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Now Accepting Applications

The [Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation](#) is currently accepting applications for national projects that begin in January 2014 or later.

Proposed projects should respond to MEAF's vision to *empower youth with disabilities to lead productive lives*.



The deadline to receive applications is **June 1st**.

[Learn about our priorities and guidelines, take the eligibility quiz, and apply for a National Grant!](#)

MEAF Announces \$1.2 Million in Grants!

Focus on Empowering Youth with Disabilities to Lead Productive Lives

Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation announces \$1,211,444 in new and continuing grants, in line with its funding priorities and the national call to action to improve employment outcomes for people with disabilities.

Grants include \$510,000 to four continuing and \$537,444 to five new national projects. Another \$164,000 will be awarded in local and matching grants and gifts to organizations selected by the Foundation and Mitsubishi Electric US employees in the communities where they live and work.

"Organizations across the country from the National Governor's Association to the U.S. Business Leadership Network are working through public-private partnership to advance employment opportunities for people with disabilities," says Kevin R. Webb, director of the Foundation. "The Mitsubishi Electric America Foundation is proud to be part of this national effort. By investing in innovative projects designed to empower youth with disabilities, they have more promising employment prospects as they transition to adulthood."

Deadline Approaching: ASAN 2013 Summer Leadership Academy

The [Autistic Self Advocacy Network](#), with support from the Mitsubishi Electric American Foundation, is inviting Autistic students to participate in the Autism Campus Inclusion project's *2013 Summer Leadership Academy* in Washington, DC June 9-15th.



If you are a current college undergraduate student who identifies on the Autism Spectrum, including Autistic Disorder, Asperger's Syndrome, and Pervasive Developmental Disorder Not Otherwise Specified, with a strong interest in the Disability Rights and Autistic Rights movements, you are encouraged to apply for this leadership training. Applicants must be currently enrolled in a higher education institute or college in the United States (including the District of Columbia), with at least one year left after completion of the leadership training.

Deadline is March 15th.

[Apply for the ACI 2013 Summer Leadership Academy](#)

[Read the entire press release](#)

2013 Hallway Golf Tournament Begins!

On February 21-22nd employee volunteers from the **HOPE Committee at MEPP/Warrendale, PA** became the first Mitsubishi Electric company to host a Hallway Golf event in 2013, kicking off the 6th Annual Mitsubishi Electric Hallway Golf Tournament. Last year this tournament raised over \$58,000 for 10 special education schools and nonprofit organizations.



Hallway Golf Hole Designs from the HOPE Committee, MEPP/Warrendale.

HOPE's Hallway Golf theme this year was *Around the World* benefiting [The Early Learning Institute \(TELI\)](#).

MEAF Releases 2012 Annual Report

MEAF is pleased to release its 2012 Annual Report!

We hope you enjoy reading about MEAF's National and Employee Volunteer Programs, and the impact the



The **LOVE Committee** at **MEUS/Suwanee, GA** hosts a bake sale for Valentine's Day, a popular event for our volunteer committees nationwide!

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Foundation is making as it reaches toward its vision of empowering youth with disabilities to lead productive lives.

[Read the entire report](#)

Advocates in Disability Award Opportunity

MEAF is a member of [The HSC Foundation's](#) National Youth Transitions Collaborative and is pleased to share the following award opportunity.

HSCF is accepting applications for the Advocates in Disability Award (ADA). The HSC Foundation's ADA Award is seeking the next generation of disability advocates! Young leaders with disabilities are encouraged to apply for the 2013 Advocates in Disability Award (ADA)!

Deadline is March 15th.

[Application Materials](#)

[Meet the 2012 Recipient](#)

Deadlines and Reminders

National Grants

Applications due June 1st

Full Proposals due July 1st

Mitsubishi Electric Volunteer Committees

MEAF 2013 Workshop Names Due

March 6th