoundation.org, or, by mail to:
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
Grant Inquiry Coordinator
PO Box 23350
Seattle, WA 98102
Contact
Lani Shaw, Executive Director, or Robin Halby, Program Officer

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Mexico only

General Purpose
The Reproductive Health and Rights Program of the General Service Foundation is dedicated to improving access to comprehensive reproductive health care, including abortion, for women and adolescents and to supporting education efforts which increase awareness and action around issues of reproductive health, sexuality, and reproductive choices.

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation makes grants within the United States for research development, policy analysis, litigation, technical assistance, advocacy, and outreach. The Foundation also funds organizations working in Mexico whose work parallels the goals of the domestic agenda. Generally, The Foundation does not make grants for service delivery or university-based research; nor does the Foundation support local or state-based organizations in the United States working within a limited geographic range. Organizations receive priority if they are working with under-served communities and populations whose reproductive health and rights are most affected by poverty.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
Prior to sending a formal proposal, first-time applicants and previous grantees looking for support for new projects should submit a letter of inquiry describing the project. The Foundation must receive letters of inquiry and full proposals on or before the deadlines (described below). Letters of inquiry should be no more than four pages and should include the following:

- Brief statement of the issues to be addressed under the proposed project; the history and goals of the applying organization and its involvement with these issues;
- Brief summary of the project and anticipated outcomes;
- Approximate starting date and duration of the proposed activities;
- Total amount of funding needed, the amount requested from the Foundation, and information about other sources of support; and
- Copy of Federal Income Tax 501(c)(3) Exemption letter, if applicable.

After an initial review of the letter of inquiry, if the project appears to fit within the Foundation’s Contribution Policy and Guidelines, and funding is available, the applicant will receive an application form to be completed and returned with a formal proposal. The Board of Directors meets twice each year, in the spring and again in the fall, to review proposals and make recommendations for funding. The deadline for consideration in the spring is February 1st; the deadline for the fall is September 1st. Letters and full proposals must be received in the Foundation’s office by the deadline. If these dates fall on a weekend or holiday, the first business day following the due date becomes the deadline.

Please note that brief letters of inquiry may be faxed or e-mailed. The Foundation encourages applicants to submit proposals on non-chlorine bleached, recycled paper and requests that application materials not be submitted in plastic binders.

For more information, contact the General Service Foundation.
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Contact
Thomas C. Layton, President

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Asia/Pacific Islands

General Purpose
The Gerbode Foundation funds projects in the arts and culture, the environment, population, reproductive rights, citizen participation, building communities, inclusiveness, strength of philanthropic process and the non profit sector, and Foundation-initiated projects. Within the areas of population and reproductive rights, the Foundation is interested in improving access to family planning, quality of reproductive health care, women’s rights, and access to abortion.

Types of Projects Supported
The Gerbode Foundation supports broad projects with a focus on abortion rights and related issues.

Sample Grant for Youth Work
None described.

Application Procedure
Address a letter of inquiry with a short description of the project to Thomas C. Layton. The initial contact should not include materials (videotapes, etc.) that must be returned. In the event that materials must be returned, include an explicit request for their return and a self-addressed, stamped envelope. The Foundation generally does not provide support for direct services, budget deficits, general operating funds, building or equipment funds, general fund raising campaigns, religious purposes, private schools, publications, scholarships, or grants to individuals. The board meets four times each year, and the Foundation accepts applications on an ongoing basis.

For more information, contact the Gerbode Foundation.
The Global Fund for Women does not have one grants officer who concentrates solely on adolescent reproductive and sexual health. Rather, it divides grant-making responsibilities by geographic regions. Please contact the following program officers for further information:

- **Amelia Wu**, Senior Program Officer for Asia
- **Annie Hillar**, Program Officer for the Middle East, Europe, and North Africa
- **Jennifer Astone**, Program Officer for Africa (except North Africa)
- **Ana Maria Enriquez**, Program Officer for the Americas, the Caribbean, and Oceania

**Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority**
Worldwide, except in the United States

**General Purpose**
The Global Fund for Women is a grant making foundation that supports the efforts of women to transform their societies and the world. It provides grants of up to US $15,000 to women’s groups outside the United States that are working to create a just and democratic world where women and men can participate equally in all aspects of social, political, and economic life. The Global Fund supports a wide range of initiatives to protect and defend the human rights of women around the world. The Global Fund also provides funds to improve women’s access to communications technology and the media and makes grants to support networking and collaboration between women’s groups.

**Types of Projects Supported**
Most Global Fund grants provide general support to organizations—allowing women to make their own decisions about how to use the funds. These funds help sustain women’s groups by paying for such things as computers, telephone service, rent, staff salaries, translation, conference participation, and transportation costs. Global Fund grants are often the very first funds new organizations receive and can be used to build credibility with other founders.

**Sample Grant**
In early 1998 the Fundación Nakawé, of Masaya, Nicaragua was awarded US $7,600 to run a farming program and a health project through which girls receive gynecological services and workshops on holistic health and sexuality.

**Application Procedures**
To apply for a grant, the Global Fund for Women asks for basic and specific information about an organization or group, its composition, and its purposes. The Global Fund requests details about the group’s plans and how it believes its work can be strengthened with a grant of US $500 to US $15,000.

The request should provide the following information in detail, although the Global Fund finds that five pages are usually sufficient:

- Contact information;
- Organizational information, including purpose, structure, activities and/or programs, and financial situation;
- Grant request information; and
- References.

For more information regarding grant requests, contact the Global Fund for Women.
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Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa: Kenya
Latin America and the Caribbean: Haiti, Mexico, Nicaragua

General Purposes
The Goldman Fund supports work to promote, improve, and maintain reproductive rights and access to a full range of quality reproductive health services for women. One area of particular interest is reproductive health and rights for poor women and women of color.

Types of Projects Supported
The Goldman Fund supports projects on improving access to family planning, quality of reproductive health care, reproductive health technologies, reproductive rights, access to abortion, and sexuality education. Other interests include domestic organizations providing support to Israel and national and international projects that address environmental and population issues.

Sample Grant for Youth Work
In 1999, the Goldman Fund awarded Population Services International of Washington, DC, US $40,000 to support communications and advocacy work in Kenya on adolescent reproductive health.

Application Procedure
Please carefully review the Fund’s current priorities, limitations, and application guidelines. To apply for a grant, first submit a letter of inquiry. The Fund also does not accept applications for research, grants, or scholarships for individuals, conferences, documentary films, fund raising, or budget deficits.

Goldman Fund accepts letters of inquiry on an ongoing basis; there are no deadlines for submission. It does not accept faxed or electronically transferred submissions. Address completed letters of inquiry to Charles F. Greene, Executive Director.

For more information, contact the Richard and Rhonda Goldman Fund.
Contact
Joseph Speidel, Program Officer for Population; Tamara Fox, Program Associate for Population; or Wendy Sheldon, Program Associate for Population

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
The Hewlett Foundation makes grants primarily to U.S.-based organizations, but there are no geographic limitations on its support for research, family planning projects, or training.

General Purpose
The Hewlett Foundation was incorporated as a private foundation in 1966 with the broad purpose to promote the well-being of mankind by supporting selected activities of a charitable nature as well as organizations and institutions engaged in such activities.

The Foundation has three primary goals in the area of population:
• Increase the involvement of the public and private sectors, the media, and educational institutions in population issues
• Improve the delivery of family planning and related reproductive health services
• Evaluate and replicate the impact of educational and economic development activities on fertility.

U.S. population issues are also of concern but represent a small proportion of the Foundation’s annual program budget.

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation generally provides organizational (rather than project) support and favors those organizations that seek to bridge the gap between research, policy formulation, and program implementation. Specific interests:

• Policy-oriented research and educational activities that inform policy makers both in the U.S. and in other countries about the importance of population issues and the relevance of demographic change to other aspects of human welfare. The Foundation emphasizes efforts to expand the availability of financial resources and, through training, human resources to address population issues.

• Programs that develop and disseminate knowledge and techniques needed to improve the quality and effectiveness of family planning activities. The Foundation also supports evaluating the cost and practicality of programs that address broader reproductive health concerns in conjunction with family planning.

• Human development activities and interventions that affect fertility, such as programs which enhance women’s economic and educational opportunities, improve their legal rights, diminish gender inequities, and foster female self-determination. The Foundation gives preference to programs that also assess the cost and practicality of larger scale replication and that evaluate the impact on fertility behavior.

• Carefully selected research and development activities with the purpose of developing new and improved fertility control methods. The Foundation supports applied research and field-testing needed to speed the development and availability of promising methods of fertility regulation rather than basic research.
Sample Grant

Hewlett awarded Comunicación e Información de la Mujer of Mexico City, Mexico, US $120,000 for general support over three years.

Application Procedure

Organizations seeking funding should send a letter of inquiry, addressed to the President. The letter should contain a brief statement of the applicant’s need for funds and enough factual information to enable Foundation staff to determine whether or not the application falls within the Foundation’s areas of preferred interest or warrants consideration as a special project. There is no fixed minimum or maximum with respect to the size of grants. Applicants should provide a straightforward statement of needs and aspirations for support, taking into account other possible sources of funding. Applicants who receive a favorable response to the initial inquiry will be invited to submit a formal proposal.

Normally, the Foundation will not consider grants for basic research, capital construction, medical or health-related fields, or general fund-raising. It will not make grants or loans to individuals or grants intended directly or indirectly to support candidates for political office or to influence legislation. The Foundation does not accept proposals sent via electronic mail or fax.

For more information, contact the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation.
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Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Global Priority

General Purpose
Founded in 1990, the International Youth Foundation (IYF) is an independent, international, nongovernmental organization dedicated to the positive development of children and youth throughout the world.

Types of Projects Supported
The International Youth Foundation supports development, life skills, and education.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
The International Youth Foundation funds its partner organizations. Currently, IYF has active partnerships in Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, the Czech Republic, Ecuador, Germany, India, Ireland, Israel, Mexico, the Netherlands, Paraguay, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, South Africa, Thailand, the United Kingdom, the United States, Uruguay, Venezuela, and West Bank/Gaza.

For more information on how to become a partner organization, contact the International Youth Foundation or check the Web site for developing country partner contacts.

www.advocatesforyouth.org
Contact
Anne Petersen, Senior Vice President for Programs

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa: Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique, South Africa, Swaziland, and Zimbabwe
Latin America and the Caribbean

General Purpose
Founded in 1930, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to apply knowledge to solve the problems of people. Since its beginning, the Foundation has continuously focused on building the capacity of individuals, communities, and institutions to solve their own problems.

The Foundation invests in comprehensive health care systems, including:

- Improving health services through systems integration of community based public health, prevention, and primary-care services
- Informing public policy: integrating actions that strengthen the capacity of projects to support system change by informing public policy discussions

Two major change initiatives—the Turning Point: Collaborating for a New Century in Public Health and Community Voices: Health Care for the Underserved—focus on strengthening access to health promotion, disease prevention, and primary health care while integrating strategies to achieve system change.

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation typically funds projects that:

- Engage youth in their own growth and development and as leaders and agents for change local and global communities
- Integrate social and economic community development to create healthy, just, and sustainable communities and societies
- Ensure a reciprocal exchange of knowledge, resources, and problem solving among communities and institutions to improve the quality of life in communities
- Build public will and diverse civic participation to shape policies that effect sustainable change in communities.

Sample Grant
Kellogg made a grant of US $663,403 for 44 months to Centro de Criacao de Imagem Popular (Popular Image Creation Center) in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, to promote child/adolescent health in impoverished urban areas by producing educational materials and providing training in the materials’ use and dissemination.

Application Procedures
Kellogg encourages grant applicants to submit their request electronically by using the Foundation’s online application at http://www.wkkf.org/howtoapply/default.asp. Grant applicants who do not apply electronically should submit a pre-proposal letter of up to five pages in length containing the following minimal information:

- Contact name;
- Legal organization name (please, spell out acronyms when possible);
- Complete street and mailing address, phone numbers and E-mail addresses;
- Grant purpose statement (40 to 50 words maximum);
- Total dollar amount requested;
- Project activities;
- Objectives;
- Targeted audience(s);
- Operational procedures, and time schedules (or anticipated duration of the proposed grant);
- Anticipated outcomes/impact; and
- Personnel and financial resources available and needed.

Submit pre-proposals (letters of inquiry) using standard size (8-1/2” x 11”), light-colored paper. Please do not provide a plastic bound or expensively produced pre-proposal. Please note that, due to the large volume of materials sent to the Foundation, applicants should not send (unless specifically requested) invoices, IRS information, lists of board of directors or staff, job descriptions, resumes, staff bios, annual reports/publications, letters of support, news articles, photographs, videos, cassettes, CDs, or books.

For more information, contact the W. K. Kellogg Foundation.
The MacArthur Foundation concentrates support for population activities in four countries, selected for their political and demographic importance—Brazil, India, Mexico, and Nigeria.

**General Purpose**

Concerned with the projected size of the world population in the 21st century, in 1986 the Foundation began supporting work in population issues. Since then, philosophical and demographic changes have shifted. Where concerns about population pressures once led principally to policies focused narrowly on incentives for accepting fertility control, today’s strategies reflect a comprehensive approach to reproductive and sexual health and rights.

Two themes form the core of grant making:

- Reducing maternal mortality and morbidity
- Advancing the sexual and reproductive health and rights of young people.

**Types of Projects Supported**

The Foundation supports initiatives that increase the availability of gender sensitive sexuality education, confidential health services, and programs to assist young men to decrease the incidence of sexual violence. In addition, the Foundation supports new ways of linking adolescent sexual and reproductive health programs with other educational and economic issues fundamental to the well-being of youth.

**Sample Grant**

The Foundation awarded Community Women and Development of Ibadan, Nigeria, US $50,000 for projects to educate in-school youth about HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases.

**Application Procedure**

The Foundation’s grant making decisions usually result from an interactive process between the organization seeking a grant and Foundation staff. Except for grants under special competitions (see below), there are no fixed deadlines. The Foundation reviews proposals and makes grants throughout the year.

The best first step in the process is to send a letter of inquiry directed to the Foundation’s Office of Grants Management. The Foundation suggests a short letter, typically two to three pages, accompanied by a one-page summary containing standard information about the applying organization. There is no set format for letters of inquiry, but the Foundation has a general set of guidelines. Once the Foundation has received the letter of inquiry, it will direct the letter to the appropriate staff for review. If, as a result of review, the Foundation concludes that there is no prospect of funding the proposal, the Foundation will notify the applicant promptly. If the Foundation decides that the project may qualify for a grant, it will contact the applicant to discuss next steps and additional needed information.

For more information, contact the Foundation. Send the letter to:
The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
Office of Grants Management
140 S. Dearborn Street
Chicago, IL 60603
USA
Or send the letter in electronic format (ASCII text or Microsoft Word document) to:
apply@macfound.org

Please note that the Foundation does not support political activities or attempts to influence specific legislation. It does not provide scholarships or tuition assistance for undergraduate, graduate, or postgraduate studies; nor does it support annual fund raising, institutional benefits, honorary functions, or similar projects.

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Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa, Asia/Pacific Islands, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Middle East

General Purpose
The purpose of the Foundation is to “aid and promote such religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational purposes as may be in the furtherance of the public welfare or tend to promote the well-doing or well-being of mankind.”

Under this broad charter, the Foundation currently makes grants on a selective basis to institutions in:

- Higher education
- Cultural affairs and the performing arts
- Population
- Conservation and the environment
- Public affairs

In regard to population, the Foundation is interested in reproductive biology and applied contraceptive development.

Types of Projects Supported
The Mellon Foundation supports policy analysis, research, service delivery, training, and capacity building, and provides general and planning grants.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
The Foundation often publishes announcements about new funding priorities. It rarely accepts unsolicited proposals, but accepts two-page letters of inquiry. Most support goes to non-profit organizations in the United States. No grants are made to individuals. For more information, contact the Mellon Foundation.
Types of Projects Supported
The Fund supports efforts to strengthen policies and programs for youth to ensure access to age-appropriate sexuality education and comprehensive reproductive health services to enhance adolescents’ health, prevent teen pregnancy, and foster healthy and responsible sexual behavior.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
The Fund provides support to institutions only. Please request guidelines and the annual report. Submit a letter of inquiry (not proposals) if the inquiring organization fits within the guidelines.

Contact the Moriah Fund for more information.
Contact:
Conrad Martin, Executive Director

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
No actual priority areas; support on a “needs” basis

General Purpose
The Trust supports access to services and education, leadership development, and advocacy training.

Types of Projects Supported
The Trust primarily provides funding only to institutions and for general support. Primary issues include:

• Adolescent reproductive health
• Improved access to family planning/reproductive health services
• Population growth
• Population policy
• Quality of reproductive health care
• Reproductive health technologies
• Reproductive rights/access to abortion
• Women’s rights

The primary strategies that the foundation supports include advocacy, litigation, organizing, policy analysis, and training.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
Send letter of inquiry to Conrad Martin. For more information, contact the Stuart R. Mott Charitable Trust.
Contact:
Ellen Chesler, Senior Fellow and Director, Program on Reproductive Health and Rights

Geographic Regions and/or Regions of High Priority
Africa, Europe, Latin America, the Caribbean, Russia, and former Soviet Union countries

General Purpose
The Open Society Institute is a private foundation that seeks to promote the development and maintenance of open societies around the world by supporting a range of programs in the areas of educational, social, and legal reform and by encouraging alternative approaches to complex and often controversial issues.

Types of Projects Supported
The Program on Reproductive Health and Rights favors projects that involve grassroots advocacy and litigation addressing:

- Diminished access to reproductive health care services
- The climate of violence
- The climate that has reduced public funding for progressive health and welfare policies overall.

Of particular concern is access to information and services for young women and women of color.

Sample Grant
In 2000, the Federation for Women and Family Planning, Warsaw, Poland, received a grant to support the Federation in expanding the reach of its programs.

Application Procedure
Organizations interested in applying for funding should first submit an original two-page letter of inquiry along with a copy of their Internal Revenue Service (IRS) determination letter. OSI will promptly acknowledge all inquiries. If OSI invites a request for funding, it will also require a full proposal (not more than ten pages long) and additional materials. Do not send full proposals or other unsolicited materials until requested to do so. The Program on Reproductive Health and Rights has three grant cycles. To be considered, complete proposals must be received by February 1st for the spring docket; June 1st for the summer docket; and October 1st for the fall docket. If the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, OSI will accept proposals on the next business day.

For more information, contact the Open Society Institute.
Contact
Sarah C. Clark, Director, Population Program

Geographic Region and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa: Ethiopia, Nigeria, Sudan
Asia: India, Pakistan, Philippines, Myanmar
Latin America and the Caribbean: Mexico

General Purpose
This is a private foundation that funds international, national, and local programs to improve people’s quality of life through family planning and reproductive health services.

The Youth Program aims to guard the health of tomorrow’s parents by providing information and services to promote delayed childbearing and safer sex. The Foundation supports programs that provide contraceptive information and services to sexually active youth. It places more emphasis on changing the scale of existing, promising pilot projects and replicating them than on supporting many small pilot projects. It supports the use of mass media to disseminate information. It also supports large-scale evaluation to enhance scientific rigor in the field.

The Youth Program has four major strategies:
• Promoting comprehensive sexual education
• Promoting methods that meet youth needs
• Enhancing private sector models and involvement in the delivery of reproductive health services and information
• Advocating for young people’s right to quality reproductive health services and for removing barriers to information and services. Target age group is ages 10 to 24.

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation has supported various projects to reduce the incidence of teen pregnancy, promote sexuality education, advocate for policies that promote adolescent reproductive health, and deliver contraceptives to sexually active youth.

Sample Grant
Gente Joven Program of MEXFAM—the family planning association in Mexico provides a family planning program especially for youth, including clinic services, educational programs and recreational activities, some organized by youth for youth.

Application Procedure
The Foundation reviews proposals at quarterly meetings of the Board of Trustees. Deadline for receipt of proposals is the 15th of the month in December, March, June, and September. Staff reviews the proposal to determine whether it falls within the Foundation’s current areas of interest and funding priorities. When a proposal appears to fit the criteria, the staff generally meets with applicant’s representatives prior to making recommendations to the Board. In addition, staff often provides potential network contacts, advice, and other forms of assistance to applicants and others. A proposal must include the following:
• Cover letter describing the organization and the amount being requested
• Background information on the organization
• Details of the proposed program
• Personnel
• Budgeting and other financial information.

For more information and guidelines, contact the David and Lucille Packard Foundation.
Types of Projects Supported

Improving access to reproductive health services, family planning, and quality of reproductive health care.

Sample Grant

None described.

Application Procedure

Organizations interested in applying for funding should submit a two-page letter of inquiry. Do not send full proposals or other unsolicited materials until requested to do so.

For more information, contact the Prospect Hill Foundation.
Contact

Adisa Douglas, Program Officer for Population and Reproductive Health

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority

The Public Welfare Foundation has no geographic restrictions.

General Purposes

The Public Welfare Foundation is dedicated to supporting organizations that provide services to disadvantaged populations and that work for lasting improvements in delivering services to meet basic human needs.

Types of Projects Supported

The Foundation supports programs that provide comprehensive teen sexuality education focusing on preventing unplanned pregnancies and on other reproductive health issues, such as HIV/AIDS. The Foundation especially supports programs that reach high-risk youth, work with parents and other adults responsible for youth, and involve teens in program design and implementation.

The Foundation provides both general and project-specific grants. Although most grants cover a period of one year, the Foundation accepts requests for funding renewal and also makes multi-year grants. It also accepts requests for grants for one-time purposes and for adapting successful programs.

The Foundation does not fund scholarships, graduate work, individuals, government projects, research projects, or foreign study. Only occasionally does it fund conferences, seminars or workshops, publications, video or media projects, endowments, capital grants, or equipment requests.

Sample Grant

The Public Welfare Foundation awarded the group BAFROW US $62,000 for the Serrekunda Project. This project works to eradicate female genital mutilation through educational programs, alternative rites-of-passage, youth programs, and training and developing micro-enterprise for traditional practitioners as alternative ways to earn their living.

Application Procedure

Initial requests to the Foundation should come in the form of a letter of inquiry, including requests for first-time support and for projects that have not recently received funding from the Foundation. When a letter of inquiry indicates project alignment with Foundation funding priorities, the Foundation will request a full proposal. Requests for renewed funding for recently funded work should come in the form of a full proposal.

For more information, contact the Public Welfare Foundation.
Contact
Jane Hughes, Associate Director, Health Equity

General Purpose
The Rockefeller Foundation is a knowledge-based, global foundation with a commitment to enrich and sustain the life and livelihood of poor and excluded people throughout the world. In order to maximize its resources and leverage the Foundation’s strengths, grant making is organized around four themes:

• Creativity and culture
• Food security
• Health equity
• Working communities

A crosscutting theme of global inclusion supports, promotes, and supplements the other themes.

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation’s new health equity strategy seeks to counter the market failure of health products through advocacy, capacity building, and support for specific product initiatives. Much of this work is done through public/private partnerships patterned after the Foundation-created International AIDS Vaccine Initiative.

Sample Grant
In May 2000, the Foundation awarded the Umzingwane AIDS Network in Esigodini, Zimbabwe, US $62,000 to field test communication processes to build the capacity of rural Zimbabwean youth to advocate on their own behalf against risky behaviors that can lead to HIV infection.

Application Procedure
The Foundation’s offices in New York City, USA; and in Bangkok, Thailand; Nairobi, Kenya; Harare, Zimbabwe; Mexico City, Mexico; and its headquarters in San Francisco, California, manage programming.

The Foundation makes grants proactively—that is, the officers and staff seek out opportunities that will advance the Foundation’s long-term goals, rather than reacting to unsolicited proposals. Foundation officers receive more than 12,000 proposals each year, 75 percent of which are rejected because they fall outside Foundation guidelines.

As a matter of policy, the Foundation does not give or lend personal aid to individuals, support attempts to influence legislation, or, except in rare cases, provide general institutional support, fund endowments, or contribute to building and operating funds.

Organizations interested in Foundation grants should send a letter of inquiry to the director for the area of interest, Rockefeller Foundation, 420 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10018. Or, inquiries may be sent online to Health Equity-health@rockfound.org. A letter of inquiry should briefly describe the project and its purpose (no attachments). For more information, contact the Rockefeller Foundation.
SCHERMAN FOUNDATION
16 East 52nd Street
Suite 601
New York, NY 10022
USA
Telephone: 1 212 832 3086
Fax: 1 212 838 0154
E-mail: scherfnd@aol.com
Internet: none given

Contact
Sandra Silverman, President

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priorities
None specified

General Purpose
The Scherman Foundation provides support to organizations working to secure, protect, and expand women’s reproductive rights, choices, and services.

Types of Projects Supported
The Foundation supports projects regarding access to family planning, reproductive health services, quality of reproductive health care, reproductive rights, access to abortion, and sexuality education.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
Organizations interested in applying for funding should submit a two-page letter of inquiry. Do not send full proposals or other unsolicited materials until requested to do so.

For more information, contact the Scherman Foundation.
Contact

Mr. Alan Christie, Director of Community Affairs

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority

The Foundation considers funding only in countries where it has a major business presence. For 1999, the Foundation provided funding in:

- **Africa**: South Africa
- **Asia/Pacific**: Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines
- **Latin America and the Caribbean**: Brazil, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Mexico.

General Purpose

The Foundation's policies and programs incorporate:

- Belief in each individual’s capacity to make a difference
- Appreciation of diversity
- Commitment to empowering individuals
- Dedication to leading social change.

Types of Projects Supported

Within its global giving program guidelines, Levi Strauss funds HIV/AIDS prevention and care and youth empowerment programs. With regard to HIV/AIDS prevention and care, program priorities include:

- Risk reduction education targeted to populations most at risk for HIV/AIDS, including injection drug users and their partners, minority populations, and gay and bisexual men
- Support services for people affected by HIV/AIDS, including individuals who are HIV-positive as well as their families and caregivers

In evaluating proposals, the Foundation looks for evidence that an applicant coordinates efforts with both public and private agencies concerned with HIV/AIDS. Applicants should provide epidemiological data on the incidence of HIV/AIDS in the applicant’s geographic region, the number of people to be served, and how the reduction of risk in the community will be measured and evaluated.

With regard to youth empowerment, the Foundation’s goal is to support programs that engage young people in decision making and problem solving on issues of concern to youth. Programs should recognize youth as valuable assets to society and equip them to become advocates for positive change in their peers, families, and communities. The Foundation supports programs that:

- Involve youth in decision making at all levels of an organization
- Give youth a voice in their communities
- Provide youth with opportunities for meaningful service in their communities
- Foster youth empowerment
- Focus on under-represented and marginalized youth.

In evaluating proposals, the Foundation seeks out programs that incorporate youth empowerment and decision-making—programs that allow young people to participate proactively rather than passively to receive services. The Foundation supports programs addressing youth organizing, identity- and issue-based activism,
community service, media/journalism training, and leadership and skills training. Applicants should clearly state how programming incorporates and promotes youth-directed activities, including issues of accountability and leadership.

In general, the Foundation does not consider funding projects conducted by individuals or for political, sectarian, or religious purposes, nor does it purchase or fund tickets for dinners or other events.

Application Procedure
Please contact the Foundation for eligibility requirements and to see if the Foundation is accepting letters of inquiry. Letters of inquiry (no more than three pages) typically include the following:

- Brief statement of the organization’s goals and accomplishments
- Purpose of requested funds
- Description of population to be served and timeframe for activities

The Foundation accepts letters throughout the year.

For more information, contact the Levi Strauss Foundation.
SUMMIT FOUNDATION

2099 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Suite 1000
Washington, D.C. 20006
USA
Telephone: 1 202 912 2900
Fax: 1 202 912 2901
E-mail: sgibbs@summitfdn.org
Internet: www.summitfdn.org

Contact
Susan L. Gibbs, Senior Program Officer

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Global, with an emphasis on Latin America and the Caribbean; priority given to projects in the Meso-American Reef eco-region and the Atlantic Coastal Forests eco-region

General Purpose
• Expanding access to safe, effective, and voluntary family planning and reproductive health care, including youth-friendly services
• Linking family planning and reproductive health services with projects that enhance young women’s education, livelihood, and self-esteem
• Supporting and disseminating innovative research on adolescent reproductive health, women’s empowerment, and population momentum
• Mobilizing resources and strengthening support for policies on universal access to high-quality family planning and reproductive health services and for expanding women’s access to education and economic opportunity.

Types of Projects Supported
The Summit Foundation supports direct services to adolescent males and females as well as youth development.

Sample Grant
The Instituto Mexicano de Investigacion de Familia y Poblacion, Mexico City, Mexico, was awarded US $150,000 over 18 months to support a program of small grants, training, and technical assistance for local organizations throughout Mexico that address adolescent reproductive health and sexuality education.

Application Procedure
Submit a short letter of inquiry. For more information, contact the Summit Foundation.
Sample Grant

None described.

Application Procedure

The Foundation does not entertain letters of inquiry. The Foundation requests that organizations submit a full three-page proposal, according to procedures listed at their Web site (www.turnerfoundation.org).

The Foundation’s Board of Trustees meets four times annually. Within four weeks of receiving a proposal, the Foundation will notify the requesting organization, by mail, regarding the cycle to which the proposal has been assigned, as well as any additional information that might be needed to complete the application. To be considered at a given Board meeting, proposals must be received by the respective deadlines:

- March or April meeting: deadline, December 15th of previous year
- July meeting: deadline, March 15th
- September meeting: deadline, June 15th
- December meeting: deadline, September 15th.

For more information, contact the Turner Foundation.
Contact
Susan Rich, Senior Program Officer

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Sub-Saharan Africa, Brazil, India, Mexico

General Purpose
The mission of the Wallace Global Fund is to catalyze and leverage critically needed global progress towards an equitable and environmentally sustainable society.

Types of Projects Supported
The Wallace Global Fund supports initiatives that promise to advance globally sustainable development in some fundamental way. This includes projects to support advocacy for policy change in order to improve the quality of reproductive health information and services for adolescents at the global and regional level.

Sample Grant
The Wallace Global Fund provides funding for NGOs in developing countries through a three-year initiative with Advocates for Youth. The program focuses on innovative strategies for improving adolescents’ access to contraceptive services, and includes training on “youth-friendly” service delivery, youth leadership, and community mobilization.

Application Procedure
The Fund recommends submitting a concept paper, not to exceed three pages, prior to submission of a full proposal. This paper, accompanied by a brief letter of inquiry, should state:

• Problem(s) being addressed;
• Goal of the initiative;
• Specific objectives;
• Accompanying strategies;
• Anticipated results;
• Requested grant amount;
• Project time period with start and end dates, and
• Primary contact person.

Applicants will be informed if a full proposal is warranted, at which time prospective grantees should submit additional materials and supporting documents.

For more information, contact the Wallace Global Fund.
WOMANKIND WORLDWIDE
Viking House
3rd Floor
5-11 Worship Street
London EC2A 2BH
United Kingdom
Telephone: 44 20 7588 6096
Fax: 44 20 7588 6101
E-mail: info@womankind.org.uk
Internet: www.womankind.org.uk

Contact
Maggie Baxter, Executive Director

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa, Europe, Latin America

General Purpose
WOMANKIND Worldwide is a United Kingdom-based charity dedicated entirely to women's development and women's human rights globally. It raises funds in Britain for grants to self-help projects by indigenous women. WOMANKIND believes that increasing women's influence within their communities and giving them skills and literacy training, health education, and access to credit will stimulate change and enable women to find long-term solutions to poverty. Beyond working at the grassroots level, WOMANKIND campaigns and lobbies for change at national and international levels.

Types of Projects Supported
WOMANKIND supports initiatives that improve women's economic, social and political status. It considers projects focusing on health, education, and income generation and any type of project that will empower women and give them more control over their lives.

Sample Grant
WOMANKIND has partnered with organizations in Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia, Kenya, and Egypt to tackle harmful traditional practices towards girls and young women.

Application Procedure
Contact WOMANKIND or an application form and submit it at any time.
Contact
Wouter A. Meijer, Director

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa: Kenya, Uganda
Asia: Indonesia, Nepal, Thailand, Vietnam, Pakistan
Latin America and the Caribbean: Bolivia (forthcoming), Venezuela

General Purpose
World Population Foundation is a Dutch non-profit organization working for the improvement of reproductive and sexual health in developing countries. WPF works to improve the quality of life and contribute to sustainable development by:

- Improving the basic human right of women, men, and adolescents to protect their own sexual and reproductive health,
- Improving people’s ability to make free and well informed choices,
- Improving access to appropriate reproductive and sexual health care,
- Creating knowledge about the link between well-being, health, consumption, population, and sustainable development.

And, in this way, protecting the health and well-being of individuals, families and communities

Type of Projects Supported
WPF supports local organizations (government and non-government) in developing countries in designing and managing sexual and reproductive health projects and provides technical advice and training in these areas. WPF staff or consultants provide technical assistance in training and project management. Working closely with multi-lateral and bilateral donors (among others, UNFPA and the European Union) facilitates the funding of projects.

Sample Grant
The project “Working with Young People to Improve the Sexual and Reproductive Health of Young People” is being implemented by the Family Planning Association of Nepal (FPAN). The project aims to empower young people in five districts in Nepal to adopt safer sexual and reproductive health behaviors and practices. It will create appropriate and accessible services and education for young people (in and out of school) and a favorable community support system based on the needs and priorities identified by young people ages 12 to 25.

Application Procedure
For the application procedures, contact the World Population Foundation.
PART II:

Governmental Agencies
For more information on European population and reproductive health assistance, see the Guide to European Population Assistance: An Orientation Guide for Institutions in Developing Countries on Funding for Population and Reproductive Health. Published by Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung (DSW), German Foundation for World Population. Copies of the guide are free of charge to NGO’s in developing countries.

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Internet Address: www.EuroNGOs.org
II. Governmental Agencies

EUROPEAN COMMUNITY (EC)

DG Development and Social Development
200 Rue de la Loi
B-1049 Brussels
Belgium
Telephone: 32 2 299 2648
Fax: 32 2 963 697
E-mail: angelina.eichhoist@cec.eu.int
Internet: www.europa.eu.int/10mm/development/sector/social/health

Contact
Angelina Eichhoist, Health, AIDS, and Population Advisor

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
All developing countries

General Purpose
The EC focuses on both prevention and care; partnerships, public and private; awareness raising; and capacity building.

Types of Projects Supported
The EC supports innovative programs that are not traditional community development efforts.

Sample Grant
In 2000, the EC provided a grant to AIDS Prevention Lithuania. The aim of this project is to organize an international conference on youth, sexual health, and the cultural landscapes of gender and sexuality in times of transition in Baltic Sea States.

Application Procedure
For information, contact the European Community.
II. Governmental Agencies

IRELAND AID
Development Co-operation Division
Department of Foreign Affairs
76-78 Harcourt Street
IRL -Dublin 2
Ireland
Telephone: 353 1 661 4411
Fax: 353 1 661 4202
E-mail: IrelandAid@iveagh.irlgov.ie
Internet: www.irlgov.ie/iveagh

Contact
Development Co-operation Division

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Ethiopia, Lesotho, Mozambique, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

General Purpose
Ireland Aid’s highest priority is meeting basic needs such as clean water, health care, and primary education. The main emphasis of the Ireland Aid program is long-term sustainable development with the objective of alleviating poverty through:

• Meeting basic needs
• Building up indigenous capacity through the transfer of appropriate skills.

There is, in addition, a particular emphasis on fostering democracy, respect for human rights, gender and social equality, food security, and protection of the environment.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
There are several mechanisms through which an NGO may receive funding from Ireland Aid. Organizations should seek application procedures, forms, and guidance from the local Ireland Aid regional office, from the Irish consulate or embassy, or from Ireland Aid. For more information contact Ireland Aid.
II. Governmental Agencies

ITALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MAE)

Head Office for Development Co-operation
Office VII
Via della XVII Olimpiade 6
1-00194 Rome
Italy
Telephone: 39 6 36 91 41 96
Fax: 39 6 3 20 80 50
E-mail: dgcsvii@ester.it
Internet: www.esteri.it

Contact
Ask for the appropriate desk officer.

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority

According to the 1999-2001 three-year plan, 80 percent of financial resources of the Development Co-operation Division will be allocated for:

East Africa: Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia
North Africa: Algeria, Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia
Asia: China and India
Balkans: Albania, republics of former Yugoslavia
Middle East: Palestine, Lebanon, Jordan, Syria.

General Purpose

Funding priorities include, population, women and development, protecting children and youth, social communication and information, strengthening institutional capacity, good governance, promoting enterprise, creating jobs, and social projects to promote the return and integration of refugees and immigrants.

Types of Projects Supported

None given.

Sample Grant

None described.

Application Procedure

Please contact the Head Office for Development Co-operation and request the special guidelines, “Progetti promossi da ONG—Schema di presentazione e procedure” (projects promoted by NGOS—presentation scheme and procedure).
II. Governmental Agencies

**NETHERLANDS MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (BUZA)**

Department for Social and Institutional Development  
PO Box 2 00 61  
NL-2500 EB The Hague  
Netherlands  
Telephone: 31 70 3 48 50 86  
Fax: 31 70 3 48 48 48  
E-mail: minbuza@minbuza.nl  
Internet: www.minbuza.nl/english.homepage.asp

**Contact**

Nearest Royal Embassy of the Netherlands; ask for the sector specialist for health, population, and nutrition or women in development within the embassy.

**Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority**

Embassies with a sector specialist on women in development or on health, population, and nutrition exist in the following countries:

**Africa:** Burkina Faso, Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Mali, Mozambique, Senegal, Sudan, Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe  
**Asia:** Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, and Vietnam  
**Latin America and the Caribbean:** Bolivia, Costa Rica, and Surinam  
**Middle East:** Yemen

**General Purpose**

A third of all projects must contain elements relating to the Platform for Action (closing document of the World Conference on Women in Beijing); women and children/adolescents.

**Types of Projects Supported**

Embassy projects should be small scale and local and originate in the community or agency involved. Projects must be sustainable and may not take the form either of charity or emergency aid.

**Sample Grant**

None described.

**Application Procedure**

Programming is largely decided at the embassy level. Contact the nearest Royal Embassy of the Netherlands and ask for advice, funding priorities, and current application procedures.
II. Governmental Agencies

ROYAL DANISH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Asiatisk Plads 2
1448 Copenhagen K.
Denmark
Telephone: 45 33 92 00 00
Fax: 45 32 54 05 33
E-mail: um@um.dk
Internet: www.um.dk

Contact
Department S. Y.

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa: Burkina Faso, Benin, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe
Asia: Vietnam, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, India
Latin America and the Caribbean: Bolivia, Nicaragua
Middle East: Egypt, Gaza/West Bank

General Purpose
To give children and young people in developing countries a brighter future; to acknowledge the importance of children and young people as the core resource of any society; and to ensure substantial efforts to curb the spread of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the poorest countries, particularly in Africa.

Types of Projects Supported
Priority assistance will go toward efforts to prevent the spread of the HIV/AIDS epidemic among children and young people and to involve children and youth as active participants in prevention and information dissemination. Denmark will particularly support activities in the field of HIV/AIDS that focus on children and young people, via international organizations with competence in the field.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
Guidelines and application forms are available from:

Bech’s Distribution
Postbox 17
Hedlykken 2-4
DK-2640 Hedehusene
Denmark
Tel. 45 46 55 01 55
Fax 45 46 55 01 69
E-mail bdm@bech-distribution.dk

For more information, contact the Royal Danish Ministry.
II. Governmental Agencies

SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC COMMUNITY (SPC)
(formerly the South Pacific Commission)

Pacific Youth Resource Bureau (PYRB)
B.P. D5
98848 Noumea Cedex
New Caledonia
Telephone: 687 26 2000
Fax: 687 26 3818
Telex: SOPACOM 3139NM
E-mail: spc@spc.int (SPC)
tangatav@spc.org.nc (PYRB)
Internet: www.spc.org.nc (SPC)
www.spc.org.nc/youth/index.html (PYRB)

Contact
Dr. Bob Dun, Director-General, Secretariat of the Pacific Community, or Tangata Vainerere, Youth Development Adviser, Pacific Youth Resource Bureau

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
South Pacific island countries

General Purposes
The SPC is an inter-governmental organization that focuses on the socio-economic development of the South Pacific island nations.

Types of projects supported
On June 1, 1998, demonstrating SCP’s commitment to a proactive role in youth development, it established the Pacific Youth Resource Bureau (PYRB). This bureau coordinates the SPC’s Pacific Youth Strategy 2005, which aims at creating and maintaining genuine opportunities for young people to play an active role in the economic, social, cultural, and spiritual development of their societies. Youth Strategy 2005 focuses on:

- Developing and implementing youth policies and strategies;
- Involving young people in decision making, planning, and implementing activities;
- Improving leadership, management and organizational capacities;
- Developing and strengthening networks and information systems;
- Encouraging youth and community development activities;
- Fostering a positive mental attitude; and
- Reducing and eliminating abuse of children and young people.

Sample Grants
SPC’s proposed intervention strategy for youth’s health includes the following:

- Providing peer education—training programs for youth on understanding sexual behavior in adolescents; preventing/controlling alcohol, drug, and cigarette use; preventing physical abuse; and coping with anxiety and depression—to encourage young people to take responsibility for their own health.

Application Procedure
Direct requests for assistance to the Secretary-General of the SPC. Additionally, in seeking a grant for youth projects, consult the Government Youth Office of the respective country.
II. Governmental Agencies

SPANISH AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION (AECI)

Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores
Agencia Espanola de Cooperation Internacional
Avenida de los Reyes Catolicos, 4
E-28040 Madrid
Spain
Telephone: 91 5 83 85 45/ 83 86 01/ 83 85 39
Fax: 91 5 83 81 10/11/13
E-mail: infoaeci@aeci.es
Internet: www.aeci.es

Types of Projects Supported
In 1999, priorities for AECI included
• Primary health care
• Basic education
• Professional training
• Integral development
• Supporting the peace making process
• Institutional strengthening and democratization
• Consolidating and strengthening the rule of law
• Improving public access to drinking water and sanitation
• Working on basic social infrastructure
• Sustainable development
• Respecting the environment.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedures
Guidelines and application forms can be obtained from the AECI.

Contact
Department of International Cooperation

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa, Central America, South America, Middle East, China, Philippines, Vietnam

General Purpose
Not specified, but not specifically oriented toward youth.

Funding the Future
II. Governmental Agencies

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (USAID)
Global Bureau
Center for Population, Health and Nutrition
3.06-041U
3rd Floor, Ronald Reagan Building
Washington, D.C. 20523-3600
USA
Telephone: 1 202 712 0540
Fax: 1 202 216 3046/3404
E-mail: pinquires@usaid.gov
Internet: www.usaid.gov/pop_health.gov

Contact
The nearest USAID mission

Geographic Regions and/or Regions of High Priority

• Africa: Angola, Benin, Burundi, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe
• Asia/Near East: Bangladesh, Cambodia, Egypt India, Indonesia, Jordan, Morocco, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Vietnam, West Bank Gaza, Yemen
• Europe and Eurasia: Armenia, Albania, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bulgaria, Croatia, Georgia, Lithuania, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Turkey, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan
• Latin America and the Caribbean: Bolivia, Brazil, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru

General Purpose
Given the large numbers of young women and men entering their reproductive years, USAID considers youth to present an important program challenge. To address this challenge, the Center developed a new initiative to provide education on reproductive health and contraception before youth begin sexual activity.

Types of Projects Supported
The initiative will encourage abstinence and delay in sexual activity and marriage; address school dropout due to unintended pregnancy; provide sensitive and confidential family planning information and services; and lay the basis for life-long reproductive health.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Procedure
PART III:

International Agencies and Nongovernmental Organizations
**III. International Agencies**

**CHILDHOPE**

Lector Court  
151 Farringdon Road  
London EC1 3AF  
United Kingdom  
Telephone: 44 207 833 0868  
Fax: 44 207 833 2500  
E-mail: chuk@gn.apc.org  
Internet: www.tmdavies.demon.co.uk

**Contact**
Regional Representative

**Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority**

- **Africa:** Kenya, South Africa  
- **Asia:** Philippines  
- **Europe:** Albania, Bulgaria, and Romania  
- **Latin America:** Brazil, Peru

**General Purpose**

CHILDHOPE provides technical and (limited) financial assistance and training to local organizations focusing on children who live and work on the streets. Specific areas of interest include street education, vocational education, health services, and health education for street children, income generating projects, and research. CHILDHOPE recently started an initiative to expand services for girls who live and work on the streets.

**Types of Projects Supported**

Typical projects funded by CHILDHOPE have included sending local project staff to international training courses and conferences, staff exchanges, research on issues related to girls who live and work on the streets, and direct services for street children in Latin America and Asia.

**Sample Grant**

A previous CHILDHOPE grant funded an international meeting for staff of programs working with street girls to exchange experiences on meeting the health needs of these young women. CHILDHOPE also funded direct service projects in Guatemala and Brazil to provide services for street girls, including health services and health education.

**Application Procedure**

CHILDHOPE will refer appropriate submissions or applications to the corresponding regional offices and representatives in Brazil, Guatemala, or the Philippines. For more information, check the Web site or contact CHILDHOPE.
III. International Agencies

FAMILY PLANNING INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE (FPIA)
810 Seventh Avenue
New York, NY 10019
USA
Telephone: 1 212 541 7800
Fax: 1 212 247 6274
E-mail: fpia@ppfa.org
Internet:
www.plannedparenthood.org/fpia/index.cfm

Contact
Allie Stickney, Vice President for International Programs

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa is a high priority region for FPIA, which also funds projects in other developing regions.

General Purposes
FPIA is the international funding arm of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, the United States affiliate of International Planned Parenthood Federation. FPIA is a private organization with the purpose of responding to unmet needs for family planning services delivery.

Types of Projects Supported
FPIA funds and provides technical assistance to projects within private and governmental agencies delivering teen pregnancy prevention services. FPIA funds projects aimed specifically at adolescents and expects to increase such funding. Grants range from US $15,000 to US $200,000.

Sample Grant
The Population and Community Development Association (PDA) in Bangkok was awarded a grant of US $139,787 for a Peer Outreach Family Planning/STD Project. Volunteer peer teams provide family planning and STD information and education to young adults.

Application Procedure
Organizations interested in collaborating with FPIA should apply through the appropriate regional office listed below:

FPIA Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (APRO)
PO Box 5-1047
Silom Post Office
Bangkok, 10504
Thailand
Or
37 Soi 15 Petchburi Road
Bangkok 10400
Thailand
Phone: 66 2 254 8954.55
Fax: 66 2 254 8956
E-mail: fpia@mozart.inet.co.th
Contact: Mary Luke

FPIA Regional Office of Africa (ARO)
PO Box 5358
Nairobi
Kenya
Phone: 254 2 727049-52
Fax: 254 2 717013
E-mail: fpia@nbi.ispkenya.com
Contact: Uche Azie

FPIA Regional Office for Latin America
8360 West Flagler St.
Suite 201
Miami, FL 33144
USA
Phone: 1 305 480 0030
Fax: 1 305 480 8820
E-mail: laro@ppfa.org
No Contact Given
Contact
Michael Magnaye, Development Director

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa: Botswana, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Zimbabwe
Asia: Bangladesh, Indonesia, Nepal, Philippines
Latin America and the Caribbean: El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua

General Purposes
IDEX was formed in 1985 to support small-scale projects in developing countries while giving North Americans an avenue for action and for understanding other cultures. IDEX unites sponsors from the United States with a specific project designed and implemented by a community in a developing country.

Types of Projects Supported
IDEX supports local projects in which people in developing countries have committed their labor and resources to a new endeavor to meet basic needs, such as food, clean and safe water, education, or reliable sources of income. IDEX provides financial support of up to US $5,000. Although IDEX has not yet been involved with adolescent pregnancy prevention projects, it recognizes the obstacle that too-early childbearing can pose to youth’s education, employment, and health.

Sample Grant
IDEX projects have included building schools and libraries and establishing a community day care center. In addition, IDEX matches schools in the United States as IDEX sponsors with projects in developing countries, thereby expanding American children’s knowledge of the rest of the world.

Application Procedure
Projects sponsored by IDEX are usually recommended by IDEX partner agencies in developing countries. Project planners who wish to obtain support from IDEX should contact IDEX in the United States at the above address, to link with an IDEX representative in their region.
Types of Projects Supported

IWHC provides technical, financial, managerial, and moral support to women’s organizations, advocacy groups, health and rights activists, and service providers in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. As a catalyst for action, IWHC forges alliances among diverse groups and individuals to influence the health and population policies and programs of national governments and international agencies. IWHC publishes reports and convenes meetings on critical or neglected issues in women’s health.

Sample Grant

A recent grant supported Action Health International (AHI) in coordinating the first Nigerian National Conference on Adolescent Reproductive Health and in gaining the participation of eight colleague organizations (six from Nigeria, two from Cameroon). The grant also enabled AHI’s staff to set up a mobile version of an adolescent clinic at the conference and to expand media coverage of the event.

Application Procedure

For more information, contact the International Women’s Health Coalition.
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Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, Europe and Eurasia, Latin America and the Caribbean, Near East (Northern Africa and Western Asia)

General Purpose
The Center for Communication Programs was established to focus attention on the pivotal role of strategic communication in health programs, including adolescent reproductive health, and to provide leadership in the field. JHU/CCP has developed innovative, award-winning programs promoting the reproductive health of young people in more than 26 countries. These activities include a broad range of approaches, media, and messages to help young people delay sexual activity, prevent unwanted pregnancy, avoid sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and HIV/AIDS, continue their education, and make the transition to responsible adulthood.

Types of Projects Supported
JHU/CCP supports media and other entertainment/education (enter-educate) activities, working through schools, advocacy, interpersonal communication, linking youth to services, research, and publications.

Sample Grant
In March 2001, JHU/CCP worked with the Ministry of Youth and Sports’ National Youth Council (NYC) to launch the Men’s Challenge CUP Initiative. The launch featured a gala football match and fun fair at the Kaneshie Sports Complex. Integrating this activity into the existing NYC youth centers in greater Accra, Western and Northern Regions, the Young Men’s Challenge CUP, for youth ages 10 to 17, encourages youth’s development physically, mentally, and emotionally. The mass appeal of football in Ghana is a vehicle to promote abstinence and/or condom use in young men as well as their discussion of reproductive health issues with their peers and elders.

Application Procedure
Organizations should contact the program officer for the specific country. For more information, inquire by telephone, 1 410 659 6300 or by e-mail, ccp@jhuccp.org.
III. International Agencies

PARTNERS OF THE AMERICAS

Partners of the Americas, Inc
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and Danielle Mutone, Program Officer, Youth Programs

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Latin America and the Caribbean

General Purpose
Partners of the Americas is a private organization that promotes economic and social development in the Western Hemisphere. It has a network of partners involving thousands of volunteers in 45 states in the United States and 31 Latin American and Caribbean countries. In addition to promoting development, it fosters inter-American friendship and cooperation. Through its partnership projects, Partners exchanges professional expertise, trains health and social workers, and provides seed grants for adolescent pregnancy prevention (through its youth programs).

Types of Projects Supported
As a key component of many of the programs, small grants (US $1000-$5000) for community-based projects are available for activities aimed at helping young people defer childbearing. For example, partnerships can use funds to produce materials or to develop a school-based program to develop skills to enable youth to make responsible sexual health decisions.

Sample Grant
Partners of the Americas is implementing a two-year project to support activities that help prevent teenage pregnancy in Belize, Guatemala, and Honduras.

Application Procedure
Grants must be developed through the local Partners Committees and then submitted to Partners’ Washington, D.C. office. The Washington office does not accept unsolicited proposals that have not gone through this process. To apply for a grant, contact the Partners Committee in your country. For the names and address of Partners Committees, write to headquarters or see Partners’ Web page.
III. International Agencies

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Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priorities
Sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Near East

General Purpose
Pathfinder’s funding for adolescent reproductive and sexual health has the general purpose and goals of improving access to and use of quality family planning and reproductive health information and services, including STI and HIV/AIDS prevention and postpartum and post-abortion care.

Types of Projects Supported
Pathfinder supports activities around HIV/AIDS prevention and care, safe abortion, post-abortion care, and advocacy to increase access to reproductive health services.

Sample Grant
Pathfinder currently supports six non-government organizations (NGOs) in New Delhi and the state of Tamil Nadu in India. The NGOs offer a range of services to children, adolescents, and young adults. The programs aim to increase awareness of the need for reproductive health services for adolescents and to improve the capacity of these organizations to deliver such services.

Application Procedure
Request for funding from Pathfinder International should be made through the appropriate Pathfinder country office. For more information contact Pathfinder.
Contact

Contact person depends on the geographical region of the requesters. Regions include Africa, Latin America, North America, Europe, and small island states. Desk officers—volunteer interns—process the applications. Interns serve for 12 months and desk officers change regularly.

Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority

Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, North America, and Small Island states

General Purpose

Be The Change (BTC) is a program that aims to support youth led, local community action projects. HIV/AIDS and reproductive health are not exclusive funding requirements for the program which was developed to promote sustainable development, and youth empowerment.

Types of Projects Supported

The grant maximum is US $5,000 for proposals that are youth led, community-based, local, and action oriented. Peace Child International encourages smaller grants where possible.

Sample Grant

Please see www.netaid.org under the section called BE THE CHANGE for funded projects.

Application Procedure

Contact the appropriate desk officer to receive introductory materials for the BTC program, including a generic application form and the required 8-point format. Then submit the completed form to the appropriate desk officer with photographs, quotes from youth, and details about mentor contacts. The desk officer will forward proposals that meet the required BTC criteria to the NETAID office in New York. NETAID will check the proposal against BTC requirements. Acceptable proposals will be placed on the NETAID Web site (www.netaid.org) under the section entitled BE THE CHANGE. Once funding has been raised, NETAID will transfer the funds to the requesting organization. Transfer of funds includes reporting/evaluation requirements.
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PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION OF AMERICA (PPFA)

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www.plannedparenthood/international

Contact
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Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean

General Purpose
The general goal of PPFA’s funding for adolescent reproductive health programs is to improve young people’s health and lives by lowering maternal mortality, preventing STI’s, including HIV/AIDS, and enabling young people to make informed decisions about their reproductive and sexual health.

Types of Projects Supported
PPFA supports service programs, including sexuality education, counseling youth development, and gender issues. All of PPFA’s adolescent programs are designed and implemented by youth.

Sample Grant
The Cotonou Adolescent Reproductive Health Project, in three districts in the Southern Province of Benin, has 30 adolescent fieldworkers who supply their peers, neighbors, and friends with contraceptive services and referral. The adolescent fieldworkers refer clients requesting other methods or comprehensive reproductive health services to area clinics. The fieldworkers counsel and provide clients with information on contraception, prevention and treatment of STIs and sexuality education. They offer information, education, and communication (IEC) sessions in homes and schools as well as through women’s and youth’s groups. Fieldworkers conduct some of the IEC activities through a theater group and through television and radio. The messages focus on reproductive health issues for youth and encourage advocacy by youth and by religious and cultural leaders.

Application Procedure
Please be sure that the proposed project meets funding criteria:

• Significance - the project is within the focus of FPIA. (Please see Family Planning International Assistance.) FPAI focus areas include adolescents, safe abortion, refugees and/or displaced persons. Services are provided to hard-to-reach populations in hard-to-reach places. Previously unavailable services are introduced. New methods or techniques of providing reproductive health services are utilized. Residents of the catchment area, especially women, are involved in the design and/or implementation of the project. Project strategies incorporate empowerment of women, including development and institutionalization of women’s leadership. Reproductive health services are made more available through better utilization of existing resources. The project has the potential for replication and/or expansion. A local capability in reproductive health service delivery can be developed/enhanced as a result of this project.

• Effectiveness - Service is provided to large numbers of people at a relatively low cost per capita. Service coverage increases steadily. The proportion of contraceptive clients, 15 to 24 years of age at their time of enrollment in the program, is equal to or greater than the proportion of this age group in the service area’s 15 to 44 year old female population. At least 40 percent of project clients are 24 years of age or younger and have one or no
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children at their time of enrollment in the program. At least 70 percent of project clients accept a post-abortion contraceptive method. The client continuation rate is at least 60 percent. The grantee has designed and is implementing a cost reduction plan. The grantee has designed and is implementing a financial sustainability plan.

For more information on how to receive funding, contact Planned Parenthood Federation of America.
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Population Concern

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Geographic Regions and/or Regions of High Priority
Africa: Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda
Asia: Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan
Latin America and the Caribbean; Dominica, Mexico
Middle East: Lebanon

General Purpose
Population Concern works to improve the quality of people’s life worldwide by advancing all people’s right to exercise free and informed reproductive health choice and to have access to confidential sexual and reproductive health services, including family planning. Particularly, it promotes the right of women and young people to have effective access to those services and the right of women of all ages to an education that will enhance their economic and social standing.

Types of Projects Supported
Population Concern supports a range of organizations in developing countries, from national NGOs to small, grass-roots organizations. Population Concern supports organizations’ efforts by channeling funds from donors, by working in partnership with local NGOs, and by providing technical assistance. Population Concern seeks funds through institutional donors, such as the EC and the British government, the National Charities Lottery Board, and Comic Relief as well as through foundations and private sponsors.

Population Concern has a specific focus on young people. For example, it promotes peer-to-peer education. It encourages sexual and reproductive health programs targeted towards youth and that take an integrated approach to social, economic, reproductive, and sexual health issues.

Sample Grant
None described.

Application Guidelines
Population Concern welcomes concept notes (letters of inquiry) of two pages from relevant organizations in developing countries, particularly from the countries in which Population Concern is currently working. A concept note should address the following points:

• Basic information about the organization, its mission, philosophy, name and address of contact person, date of establishment, organizational structure, main sources of funding, and experience in reproductive and sexual health

• Information about the initiative for which funding is sought: the issue that is being tackled, the approach in tackling it, main activities of the initiative, origin of the idea for the initiative, experience/lessons/value the organization brings to the initiative, timeframe for the initiative, and the total project cost.

Please enclose with the concept note: a framework stating the goal, purpose and outputs of the initiative, a copy of the organization’s annual review with a set of recent annual accounts and a copy of the needs assessment undertaken for the initiative. If Population Concern is able to consider the project, a full description in an appropriate format will be requested.

For more information, contact Population Concern.
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PROGRAM FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY IN HEALTH (PATH)
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Contact
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Geographic Regions and/or Countries of High Priority
Developing countries

General Purpose
Small grants of $10,000 - $15,000 to registered NGOs to improve access to and the quality of family planning/reproductive health services in their communities

Types of Projects Supported
Any service delivery need that cannot otherwise be met

Sample Grant
PATH has supported projects that integrate reproductive health interventions, such as screening for sexually transmitted infections or HIV/AIDS counseling, into other health or family planning programs. It has also supported projects that develop communication materials related to adolescent reproductive health.

Application Procedure
PATH requires a proposal cover page, including organization name, address, telephone, fax, E-mail if available, contact person/title, proposal title, project duration, requested funding amount in US dollars, date of submission, and optional information.

Guidelines for Proposals: proposals should be no longer than 10 pages and include the following information, organized into sections indicated:

- Organizational history and documentation, including description of activities previously carried out in the area of family planning and reproductive health; sources of funding; documentation, such as NGO registration, organizational brochure, and/or annual report, etc. (please list all attached documentation.); and references, including name, address, fax and phone number and/or E-mail of one or more organizations that PATH can contact for references.

- Description of Proposed Project including statement of project goal, needs that it addresses, and how needs have been or will be assessed; how the proposed project complements and expands existing programs that address these needs; and objectives of the project, including project output, target audience(s) and number of people to be reached.

- Project Implementation Plan (describing the following): Project activities and timeline; project personnel; how target audiences will be reached; training and/or informational materials to be developed; other training and/or informational materials to be used; if contraceptives are to be supplied, how they will be obtained and distributed; methods for selecting trainees, teachers, and/or trainers; ways to monitor the program; other organizations involved in the project, their roles, and method for ensuring their collaboration; project impact and how it will be measured; plan for evaluating the project's success and lessons learned; and, plan for sustaining activities after the Small grant funds are expended.

- Detailed Budget showing how grant funds will be allocated.

For more information, contact PATH.
PART IV:

Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health Web Links
Web links to Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health Sites:

Adolescent Health On-Line (AHOL)
This Web site of the American Medical Association’s Program on Child and Adolescent Health offers information about health topics that are useful for health care providers and researchers.

Adolescent Reproductive Health Network (ARHNe): Health System and Health Promotion Research in Eastern and Southern Africa
http://www.nutrition.uio.no/ARHNe/
ARHNe, funded by the European Commission, is a research network including several on-going research programs and projects and consists of 18 partner institutions in Southern and Eastern Africa, as well as in Europe, all involved in research and/or implementation of programs that target adolescent reproductive health and risk behaviors.

Adolescent Reproductive Health Education (TARSC/Ministry of Education, Zimbabwe)
http://www.tarsc.org/prog5.html
This informative site about the project and activities of the TARSC project of the Training and Research Support Center and Ministry of Education (Zimbabwe) also offers full-text reports.

Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health
http://www.unescobkk.org/infores/arh-web/
This Web site aims at sharing the experiences of countries in the Asia region in using IEC and advocacy strategies to promote adolescent reproductive and sexual health and includes full-text publications on the subject.

Advocates for Youth
http://www.advocatesforyouth.org/
Offering statistics, research, and information on programs and activities, this site provides essential information for educators, health care providers, youth activists, and youth on sexual health, peer education, contraception, youth involvement, youth development, and other topics. New journalnet and biblionet offer access to over 10,000 research articles, monographs, and other pieces of research focusing on adolescent sexual and reproductive health.

The Alan Guttmacher Institute (AGI)
http://www.agi-usa.org/
This site provides information on sexual activity, contraception, abortion and childbearing for youth worldwide, including articles from Family Planning Perspectives, International Family Planning Perspectives, and The Guttmacher Report on Public Policy.

Campaign for Our Children
http://www.cfoc.org/
This site communicates preventive health messages to youth, parents, community leaders, policy-makers and general public; current issues include teen pregnancy prevention, child support enforcement, adolescent sexual health and male responsibilities.

EC/UNFPA Initiative for Reproductive Health in Asia
http://www.asia-initiative.org/
This Web site provides information on activities of countries, partners, projects, resources and news of the EC/UNFPA Initiative.

Focus on Young Adults (FOCUS)
http://www.pathfind.org/focus.htm
This site offers up-to-date information on young adults’ reproductive health and on activities with young people in developing countries.

Fundación Mexicana para la Planeación Familiar (MEXFAM)
http://www.mexfam.org.mx/
MEXFAM is a nonprofit organization founded in 1965. Its mission is to provide quality services in
family planning, reproductive health and sex education. MEXFAM's Web site includes information about its mission, program, board members, and educational materials (print materials, AV, videos and flipcharts) which can be purchase online.

**Global Reproductive Health Forum**  
http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/Organizations/healthnet  
This site offers information on all aspects of adolescent reproductive health and numerous links to other related Web sites as well as discussion forums.

**Grupo de Información en Reproducción Elegida (GIRE)**  
http://www.gire.org.mx/  
This site offers information in relation to reproductive rights, including abortion, in Spanish. The site includes online versions of fact sheets and the GIRE newsletter, as well as access to the GIRE library database.

**HRP On Line**  
http://www.who.int/hrp  
This Web site offers information from a variety of projects undertaken by WHO itself or in partnership with other agencies.

**International Council on Management of Population Programs (ICOMP)**  
http://www.icomp.org.my/arh.html  
This site covers projects and activities undertaken to improve adolescent reproductive health worldwide.

**International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF)**  
http://www.ippf.org/  
This site contains weekly international news highlights in the field of sexual and reproductive health, online journals, bibliographies and resource lists, courses, information from other regions of the world, web links, and youth discussion forum online.

**Pacific Institute for Women's Health**  
http://www.piwh.org/  
This site focuses on adolescent health and also includes sections dealing with women's rights and empowerment, reproductive and sexual health, health promotion and access to better health services.

**The Program for Appropriate Technology in Health (PATH)**  
http://www.path.org/  
This site offers information about reproductive health programs for youth undertaken by PATH.

**POPIN: United Nations Population Information Network**  
http://www.unpd.org/popin  
This large Web site on population and development and reproductive health contains information on world population trends, regional population information and networks, and information on the ICPD +5 as well as reports of the latest session of the UN Commission on Population and Development.

**POPLINE**  
http://www.jhuccp.org/popline/index.stm  
POPLINE's bibliographic database covers comprehensive topics on adolescents, adolescent pregnancy, reproductive health, and sexuality and sex education.

**Population Council**  
http://www.popcouncil.org/  
This site offers a list of publications that are related to research and projects undertaken in the areas of family planning, reproductive health, population trends, fertility studies and adolescent health.

**Population Reference Bureau (PRB)**  
http://www.prb.org/topics/reproductive_health_family_planning.htm  
The section on "Reproductive Health and Family Planning" contains articles and publications dealing with reproductive health.

**Population Services International (PSI)**  
http://www.psi.org/  
This site contains information on projects undertaken by PSI to prevent young adults from contacting AIDS/ HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases.
Reproductive Health Outlook (RHO)
http://www.rho.org/html/adolescent.htm
The “Adolescent Reproductive Health” section of RHO was developed through support from Focus on Young Adults. It presents summaries of key information related to successful adolescent reproductive health programs, youth-friendly services, and sexuality education.

Reproductive Health Online (REPROLINE)
http://www.reproline.jhu.edu/
This site includes ready-to-use course and workshop materials, training tips, full text reproductive health reference materials, updates on contraceptive advances, articles in reproductive health training, access to a discussion group via e-mail, and e- newsletters for trainers.

Royal Tropical Institute (KIT)
This site provides the newsletter, “Sexual Health Exchange” in full text and offers a catalogue search to the library collection, which contains adolescent reproductive health materials.

Royal Tropical Institute (KIT) - AIDS Coordination Bureau
This site contains an on-line data base comprising documents related to HIV/AIDS, sexual and reproductive health, sexuality education, health education, training, programs, curricula, and IEC materials produced in various countries for various target groups.

Sexology Netline
http://www.netidea.com/sexologynetline
This site contains three important sources of information for adolescents on-line: Facts of Life, Netline; Question and Answer on Sexuality; and Have a Sexuality Question.

Sexwise Interactive
http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/sexwise/interact.htm
This service of the British Broadcasting Company provides the public with some information about sexual well being and latest sexual health news.

Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States (SIECUS)
http://www.siecus.org/
The site offers information on its international projects, online publication, information for parents, and SHOP Talk (School Health Opportunities and Programs), a biweekly publication.

Straight Talk Foundation
http://www.swiftuganda.com/~strtalk
The site contains two monthly publications for teens: “Young Talk” and “Straight Talk” which deal with puberty, relationships, sex, life skills, education, HIV/STI, condoms and contraception.

Street Kids International
http://www.streetkids.org/
Promoting independence and self-respect among street children around the world, the site also provides access to two animated videos (Karate Kids and Goldtooth) on HIV/AIDS, sexual health, drugs, street life. Karate Kids is available in 22 languages; Goldtooth in eight.

Thoughtshop Foundation
http://www.indian.nic.in/thoughtshop
This site is a one-stop shop for social communications to promote public health and public welfare, with a focus on training in adolescent sexual health and reproductive health issues.

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
http://www.unfpa.org/
This site contains articles, policy papers, publications and news releases dealing with adolescent reproductive health, adolescents, adolescent sexuality, girl child, gender equity and population education.

World Health Organization (WHO)
http://www.who.org/
Adolescent reproductive health materials are accessible through the online “Library Catalogue,” including materials produced by WHO and/or generated from its country programs and national counterparts.

www.advocatesforyouth.org
IV. Web Links

**Web Links to Sites for Youth and Youth Activists:**

**Ambiente Joven**
http://www.ambientejoven.org/
A site for Spanish speaking lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) and questioning youth.

**Children’s Express**
http://www.cenews.org/
A news service produced by children on issues that affect their lives. “Children’s Express Stories” contains past stories filed by topic such as sexuality and relationships, health and addictions, etc.

**Coalition for Positive Sexuality**
http://www.positive.org/
Written in language for teenagers, the site includes information on respect, safer sex, pregnancy, HIV/AIDS testing, STI, and a glossary of terms.

**Gente Joven**
http://www.gentejoven.org.mx/
This site provides a family planning program especially for youth, including clinic services, educational programs, and recreational activities, some organized by the youth themselves.

**Go Ask Alice!**
http://www.goaskalice.columbia.edu/
With general health, relationship, sexuality, and sexual health question and answers, this site is maintained by Alice!, Columbia University’s Health Education Program.

http://www.iwannaknow.org/
This is a Web site for youth focusing on STIs.

**Lovelife Organization**
http://www.lovelife.org.za/
This Web site informs African youth about the choices and risks associated with sexual intercourse, including unwanted pregnancy, STDs and HIV/AIDS.

**Mezzo**
http://www.ippf.org/mezzo/
This Web site for young people by young people provides online guide to love and relationships and offers online discussion of friendship, sexuality, contraception, and sexual health.

**SEX, ETC.**
http://www.sxetc.org/
This Web site by the Network for Family Life Education (U.S) features a sexual health newsletter written by teens for teens and containing complete and accurate information about sexuality and sexual health in a youth-friendly format.

**Sistahs**
http://www.mysistahs.org/
This site is for young African American, Asian American, Latina, and Native American women in the United States.

**Teen Fad (Foundation for Adolescent Development)**
http://www.teenfad.ph/
This site for teenagers offers entertainment and education, including news, online discussion, online assistance, information and updates about FAD and its projects.

**Teen Scene**
http://www.advocatesforyouth.org/teens/
This forum is for young people, particularly those involved in educating other youth about adolescent reproductive health issues.

**Teen Talk**
http://www.familyplanning.org/teentalk.htm
This site features a newsletter, “Keeping’ It Real,” that discusses how adolescents’ self-esteem influences sexual behavior.

**Teenwire**
http://www.teenwire.com/
This online magazine for teens from Planned Parenthood Federation of America deals with a variety of issues and concerns faced by adolescents everyday and includes “Ask the Experts” that posts answers to the question of the day about sexual health and relationships.
Voices of Youth
http://www.unicef.org/voy
This Web site from UNICEF encourages youth to share ideas on current global issues, particularly how they affect children. “Learning Place” includes interactive activities and “Teachers’ Place” is a forum where educators can discuss rights, education, and global issues.

Youth Coalition for ICPD
http://www.youthcoalition.org/
This site includes updates on activities of the Youth Coalition at ICPD+5, Youth Coalition at Beijing+5, Youth Coalition Initiatives, facts on youth, quiz on youth and population issues.

Youth HIV
http://www.youthhiv.org/
This site is for young people affected by and/or infected with HIV/AIDS.

Youth Resource
http://www.youthresource.com/
This site offers community and supportive information for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) and questioning youth.

Youth Shakers
http://www.youthshakers.org/
This site focuses on young people around the world who are interested in improving sexual and reproductive health policies and services for youth.

ZapHealth
http://www.zaphealth.com/
Designed by and for young people to help teenagers and young adults deal with health problems, this site includes sexual health, and encourages youth to make informed choices about their own health and lifestyles.
APPENDIX 1. Fund Raising Tips

Just the term “fund raising” sends many devoted program planners scurrying for cover. But with the right mindset, this crucial piece of your work can be interesting, gratifying, and yes—even fun!

Keep these tips in mind and your fund raising efforts will be productive.

Do Your Homework.
Cast a wide net to capture information about government grants, foundations, and corporate sponsors. Learn as much as possible about each funding agency you approach. What most interests this agency? What size and type of grants does this funding agency make and to what kinds of organizations? Where do your goals and ideals intersect with those of the funding agency? How can you make your program more attractive to the grant giver? Never promise to perform work that conflicts with your own goals, but learn to emphasize aspects of your work that match the donor’s interests. Doing your homework well can save you much time, money, and frustration. Most funding agencies have a Web site, so by getting online, you can quickly learn a lot.

Make Personal Contact.
You may worry about bothering a donor, but if you can arrange to meet with a representative of the funding agency, by all means do so. Often, you can arrange a meeting by writing the donor agency and mentioning that you will be in the area and wish to set up a meeting. Otherwise, an introduction from a current recipient organization or from someone with a positive relationship with the donor agency can help you “get your foot in the door.” Finding this introduction may also take some homework. A foundation’s annual report generally lists past grantees and members of the foundation’s board of directors. Does someone on your staff or board know one of these people? At the very least, discuss mutual interests by telephone or E-mail with the funding agency before you send a letter of inquiry or a full proposal.

Don’t Apologize.
You and the donor share common goals, and the project for which you are requesting money will further the work of the funding agency or foundation. Remember that funding agencies are in business to provide money for worthy projects.

Ask How You Can Help.
A great strategy to use in meeting with donors is not only to talk about what you are currently doing or intend to be doing but also to ask how you might help the donor agency with its goals. Most donors and grants officers have goals to meet. So be sure and ask how you can help as well as asking for help with your work.

Business Is Different For Every Donor.
Read the agency guidelines carefully to be sure that you provide all the information requested and that you meet all deadlines. By providing all the correct information, you assist the donor agency in understanding what you wish to undertake and you expedite the grant review process. Sometimes, however, the granting process can be a long one in which a dialogue is first established between the two organizations before any attempt is made to set mutual goals or objectives. Don’t be impatient and don’t give up.

Submit a Letter of Inquiry or a Proposal.
Your primary task is to describe clearly:
• What problems you plan to address
• What approaches you have chosen
• Your goals or objectives
• The activities you will carry out
• How you will manage and monitor the project
• How you will measure your accomplishments
• The time frame for the project activities
• How you will spend the funds you receive

Usually, before you submit a full-fledged proposal, you submit a two- to four-page concept letter to
determine initial donor interest. (See Appendix II. How to Write a Proposal.)

Be Flexible In Designing the Project.
Slight modifications may make your proposal or organization more attractive to more donors.

Be Alert.
Communicate with other organizations that provide similar services. Know the political climate and stay abreast of popular funding issues.

Funding agencies and their funding priorities are constantly changing. Funding is a competitive process, and timing can make the difference between a particular proposal’s acceptance or rejection. Conferences provide the perfect environment for learning more about donors’ interests and for sharing what your project offers. Encourage donor representatives to visit your project so that they become personally acquainted with your activities and ideals.

Consider Alternatives.
Corporations and other businesses have an interest in supporting programs for youth because young people are their clients now or will be their clients of tomorrow. The same can be said for local governments, which need to maintain a future tax base. Though it may be more difficult to obtain funds from businesses or governments, they are often able to make in-kind contributions of materials, personnel, or services in exchange for advertising their agency or product. A recreational event, banquet or auction can be a creative way to obtain community or individual support. Finding individual donors with large funds to contribute requires the same kind of homework and cultivation as foundations. Some organizations raise money by becoming “membership” organizations or by developing a list of donors who regularly give small amounts, either through direct appeals or by becoming a “friend” of the organization. Before you move in this direction, consider how strong a list of donors you can develop and how expense and labor-intensive mailing to such donors may be.
APPENDIX 2. How to Write a Proposal

A proposal for funding outlines your program in a precise format acceptable to foundations. If the details or your project are fuzzy, writing the proposal should force you to clarify goals and objectives and to organize the program strategy.

One warning: funding agencies frequently report that most proposals are both too long and too vague. Keep your proposal short and clear. Do not worry about impressing your readers with an artful writing style. Simply state what you want to do, for whom and with whom you will do it, how much it will cost, how long the project will last, and how you will evaluate the program’s success.

If you can, review successful proposals written by organizations similar to yours. Pay particular attention to how the proposals outline the program’s budget. Ask the author(s) about the details of writing a successful proposal: where did they encounter problems? Had they needed to modify the project design? What additional information did the foundation ask them to provide? If a colleague is willing, ask him/her to read the proposal to see if someone unfamiliar with the project can understand the details.

In General:
Follow the foundation’s guidelines and address its special interests.

- Find out if the foundation has specific guidelines and procedures. Follow them.
- Do not misrepresent your project, but highlight the aspects of your work that complement the donor’s mission. All donors have special areas of interest that largely determine what they fund.

Be Brief.
- Most proposals are no more than 10 double-spaced pages, with a title page and a table of contents.
- Be honest and realistic.

Don’t Use Jargon.
- Write in clear, active language and avoid jargon. Don’t assume your reader knows the meaning of terms, acronyms, or abbreviations commonly used in your field. Explain, define, and simplify.

Applaud and Explain Yourself.
- Emphasize your organization’s accomplishments and credibility. Foundations look at track records, and they want to fund winners. Show that your group is unique and knows what it’s doing.
- If you have a mission statement or standardized description of your organization, tailor it to the donor’s requirements.
- Pay attention to the donor’s directions and guidelines.

Focus on Your Message.
- Keep asking, “Why is this important?” Your answer is the thesis of the proposal.

Involve Youth.
In the spirit of youth-adult partnerships, be sure and involve young people in the design, implementation, and evaluation of the program, including the proposal writing process. Increasingly, funding agencies are looking for this component in programs for youth.

Components of a Proposal:
Most proposals are structured according to the following topics. However, many donors have specific proposal instructions, so be sure to follow their instructions. Use a heading and explain each section separately to help the reader follow your presentation. A reviewer will expect to get into the specifics of the proposal within five minutes of beginning reading.


This is not part of the formal proposal. It is a short, concise overview—placed in front of the proposal text but written after it is finished—that highlights the major points of the proposal: the organization undertaking the work, the problem or need the program addresses, the duration of program, objectives, methods, and total funds requested. Do not supply details in the summary. The summary should be NO more than one page and a shorter summary is fine.

The Body of the Proposal:

2. Explain the need for your project.

What is the problem your project addresses or is trying to solve? What causes it? Who needs help from your program? What are some scientifically identified solutions to the problem? For example, include facts and statistics that substantiate the issue, but don’t overwhelm, the reader with data. Write to the level of knowledge of your reader. “Adolescents in City X receive little or not information about family planning and sexual health. Though the overall pregnancy rate in the city has declined by five percent since 1998, rates of pregnancy among young women ages 15-19 have increased annually.” You also may want to cite references to support the statistics.

3. Clearly identify the target audience of the project.

Use the following categories, as appropriate, to describe the group(s) that will benefit from this project: age, gender, socioeconomic status, geographic location, educational status, ethnicity, etc. Indicate the number of people you expect to reach. Note: Most successful ARSH projects involve targeted youth in project design, planning, implementation, and evaluation. Indicate the nature and extent of youth’s involvement.

4. State the project’s objectives.

Outline the specific outcomes you are aiming for and the time (weeks, months, years) you estimate needing. Make objectives measurable: “provide 10 training sessions; supply 600 people with family planning information and services, etc.” Do not list as an objective a broad goal such as “reduce the rate of teen pregnancy.”

5. Outline your method

How are you going to address the problem? Who will work on the project? “Our organization will:

- Recruit at least 20 adolescents to serve as peer counselors for the program,
- Conduct three half-day training sessions for these counselors....”

Include proof of why your methods will be effective. “When the X organization placed peer counselors in a similar HIV education program, the number of students requesting information and counseling increased by one third....”

Describe why your method may be better than other methods. “Well intentioned programs have failed to reach these young people at high risk of HIV infection because....” Don’t forget to list and briefly describe other organizations and colleagues working with you on the proposed project and how the project will be administered.

Finally, be prepared for the donor to suggest modifications in the design of the program.

6. Present a practical budget and timeline.

How much will your project cost? A funding agency will read your budget carefully. Don’t inflate it, but be realistic. Divide costs into “personnel” and “non-personnel” sections and include all costs—salaries and consulting fees, fringe benefits, travel, phone, postage, photocopying, and other expenses. Include overhead costs, such as rent, if the funding agency allows. Attach a one-page, approximate timeline (in chart form) for project activities.

7. If requested in guidelines, discuss other funding.

Donors are interested in an organization’s other sources of funding, for current and future programs. For the project proposed, how are you raising the money that the grant does not provide? Who else funds your organization? When foundation funding ends, how will you support the ongoing project? Include non-monetary (in-kind) support.

8. Explain your plan to evaluate the program.

Define the process of evaluation—with specific
measures such as clinic records, number of young people trained, numbers of pamphlets printed, pre- and post-tests focus groups, etc.—which you will apply to determine whether or not each objective has been met. The evaluation measures should relate directly to program objectives.

9. Introduce your organization and expertise.

Introduce the agency, its background and credentials, its legal status and accomplishments. Explain why the strengths of your organization are well suited to the proposed project. Include brief praise from experts in the field and other agencies.

10. Include additional attachments as appropriate and as requested, including:

A. Qualifications (one-page curriculum vitae or resumes) of the key people responsible for the project
B. Letters of support from colleague organizations or agencies who will be collaborating with you on the proposed project
C. Persons or agencies that may be contacted for references, including their address, telephone, fax and E-mail
D. Sample information, education and communication (IEC) materials developed by your organization specifically for the adolescent population and/or examples of materials or resources to be used in the project
E. Media coverage relevant to the project and the issue it will address
F. A bulleted list of recent accomplishments

After Writing...

Winning grants is a very competitive process. While a foundation is considering your proposal, use every opportunity to build relationships and increase the foundation’s knowledge of and confidence about your organization.

• Follow up.

Be clear who will take the next steps. “I will call you the first week of January to confirm that you received my proposal.”

If after sending in your proposal you have not heard from the donor within a month, follow-up with a polite letter to ascertain that it was received and when you may expect a response. It may take six months to a year from the time you apply until you receive funding.

If you receive the grant, keep in regular touch with the donor. Keep the donor informed about your challenges and accomplishments. A donor will be more willing to provide a second grant to an organization that it feels it knows well.

Invite your donor to a site visit. Give grant officers a chance to interact with the program and its activities.

Ask the donor for suggestions for fund raising and introductions to other funding agencies.

• Don’t give up.

You are likely to experience rejection from a number of donors as you learn to raise funds—and even after you’re a pro. Try to find out why you were rejected. Remember that some foundations won’t be a good “fit” for you. Others will already have committed funds to similar projects but might consider your project in another funding cycle. Don’t let a rejection be too much of a setback. Eventually you will find the right match. Keep funding agencies informed about your project even if you do not receive a grant. You may want to re-apply to a donor that has turned you down if you believe you have a project that fits the donor’s goals.

Good luck! Buena suerte! Bonne chance! Boa sorte! Chok dee na krap!
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Involving Communities to Improve Programs and Policies for Youth
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Guía Para Abogar Por la Salud Integral de los/las Adolescentes, Con Énfasis en Salud Sexual y Reproductiva

Discusses organizing at the local level to affect policy changes to improve adolescent reproductive and sexual health in Latin America and the Caribbean. Explores conducting a needs assessment, coordinating public awareness campaigns, evaluating a coalition’s effectiveness, and responding to critics and the opposition. Includes answers to questions that are frequently asked as well as national and regional organizations that promote programs to improve adolescent reproductive and sexual health. 70 p. (1998); available only in Spanish.


This award-winning guide leads adults and teens through the steps of developing and implementing an HIV/AIDS peer education program for schools or communities. Includes plans for 17 sessions with suggested activities and descriptions of ongoing projects; available only in English.

Episcopal Adaptation of the Guide to Implementing TAP

Recognizing the power of faith when reaching out to young people, Advocates and the Episcopal Church of the U.S.A. customized Advocates' award-winning program for use in parishes or other youth settings. 145p; available only in English. (1995)

Serving the Future

This exceptional resource for program planners, funding agencies, policy makers, and advocates presents the results of a detailed survey of nearly 500 adolescent reproductive health programs in 170 developing countries. It explores new trends in adolescent sexual health programming, and expands on areas highlighted in the original 1990 edition of Serving the Future; available in Spanish, French, or English. (1999)

European Approaches to Adolescent Sexual Behavior and Responsibility

This essential monograph examines the roles of family, media, community, public policy, sexuality education, and health care in promoting safer sexual behavior in teens in the Netherlands, Germany, and France. Also includes a unique two-page “Call to Action” that outlines the need for new national dialogue on adolescent sexual health, focusing on respect, rights, responsibility, and research; available only in English; 75p. (1999)

VIDEO: Teens and Sex in Europe: A Story of Rights, Respect and Responsibility

Advocates for Youth and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte sponsor study tours to the Netherlands, Germany, and France to explore the reasons behind these nations’ much lower rates of teenage pregnancy, birth, and sexually transmitted diseases available only in English. (2000)
Funding the Future

Passages (Coming soon!)

This newsletter highlights issues, resources and events related to adolescent reproductive health in developing countries. It provides state of the art information and resources to program planners, staff of youth programs and community-based organizations, funding agencies, and youth themselves; available in English, French, and Spanish.

Uncovering the Facts about Adolescent Sexual Health

Facts at a Glance

Advocates’ popular series of two-page fact sheets cover essential statistics, emerging trends, and resources in a concise and easy-to-use format.

• Adolescent Sexual and Reproductive Health in Sub-Saharan Africa (1998; English only)
• Adolescent Sexual Health in Europe and the U.S. - Why the Difference? (2000; English only)
• Emergency Contraceptive Pills - An Important Option for Teens (2001; English only)
• Gender Bias: Perspectives from the Developing World (1995; English, French, and Spanish)
• The HIV/AIDS Pandemic among Youth in Sub-Saharan Africa (2001; English only)
• Impact of Early Pregnancy and Childbearing on Adolescent Mothers and Their Children in Latin America and the Caribbean (1997; English and Spanish)
• Parent-Child Communication: Promoting Healthy Youth (1999; English only)
• Peer Education: Promoting Healthy Behaviors (1997; English only)
• Sexual Abuse and Violence in Sub-Saharan Africa (1998; English and French)
• Sexuality Education: Curricula and Programs (1997; English only)
• Young Men Who Have Sex with Men: At Risk for HIV and STDs (1998; English and Spanish)

Issues at a Glance

This easy to read series explores current topics in adolescent health. 4 p. ea.

• Adolescent Access to Confidential Health Services (1997; English only)
• Adolescent Sexual Health & the Dynamics of Oppression (1999; English only)
• Components of Promising Peer Led Sexual Health Programs (1998; English only)
• Components of Promising Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs (1996; English only)
• Giving Up Harmful Practices, Not Culture (1998; English, Spanish, and French)
• HIV/STD Prevention and Young Men Who Have Sex with Men (1999; English and Spanish)
• Powerful Partnerships: Linking IEC and Services for Adolescent Sexual Health (1999; English, French, and Spanish)
• Youth Development: Strengthening Prevention Strategies (1999; English only)
• Youth Involvement in Prevention Programming (2000; English and Spanish)

Programs at a Glance

• Effective, Comprehensive Sexuality Education (1997; English only)
• Effective HIV/STD & Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs for Young Women of Color (2000; English only)
• Evaluated Peer Health Programs (1999; English only)
• Improving Youth’s Access to Contraceptive Services in Latin America (2001; available in English and Spanish)
Educating Young People
Adolescência Administrando o Futuro

Como Planear Mi Vida

Life Planning Education
Advocates’ popular family life education program includes chapters on sexuality, relationships, health, violence prevention and community responsibility as well as chapters on skills-building, values, self-esteem, parenting, employment preparation and reducing sexual risk. Packed with interactive exercises, supplemental leaders’ resources, participant handouts and a complete guide to implementation, this resource is appropriate for use in schools and other settings for sexuality/life skills education, HIV prevention education, and pregnancy prevention; for use with youth ages 13-18; loose-leaf binder; 541 p. (1995).

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• Sector Search—http://fdncenter.org/funders/web_search/web_search.html—a specialty search engine that indexes every page on the most useful nonprofit sites on the Internet

• 990-PF Search—http://fdncenter.org/funders/grantsmart/index.html—a searchable database of the 990-PF tax returns filed with the Internal Revenue Service by all domestic private foundations

• The Foundation Directory Online—http://www.fconline.fdncenter.org/—a monthly or annual subscription service that allows you to search the Foundation Center’s own detailed database of current grant-makers

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