Grant Title: J. JILL COMPASSION FUND

Area of Research: Support to community-based organizations that help poor and homeless women become self-sufficient.

Application Deadline: Each proposal must be received for consideration by December 15th annually.

Amount: $250 to $15,000

Length of Support: One year.

Eligible Applicants: Community-based organizations serving poor and homeless women in their respective states; federal tax-exempt organizations with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status; and organizations located near one or more J. Jill stores located in a state listed in priority considerations.

Foundation: J. Jill Group

Summary: The J. Jill Group funding preferences support, enhance or expand existing programs rather than fund new (first-year) programs. For example, existing programs that provide job training, education, transitional and/or affordable housing to poor and homeless women; and/or existing programs that break down barriers for poor and homeless women to achieve and sustain self-sufficiency. The J. Jill Group will consider recommending grants only for existing programs. Grant requests should be between $250 and $15,000. All grants are made on a one-time basis. Multiyear grant requests or grant requests for general operating and annual fund budgets will not be considered by the J. Jill Group. The board reviews requests once per calendar year. The 2007 funding priority is given to programs and organizations which positively impact poor and homeless women; directly affect the people served; are located in one of the following states: Michigan, Oregon, Washington, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin; have established a relationship with or connection to one or more J. Jill stores; are located in a state where a J. Jill Compassion Fund grant has not previously been awarded.

Detailed Information: http://www.jjill.com/compassion/cfgrant.asp