Where are the grant dollars?

At both the high school and college level, a wealth of grants, scholarships, and contests exist for which journalism schools and journalism educators are eligible. Take, for example, the AP-Google Journalism and Technology Scholarship for promising undergraduate or graduate students pursuing or planning to pursue degrees at the intersection of journalism, computer science and new media. A key goal is to promote geographic, gender and ethnic diversity and identify and support creative new talent and work in the field.

Read about the 2013 – 2014 AP-Google scholarship recipients and start brainstorming ideas to apply for grants and scholarships.

**Activity:** Have students research grant opportunities at the community, state and national level either individually or as a group project and report their findings.

To extend this activity, students can develop at least one grant idea that aligns with their interests in the journalism field.

**Extra credit for instructor:** Are any of these ideas worth submitting? If so, encourage the students to find a nonprofit or academic partner and go for it.