

## July 2009 Approved Grants—Education

### National Commission on Teaching and America's Future

Washington, DC \$295,000

To profile the education workforce in Illinois and Indiana, and analyze how retirement structures and policies impact teaching quality in those states. (18 mos.)

### Target Area Development Corporation

Chicago, IL \$225,000

For the development of a statewide grassroots education campaign targeted toward increasing parental access to and knowledge of sound education policy reforms in Illinois. (18 mos.)

### Joan Ganz Cooney Center for Educational Media and Research Inc.

New York, NY \$199,700

To support the Teacher Preparation for a Digital Age Initiative. (1 yr.)

### Center for Teaching Quality Inc.

Hillsborough, NC \$184,500

To recruit and train progressive union leaders in the Midwest. Future funding is possible depending on the outcomes of this project. (1 yr.)

### Chicago Urban League

Chicago, IL \$154,500

To fund a new education policy staff position and to build the organization's education policy analysis and research ability. (1 yr.)

### Illinois Action for Children

Chicago, IL \$150,000

To support the Community Focus Project, a community organizing and advocacy project designed to improve the quality of teaching at the early childhood level and better align early childhood education with kindergarten and elementary grade teaching. (1 yr.)

### Community Renewal Society

Chicago, IL \$150,000

To support Catalyst Chicago, a monthly newsmagazine that reports on and analyzes the progress, problems, and politics of school reform in Chicago. (1 yr.)

### Erikson Institute

Chicago, IL \$150,000

To further improve and evaluate the New Schools Project. (1 yr.)

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### Wisconsin Council on Children and Families Inc.

Madison, WI \$150,000

To improve the quality of early childhood teaching by increasing the percentage of early childhood educators attaining at least a two-year degree in early childhood. (1 yr.)

### Innosight Institute

San Mateo, CA \$140,000

To research and develop recommendations for federal, state, and local policy makers to better use technology to improve student and teacher learning. (18 mos.)

### Ounce of Prevention Fund

Chicago, IL \$100,000

For its Kids Public Education Policy Project to build support for the alignment of early childhood and K-12 education systems in Illinois. (1 yr.)

### Voices for Illinois Children Inc.

Chicago, IL \$70,000

To help maintain Illinois' investments in prekindergarten and birth-to-three programs and increase linkages between prekindergarten and K-3 within the context of a broader developmental approach to education. (1 yr.)

### The Philanthropy Roundtable

Washington, DC \$50,000

To continue supporting its K-12 education initiatives, especially those focused on teacher and principal excellence. (2 yrs.)

**Total Education: \$2,308,700**