

## **2005 Grants**

**Projects in all world regions:** 11 projects

**Name of Organization:** Council of Women World Leaders

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Subject:** Promoting Women Leaders

The proposed program will provide current and rising women leaders from the United States, Europe, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East the opportunity to share their expertise and best practices, promote mutual understanding, and develop supportive relationships. Project activities include fellowships for up to 12 mid-to-senior level ministry staff with analogous ministries in participating countries, the 2005 World Women's Forum in NYC, and the Intercultural Dialogue Program immediately following the Forum.

Country(ies): Worldwide

Region: Multiple

U.S. State: Washington, DC

Theme(s): Women's Empowerment

Congressional Interest Project

**Name of Organization:** Independent Television Service

**Location:** San Francisco, California

**Subject:** Supporting Travel to the 2005 International Public  
Television Conference and the Production of 13 Films

### **Summary of Project:**

The project will support travel to the 2005 International Public Television (INPUT) Conference in San Francisco for 75 – 100 public media filmmakers from Third World countries, which have been under-represented at previous INPUT conferences. Under International Media Development Fund (IMDF), it will support collaborative projects between independent documentary filmmakers and television producers for the purpose of making approximately 13 films about democracy and diversity in the United States, intended for export to other countries.

Country(ies): Worldwide

Region: Multiple

U.S. State: California

Theme(s): Media, Democracy & Governance

Congressional Interest Project

**Name of Organization:** Northern Forum

**Location:** Anchorage, Alaska

**Subject:** Supporting a Youth Environmental Forum

This project will support a youth environmental forum in Japan; a Northern governors' summit in Russia; a telemedicine project in two rural Russian regions; a geoinformation project in Alaska; a workshop in Japan on brown bear management issues; a Northern business leaders summit that will address small and medium-sized business expansion to overseas markets; the participation of Alaska representatives in the "Sustainable Model for Arctic Region Tourism" project; a "Healthy Lifestyles in the North Summit" for health care professionals, social workers and government officials that will address alcohol and substance abuse in the North; and the participation of Alaska representatives in a reindeer management workshop in Finland.

Country(ies): Worldwide

Region: Multiple

U.S. State: California

Theme(s): Democracy & Governance

Congressional Interest Project

**Name of Organization:** Inuit Circumpolar Conference

**Location:** Anchorage, Alaska

**Subject:** Democracy & Governance

The Inuit Youth Leadership Development Project aims to foster the development of a leadership model for youth that can be replicated within Inuit communities in the U.S., Canada, Greenland, and Russia. Project activities will begin with a planning and development program in Iqaluit, Canada, for ten Inuit tribal leaders and youth. The youth development plan and its implementation will be presented in meetings between the Inuit Circumpolar Youth Council and the International Elders Council at the General Assembly meeting in Barrow, Alaska, in the summer of 2006. The Inuit Circumpolar Conference (ICC)-Alaska will work with local communities in all four countries to implement the development project through 2006.

Country(ies): Worldwide

Region: Multiple

U.S. State: Alaska

Theme(s): Democracy & Governance

Congressional Interest Project

**Name of Organization:** American Center for International Labor Solidarity

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Subject:** Trade Unions

The American Center for International Labor Solidarity (ACILS) will implement the following exchanges: 1) scholarships for foreign trade union leaders to study at the George Meany Center; 2) a study tour of El Salvador and Guatemala for U.S. labor activists; 3) Nigerian Labor Congress study tour of the United States; 4) an exchange visit by U.S. trade unionists to export processing zone in Indonesia; 5) state and local labor council leaders study tour of South Africa and Zimbabwe; 6) a study tour of the United States for Algerian trade union leaders; 7) state and local labor council leaders study tour of Cambodia; 8) multi-regional trade union exchange to the United States; 9) education exchange for American trade unionists to Thailand; and 10) Ecuador electrical and agro-industry workers study tour of the U.S.

Country(ies): Worldwide

Region: Multiple

U.S. State: Washington, DC

Theme(s): Business

**Name of Organization:** American Council of Young Political Leaders

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Subject:** Promoting Non-Partisan Political Ties

ACYPL will develop a series of two-week study tours, involving up to 25 delegations of seven to twelve members each, to promote ties between young Republicans and Democrats and young political leaders throughout the world. Its reciprocal programs will promote democratic values in emerging democracies and strengthen ties with future leaders in established democracies. Through ACYPL's exchanges, the participants on both sides will become knowledgeable about international policy issues and political systems and processes

Country(ies): Worldwide

Region: Multiple

U.S. State: Washington, DC

Theme(s): Democracy & Governance

**Name of Organization:** Arctic Winter Games Host Society

**Location:** Kenai, Alaska

**Subject:** Arctic Winter Games

The Arctic Winter Games will bring together Athletes (aged 11-18) from participating regions, including Alaska, the Northwest Territories, the Yukon, Northern Alberta, Northern Quebec, the Russian provinces of Magadan and Yamal, Greenland, Nunavut, Finland, and Norway, to compete in a wide variety of winter games including snowshoeing, indoor soccer, cross country skiing, hockey, dog mushing, gymnastics, speed skating, basketball, and volleyball. Approximately 2,000 athletes will participate in the Games. The Arctic Winter Games International Committee logo, consisting of three interlocking rings, symbolizes athletic competition, cultural exhibition, and social interchange. The weeklong games will take place in March 2006 on the Kenai Peninsula in Alaska.

Country(ies): Worldwide

Region: Multiple

U.S. State: Alaska

Theme(s): Democracy & Governance, Congressional Interest Project

**Name of Organization:** Institute of Representative Government

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Subject:** Parliamentary Development Projects

The Institute of Representative Government will arrange and monitor a series of highly targeted, well-timed parliamentary study missions that can provide critical impetus to parliamentary and democratic development initiatives. Specifically, the organization will implement the following exchanges: 1.) a Parliamentary Development project for Afghanistan; 2.) a project for Albanian parliamentarians on the function of district offices; 3.) a regional project for East African parliamentarians on taxing of industries; and 4.) a project for Mongolian parliamentarians on transparency in the legislative process.

Country(ies): Worldwide

Region: Multiple

U.S. State: Washington, DC

Theme(s): Democracy & Governance, Congressional Interest Project

**Name of Organization:** International Education Corps

**Location:** Denver, Colorado

**Subject:** Enhancing Human Capacity

International Education Corps (IEC) will manage programs worldwide to enhance human capacity development within host countries. U.S. experts will conduct hands-on training

on such topics as technology, public health, environment, economic development and education.

Country(ies): Worldwide  
Region: Multiple  
U.S. State: Colorado  
Theme(s): Business, Health

**Name of Organization:** Montana Tech of the University of Montana

**Location:** Butte, Montana

**Subject:** Establish Academic and Research Relationships

The overall goals of the program are to establish long-term academic and research relationships with partnering international universities that will allow for faculty and graduate student exchanges. These programs will include faculty exchanges between collaborating institutions and a student thesis abroad program. Montana Tech graduate students will use this program to pursue thesis work at collaborating institutions.

Country(ies): Worldwide  
Region: Multiple  
U.S. State: Montana  
Theme(s): Democracy & Governance

**Name of Organization:** Sister Cities International

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Subject:** Promoting Mutual Understanding

Sister Cities International (SCI), which promotes mutual understanding among citizens of the U.S. and abroad through the activities of the 1,300 U.S. cities affiliated with more than 2,400 sister cities in 137 countries around the world, acts as a coordinator and catalyst in the development of various types of sister-city programs. This grant partially supports SCI functioning as a clearinghouse to gather, analyze and disseminate information and work directly with community leaders and citizen volunteers, as well as elected officials

Country(ies): Worldwide  
Region: Multiple  
U.S. State: Washington, DC  
Theme(s): Democracy & Governance