



## Grantwriting Support and Guidance

*Ideas + Talent + Initiative + Support (if necessary) =  
Positive Outcomes for children, their families, and the community*

There are many skilled and talented teachers in the Windham School District, many of whom have wonderful ideas for school related and student learning projects that are not funded within the school district's budget. External funding may be available for these projects, but complicated proposal guidelines or finding the right funding match may be keeping staff from developing their ideas.

That's where I can help.

I'm Steve McFarland, the Workforce Education Coordinator at Windham Adult Education. In addition to my regular duties there, I offered to help develop a support system to increase the grantwriting efforts in the district. Here's a very brief summary of my role:

What I can do:

- Provide grantwriting support for you as you develop and write proposals to external funders. Examples: I can be a sounding board, I can provide editing suggestions for your written proposals, and I can provide guidance to prepare a budget for your proposal.
- Search for a funding match and potential sources of funds for your projects

What I'd love to do, but don't have enough time to do:

- Generate ideas
- Write the proposal for you
- Sit idly by if your proposal has little chance of succeeding as prepared.

What does all this mean?

Quite simply, if you have some ideas of projects or programs that will benefit the students of Windham, share them with me and through a brief meeting or two, we can decide how best to develop a proposal for funding the project.

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