## **Complete Grant Listing 2014**

## **Signature Employment Grants**

<u>ServiceSource</u> (Clearwater, FL) - To increase community integration, self-sufficiency and employment outcomes among people with brain injury and traumatic brain injury (TBI) through holistic, specialized services and to demonstrate that the clubhouse model is an effective strategy for veterans with TBI through the ABILHouse: \$339,000.

<u>United Way of Allegheny County</u> (Pittsburgh, PA) - To build the capacity of the private sector to hire and retain young people with disabilities through an innovative employment and training initiative that works collaboratively with United Way's corporate connections, helping them secure crucial work experience and paying jobs as they transition out of high school: \$378,300.

<u>University of New Hampshire</u> (Durham, NH) - To conduct a household telephone survey of 3,000 adults (ages 18-64) with disabilities residing in the United States. The content of the survey will be guided by current knowledge, needs of the field and the objectives of Kessler Foundation: \$499,999.

## **Community Employment Grants**

<u>Advancing Opportunities, Inc.</u> (Ewing, NJ) - To advance employment through person-centered planning by identifying targeted, customized employment options for people with disabilities experiencing the most significant barriers to employment: \$50,000.

<u>Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center</u> (New Brunswick, NJ) - To teach transition students with mobility impairments, traumatic brain injury (TBI) and other disabilities, and school personnel, how to expand students' access to employment and training using public transit: \$40,000.

<u>Arts Unbound, Inc.</u> (Orange, NJ) - To provide intensive professional development and capacity building to 15-20 artists with mobility disabilities, traumatic brain injury (TBI), spinal cord injury or similar impairments: \$50,000.

<u>The Center for Vocational Rehabilitation</u> (Eatontown, NJ) - To support the Neuromuscular Disorder Supported Employment Program by providing training and support services for traumatic brain injury (TBI) participants, ensuring they receive tailored services to fit their needs: \$35,000.

<u>Cheshire Home</u> (Florham Park, NJ) - To provide training for young adults with paralysis by utilizing assistive technology course options that address students' academic and employment goals, enabling participants to attain independence: \$40,000.

<u>County of Atlantic (Atlantic Cape May Workforce Investment Board)</u> (Atlantic City, NJ) - To support the Employment Empowerment Collaborative Program's targeted strategy to provide sustainable employment opportunities for the aging disabled population: \$40,000.

<u>DAWN Center for Independent Living, Inc.</u> (Denville, NJ) - To expand services, partnerships and outcomes initiated under 2012/2013 CEG to increase meaningful, gainful and inclusive employment for people with disabilities: \$50,000.

<u>The G.I. Go Fund, Inc.</u> (Newark, NJ) - To support disabled veterans, either unemployed or underemployed, and implement a complete effort to assess and improve their abilities, and find them a quality career: \$50,000.

<u>Hydro Sun Farms, Inc.</u> (Atlantic Highlands, NJ) - To train and employ persons with disabilities in hydroponic farming techniques: \$30,000.

<u>Jewish Vocational Service of Metro West</u> (East Orange, NJ) - To improve the employment outcomes and community integration for persons with mobility, physical and cognitive impairments: \$45,000.

<u>The New Jersey Chamber of Commerce Foundation</u> (Trenton, NJ) - To support a four-day summer experience which immerses students in business games and simulations that help them to prepare for life after high school: \$40,000.

<u>New York Service for the Handicapped</u> (Oakhurst, NJ) - To support adolescents with disabilities in a 6 week residential summer program where they will receive support and training around physical independence and vocational skills: \$40,000.

<u>The Occupational Center of Union County, Inc.</u> (Roselle, NJ) - To supplement the salary of an Employment Specialist who is specially trained to implement the Ticket to Work program: \$25,000.

<u>Opportunity Project, Inc.</u> (Millburn, NJ) - To support the Vocational Program and its efforts to provide work evaluation, work adjustment training, job coaching, supported employment and long term follow along for adults with brain injury: \$25,000.

<u>Pathways for Exceptional Children</u> (Montville, NJ) - To support Project Win Win, an employment training program for children with disabilities ages 10-23 that enables them to maximize their talents for the workforce: \$50,000.

<u>PRIDE Industries</u> (Roseville, CA) - To provide vocational training and employment supports to help people with severe disabilities secure and sustain employment in skilled trades positions: \$30,000.

<u>The Washington Center for Internships & Academic Seminar</u> (Washington, DC) - To support participation and success of students with disabilities through scholarships, disability programming, accommodations in classes, work sites and disability services: \$50,000.

<u>World Institute on Disability</u> (Berkeley, CA) - To provide a planning grant to increase the employment of students and veterans with disabilities in small to medium size businesses: \$50,000.

## **Special Initiative Grants**

<u>Adler Aphasia Center</u>, (Maywood, NJ) - To support the "Something Special" program by creating marketing materials for home jewelry parties to help increase vocational gift revenue and resale kits for other nonprofit sites' vocational activities: \$10,000.

<u>County of Bergen</u>, (Hackensack, NJ) - To support the Post Stroke & Disabled Adult Support Groups by providing opportunities for socialization, recreation, rehabilitative instruction and restorative exercises to stroke survivors: \$10,000.

<u>City Green, Inc.</u> (Clifton, NJ) - To develop a wheelchair accessible sensory garden as part of their new Learning Farm Project to ensure that the new space will be accessible to all who want to participate in educational programs, explore nature and enjoy a unique farm experience at City Green, whether they are dependent on a walker, cane, scooter or wheelchair for assistance with mobility: \$10,000.

<u>City Without Walls</u> (Newark, NJ) - To support at-risk Newark youth with physical disabilities produce a large-scale mural, mentored by a master mural artist: \$10,000.

<u>Morris Museum, Inc.</u> (Morristown, NJ) - To enable children with disabilities, caregivers, and family members to enjoy, explore and create in an environment that responds to their individual needs during an Early Access Hours program: \$10,000.

<u>National Council on Independent Living</u> (Washington, DC) - To celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and to raise awareness about its impact, NCIL will be sponsoring the ADA Legacy Project and hosting a national tour: \$15,000.

<u>National Multiple Sclerosis Society - NJ Metro Chapter</u> (Oakhurst, NJ) - To improve the quality of life for people living with Multiple Sclerosis by offering a variety of gentle, adaptive exercise classes comprised of Tai Chi, Yoga and aquatics: \$20,000.

<u>New Jersey Theatre Alliance</u> (West Orange, NJ) - To support the Virtual Tour Project, a benefit to the public, especially those with disabilities, to familiarize themselves with the New Jersey theatres prior to their visit: \$10,000.

<u>Progressive Center for Independent Living, Inc.</u> (Hamilton, NJ) - To implement a unique educational course for first responders on alternative methods of rescue for people with disabilities who use adapted and modified vehicles: \$15,000.

<u>Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, Inc.</u> (LaPlata, MD) - To aid the emotional and physical recovery of active duty military personnel and veterans in New Jersey by introducing or rebuilding fly fishing and fly tying skills and enjoying the benefits of these skills on fishing outings: \$20,000.

<u>Rutgers University Foundation</u> (New Brunswick, NJ) - To expand the current New Jersey Safe Schools Program and its efforts to document incidents and injuries among high school adolescents during physical education classes and extracurricular sports: \$20,000.