

OFFICE OF COMPETITIVE GRANTS NEWSLETTER



Ysleta Independent School District
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DECEMBER 2022

Grant Deadlines

January 2023

S	M	T	W	Th	Fr	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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February 2023

S	M	T	W	Th	Fr	S
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Texas Retired Teachers Foundation: Classroom Assistance Grant

Classroom Assistance Grants are awarded to Texas public school teachers who, on a daily basis, demonstrate commitment to public education and Texas children through the creation of programs, events or other learning platforms.

The Texas Retired Teachers Foundation (TRTF) will award \$750 grants to 30 public school teachers in Texas for the 2023-2024 school year.

Application Closes: January 27, 2023 by 4:00 p.m. MT
Awards Announced: March 31, 2023

For more information and to apply, go to:

<https://trta.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/2023-2024-Classroom-Assistance-Grant-Application.pdf>

The Snapdragon Book Foundation

The Snapdragon Book Foundation was started to provide funds to improve school libraries for disadvantaged children.

The foundation exists to put books in the hands of kids. In a time when many schools are reallocating their funds to technology, they hope to make sure that school libraries are still offering children good books to read.

Grant funds may be used for:

- Books that will be used repeatedly through classroom libraries.
- Processing or cataloging fees from book vendors (for processing of the books ordered in conjunction with your Snapdragon project).
- Reference materials for use by students.
- Magazine or newspaper subscriptions.

Grant amounts typically range from \$500 to \$20,000

Application Closes: February 5, 2023 by 9:59 p.m. MT
Awards Announced: May 2023

For information and to apply, go to:

<http://snapdragonbookfoundation.org/application/>

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Grants

Dollar General's commitment to literacy is an integral part of the company's culture. Dollar General believes learning to read or learning the English language is an investment that opens doorways for personal, professional and economic growth.



Adult Literacy Grants: 2023 application is anticipated to be released in January 2023

Previous Maximum Grant Amount: \$10,000*

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Adult Literacy Grants award funding to entities that provide direct services to adults in need of literacy assistance in one of the following instructional areas:

- Adult Basic Education
- General Education Diploma preparation
- English language acquisition



Summer Reading Grants: 2023 application is anticipated to be released in January 2023

Previous Maximum Grant Amount: \$3,000*

Summer Reading Grants support the creation or expansion of summer reading programs. Schools and libraries are eligible to apply if their programs meet the following criteria:

- Target students in grades PreK-12
- Target students reading below grade level
- Assist readers with learning disabilities



Youth Literacy Grants: 2023 application is anticipated to be released in March 2023

Previous Maximum Grant Amount: \$4,000*

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help students who are reading below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. Grant funding is provided to assist in the following areas:

- Implementing new or expanding existing literacy programs
- Purchasing new technology or equipment to support literacy initiatives
- Purchasing books, materials, or software for literacy programs

*Grant amount may be subject to change with 2023 posting.

For more information, go to: <https://www.dgliteracy.org/grant-programs/>

DonorsChoose

DonorsChoose provides a way for teachers to request much needed materials, equipment, and items for their classrooms through a simple project application.

For step by step instructions, visit the Office of Competitive Grants webpage: [DonorsChoose Process](#)

For more information and to apply, go to:
<https://www.donorschoose.org/teachers>

Please ensure all grant and DonorsChoose project applications are submitted to Ysleta ISD's Office of Competitive Grants for approval prior to submittal to the funder.

Useful Steps for Successful District Routing

All grant and project applications, regardless of the dollar amount, must be routed through the central office administrative approval process.

- Step 1:** Write the application and follow the required steps to complete the application. Do NOT submit it to the funder.
- Step 2:** Print a copy of the application. Ensure the full narrative is visible. If unable to expand the response boxes, include a Word document with full responses.
- Step 3:** Complete and sign the [YISD Campus Grant Submission Form](#) and have your principal sign too.
- Step 4:** To start the district routing approval process, scan and email the completed application and the signed Campus Grant Submission Form to lcuster@yisd.net in the Office of Competitive Grants (OCG).
- Step 5:** Allow up to 5 business days for the routing process to be completed. Several central office departments may be involved in this approval process.
- Step 6:** Once the application has been approved, the OCG will notify you to submit the grant or project application to the funder.
- Step 7:** Notify the OCG once your project has been funded.

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If you need assistance with your application, please contact the Office of Competitive Grants early in the process.

For grant procedures and helpful information, please visit our website at www.yisd.net under the Office of Competitive Grants link.

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