

# LONG ISLAND SCIENCE CENTER

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Press Release

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### **The Long Island Science Center Receives Motorola Solutions Foundation Innovation Generation Grant**

Riverhead, NY – August 2015 – Long Island Science Center, an interactive science museum teaching investigative science and problem solving both on site and in schools and libraries, today announced it has received a grant as part of the “Innovation Generation Grant” program from the [Motorola Solutions Foundation](#), the charitable arm [of Motorola Solutions, Inc.](#) Through the grant, the LISC will take students' skills with mobile technology and social media from a form of entertainment to a tool for their career path.

The Innovation Generation program awards organizations such as the LISC that foster and support science, technology, engineering and math(STEM) initiatives for teachers and U.S. preschool through university students – especially girls and underrepresented minorities.

“This funding will enable the LISC to continue to prepare LI children to lead locally and compete globally by encouraging enthusiasm for STEM learning and stimulating discovery and creativity” said past director Delia Gibbs. The “learning by doing” philosophy is the heart of the LISC programs and exhibits. As students explore, design and experiment with science and technology they become empowered and motivated to learn more and they gain the confidence that they can do more.

In previous years, through Motorola Solutions Foundation funding, the LISC taught research and investigative skills to over 5000 students. Additionally, It has enabled our young people to develop technology skills that can be applied in a workforce setting.

The Motorola Solutions Foundation grant program overall will impact about 900,000 students and teachers, each receiving an average of 100 programming hours from our partner non-profit organizations and institutions. Programs will support special populations including girls and women, underrepresented minorities, the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community, people with disabilities and the military.

“The Motorola Solutions Foundation created the Innovation Generation Grant program eight years ago to support educational experiences that spark students to turn their dreams into the innovations that will shape our society's future,” said Matt Blakely, director of the Motorola Solutions Foundation. “Organizations like the LISC are teaching tomorrow's leaders that careers in engineering and technology are not only fun, but also within their reach.”

For additional information on the Motorola Solutions Foundation grants programs, visit: <http://responsibility.motorolasolutions.com/index.php/solutions-for-community/> and for more information on the LISC please visit [www.lisciencecenter.org](http://www.lisciencecenter.org)

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