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## Grants can help your PTA do great work

*Following are grant opportunities that all PTAs may consider. They are listed in order of application due dates.*

### Fuel Up to Play 60

**Grant applications due October 1, 2011; December 1, 2011; February 1, 2012; and June 1, 2012.**

The National Dairy Council, in partnership with the National Football League, developed Fuel Up to Play 60, a free in-school nutrition and physical activity program. Fuel Up to Play 60 is currently accepting applications for funding of up to \$4,000 for schools enrolled in the free in-school wellness program.

Funds can be used for a variety of activities and tools, from resources that help enhance students' healthy eating habits to items that help schools address students' physical activity needs.

For an application and more information, visit [www.FuelUptoPlay60.com](http://www.FuelUptoPlay60.com).

### National PTA Grassroots Advocacy Training of Trainers Initiative

**Grant applications due Wednesday, October 5, 2011, by 5 p.m., EDT.**

**December 9 -10, 2011; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

**National PTA Headquarters in Alexandria, Va.**

The purpose of the training of trainers (ToT) is to provide training tools for PTA leaders and members for executing effective grass-roots advocacy campaigns that promote the National PTA federal public policy agenda. Ten selected participants will receive a trip to National PTA headquarters, including travel, room, and board, to receive this great training.

Visit National PTA's public policy page - <http://www.pta.org/4763.asp> - for information.

Participants traveling to the session from out of town will need to arrive on Friday, December 9, 2011 with a departure from Reagan National Airport no earlier than 2 p.m. on Sunday, December 11. Contact Tiffany Knight at [tknight@pta.org](mailto:tknight@pta.org) with any questions.

### Small Grant Program for Schools Promoting Healthy Eating and Physical Activity

**Grant applications due Oct. 13, 2011.**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Minority Health has a small grant program for schools interested in promoting healthy eating and physical activity. To be eligible, 80 percent or more of students must qualify for federal food programs. Grant funds are to be used to help schools meet the requirements of the HealthierUS School Challenge, a USDA recognition program. Five grants of \$5,000 each will be awarded. Awardees must agree to participate in an ongoing learning environment. Applications are due Thursday, October 13, 2011; 5 p.m., EDT. Visit <http://minorityhealth.hhs.gov/Assets/pdf/Checked/1/HSEALC.pdf> for more details.

### National PTA Take Your Family to School Week

**Applications due October 28, 2011 by 5 p.m., EDT.**

**Celebration week: February 12-18, 2012**

PTA® Take Your Family to School Week® is celebrated each February to pay tribute to PTA's legacy of building family-school partnerships. PTA Take Your Family to School Week will be held February 12-18, 2012 with the purpose of expanding and enhancing family engagement in schools across the country.

For information, visit [www.pta.org/take\\_your\\_family\\_to\\_school\\_awards.asp](http://www.pta.org/take_your_family_to_school_awards.asp). To apply online, visit [www.PTA.org/familytoschool](http://www.PTA.org/familytoschool).

## California State PTA grants to consider

Combine four California State PTA Grants to support your PTA programs year- round. Applications are due November 15. Consider free resources from allied agencies to add pizzazz and information to your applications.

- **Healthy Lifestyles Grant**

Healthy Lifestyle Grants are available to develop, promote and implement healthy lifestyles programs, projects and activities that will improve the overall health of children and adults. Visit [www.capta.org/sections/programs/downloads/HealthyLifestyle.pdf](http://www.capta.org/sections/programs/downloads/HealthyLifestyle.pdf).

For information on the following grants, visit [www.capta.org/sections/programs/parent-ed.cfm](http://www.capta.org/sections/programs/parent-ed.cfm).

- **Parent Education Grant**

Apply for a Parent Education Grant to plan and implement a program on any program topic for parents in your PTA.

- **Outreach and Translation Grant**

Apply for a grant to translate information for your parents on a particular topic.

- **Cultural Arts Grant**

Unit, council and district PTAs can apply for grant funds to develop and implement student-centered cultural arts programs and projects focused on arts education.

## The Culinary Trust: Grant Opportunity

Next application due date: December 30, 2011

The Chefs Move to Schools Grant was conceptualized by Karin Endy, chair of The Culinary Trust, and launched in June of 2011 with the founding sponsorship of the California Table Grape Commission. The goal of the grants is simple: to provide funds to help school children eat right by teaching them about food, nutrition and cooking. Funds can be used for a wide range of school activities, from starting a kitchen garden to setting up a salad bar. Culinary professionals and qualified parents or community members may apply for grants of up to \$2,500. Applications for micro-grants are also encouraged.

For more information, please visit: [www.theculinarytrust.org](http://www.theculinarytrust.org).

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