



Complete Grant Listing 2011

Signature Employment Grants

Brain Injury Association of Florida, Inc. (Tallahassee, FL) – To improve employment outcomes for individuals with moderate to severe traumatic brain injury, including those receiving SSI/SSDI, through state-wide collaborative community action teams, which include family members, employment networks and state agency stakeholders: \$350,000.

Hudson Community Enterprises (Jersey City, NJ) - To expand current business operations and establish an enterprise content management business in Trenton, New Jersey to employment people with disabilities: \$250,000.

National Telecommuting Institute, Inc. (Boston, MA) - To conduct a national telework pilot project in collaboration with employers committed to hiring home based individuals with disabilities: \$250,000.

University of Alaska Anchorage Center for Human Development (Anchorage, AK) - To pilot a customized self-employment model for working age adults with brain injury using a Participatory Action Research team approach, and develop a sustainable structure within Alaska's employment service system: \$425,000.

University of Hawaii (Honolulu, HI) - To develop "EmployAble" a model virtual reality employment orientation and support center using Second Life as a platform to provide training, networking, mentoring and employment resources for people with disabilities and employers: \$425,000.

Community Employment Grants

Advancing Opportunities, Inc. (Ewing, NJ) - To offer a supported training and employment program in the hospitality field for students with physical disabilities graduating from transition programs: \$40,000.

Alternatives, Inc. (Raritan, NJ) - To provide job training and accommodation assistance to people with disabilities in a retail setting: \$25,000.

The Arc of Union County (Springfield, NJ) - To provide community based training and employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities in a retail business selling discounted sports equipment: \$25,000.

The Center for Head Injury Services (St. Louis, MO) - To provide a planning grant to further develop a social enterprise business plan to employ individuals with traumatic brain injury: \$50,000.

Cheshire Home (Florham Park, NJ) - To train disadvantaged young adults with disabilities in adaptive technology and computer skills for use in employment and higher education: \$34,000.

Cornell University (Ithaca, NY) - To increase employment outcomes and economic impact for veterans with disabilities in New Jersey by building benefit and work incentives planning capacity in non-profit organizations: \$50,000.

County of Middlesex (New Brunswick, NJ) - To provide connector transportation, between residences, transit hubs and employment centers, to accessible bus and rail service for individuals in Middlesex County, NJ, who are not served by Access Link or accessible transit services: \$48,048.

County of Summit Developmental Disabilities Board (Tallmadge, OH) - To establish 'Akron Accessible Cycling', a rental business owned and operated by individuals with disabilities, which rents accessible bicycles to individuals using the Towpath Bike Trail with family members who have mobility disabilities: \$37,800.

Employment Horizons, Inc. (Cedar Knolls, NJ) - To provide people with disabilities marketable skills and community employment in the Culinary Arts industry: \$35,000.

The G.I. Go Fund, Inc. (Newark, NJ) - To pilot and test a customer service employment initiative aimed at placing disabled veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan wars into sustainable careers through counseling and training: \$30,000.

Jewish Family & Vocational Service of Middlesex County (Milltown, NJ) - To provide supported employment services to veterans with traumatic brain injuries and other physical disabilities transitioning to employment: \$50,000.

Jewish Vocational Service of Metro West (East Orange, NJ) - To provide a 2-week career camp, with vocational evaluation, exploration, and transition summer program for students ages 14 -21, with mobility and or cognitive impairments: \$35,000.

LADACIN Network (Wanamassa, NJ) - To launch a document management project, including document imaging, retention, and shredding, to train people with disabilities for competitive employment opportunities: \$40,000.

Matheny Medical and Educational Center (Peapack, NJ) - To provide pre-vocational, experiential learning opportunities for transitioning youth with severe disabilities in retail and clerical settings within Matheny and in the local community: \$30,000.

National MS Society, New Jersey Metro Chapter (Oakhurst, NJ) - To educate and empower people with MS on workplace issues during a one-day employment conference, which includes workshops, speakers and networking opportunities with potential employers: \$25,000.

The New Jersey Chamber of Commerce Foundation (Trenton, NJ) - To promote and acknowledge businesses that support people with disabilities and to build economic opportunities for companies owned by people with disabilities: \$25,000.

New Jersey Institute for Disabilities (Edison, NJ) - To continue the AmeriCorps Enhancement Project (AEP) that provides training, support and paid service opportunities for 10 individuals with physical disabilities: \$40,000.

New York Service for the Handicapped (New York, NY) - To engage adolescents and young adults with physical disabilities in a 6-week residential summer program for training in areas of physical independence, vocational skills and literacy: \$40,000.

The Washington Center for Internships & Academic Seminars (Washington, DC) - To offer an internship program which enables students with disabilities from New Jersey to learn and develop skills, engage in productive work, and participate fully in their communities: \$25,000.

Special Initiative Grants

Achilles International (New York, NY) - To provide year round opportunities for people with disabilities to train for, and compete in, mainstream races, including marathons: \$5,000.

Adler Aphasia Center (Maywood, NJ) - To expand the 'Something Special' gift shop at Adler Aphasia Center which promotes vocational and business training for people with aphasia to help them regain self-sufficiency: \$5,000.

Alliance Center for Independence (Edison, NJ) - To support the NJ Disability Pride Parade and Celebration in downtown Trenton, NJ to promote the belief that disability is part of diversity, while generating state-wide awareness for the disability community: \$1,000.

Artistic Realization Technologies, Inc. (Belle Mead, NJ) - To support current studio programs which bring creative control to children and young adults who face severe multiple, physical and neurological challenges: \$10,000.

ChairScholars Foundation, Inc. (Odessa, FL) - To provide college tuition support to high school seniors with severe physical disabilities residing in the New York Metropolitan area: \$15,000.

Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation, Inc. (Mountainside, NJ) - To provide scholarships for students to Camp Chatterbox, an overnight, week-long camp for children with augmentative and alternative communication needs: \$1,500.

Disability Education Forum of New York, Inc. (Niskayuna, NY) - To produce a collection of video stories about employment of people with disabilities: \$20,000.

Multiple Sclerosis Association of America (Cherry Hill, NJ) - To provide mobility and safety items to New Jersey/Philadelphia area clients with MS who qualify for the Equipment Distribution Program: \$10,000.

New Jersey Department of Human Services (Trenton, NJ) - To provide funds to emergency food assistance providers for capital improvements, enabling people with physical disabilities to access the facility: \$15,000.

North Jersey Navigators, Inc. (Bayonne, NJ) - To engage young people in special recreational and competitive adaptive programs that have been specially designed to develop and enhance the mobility skills of children and youth with physical disabilities: \$15,000.

One-Revolution (Park City, UT) - To expand the existing NameTags student education program to develop a program for corporations designed to look beyond first impressions to see the individual, with emphasis on those with physical disabilities: \$20,000.

Project SEARCH (Cincinnati, OH) – To sponsor the national Project SEARCH Conference in Austin, TX in July 2012: \$1,000.

Push to Walk, A New Jersey Non-Profit Corporation (Riverdale, NJ) - To purchase new equipment (pulley system, hydraulic table and gym floor) and provide funds for Scholarship Program for clients: \$15,000.

The University of Tennessee (Knoxville, TN) - To sponsor the COSD 12th Annual National Conference on 'Exploring Disability Inclusive Diversity' in Morristown, NJ: \$5,000.