

## **Call for Nominations: 2012 Ruderman Prize in Disability to Support the Pursuit of Excellence and Innovation in Services, Advocacy and Support of Jews with Disabilities Worldwide**

**Grantor:** Ruderman Family Foundation

**Closes:** 3/15/2012

**Maximum:** \$0.00

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The Ruderman Family Foundation has established the Ruderman Prize in Disability to support the pursuit of Excellence and Innovation, in services, advocacy and support of Jews with disabilities worldwide. The Foundation seeks to recognize organizations anywhere in the world that support the Foundation's goals of: 1) promoting the full inclusion of all persons with disabilities; and 2) increasing public awareness of both the contributions and needs of persons with disabilities worldwide. The Foundation wants to invite nominations or applications by innovative, forward thinking organizations which provide or promote programs that raise awareness or promote inclusion for Jewish individuals with disabilities. From the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), people with disabilities are being recognized as having the same fundamental human rights as others in their countries, and as people deserving of dignity, respect and full inclusion into society at large. The Ruderman Family Foundation wishes to both honor and highlight efforts that help achieve the goals of inclusion into society, dignity and respect for the unique attributes and values of people with disabilities.

The Ruderman Family Foundation expects to make up to 10 awards and distribute up to \$200,000 to Jewish organizations or organizations with unique Jewish programs. Individuals are not eligible. Eligibility is not limited to the geographic or programmatic areas or organizations the Foundation currently funds.

### **MISSION STATEMENT OF THE FOUNDATION**

The Ruderman Family Foundation seeks to increase awareness of and works to improve the lives of people with special needs in Greater Boston, Israel and the United States through leadership projects done in partnership with Jewish organizations and foundations.

Applications are due March 15, 2012, by 5:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time. Applications received after that time will not be reviewed. Only applications submitted electronically will be considered for an award. The trustees of the Foundation expect to announce the awards in June 2012. Trustees may continue to request additional information after formal submissions in order

**Link:** <http://www.rudermanfoundation.org/>