

## Complete Grant Listing 2024

### **High Impact Foundation Directed Grants**

Anixter Center, Lester and Rosalie (Chicago, IL) - To scale Anixter Center's successful Disability Inclusion Coordinator model to the Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA). This initiative will create sustainable employment pathways for individuals with disabilities, fostering inclusive hiring practices and career advancement within the aviation sector through strategic partnerships and targeted support services. \$100,000.

State of Vermont, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (Waterbury, VT) - To take the WorkVT Pilot that was funded by Kessler and implemented in four sites and deploy the model statewide. WorkVT2.0 seeks to encourage participants receiving SSI/SSDI benefits to work at self-sustaining levels and support them exit the rolls. \$100,000.

### **Foundation Directed Grants**

Association of University Centers on Disabilities (Silver Springs, MD) - To participate in monthly nTide Lunch and Learn webcast providing "News from the Field" in the first webcast of the month and participating in midmonth webcasts to brief news from Washington and answer questions. \$28,000.

Disability Lead (Chicago, IL) - To expand into Southwestern Pennsylvania (SWPA), Disability Lead (DL) will implement a DL model, based on core concepts critical to our programs' success, tailored to the unique needs of the region. DL is a network of people with disabilities using our power to create an equitable and inclusive society. \$100,000.

Jewish Family Service of Atlantic and Cape May Counties (Margate, NJ) - To bridge JFS' justice system outreach and re-entry services to its Vocational Services program providing job search and placement supports, with the goal of increasing employment among individuals with disabilities impacted by the justice system— and, in the long-term, improving financial stability and reducing recidivism. \$50,000.

Washington Center for Internships & Academic Seminars (The) (Washington, DC) - To build a more inclusive American workforce, The Washington Center recognizes the need to develop and bolster programming for the workplace environments individuals with disabilities work. TWC seeks to develop programming that fosters individuals with disabilities to thrive and persist in their careers, reducing attrition due to barriers and biases. \$100,000.

### **Special Initiative Grant**

Adler Aphasia Center (Maywood, NJ) - To strengthen the use of technology as a highly effective tool to promote aphasia rehabilitation and facilitate its innovative utilization across the Adler Aphasia Center's therapeutic programs. \$20,000.

Count Basie Theatre (Red Bank, NJ) - To create a state-of-the-art barrier-free studio entrance into our Phoenix Productions building. Project funding will be utilized to install an ADA-compliant ramp entrance to the building, push-button door opener, interior and exterior door hardware, and to move the handicapped parking spaces next to the ramp and provide the appropriate signage. \$20,000.

HABcore, Inc. (Tinton Falls, NJ) - To further enhance the Supported Employment component of HABcore's Independence Pathways Program, helping formerly homeless residents with disabilities secure sustained, meaningful employment and achieve long-term stable housing. \$20,000.

Marble-Jam Kids, Inc. (Hackensack, NJ) - To expand our digital arts and media department by establishing an in-house production company. This initiative will provide participants with hands-on experience in film, animation, and media production, enhancing their skills and creating opportunities for employment and self-expression within a professional setting. \$20,000.

### **Emergency Grants**

Beit Halochem USA/Friends of Israel Disabled Veterans (New York, NY - Emergency Aid for wounded IDF soldiers. \$10,000.

Portlight Strategies, Inc. (St. Helena Island, SC) – Emergency Food Relief for PWD in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene. \$5,000.

World Institute on Disability (Berkeley, CA) - Emergency Grant for Disability Services in Maui in the aftermath of the fires. \$5,000.