



## Requests for Proposals for Best Buy Community Grants

Through decades of charitable giving totaling more than \$175 million, Best Buy has supported non-profit organizations in the communities where our employees live and work. Best Buy believes in the power of teens, and @15 is a platform to connect with them, give voice to their perspectives, and invest our resources – including the energy and talents of our employees – to turn their ideas into action and support their efforts to lead social change. To learn more, visit [www.at15.com](http://www.at15.com).

### COMMUNITY GRANTS

Through the Community Grants Program, each Best Buy territory across the United States annually selects non-profit organizations that apply for grants to support programs and services that provide opportunities for young teens related to education, life skills, leadership skills or relationship development. This year, Best Buy Children's Foundation will give \$1 million through the Community Grants Program.

Best Buy seeks applications from organizations that have current 501(c)(3) tax status and are serving a diverse population of young teens and their families in the areas of learning, life skills, leadership or relationship development. Special consideration will be given to programs that:

- Are high quality and serve a diverse population
- Build social, academic, leadership and/or life skills in early adolescents (primarily ages 13-18)
- Show positive results against a demonstrated community need
- Reach at-risk children in working families

### FUNDING GUIDELINES

- Grants will average \$5000-\$7000 and will not exceed \$10,000.
- Non-profits located within 50 miles of a Best Buy store or Distribution Center may apply. See the Best Buy store locator at [www.bestbuy.com](http://www.bestbuy.com).
- Organizations within the Twin Cities 7-county metro area are eligible and can apply for the Community Grants Program or the Twin Cities Fund, but not both.
- Organizations should review the grant eligibility quiz online at <http://www.easymatch.com/bestbuygrant> to determine if they are eligible to apply.
- Grants are awarded for one year and are not intended to be recurring funding. We invite grantees to re-apply in subsequent years based on program results, although there are no guarantees of multi-year grants.

### PROCESS

May 15, 2009	Grant application opens. Review guidelines and apply online at <a href="http://www.easymatch.com/bestbuygrant">http://www.easymatch.com/bestbuygrant</a>
June 15, 2009	Deadline to submit application for 2009 grants. All applications must be submitted online - hard copy applications will not be considered.
August 2009	Grant announcement and awards.

### QUESTIONS

Go to <http://www.easymatch.com/bestbuygrant> or contact [bestbuygrant@easymatch.com](mailto:bestbuygrant@easymatch.com) or 866-625-4350.