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Office of Community Services

INFORMATION UPDATE

To: Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) Executive Directors and CSBG Coordinators
From:  Nick Sunday, Chief, Office of Community Services (OCS)
Subject: 2010 Community Impact Grants



ConAgra Foods Foundation Invites Letters of Interest for Community Impact Grants
http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.html?id=280500004.

Deadline: January 29, 2010 (Letters of Interest)

The ConAgra Foods Foundation's 2010 Community Impact Grants program is open from January 11, 2010, to January 29, 2010 for eligible organizations to submit a Letter of Interest.

The CIG program will award grants ranging between \$10,000 and \$100,000 each to impactful, grassroots organizations that leverage innovation and creativity to address childhood hunger and nutrition needs in communities where ConAgra Foods' employees live and work or states where 20 percent or more of children are food insecure. Organizations that demonstrate a strong alignment with the foundation's giving strategies (i.e., direct service, capacity building, and advocacy) and core funding priorities have the greatest chance of receiving a grant.

All grant recipients must be nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organizations. Religious organizations such as churches, mosques, and synagogues may qualify only if their outreach programs are offered to the general population regardless of religious affiliation and they have established a separate 501(c)(3) organization to operate the funded program(s).

The CIG program is a two-step, competitive process that first requires the submission of a Letter of Interest and then the subsequent completion of a full application if invited to apply for a grant. Approximately thirty organizations will be invited to submit a full application for funding and fifteen or fewer will be awarded a grant.

Visit the ConAgra Foods Foundation Web site for complete program guidelines at <http://www.nourishkidstoday.org/about-us/application-guidelines.jsp>.

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