

### ***Do you know about the NYS grant programs?***

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Did you know? AAUW-NYS now offers not one, but two exciting grant programs! Created in the 2014-15 fiscal year, the purpose of the NYS grants are to help branches plan mission-based local and district conference programs by providing funds for space, speakers (food, travel, honorariums), and promotion of the events. The aim is that these programs will not only inspire our current members, but attract like-minded new branch members who will be excited by the mission of AAUW. You can find the grant applications on the NYS Treasury page on its website [HERE](#)—or—<http://www.aauw-nys.org/treasury.htm>. All applications are reviewed on a rolling basis by AAUW-NYS's Finance Committee.

#### Branch Grant Program

AAUW-NYS has allocated up to \$500 per branch to support ongoing and new mission-based programming. Applications should include a detailed budget, outline of the program, an explanation of how the program relates to AAUW's mission and vision, and a description of how the program will increase AAUW's visibility (by collaborating with community organizations, providing membership opportunities, etc.).

#### District Conference Grant Program

AAUW-NYS has also allocated up to \$500 per district for the use of the host branch for district conferences. Grants will support a mission-based focus for a district conference. Similar to the branch grant program, host branches must submit an application with a detailed budget, outline of the program, an explanation of how the program relates to AAUW's mission and vision, a description of how the program will increase AAUW's visibility (by collaborating with community organizations, providing membership opportunities, etc.), and a description of how the conference will be promoted.

The goal of these grant programs is to help AAUW-NYS branches expand their programming opportunities, enhance their visibility in their communities, and attract new members, so please consider if your upcoming programs are eligible for state support and submit your applications now!