

## December 2009 Approved Grants—Education

### Michigan State University

College of Education

East Lansing, MI \$116,726

To expand on the findings of the RAND study *Charter Schools in Eight States* and update the researchers' analysis of high school graduation, college entry, and degree attainment rates of students who attended a Chicago Public Schools charter high school. (2 yrs.)

### Education Pioneers

Oakland, CA \$100,000

To support its continued work to develop a pipeline of talented education leaders in Chicago focused on transforming the educational system so that all students receive a quality education. (1 yr.)

### Albany Park Neighborhood Council

Chicago, IL \$100,000

To train student leaders from the VOYCE collaboration to advocate for improving teacher quality and to develop a pipeline of students of color who are encouraged to pursue careers in policy research and community organizing. (1 yr.)

### GreatSchools

San Francisco, CA \$75,000

For expansion of the GreatSchools Milwaukee program to help inform low-income Milwaukee parents about their K-12 school options and encourage parents to choose academically successful schools. (1 yr.)

### Education Sector Inc.

Washington, DC \$200,000

To improve the effectiveness of our teacher workforce and to modernize teacher policy in districts and schools across the nation. (1 yr.)

### Center for American Progress

Washington, DC \$306,465

To continue to develop and advance policy changes that support improvements in human capital systems throughout the country. (2 yrs.)

### Hechinger Institute at the Teachers College, Columbia University

New York, NY \$200,000

To strengthen media coverage of state and local use of *Race to the Top* funds, school turnaround efforts, and policies related to improving teacher effectiveness and distribution. (2 yrs.)

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### Corporation for the Advancement of Policy Evaluation

Washington, DC \$447,761

To complete its evaluation of the Teacher Advancement Program in 40 high-need Chicago schools. (2 yrs.)

### The Mind Trust

Indianapolis, IN \$100,000

For a research study to evaluate the current governance structure of Indianapolis' 11 public school systems and make recommendations for reforms that will lead to improved student achievement and greater efficiencies. (1 yr.)

### Teach for America Inc.

New York, NY \$400,000

To continue support of its Policy and Advocacy Initiative to increase alumni involvement in high-impact policy and advocacy work and catalyze broader education reform efforts. (2 yrs.)

**Total Education: \$2,045,952**