

## Information Sessions for Grant Applicants

To learn more about our organization and grant-making program,  
please join us at one of the following information sessions:

### ■ Session 1 ■

**Thursday, June 22, 2006**

3:00PM - 5:00PM

Middle Country Public Library,  
101 Eastwood Boulevard, Centereach  
Foundation Board Room

**DIRECTIONS:** Long Island Expressway to Exit 62 (toward CR-97 N/Nichols Road/Stony Brook/Bluepoint) If driving eastbound merge onto Expressway Drive South; if driving westbound merge onto Expressway Drive North. Merge onto CR-97 N Nichols Road toward Stony Brook. Go for approx. 3 miles. Take the Route 25 W ramp toward Smithtown. Turn left onto Middle Country Road (R-25). Go about 1/2 mile to Eastwood Boulevard. Turn right onto Eastwood Boulevard. Library is about 1/3 mile on the left.

### ■ Session 2 ■

**Monday, June 26, 2006**

3:00PM - 8:00PM

Reckson Plaza, Uniondale  
Citibank Conference Room

**DIRECTIONS:** Meadowbrook Parkway to Hempstead Turnpike West. Left turn into Reckson Plaza parking lot. To get to the Conference room take the escalator to the lobby level.

### ■ Session 3 ■

**Wednesday, June 28, 2006**

10:00AM - 11:30AM

Briarcliffe College

1055 Stewart Avenue, Bethpage - Great Room

**DIRECTIONS:** Take Route 135, Seaford Oyster Bay Expressway, to exit 9. From the North-exit 9 (Broadway, Bethpage) Keep to the right onto Broadway and bear right onto Cherry Avenue. From the South-exit 9 (Plainview Road) Make a left turn under the expressway onto Broadway and bear right onto Cherry Avenue. Take Cherry Avenue past Bethpage HS. Make right turn onto Stewart Avenue. Make a left turn at the traffic light into the campus ... or take Long Island Expressway (495) or Northern State Parkway to South Oyster Bay Road Exit. Head South on South Oyster Bay Road. Cross Old Country Road. At the next traffic light, turn left onto Stewart Avenue. Turn right at the third traffic light and enter the parking lot for Briarcliffe College. Use front entrance, go past receptionist through double doors straight ahead, Nassau Boulevard. Continue on Nassau Boulevard to Suffolk Boulevard. Turn right onto Suffolk Boulevard. Take Suffolk Boulevard almost to the end. Make left left to North Hempstead Avenue. The Great room is the first door to your right.

Please RSVP

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# 2006 Request for Proposals

## Our Vision

The Long Island Fund for Women and Girls shares a common vision with women's funds throughout the country.

Our vision is a world of justice and opportunity for women and girls, where we are paid equitably for work, live in homes and communities without fear of violence, have equal voices in the political process and serve as the primary decision makers about issues that affect us.

# Our Mission

The Long Island Fund for Women and Girls funds programs that improve the lives of women and girls, highlights and addresses women's issues, and develops women's philanthropy.

## Grants Offered

We are pleased to announce that The Long Island Fund for Women and Girls will make a tenth round of grants. Grants will be awarded in amounts up to \$5,000 (except for grants to address early care and education) to organizations in response to written proposals based upon the criteria contained in this Request for Proposals. Grants will be announced at the Fund's November 8, 2006 breakfast event honoring women and girls who have achieved against the odds.

## Who May Apply

We encourage collaborative efforts that result in greater impact than can be achieved individually. Priority will be given to organizations or groups in which women are the primary decision makers.

- Informal groups of women or emerging grassroots organizations that would be able to secure the cooperation of a 501(c)(3) organization willing to serve as fiscal agent.
- Formal nonprofit organizations with tax-exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3).
- In some instances, 501(c)(4) organizations—exclusive of lobbying and electoral activities.
- The Fund will not support individuals, religious organizations for religious purposes, or programs and projects outside of Nassau or Suffolk Counties.

No general operating support will be provided to agencies with budgets over \$250,000. No capital grants for construction or equipment will be made.

## Funding Categories

Women have an unequal share of resources in our society. The Long Island Fund for Women and Girls funds programs, projects, services, or initiatives that address this inequity. Your proposal must address one of the categories described below:

1. Enhancing the skills and abilities of women and girls, particularly those necessary for leadership, positive self-image and increased earning power.
2. Promoting physical and mental health, and ensuring the safety of women and girls.
3. Addressing systemic problems that have a negative effect on women and girls such as discrimination based on gender, sexual orientation, age, race, creed or physical ability.
4. Highlighting the issues of gender equity in education with programs that encourage girls and young women to pursue math, science, engineering, technology the trades and sport.
5. Establishing initiatives that deal with problems of harassment in schools or the workplace, or the rise in bullying and/or gang-related violence.
6. Focusing on ensuring that women's voices are included in the political process, especially concerning decisions and choices that affect them.
7. Promoting education and activism that address gender related issues, including reproductive choice and civil liberties.

### Announcing Year Two of the Long Island Fund for Women and Girls' Early Care and Education Funding Initiative

For 2006, the Fund will focus one-third of our grant funding on:

1. parent and community education about early care and education and
2. advocacy grants to address issues concerning the delivery of quality early care for all Long Island children.

*See insert for more information and application details.*

## Proposal Format

*In developing your proposal, you must decide which ONE of the funding categories you are addressing. Failure to supply the necessary information and paperwork with your proposal may disqualify your organization from consideration. Please limit your request to no more than \$5,000 as larger requests will not be entertained (except for grants to address early care and education). Although a proposal may follow any form, even a simple letter format, the following elements are to be included:*

- Proposal cover sheet
- background information about the organization or group (how, when, by whom, and for what purposes it was started);
- a statement of need describing the problem you will address with this grant;
- the objectives that you plan to accomplish through this grant;
- the methods for achieving the stated objectives;
- a timeline reflecting the period of proposed activities;
- a budget for the grant you are requesting (include an overall organizational budget if one exists). All budgets must show income as well as expense;
- how future funding will be secured if it is needed;
- your 501(c)(3) (not your Exempt Organization Certification for Sales Tax) and your Board list;
- letters of agreement from any organizations with which you plan to collaborate on a program.

## Timeline

Your efforts to submit your proposal as soon as possible will be appreciated. **All proposals must be postmarked no later than midnight on Tuesday, August 8, 2006.**

Proposals should be typed or very clearly handwritten and should not exceed 5 pages. Please submit an original plus 5 copies of the proposal. Attachments (news clippings, photos, statistics, maps, etc.) may be included if available, but are not necessary.

## Questions

We will contact you if we need additional information. If you have questions and wish to call us, the number is **(516) 622-FUND (3863)**.

## Mail Proposals To:

**Long Island Fund for Women and Girls  
1055 Stewart Avenue  
Bethpage, New York 11714**