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PRESIDENTIAL GRANTS PROGRAM DOCKET

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Alliance For Justice
(Washington, DC)
General Support

Total Award: \$10,000 over 6 Months

Organization: www.afj.org

Discretionary\Presidential

To support efforts to protect nonprofit speech in the face of alleged attacks from right-wing media and public officials. Using a campaign strategy augmented by earned media, the Alliance for Justice will engage a cross-section of the nonprofit sector in an effort to educate the media, other nonprofits, and elected officials about the nature of these attacks and the real rights of nonprofits to participate in our democracy.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$10,000 Presidential

Grassroots International, Inc.
(Boston, MA)
Jenin Freedom Theatre

Total Award: \$18,000 over 12 Months

Organization: www.grassrootsonline.org

Project: www.thefreedomtheatre.org

Discretionary\Presidential

To support the Jenin Freedom Theatre, a project of Grassroots International, Inc., in order to enrich the cultural life of the area; encourage creativity as a model for social change by offering a space in which boys and girls can safely and equally express themselves; provide new tools that foster confidence, critical thinking and self-knowledge, thus giving the young generation a voice in determining their own futures. The Jenin Freedom Theatre offers a unique program of activities in theatre, arts and multi-media, which addresses participants' emotional needs as well as the isolation of the Jenin area.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$13,000 Presidential

\$5,000 Executive Vice President

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The Regents of the University of California at Berkeley **Total Award: \$20,000 over 12 Months**
(Berkeley, CA)

Investigative Reporting: "The Business of Bribes"

Organization: <http://www.spo.berkeley.edu>

Discretionary\Presidential

To support the Investigative Reporting Program's "The Business of Bribes" and additional stories, a project of the Regents of the University of California at Berkeley. The goal of the project is to educate the public and hold corporations and government entities accountable for the real impact of their actions. The aim of the investigations conducted by the Investigative Reporting Program is to write stories critical to the public interest.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$20,000 Presidential

Common Cause Education Fund
(Washington, DC)

Total Award: \$10,000 over 12 Months

Money and Policy Project

Organization: www.commoncause.org

Discretionary\Presidential

To support the Money and Policy Project, a joint initiative of the Common Cause Education Fund and Public Campaign. This project hopes to illuminate the influence of special interests on federal legislation through their large contributions to political campaigns and parties; providing voters, activists, and opinion leaders with powerful analysis of the flow of money to key lawmakers in Congress and the subsequent impact on the public policy outcomes. Working together, Common Cause and Public Campaign will (1) conduct research and produce a series of reports related to some of the most critical issues facing society, such as health care, climate control, and financial regulation; (2) disseminate this information through an aggressive media outreach effort directed at both mainstream and alternative media outlets; and (3) provide reform allies with the information and tools they need to expose undue influence in the legislative process. In addition, the project will provide in-depth research on the impact of industry political spending, fundraising practices and events, and conflicts of interest on health care reform initiatives.

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\$10,000 Presidential

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Vassar College
(Poughkeepsie, NY)

Total Award: \$15,000 over 12 Months

Institute for Innovation in Social Policy-Social Recession and Social Health-Year 2

Organization: www.vassar.edu

Project: <http://iisp.vassar.edu>

Discretionary\Presidential

To support Year 2 of Social Recession and Social Health, a project of the Institute for Innovation in Social Policy at Vassar College. This project will continue to develop and disseminate the concept of social recession as a complement to economic recession. Year 2 will include consulting with experts, publishing a scholarly and a popularly-written article, and creating a website. Each component will broaden the audience, provide greater access to the concept of social recession, and generate public debate.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$15,000 Presidential

American Prospect, Inc.
(Washington, DC)

Total Award: \$10,000 over 12 Months

Special Report on Financial Reform

Organization: www.prospect.org

Discretionary\Presidential

To support the American Prospect's publication of a special report issue on comprehensive financial reform in the spring of 2010. American Prospect will partner with Demos on this project, and will draw upon progressive experts such as Joseph Stiglitz, Jeff Sachs, Jane D'Arista, Jamie Galbraith, Rob Johnson, and Dean Baker, among others. Interviews with Paul Volcker and Elizabeth Warren are also planned. This report will be published in the American Prospect, posted on their website, and distributed to a broad audience of activists, policymakers, and elected officials who work on this issue.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$10,000 Presidential

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PERI Support Fund, Inc.
(Amherst, MA)

Total Award: \$25,000 over 12 Months

SAFER: Economists' Committee for Stable, Accountable, Fair and Efficient Financial Reform

Organization: www.peri.umass.edu

Discretionary/Presidential

For continued support of SAFER: Economists' Committee for Stable, Accountable, and Equitable Financial Reform, an initiative of the PERI Support Fund. SAFER's goals have been to (1) provide a focal point, clearing house and coordinating mechanism for progressive economists working in the area of financial re-regulation and reform; (2) reach, as much as possible, a consensus on the key issues involved and (3) incorporate this work into the public debate over financial regulation. Over the next six months, the SAFER group intends to expand this analytical work, increase their efforts to provide thoughtful and rigorous analysis for policy makers, and use their combined voice to influence the depth and content of any analysis in policy making circles of the causes of the current crisis.

Program Contribution Breakdown:

\$25,000 Presidential