

## Distance Education

### 1. Distance Learning and Telemedicine Loan and Grant Program

**Deadline** – March 24, 2009.

**Resource** – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Rural Utilities Service

Telecommunications Program

**Description** - Grants will be made available for distance learning and telemedicine projects serving rural America.

**Topic** – Telecommunication in rural America

**Size of Grant** – Unknown

**Cost Sharing** – No

**Web** - <http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/dlt/dlt.htm>

### 2. Anytime, Anyplace Learning Program

**Deadline** – Continuous. The foundation has no deadlines. Grants are made by the trustees, who meet four times a year. A brief letter of inquiry, rather than a fully developed proposal, is an advisable first step.

**Resource** – Sloan Foundation, Alfred P.

Education and Careers in Science and Technology

Education for Scientific and Technical Careers

**Description** - The goal of the Sloan Anytime, Anyplace Learning (AAL) program is to make available high quality learning, education and training, anytime and anywhere, for those motivated to seek it. The program is based on Asynchronous Learning Networks (ALN) through which a learner uses Internet access for instructors, classmates, and course materials.

**Topic** – Telecommunications

**Size of Grant** – Varies

**Cost Sharing** – No

**Web** — <http://www.sloan.org/program>

### 3. Advanced Learning Technologies (ALT) - NSF 06-535

**Deadline** – Anticipated deadline—April, 25, 2009. A deadline for the next cycle has not been confirmed. The record will be updated when new program information becomes available.

**Resource** – National Science Foundation

**Description** – Through the Advanced Learning Technologies (ALT) program, the Directorate for Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE) and Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR) of the National Science Foundation (NSF) support research that enables radical improvements in learning through innovative computer and information technologies, and advances research in computer science, information technology, learning, and cognitive science through the unique challenges posed by learning environments and learning technology platforms.

**Topic** – Telecommunications

**Size of Grant** – \$600,000. The program anticipates that most projects will have budgets of approximately \$100,000 to \$200,000 per year over three years. The estimated number of awards will be 6 to 10 standard or continuing grants. The anticipated funding amount is \$2.8 million pending availability of funds.

**Cost Sharing** – No

**Web** - <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2006/nsf06535/nsf06535.htm>

#### **4. Silicon Valley Impact Grant Program**

**Deadline** – Mar 01, 2009

**Resource** - Cisco Systems, Inc. Cisco Foundation

**Description** - Grants fund best-in-class organizations and programs working in the following two areas listed below. Priority is given to those that clearly articulate the planned impact of their effort; provide metrics by which that impact will be measured; and use internet technology as part of the program:

1. Access to Education: Cisco views education as a top priority in its philanthropic giving. The foundation funds programs that create educational opportunity and foster classroom innovation in under-served communities. Priority is given to programs that can be replicated through use of technology and offer online resources to teachers or students.

**Topic** – Distance education

**Size of Grant** – \$15,000

**Cost Sharing** - No

**Web** - [http://www.cisco.com/web/about/ac48/sv\\_grants.html](http://www.cisco.com/web/about/ac48/sv_grants.html)

#### **5. Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company Foundation, Inc.**

**Deadline** – Unknown, contact:

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Oklahoma City, OK 73101-0321

Telephone: (405) 553-3203

**Resource** – Oklahoma Gas and Electric

**Description** - The foundation supports hospitals and organizations involved with arts and culture, higher education, and human services.

**Topic** – Higher education, equipment.

**Size of Grant** – Varies, Giving activities include: \$898,752 for grants.

**Cost Sharing** - No

**Web** – None

#### **6. Robert Glenn Rapp Foundation**

**Deadline**- August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Contact:

Trustees

5400 N. Grand Blvd., Ste. 545

Oklahoma City, OK 73112-5672

Telephone: (405) 525-8331

**Resource** – Independent foundation

**Description** - Giving emphasis is on primary, secondary, and higher education.

**Topic** – Education, equipment.

**Size of Grant** – Varies, Giving activities include:

\$683,105 for 30 grants (high: \$100,000; low: \$1,500)

**Cost Sharing** - No

**Web** - None