

For years, faith-based and community groups have assisted Americans in need—transforming lives in the process and helping to heal our country's ills. Unfortunately, the Federal government has not always been a willing partner to these faith-based groups. Instead, rules and regulations were in place, hindering organizations from competing for funding on an equal footing with larger charities.



A KEY COMPONENT OF THE PLAN

Created in 2002, the Administration for Children and Families' Compassion Capital Fund (CCF) is a key component of the Department of Health and Human Services' Faith-Based and Community Initiative. CCF helps faith-based and community organizations increase their effectiveness and enhance their ability to provide social services to those most in need. This is accomplished



through the funding of intermediary organizations that serve as a bridge between the Federal government and the faith-based and community organizations the program is designed to assist. The intermediary organizations provide training, technical assistance, and capacity-building sub-awards to faith-based and community organizations. In addition, CCF makes capacity-building awards directly to faith-based and community organizations nationwide.

AWARDS MADE

In 2002, CCF's first year of operation, a total of \$24.7 million was awarded to 21 intermediary organizations. These intermediary organizations gave over \$10 million in sub-awards to over 550 grassroots faith-based and community organizations in 34 states. Sub-awards were given to organizations implementing programs that address the needs of the homeless, elderly, at-risk youth, families in transition from welfare to work, and those in need of intensive rehabilitation such as addicts or prisoners. Also, awards were made to organizations that provide marriage education and preparation services to help couples develop the skills and knowledge to form and sustain healthy marriages.



In 2003, second year awards were made to the existing 21 intermediary organizations. \$5.6 million was awarded to ten new intermediary organizations. In addition, fifty-two \$50,000 awards were made to faith-based and community organizations addressing the needs of at-risk youth and the homeless. These organizations are located in 35 states, the District of Columbia, and the Virgin Islands.



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES: INTERMEDIARY ORGANIZATIONS

The Compassion Capital Fund Demonstration Program (CCFD) will fund intermediary organizations with demonstrated expertise and a proven track record in working with and providing technical assistance to faith-based and community organizations. The intermediary organizations help smaller groups operate and manage their programs effectively, access funding from varied sources, develop and train staff, expand the types and reach of social services programs in their communities, and replicate promising programs. Intermediary organizations selected for the program must have well-developed connections to and working relationships with faith-based and community organizations in well-defined geographic areas. Intermediary organizations also issue sub-awards directly to qualified faith-based and community organizations.

Eligible applicants are non-profit organizations, for-profit organizations, tribal government organizations, public agencies, state and local governments, and colleges and universities.

FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

The Compassion Capital Fund Targeted Capacity-Building Program (CCFTCB) will provide \$50,000 awards to faith-based and community organizations. The priority areas for 2004 are at-risk youth or the homeless, marriage education and preparation services to help couples develop the skills and knowledge to form and sustain healthy marriages, and social service needs for those living in rural communities.

Eligible applicants are nonprofit faith-based and/or community organizations that have demonstrated experience addressing 2004 priority areas.

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2002 INTERMEDIARY ORGANIZATIONS

Associated Black Charities, Inc. *Baltimore, MD*
Catholic Charities of Central New Mexico *Albuquerque, NM*
Christian Community Health Fellowship *Chicago, IL*
CJH Educational Grant Services, Inc. *Raleigh, NC*
Clemson University *Clemson, SC*
Community Technology Centers' Network *Cambridge, MA*
Emory University *Atlanta, GA*
Father Joe's Villages *San Diego, CA*
Institute For Youth Development *Sterling, VA*
JVA Consulting, LLC *Denver, CO*
Mennonite Economic Development Associates *Lancaster, PA*
Montana State University *Bozeman, MT*
National Center for Faith Based Initiative *West Palm Beach, FL*
Northside Ministerial Alliance *Kalamazoo, MI*
Nueva Esperanza, Inc. *Philadelphia, PA*
Operation Blessing, International *Virginia Beach, VA*
Southeast Asia Resource Action Center *Washington, DC*
United Way of Massachusetts Bay *Boston, MA*
University of Hawaii *Honolulu, HI*
University of Nebraska *Lincoln, NE*
Volunteers of America, Inc. *Alexandria, VA*

2003 INTERMEDIARY ORGANIZATIONS

Citizens Committee for New York City *New York City*
Foundation for Community Empowerment *Dallas, TX*
Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches *Minneapolis, MN*
Holy Redeemer Institutional Church of God in Christ *Milwaukee, WI*
Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. *Richmond, KY*
Louisiana Association Nonprofit Organizations *Baton Rouge, LA*
National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise *Washington, DC*
Northwest Leadership Foundation *Tacoma, WA*
United Way of Tucson & Southern Arizona *Tucson, AZ*
We Care America, Inc. *Washington, DC*

HOW TO APPLY

For more information, visit the
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<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccf/>



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