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## DYCD SPONSORED CALENDAR AND EVENTS

**\*\*May 16** - The last day to submit an application for the DYCD Summer Youth Employment Program with required documentation. For more information, go to the DYCD Web site: <http://www.nyc.gov/dycd> .

**\*\*May 23** - A College Open House will be held from 6:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. at the Graduate Center (CUNY), 365 Fifth Avenue on the Concourse Level. This event is part of *Experience COUNTS (Community Organizations' Unique Needs Teach Skills)* a new DYCD initiative to connect youth and front-line workers to college programs that offer life experience credits. RSVP to Christina Vadala at: [cvadale@dycd.nyc.gov](mailto:cvadale@dycd.nyc.gov)

**\*\*June 9** - The DYCD Youth Board and WIB Youth Council will meet at the IBM Corporation at 8:30 A.M. The meeting is open to the public. For security purposes, all those interested in attending must provide their contact information by close of business, June 7, 2005, to Karen Fleshman at [kfleshman@dycd.nyc.gov](mailto:kfleshman@dycd.nyc.gov)."

**\*\*June 30** - The final Interagency Coordinating Council on Youth (ICC) meeting for Fiscal Year 2005 will be held at 11:00 AM at the Department of City Planning's Spector Hall, 22 Reade Street, first floor lobby. In accordance with provisions of the New York City Charter, the ICC consists of representatives of each City agency that provide services to youth. Opening remarks will be delivered by DYCD Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav. At the public hearing, the activities of the ICC and its work groups on after-school services, health and court-involved youth will be reviewed.

## SPOTLIGHT NEWS

### **\*\*WNET Channel 13 Sponsors Annual Literacy Day Program\*\***

On May 3, Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav was among the featured speakers at WNET Channel 13/Public Television's annual Literacy Day event, as part of NYC Literacy Week. The Commissioner updated the participants on literacy efforts in NYC during the past year and shared plans for the coming year, including the new focus on Adolescent Literacy in partnership with the Carnegie Corporation, and the Immigrant Family Literacy initiative in collaboration with the New York Times Company Foundation.

### **\*\*National Conference on Literacy Looks at Best Practices and New Initiatives\*\***

On April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav, Board member, participated in the National Conference on Literacy in Louisville, KY. Entitled *Literacy Changes Lives*, sponsored by the National Center for Family Literacy. The event featured fresh perspectives on classroom practices, research findings and national initiatives on family literacy.

Commissioner Mullgrav also spoke at the Toyota Partner meeting, which was attended by the President of Toyota Motor North America, Inc. and Toyota program practitioners from 28 program cities. She focused on NYC's literacy efforts, the importance of collaboration and partnership between the public and private sectors, and the goal of having family literacy programs in every community.

#### **\*\*DYCD Participates in Carnegie Sponsored National Meeting on Adolescent Literacy\*\***

On April 22, Commissioner Mullgrav and staff members participated in a meeting on Adolescent Literacy Summit in Baltimore, MD sponsored by the Carnegie Corporation of New York. Carnegie is funding a major new educational initiative to support the reading and writing needs of students in grades four through twelve. This first meeting was intended to begin a discussion among reading and youth development specialists from universities, foundations, and other organizations. A follow-up meeting will be held in June, in NYC. DYCD is developing a Comprehensive Literacy Request for Proposals that will address literacy needs across the continuum from childhood through adolescence and adulthood.

#### **Wallace Foundation Symposium on OST Highlights Quality Programming\*\***

On April 21, Commissioner Mullgrav addressed the Wallace Foundation's Symposium on Out-of-School Time, held at the National Press Club in Washington, DC. The forum focused attention on issues of OST quality and sustainability, and highlighted the work of prominent researchers, providers, policymakers and funders from around the country. The Commissioner's remarks highlighted NYC's efforts to establish an OST system that is focused on providing quality programming while meeting the needs of working parents.

#### **\*\*DYCD Immigration Experts Support Citizenship Call-in Show\*\***

The Daily News and the City University of New York sponsored "Citizenship Now," on April 21, an initiative offering free legal immigration advice on citizenship. New Yorkers were able to call a special telephone number and ask immigration questions to a pool of lawyers, advisers, counselors and advocates. Matilde Roman, Director of DYCD's Legal Affairs for the Office of Immigrant Initiatives, an expert in the field, and members of her staff addressed caller inquiries.

#### **\*\*DYCD Contributes to Funders' Forum on HIV/AIDS\*\***

DYCD's Deputy Commissioner for Youth Services, Bill Chong, was a guest speaker at a funders' forum entitled "Creating an HIV-Free Future for NYC's Youth: The Need for Collaboration between Youth and AIDS Grantmakers" on April 21. His message described efforts to build the capacity of agencies funded by DYCD in this area through training or linkages with AIDS service providers. Other panelists included Michael Seltzer, President of the New York Regional Association of Grantmakers, Stephen Overbrook, President of the Overbrook Foundation and Dr. Alan Rosenfeld, Dean of the Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.

## **PROGRAM UPDATES**

#### **\*\* New York City Adult Literacy Initiative (NYCALI) Recognizes Adult Learners \*\***

Over 600 students from DYCD, CUNY, DOE, HRA, and the three public library systems literacy initiatives attended the New York City Adult Literacy Initiative Annual Celebration of Adult Learning on May 4. DYCD is the lead agency in this initiative that featured students reading their original work. Deputy Mayor Dennis M. Walcott delivered welcoming remarks.

## **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **\*\*YOUTH\*\***

The federal **Department of Education** announces funds to ensure that parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve results for their children. In addition, the purpose of this priority is to ensure that children with disabilities and their parents receive training and information on their rights, responsibilities, and protections under IDEA in order to develop the skills necessary to cooperatively and effectively participate in planning and decision making relating to early intervention, educational, and transitional services. Eligible applicants include local parent organizations. The deadline for applications is May 25, 2005. Approximately \$3.3 million is available to fund 12 awards, ranging from \$208,600-\$636,650. Contact Julius Cotton at [julius.cotton@ed.gov](mailto:julius.cotton@ed.gov) for additional information, or go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-6749.pdf>.

**RadioShack Corporation** announces their *StreetSenz* community grant program to strengthen the American way of life by helping families protect their children from abduction, violence, and abuse. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is June 15; the next grant cycle deadline is September 15. For further information, go to:  
<http://www.radioshackcorporation.com/cc/contributions.html>

*The NFL Youth Football Fund Grassroots Program*, a partnership of the **National Football League Youth Football Fund** and the **Local Initiatives Support Corporation**, provides nonprofit, neighborhood-based organizations with financial and technical assistance to improve the quality, safety, and accessibility of local football fields. The program provides grants of up to \$200,000 for projects. Projects must be sponsored by nonprofit organizations or middle or high schools. Strong preference will be given to those proposals that (1) seek to upgrade existing facilities that are in poor condition or otherwise underutilized; (2) demonstrate active use of the fields; (3) attract matching funds that exceed the minimum required match of 1:1; (4) involve local partnerships with nonprofit community partners (i.e. Parks and Recreational Departments, YMCA branches) to promote youth and community programming on the fields; and (5) provide for continuing maintenance and field safety. Deadline: August 20, 2005. For information, see Web site: <http://www.nflyouthfootball.com/exec/NFLYP/fund.cfm?publicationID=219>

The **Charles A. Dana Foundation** announces the availability of funds to improve teaching of the performing arts at public schools in metropolitan New York, Los Angeles and Washington D.C. Grants will be awarded to train in-school arts specialists who teach performing arts as well as professional artists carrying out residencies in public schools. Eligible applicants include nonprofit groups that organize art education programs for K-12. Letters of Intent deadline is August 31; awards of up to \$75,000 are available. For additional guidelines, go to: <http://www.dana.org/grants/artseducation/>

The **Staples Foundation for Learning** supports employment and job skills programs for disadvantaged youth. The grant range is: \$1,000 - \$5,000. The application deadlines are: June 28 (for an August Board meeting) and September 27 (for a November Board meeting.)  
View information online at: <http://www.staplesfoundation.org> .

The **Adidas America Corporate Giving Program** makes charitable contributions to nonprofit organizations involved with delinquency, child abuse prevention, disabilities, economically disadvantaged, family services, human services, youth crime or violence prevention and youth services. An application form is not required; send the proposal to Nonprofit Review Committee, P.O. Box 4015, Beaverton, OR 97076; (503) 972-2300 ext. 4032. The deadline is two months prior to the date needed.

The **Jim Henson Foundation** awards grants each year for the creation and development of innovative works in puppet theater. Project grants of \$5,000 are awarded for the development of new works, and seed grants of \$2,000 are made for pieces in the earliest stages of creation; the organization also encourages applications for new works for families and children. The application deadline is: June 1 for Letters of Intent. Go to: <http://www.hensonfoundation.org/> .

#### **\*\*COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT\*\***

**The Department of Health and Human Services** announces the availability of funds to support and encourage the development of new, self-supporting, community anti-drug coalitions that are focused on the prevention of substance abuse in the new coalition's community. The deadline for applications is May 31, 2005. For additional information, contact Ivette Ruiz at [ivette.ruiz@samhsa.hhs.gov](mailto:ivette.ruiz@samhsa.hhs.gov) ; or go to:  
[http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/sp05003two\\_dfc.aspx](http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/sp05003two_dfc.aspx)

The Federal **Department of Health and Human Services - Administration of Children and Families** seeks to fund up to ten formal collaboration projects that use the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) to create or expand asset formation and financial literacy services offered by eligible entities funded under the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Program. Funds will be awarded to provide capacity-building assistance that enables local, state or regional CSBG networks to plan, establish, improve or expand the use of EITC outreach and free tax preparation services to provide asset formation and financial service opportunities for eligible individuals and families. The application deadline is June 20. For more information, go to:  
<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-9123.pdf>

**The Office of Community Services** will award operational project grants (HHS-2005-ACF-OCS-EE-0019, CFDA # 93.570) to Community Development Corporations (CDCs) that are experienced in implementing economic development projects to provide employment and business development opportunities for low-income people through business or commercial development. Generally, the opportunities must aim to improve the quality of the economic and social environment of TANF recipients; low-income residents including displaced workers; persons transitioning from prison back into the community; ex-offenders; at-risk youth; non-custodial parents, particularly those of children receiving TANF assistance; individuals residing in public housing; individuals who are homeless; and individuals with disabilities. The application deadline is June 17. Request an application package at: [OCSSGRANTS@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:OCSSGRANTS@acf.hhs.gov) . Applications may be submitted electronically at: <http://www.Grants.gov/Apply> .

The **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)** is announcing a funding opportunity to provide financial assistance to non-governmental HIV prevention organizations that provide capacity building assistance - including training and technical assistance - to adapt, tailor and implement science-based, behavioral HIV prevention interventions specifically targeting high-risk racial/ ethnic minorities (transgender individuals, and young in non-school settings, lesbian/gay/bisexual/ and questioning youth and migrant workers.) Applications may only be submitted by public and private non-profit organizations. For information, go to:  
<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-7286.pdf>

The federal **Department of Health and Human Services** – Administration on Children, Youth and Families announces grant funds for the Family Violence Prevention and Services Program; Specialized Outreach Demonstration: Violence/Runaway and Homeless Youth Collaboration on the Prevention of Adolescent Dating Violence; and, Minority Training Grant Stipends in Domestic Violence for Historically Black, Hispanic-Serving and Tribal Colleges and Universities. The collaborative efforts will focus on the youth who are identified within the domestic violence and runaway and homeless youth communities as individuals that may be responsive to a collaborative set of interventions that are useful as effective prevention and intervention strategies. Application is due July 5, 2005. Contact: Riley, Director, Family Violence Division, Room 2117, Switzer Building, 330 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20447. E-mail: [wriley@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:wriley@acf.hhs.gov).

The federal **Health and Human Services Compassion Capital Fund Demonstration Program** provides funding for organizations in well-defined geographic locations with a proven track record of community involvement and experience in providing training and technical assistance to smaller faith- and community-based organizations in their communities. Intermediary organizations will assist faith-based and community organizations with capacity-building activities in five critical areas: (1) leadership development, (2) organizational development, (3) programs and services, (4) funding, and (5) community engagement. Applications are due June 13; up to 17 awards of approximately \$1,000,000 totaling \$16,900,000. To view full announcement go to  
<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-8608.htm>  
*Hear a brief discussion about this funding opportunity via video conference on May 12 from 9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M., at the NYS Office of Children and Family Services offices in Long Island (Central Islip) or Yonkers. Call Karen Ramsey to RSVP: (631) 342-7055.*

The federal **Health and Human Services Compassion Capital Fund Targeted Capacity Building Program** helps to build the capacity of promising organizations that address the needs of distressed communities. The goal of the CCF is to help these organizations bolster their sustainability and ultimately be able to serve more people more effectively and/or more efficiently, or expand/enhance services to distressed communities on a continuing basis. Priority areas of need include at-risk youth; the homeless; marriage education and preparation services. Applications are due May 31; 300 grants of approximately \$50,000 totaling \$15,000,000 will be awarded. To view full announcement go to  
<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-8607.htm>  
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The **Department of Housing and Urban Development** announces the funding of the *Youthbuild Program* which provides disadvantaged young adults with meaningful on-site training experiences in

housing construction and rehabilitation that will enable them to render a service to their communities by helping to meet the housing needs of homeless persons and low-income families; and gives to the greatest extent possible, job training, employment, contracting and other economic opportunities to low-income young adults. The closing date is June 21: for detailed information go to:

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/nofa05/youthsec.pdf>

**Microsoft Community Affairs** announces funds for improving lifelong learning for disadvantaged young people and adults by providing technology skills through community technology centers. A Community technology center is a free or low-cost place (in a community center, school, library, housing facility, etc.) where people of all ages and abilities can come to learn about computers, use the internet, explore new careers, further their education, or participate in community activities. There is no deadline date. For further information, go to: <http://www.microsoft.com/mscorp/citizenship/giving/> .

**SBC Foundation** is launching its 2005 SBC Excelerator Technology Grant Program. The SBC Excelerator grants will help nonprofit organizations improve their operations and build stronger communities through (1) Internet access, (2) online outreach, (3) data networking, (4) and staff development. Eligible applicants are organizations whose major focus and project must emphasize education, community development, health and human services, or arts and culture. The Foundation will award a total of \$6,000,000 with SBC Excelerator grants typically ranging from \$2,500 to \$25,000 and are one year. The application deadline is: June 15; for information and guidelines, please visit: <http://www.sbc.com/gen/corporate-citizenship?pid=58>.

**Aetna** announces the *Aetna Voice of Conscience Award* Call for Nominations created in memory of tennis great Arthur Ashe Jr. The award winner will receive a \$50,000 grant for the nonprofit organizations of his or her choice. Characteristics of the award recipient include a commitment to advancing human rights, opportunity, and dignity; a commitment to serving others, regardless of personal benefit; devotion to achieving humanitarian ideals; a record of accomplishment in civil rights, education, health care, and social equity; a willingness to take risks for challenging causes; and the ability to transcend boundaries across race, culture, class, faith, and ethnicity. The nomination deadline is June 15: for more information, go to: <http://www.aetna.com/foundation/>

**The Corporation for National and Community Service** will provide seed money to organizations proposing new service projects or programs that have the potential to become national in scope. These grants will fund innovative strategies that effectively engage volunteers in service in the following two areas: 1. engaging adults age 50+ in part-time and full-time service opportunities; and 2. improving the lives of disadvantaged youth through service and mentoring. The Corporation expects to make 5 to 10 awards that range in amounts from approximately \$100,000 to \$300,000 covering a period not to exceed 2 years.

All eligible public and private non-profit organizations including faith-based and other community-based organizations, are encouraged to apply. The application deadline is June 7.

View online: [http://www.nationalservice.org/funding\\_initiatives/index.html](http://www.nationalservice.org/funding_initiatives/index.html) .

The **Public Welfare Foundation** supports organizations that provide services to disadvantaged populations and work for lasting improvements in the delivery of services that meet basic human needs. Grants have been awarded in the areas of criminal justice, disadvantaged elderly and youth, environment, population, health, community and economic development, human rights and technology assistance. All new requests should be submitted in the form of a three-part Letter of Inquiry. The foundation meets eight times per year to consider proposals. For detailed information go to:

<http://www.publicwelfare.org>

The **Women Helping Others Foundation** supports grassroots charities around the country and in Puerto Rico serving the overlooked needs of women and children. Specific projects and programs addressing health, education, and social service needs are the foundation's priority. An organization must have nonprofit status and must have been incorporated for a minimum of three years prior to application. Preference will be given to organizations with an operating budget of \$2 million or less, those not dependent on government grants, and those with greater organizational program costs than personnel costs. For complete program guidelines, eligibility requirements, and application materials, see the Foundation Web site: <http://whofoundation.org/>

On May 7, 2005, youths and adults across America will come together for **Join Hands Day**, a day of intergenerational volunteering designed to improve their communities. Twenty awardees are selected for Excellence Awards from volunteer projects that develop youth and adult partnerships on Join Hands Day. Each award-winning project receives \$1,000 and an engraved glass award. To be considered for the 2005 Join Hands Day Excellence Awards, project organizers must post-event register their project with Join Hands Day by June 7 (postmark deadline for mailed entries). For additional information on the awards program, see the Join Hands Day Web site: [http://www.joinhandsday.org/scripts/awards\\_index.cfm](http://www.joinhandsday.org/scripts/awards_index.cfm).

The *Garden Crusader Awards* were created by **Gardener's Supply** to honor individuals who are improving the world through gardening. In 2004, Garden Crusader Award recipients received a total of \$12,000 in cash and prizes to support their projects. The award categories are Education; Feeding the Hungry; Beautification; Urban Renewal; and Restoration. Deadline: June 1, 2005. Nomination forms are available at Web site: <http://www.crusader@gardeners.com>.

#### **\*\*MINI-GRANTS\*\***

**DisneyHand** (worldwide outreach for the Walt Disney Company), and **Youth Service America** are offering grants to support community service projects following National Youth Service Day April 15-17. Follow-up grants of \$500 are designated to continue community service that began on NYSD 2005. Children and youth ages of 5-14, teachers, and organizations that engage youth 5-14 are eligible for this grant if they participated in National Youth Service Day 2005. Applicants may choose to continue work they began on NYSD or create a new service project. This follow-up grant is conditional on the satisfactory completion of an online NYSD project evaluation. The deadline is: June 1. View the grant online: <http://disney.go.com/disneyhand/>

**The Constitutional Rights Foundation** is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, community-based organization dedicated to educating America's young people about the importance of civic participation in a democratic society. Each year, with support from the Maurice R. Robinson Fund of New York City, they award mini-grants of up to \$500 for K-12 service-learning projects designed to address serious community issues such as poverty, hunger, the environment, mentoring children and youth, crime and safety issues, and aging. Elementary and secondary schools and community agencies that work with K-12 youth may apply. Every application must have an adult sponsor who will ensure that student planners are involved in planning, designing, and evaluating the project. Projects, which should address an important issue or need, can be completed at school or in the community. The application deadline is October 14. Visit the CRF Web site: <http://www.crf-usa.org/>

The **New York Council for the Humanities** celebrates *State Humanities Month* each October. Mini Grant applications for public humanities projects with an event during October. Special consideration is given to: projects that reach underserved populations; projects that, without Council funding, might not happen; and organizations that need financial seed money so that they may secure long-term support from other sources. Any not-for-profit organization in New York State is eligible to apply. Funding level will be from \$250 to \$2500. Applications for October events are due by May 15 in order to be included in the State Humanities Month celebration and calendar of events. (Mini Grants for other event dates are also accepted on a rolling basis.) Further information can be found at <http://www.nyhumanities.org>

## **RESOURCES**

#### **\*\*FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES\*\***

The **New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS)** and **Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance** are co-hosting this website as a resource providing information that organizations can use in the common goal of serving vulnerable populations.

Organization can determine if they are ready to become a service provider, how best to become part of the community's efforts to help its citizens, requirements for obtaining and managing public funds and guidance to help organizations understand what faith-based activities are and what they are not. View online: <http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/faith/>

#### **\*\*ADDITIONAL RESOURCES\*\***

**LawHelp** is an online, legal-information clearinghouse that provides low-income people throughout New York State with referrals to free legal services, information about their legal rights, links to social services

and government agencies, and information about the court system. Legal services and social service organizations can use LawHelp/NY to provide referrals to clients who they are unable to assist. View online at: <http://www.LawHelp.org/NY> .

**Educational Cyber Playground** offers information on education grant funding opportunities, government funding resources, scholarships & loans, state agency phone numbers for Student Financial Aid, business plan resources for women, federal Department of Education Technology Grants, arts grants, and grants for women and girls. For full information, go online to: <http://www.educyberpg.com/Teachers/grants.html>

*Implementing a Financial Education program in your Community* was developed by Karen L. Murrell for the **Annie E. Casey Foundation**. This is a step by step guide that can be a valuable resource for any organization interested in developing a financial education plan. Go to: [http://www.aecf.org/initiatives/fes/reading/pdfs/fin\\_lit\\_guide.pdf](http://www.aecf.org/initiatives/fes/reading/pdfs/fin_lit_guide.pdf)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*\*May 14** - A Teen Program for aspiring designers will be sponsored by **Cooper-Hewitt National Design** and **El Museo del Barrio** at El Museo del Barrio from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. Pablo Medina, Latino graphic designer and typographer, will discuss his culture, work, and sources of inspiration. Groups welcome. Registration required, call 212-660-7135.

**\*\*May 18 - The Community-Word Project** will present an *Arts-in-Education Job Information Panel* from 6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at 120 Broadway, Suite 3048. Meet representatives from Teachers and Writers Collaborative, Studio in a School, Young Audiences New York, Wingspan Arts, Community-Word Project, and New York Foundation for the Arts. Resumés and C.V.'s will be accepted by the panelists following the discussion. RSVP via email: [mkotler@communitywordproject.org](mailto:mkotler@communitywordproject.org)

**\*\*May 18** - The Bronx office of the **United Federation of Teachers** will offer a workshop: *Violence Prevention and School Safety* from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon at 2500 Halsey Street, Bronx New York (entrance on Commerce Place.) Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For additional information, contact Celeste Amalfitano at (718) 862-6022.

**\*\*May 19 - Citizens for New York City** will present a *Small Business Expo and Resource Fair* for high school and college students from 9:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. at Borough of Manhattan Community College. Youth entrepreneurs will showcase their products and services; service providers in business and youth development will offer information and assistance; free business and career workshops will also be offered. Contact Michael Simmons at: [MSimmons@citizensnyc.org](mailto:MSimmons@citizensnyc.org) for more information and registration material.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

The **Ethel Louise Armstrong Foundation** offers scholarships to women graduate students with physical disabilities who are enrolled in a college or university in the U.S. Scholarships range between \$500 and \$2,000. The applicant must be active in a local, state, or national disability organization, which is providing services and/or advocacy for people with disabilities. The application deadline: June 1, 2005. Go to: <http://www.ela.org/> .

The **Third Millennium Foundation** presents *Children's Rights Summer Institute, 2005*, a summer scholarship opportunity to engage in a six week program in human rights. Twenty diverse NYC high school students will be chosen to participate; each participant will receive a \$500 stipend, free transportation, daily lunch and more. The program will take place at the International Center of Tolerance Education, DUMBO, Brooklyn on July 11 – August 19, Monday through Friday, from 10:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. each day. Contact: Katerina Seligmann at [kseligmann@tmf-tolerance.org](mailto:kseligmann@tmf-tolerance.org) for an application; materials must be mailed by May 13.

The **National Association for Gifted Children** has announced the *NAGC-Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award Program* for students who have distinguished themselves in academic achievement, leadership, or the visual or performing arts. Maximum Award: \$500. Eligibility: one student in every state from the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth grade. There are various deadlines; view online: <http://www.nagc.org/Awards/green/greenawd.html#intro>

The **Presidential Freedom Scholarships** are designed to promote student service and civic engagement and honor outstanding service to the community. Maximum Award: \$1000. High school students are eligible to apply; the deadline is July 1. For additional information, go to: <http://www.nationalservice.gov/scholarships/>