

The Kessler Foundation
2005 Complete Grant Listing

Signature Program Grants

Hudson Community Enterprises (Jersey City, N.J.) – To support the development of Metro Scanning, a social enterprise business that will provide training and employment for individuals with disabilities: \$100,000.

National Center for Disability Services (Albertson, NY) – To establish a New Jersey program to train adults with disabilities prepare for and obtain employment in pharmaceuticals, clinical, environmental or research laboratory settings: \$491,000.

State of New Jersey, Division of Disabilities Services (Trenton, NJ)– To fund a pilot program to design, construct and install modular ramps and low rise stair units for people with disabilities in Middlesex and Union Counties: \$267,714.

Education Grants

Bergen Community College (Paramus, N.J.) - To develop a barrier free pathway for communication, referral, education and resource sharing: \$83,375

Brain Injury Association of New Jersey (Edison, N.J.) - To improve access to New Jersey Workforce Development System through training, technical assistance and resources for individuals with brain injuries: \$115,849

Community Health Law Project (South Orange, N.J.) - To achieve barrier free accessibility to municipal facilities services and programs, and to educate consumers on their rights regarding government entities and public accommodations: \$100,000.

Persephone Productions (Washington, D.C.) - To produce documentary style piece on rehabilitation research for people with spinal cord injuries for the PBS weekly series *To The Contrary*: \$85,000.

SAGE (Summit, N.J.) - For a comprehensive fall prevention education program for the public, home health aides, staff and caregivers: \$31,454.

Employment Community Programs

Artistic Realization Technologies (Belle Mead, NJ) - To help fund a gallery that will exhibit and sell the artwork of individuals with severe disabilities: \$30,000.

Center for Educational Advancement (Flemington, NJ) – To expand the TEAM Youth Program to assist youth and young adults with disabilities in preparing and entering the labor force: \$37,000.

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Cerebral Palsy Association of Middlesex County (Edison, NJ) – To provide job sampling opportunities for persons with disabilities: \$43,000.

Cerebral Palsy of New Jersey (Trenton, NJ) – To support individuals with physical disabilities obtain and maintain employment: \$50,000.

Cornell University, Northeast ADA & IT Center (Ithaca, NY) – To development an employment and retention training project for employers in New Jersey: \$45,000.

Employment Horizons (Cedar Knoll, NJ) – To partially fund the salary of an employment specialist to work with individuals in gaining and maintaining successful community based employment: \$25,000.

JESPY House, Inc. (South Orange, NJ) – To development and implement a specialized supported employment program for individuals with disabilities: \$30,000.

Jewish Family and Vocational Service of Middlesex County (Edison, NJ) – To assist five individuals with traumatic brain injuries gain and successfully maintain employment without supports: \$48,000

Jewish Vocational Service of MetroWest (East Orange, NJ) – To develop employment opportunities for people with physical disabilities by placing them at community work training: \$45,000.

JFK Medical Center (Edison, NJ) – To modify and equip an apartment/office area to serve as an easy living lab for transitioning high school students with disabilities: \$47,000.

Montclair Rehabilitation Organization (Little Falls, NJ) – To offer transportation for those clients of the Career Guidance and Placement Services at Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation: \$5,000.

Tri-County Action Partnership (Bridgeton, NJ) – To implement a workforce to collaborate with the Ticket to Work program: \$45,000.

Rutgers, the State University, Alan M. Voorhese Transportation Center (New Brunswick, NJ) – To conduct Phase I planning activities related to creating a regional travel concierge demonstration project for New Jersey designed to address transportation barriers to work for people with disabilities: \$30,000.

Special Initiative Grants

Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation (Mountainside, NJ) – To assist in caring for children who fall below the Federal guideline poverty level and are not eligible for any federal or state assistance for rehabilitation services: \$13,500.

Disabilities Funders Network (Falls Church, VA) - To meet the immediate and long-term needs of people with disabilities in the Gulf region as a result of Hurricane Katrina: \$25,000.

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Let's Travel, Inc. (Marlton, NJ) – To help pay vehicle insurance, fuel expenses and tolls toward recreational activities and other transportation trips for individuals with physical disabilities in South Jersey: \$18,000.

