Grant Title: ITTLESON FOUNDATION

Funding Opportunity Number: N/A

Agency/Department: Ittleson Foundation.

Area of Research: Providing funds for new initiatives and model projects that have the potential to greatly enhance public policy and the lives of fellow citizens. The Foundation's areas of particular interest are: mental health, AIDS, and the environment.

Release and Expiration: N/A

Application Deadline: Initial letters of inquiry must be received before September 1st.

Amount: Not listed.

Length of Support: Once a year.

Eligible Applicants: Non-profit organizations.

Summary: The Foundation recognizes not-for-profit organizations, dedicated to bettering the United States, and as such, we provide funds for new initiatives and model projects that have the potential to greatly enhance public policy and the lives of fellow citizens. The Foundation's areas of particular interest are: mental health, AIDS, and the environment. For mental health, the Foundation is particularly interested in: fighting the stigma associated with mental illness and working to change the public's negative perception of people who have mental illness; utilizing new knowledge and current technological advances to improve programs and services for people who have mental illness; bringing the full benefits of this new knowledge and technology to those who presently do not have access to them; and advancing preventative mental health efforts, especially those targeted to youth and adolescents, with a special focus on strategies that involve parents, teachers, and others in close contact with these populations. For AIDS, the Foundation looks at projects that are: addressing the needs of under-served at-risk populations and especially those programs recognizing the overlap between such programs; responding to the challenges facing community-based AIDS service organizations and those organizations addressing systemic change; providing meaningful school-based sex education; making treatment information accessible, available and easily understandable to those in need of it; and addressing the psycho-social needs of those infected and affected by AIDS, especially adolescents. The Foundation seeks to encourage and nurture environmental action through: supporting the present generation of environmental activists, whether professionals or volunteers through education, training and other activities; educating and engaging the next generation of environmentalists with a special interest in supporting the training of those who are teaching that generation; strengthening the infrastructure of the environmental movement with a particular focus on efforts at the grassroots and statewide levels; and activating new constituencies, particularly those focused on environmental equity issues.

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