ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

• Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS): Native American Library Services Basic Grants Program
  Notice seeking applications to support existing library operations and to maintain core library services. Applications are due April 1, 2015. Grant amount varies. College and universities are eligible to partner.
  Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH); Division of Research Programs: Awards for Faculty
  Notice seeking applications to support individual faculty or staff members at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU), Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs), and Tribal Colleges and Universities pursuing research of value to humanities scholars, students, or general audiences. Applications are due April 15, 2015. This program supports awardees who work between half time and full time on their projects. Awardees may combine part-and full-time work. The amount of the award is $4,200 per full-time month.
  Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID); Ethiopia USAID-Addis Ababa: Social and Behavior Change Communication for Health (SBCC- Health Project) Ethiopia
  Notice seeking applications to build the capacity of Federal Ministry of Health with regards to SBCC interventions while also developing effective messages and coordinating SBCC messaging across stakeholders. Clarification Questions are due February 17, 2015. Applications are due March 12, 2015. Approximately $22 million is available to support up to 10 awards.
  Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID); Haiti USAID-Port Au Prince: Canaan Upgrading and Community Development (CUCD) Program
  Notice seeking applications to support a community development project that stimulate economic opportunity and improve the functioning and resilience of Canaan, Haiti. The project must have two results: Result 1 - A better functioning and more resilient urban area created through carefully planned neighborhood upgrading and urban management initiatives; Result 2 - A more dynamic and equitable livelihoods sector fostered by reducing market barriers and inefficiencies and stimulating new economic opportunities in Canaan, Haiti. Applications are due March 11, 2015. Email questions to all three contacts by February 18, 2015. Approximately $12 million is available to support one award.
  Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); International Trade Administration (ITA): 8th Annual U.S. Industry Program at the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) General Conference
  Notice announcing open conference to highlight the benefits of U.S. civil nuclear technology to foreign decision makers in key export markets and to enable representatives from the U.S. public and private sector to discuss U.S. industry's role in the safe and secure expansion of civil nuclear power worldwide. The conference will be held September 13-16, 2015, in Vienna, Austria. All applicants must complete and submit an application package for consideration by the DOC.
  Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of State (DOS); Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor (DRL): Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor Request for Statements of Interest: Iraq Programs
  Notice seeking Statements of Interest outlining program concepts and capacity to manage projects that will promote democracy, human rights, and rule of law in Iraq. Applications are due March 4, 2015. Approximately $10 million is available.
  Links: Solicitation

• U.S. Department of State (DOS); Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement (ITL) Guatemala: Alternatives to Drugs and Violence Annual Program Statement (ADVAPS)
  Notice seeking to support partnerships to improve community resistance to violence and drugs, citizen security, and effectiveness of justice institutions in Guatemala. Specific goals include improving community sectors coordination on crime prevention, improving delivery of drug abuse treatment and rehabilitation services, reducing prison populations and improving prison conditions. Applications are due by April 3, 2015. Approximately up to $8 million is available to support eight awards.
  Links: Grants.gov
• **U.S. Department of State (DOS); Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration:** FY 2015 Request for Research Concept Notes to Strengthen Evidence-Based Humanitarian Decision Making by PRM and its Partners Worldwide

Notice seeking concept papers to address several topical areas, including access to education for urban refugee children; costs/benefits of cash assistance in acute emergencies; economic impact of refugees on host communities; and the environmental impact of refugee camps. Concept papers are due March 6, 2015. After reviewing concept papers, invited organizations will be asked to submit full proposals within 30 days of their notifications of acceptance. Approximately $200,000 per award is available for 12 months.

Links: [Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of State (DOS); International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affair:** Promoting the Use of Alternatives to Incarceration

Notice seeking applications to improve the performance of the justice system, reduce prison overcrowding, and ensure respect for rule of law. Applications are April 2, 2015. Approximately $800,000 is available.

Links: [Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of State (DOS); Office to Monitor/Combat Trafficking in Persons (TIP): J/TIP FY 2015 International Programs to Combat Trafficking in Persons Request for SOIs**

Notice seeking statements of interest (SOI) for projects to combat foreign trafficking in persons. Applicants must submit a two-page SOI describing how their proposed project addresses country-specific criteria for one of the twelve project eligible countries: Madagascar, Tanzania, Burma, Laos, the Philippines, Thailand, Egypt, Lebanon, Bangladesh, India, Bolivia, Haiti, and Mexico, or a global category. SOIs are required by March 2, 2015. Selected applications may submit second stage proposals for funding. Approximately $750,000 is available in funding.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of State (DOS); U.S. Mission to India:** Preparing for International Careers through Humanities Studies

Notice seeking proposals from academic and research institutions located in the Indian states of Andhra Pradesh, Odisha, and Telangana, or U.S. academic and research institutions seeking to form non-profit linkages with academic and research institutions in the three above Indian states. Proposals may include, but are not limited to, seminars/workshops on journal and research grant writing, academic public speaking, curriculum revision, journal publication, links with educational institutions or research institutions in the United States, and/or other academic or research collaboration between local and U.S. international scholars, journalists, and policy makers. Applications are due April 4, 2015. Awards ranging from $5,000 to $10,000 are available to support projects lasting up to one year. Questions must be emailed to the contact with the following subject line: Applicant Organization name ‘HRFP15-03: Preparing for International Careers through Humanities Studies.

Links: [Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of State (DOS); U.S. Mission to Iraq:** Access to Information Law Training Workshops for the Media Community and KRG Officials

Notice seeking applications to develop and implement a series of training workshops for journalists and Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) officials at the ministerial press office or equivalent level who are serving in positions responsible for implementation of the Access to Information law. Applications are due March 3, 2015. Approximately $100,000 is available to support up to four awards.

Links: [Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of State (DOS); U.S. Mission to Russia:** US-Russia Peer-to-Peer Dialogue Program

Notice seeking proposals to support non-political, unique projects centered on Russian-American, peer-to-peer collaboration, including an exchange of best practices between Russians and Americans on a topic of mutual interest. Proposals are due March 9, 2015. The program competition and selection process will be administered in two stages. In Stage One, applicants must submit a Statement of Interest. Successful applicants from Stage One will be requested to submit a detailed proposal for consideration. Approximately $100,000 is available for each award.

Links: [Grants.gov](#)

**EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); Science Mission Directorate (SMD): NASA Science Mission Directorate (SMD) Science Education**

Notice seeking proposals for collaboration with NASA on innovative science education programs that promote understanding of NASA science, by major discipline (Heliophysics, Earth Science, Planetary Science, and Astrophysics and cross-Divisional activities) in support of SMD's Science Education objectives: enable STEM education; improve U.S. scientific literacy; advance national education goals; and leverage efforts through partnerships. Notices of intent are due March 4, 2015. Proposals are due May 4, 2015. Approximately $20 million to $42 million is available per year for awards to support projects lasting up to five years.

Links: [Grants.gov, FBO notice](#)
Notice announcing an updated list of institutions that are granted HSACU certification and are eligible for HSACU programs for the period starting October 1, 2014, and ending September 30, 2015. See the list of HSACU designated institutions on the solicitation. State colleges and universities that do not want to be considered as HSACU institutions may opt out by emailing NLGCA.status@nifa.usda.gov. Upon opting out of HSACU status, these institutions may apply for Non-Land Grant College of Agriculture (NLGCA) designation to become eligible for NLGCA programs at www.nifa.usda.gov/form/form.html.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); International Trade Administration: Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee Meeting

Notice announcing open meeting to discuss International Trade Administration’s Civil Nuclear Trade Initiative update and Civil Nuclear Trade Promotion Activities. The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. ET in Room 4830, U.S. Department of Commerce, Herbert Clark Hoover Building, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting must notify Mr. Jonathan Chesebro by 5:00 p.m. ET on Friday, February 13, 2015 in order to pre-register for clearance into the building.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA): Council Coordination Committee Meeting

Notice announcing an open meeting to discuss issues of relevance to the Councils, including budget allocations for FY2015 and budget planning for FY2016 and beyond. The meeting will be held on February 18, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. ET and February 19, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the Holiday Inn Capitol Hill, 550 C Street SW., Washington, DC.

Links: Federal register notice

• U.S. Department of Defense (DOD); U.S. Department of the Navy (DON); Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC): Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for the Naval Engineering Education Consortium (NEEC)

Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) seeking white papers and rough order of magnitude (ROM) costs for hands-on project based research in a wide range of technology areas outlined in the solicitation. It is anticipated that students that participate in the project-based research have interest in and have potential for joining the NAVSEA Warfare Center’s workforce after graduation. Other topics of interest to the Navy may be added via amendment to this BAA at any time, while it is open. Submit white paper proposals and ROMs may be submitted for one year after the announcement date. Selected applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal. Multiple awards are anticipated.

Links: FBO notice

• U.S. Department of Education (ED) Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE): Applications for New Awards; Migrant Education Program (MEP) Consortium Incentive Grant Program

Notice seeking applications to provide incentive grants to State educational agencies (SEAs) that participate in a consortium with one or more other SEAs or other appropriate entities to improve the delivery of services to migrant children whose education is interrupted. Applications are due April 20, 2015. Approximately $3 million is available to support 47 awards over a 36 month period.

Links: Grants.gov, Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Cancer Institute (NCI): SSA Work Incentives Planning and Assistance Program (WIPA)

Notice seeking to support efforts to address issues of incomplete follow-up after cancer screenings. Funds support efforts to standardize data to better understand the current landscape. Funds also support single-level and multilevel interventions to improve follow-up rates. Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the chosen due date. Applications are due April 9, 2015; November 25, 2015; May 26, 2016; September 21, 2016; May 26, 2017; September 21, 2017. Approximately $450,000 to $500,000 is available for each award.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ); Office of Justice Programs (OJP); Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA): BJA FY 15 Visiting Fellows Program

Notice seeking applications to leverage state, local, or tribal subject-matter expertise to assess are as of need and to develop strategies, tools, and policies in collaboration with BJA staff for the benefit of the criminal justice field. Applications are due April 2, 2015. Approximately $1.35 million is available to support up to five awards. Colleges and universities seeking to provide federal-level experience for one of its staff members are eligible.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
**University of New Orleans Office of Research and Sponsored Programs**  
**Weekly Funding Opportunities**  
**February 9, 2015**

- **U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ); Office of Justice Programs (OJP); National Institute of Justice (NIJ): NIJ FY 15 Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence to Exonerate the Innocent**

  Notice seeking applications to support projects that assist States and units of local government with postconviction DNA testing in cases of violent felony offenses where actual innocence might be demonstrated. Projects must implement some aspect of each of the following activities: identify potential post-conviction DNA testing cases; review appropriate postconviction cases to identify those in which DNA testing could prove the actual innocence of a person convicted of a violent felony offense as defined by State law (this activity is not mandatory); locate biological evidence associated with such post-conviction cases; perform DNA analysis of appropriate biological evidence. Applications are due May 4, 2015. Multiple awards are anticipated to support projects lasting up to 36 months.

  Links: [Solicitation](#), [Grants.gov](#)

- **U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ); Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP): Webinar Meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice**

  Notice announcing open webinar meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice The webinar meeting will take place online on Friday, February 20, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET. Interested persons must link to the webinar registration portal through www.facjj.org, no later than Wednesday, February 18, 2015.

  Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

- **U.S. Department of Labor (DOL); Employment and Training Administration (ETA): Linking to Employment Activities Pre-release Specialized American Job Centers**

  Notice seeking applications to provide locally incarcerated offenders with employability skills by providing them workforce services pre-release and post-release Applications are due April 3, 2015. Approximately $5 million is available for up to 10 awards. LWIBs are eligible.

  Links: [Grants.gov](#)

- **U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI); Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS): Migratory Bird Monitoring, Assessment, and Conservation**

  Notice seeking applications to collaborate, conserve, enhance, and better understand the ecology and habitats of migratory bird species. Applications are due on March 7, 2015. Approximately $47,000 is available to support one award.

  Links: [Grants.gov](#)

- **U.S. Department of Treasury; Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC): Minority Depository Institutions Advisory Committee (MDIAC)**

  Notice announcing meeting for the MDIAC to advise the OCC on steps the agency may be able to take to ensure the continued health and viability of minority depository institutions and other issues of concern to minority depository institutions. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 18, 2015, beginning at 8:30 a.m. ET at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC.

  Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

- **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA); Veterans Health Administration (VHA): Funding Availability under Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program**

  Notice seeking applications to provide supportive services to very low-income Veteran families who are residing in permanent housing; are homeless and scheduled to become residents of permanent housing within a specified time period; or after exiting permanent housing within a specified time period, are seeking other housing that is responsive to such very low-income Veteran family’s needs and preferences. Applications are due by March 17, 2015. Approximately $300 million is available.

  Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

**HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH**


  Notice seeking applications to create and utilize Patient Safety Learning Laboratories where closely related threats to patient safety can be identified, multidisciplinary teams can generate new ways of thinking with respect to the threats, and where environments are established to stimulate further thinking. Letters of intent are requested by March 27, 2015. Applications are due April 27, 2015. AHRQ will fund up to 5 grant applications, for up to $1 million total costs (including direct and indirect costs) per award, for fiscal year (FY) 2015 for a four year period. Future year amounts are planned, but will depend on annual appropriations.

  Links: [Solicitation](#), [Grants.gov](#)
• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):** Development and validation of laboratory procedures using next generation sequencing technologies to assess genes causing severe combined immune deficiency (SCID) in state newborn screening laboratories

Notice seeking applications to develop, improve, and implement laboratory techniques that assess babies born with severe combined immune deficiency (SCID) and other primary immunodeficiencies, using next generation sequencing technologies as a second tier test in state newborn screening laboratories. Letters of intent are due March 11, 2015. Applications are due April 6, 2015. Approximately $350,000 is available per year to support one award for a program lasting up to three years.

Links: [Grants.gov](https://grants.nih.gov)

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• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA):** Use of Social Media to Improve Engagement, Retention, and Health Outcomes along the HIV Care Continuum - Demonstration Sites

Notice seeking applications to support organizations that will implement, evaluate and disseminate findings from innovative methods for identifying, linking, retaining and improving health outcomes for HIV positive underserved, underinsured, hard-to-reach youth and young adults in HIV primary care and supportive services through the use of social media. Applications are due April 3, 2015. Approximately $3 million is available to support up to 10 awards.

Links: [Grants.gov](https://grants.nih.gov)

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• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA):** Use of Social Media to Improve Engagement, Retention, and Health Outcomes along the HIV Care Continuum - Evaluation and Technical Assistance Center

Notice seeking applications to lead a multi-site evaluation and provide technical assistance to a cohort of up to ten demonstration sites funded under a separate announcement. Applications are due April 3, 2015. Approximately $550,000 is available to support one award.

Links: [Grants.gov](https://grants.nih.gov)

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• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA):** Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Grant Program

Notice seeking applications from states to provide support in the following areas for rural-serving critical access hospitals (CAH): quality improvement, quality reporting, performance improvements, and benchmarking; designating facilities as critical access hospitals; and the provision of rural emergency medical services. Applications are due April 6, 2015. Approximately $22.5 million is available per year to support up to 45 awards for projects lasting up to three years. New Applicants may request up to $750,000. Competing Continuation applicants should apply requesting only up to their FY 10 award amount. Eligibility is limited to states with CAHs but opportunities exist for collaboration with colleges and universities. LIMITATION: Only one applicant from each state is eligible, based on the designation of the Governor.

Links: [Grants.gov](https://grants.nih.gov)

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• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA):** Rural Health Care Coordination Network Partnership Program

Notice seeking applications to support the development of formal, mature rural health networks that focus on care coordination activities for the following chronic conditions: diabetes, congestive heart failure and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Applications are due April 6, 2015. Approximately $1.6 million is available to support eight awards for three years. The Office of Rural Health Policy will hold a technical assistance webinar on Thursday, February 12, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. ET to assist applicants in preparing their applications.

Links: [Grants.gov](https://grants.nih.gov)

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• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH):** Proposed Collection; 60-Day Comment Request: STAR METRICS (Science and Technology for America's Reinvestment: Measuring the Effects of Research on Innovation, Competitiveness and Science)

Notice of public comment period on proposed data collection projects from the Office of Extramural Research (OER), National Institutes of Health (NIH) to on periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. See notice for full guidance on items under consideration. Public comments are due within 60 days of February 5, 2015.

Links: [Federal Register notice](https://www.federalregister.gov)

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• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Multiple institutes:** Role of Exosomes in HIV Pathogenesis (R21)

Notice seeking to support research into how exosomes affect and are affected by HIV infection. Funds new research related to the potential role of exosomes in cell-to-cell communication relevant to HIV transmission, innate or adaptive immune responses to HIV, or HIV pathogenesis. Applications are due annually on February 16, June 16, and October 16 until January 8, 2018. Approximately $275,000 is available per application.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov](https://grants.nih.gov)
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Multiple institutes: Brain Initiative: New Concepts and Early-Stage Research for Large-Scale Recording and Modulation in the Nervous System (R21)

Notice seeking to support new and untested ideas related to understanding neural circuits, and the relationship between electrochemical signals and sensations. Funds support calculations, simulations, computational models, building and testing phantoms, prototypes, in-vitro or other bench-top models. Researchers not typically involved in neuroscience are encouraged to apply. Applications are due by April 16, 2015. Approximately $6 million is available to support 15 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Multiple Institutes: BRAIN Initiative: Next-Generation Invasive Devices for Recording and Modulation in the Human Central Nervous System (UH2/UH3)

Notice seeking applications to pursue translational and clinical studies for recording and/or stimulating devices to treat nervous system disorders and better understand the human brain. Applications are due April 14, 2015. Approximately $9 million per year is available to support 5 to 10 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Multiple Institutes: BRAIN Initiative: Clinical Studies to Advance Next-Generation Invasive Devices for Recording and Modulation in the Human Central Nervous System (UH3)

Notice seeking applications to pursue translational and clinical studies for recording and/or stimulating devices to treat nervous system disorders and better understand the human brain. Applications are due April 14, 2015. Approximately $3 million per year is available to support two to four awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Multiple Institutes: Adolescent Brain Cognitive Development (ABCD) Study

Notice seeking applications to establish a consortium that will conduct a national, multisite, longitudinal cohort study to prospectively examine the neurodevelopmental and behavioral effects of substance use from early adolescence (approximately age 9-10) through the period of risk for substance use and substance use disorders. The consortium will consist of three integrated components: (1) a set of Research Project Sites, (2) a single central Data Analysis and Informatics Center, and (3) a single overall Coordinating Center. Unlinked applications will also be accepted, and if selected for funding, will be linked to other applications to form a consortium after review. Letters of intent are requested by March 14, 2015. Applications are due April 14, 2015.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Cancer Institute (NCI): National Cancer Institute

Notice announcing meeting of the National Cancer Institute Council of Research Advocates (NCRA) to give an update on NCI, the Bypass Budget Discussion, the Genomic Data Commons Project, and the NCRA Working Group. Meeting will be held on March 4, 2015 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at National Institutes of Health, 31 Center Drive, Building 31, Room 11A01, Bethesda, MD 20892. Interested parties may also join by teleconference.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS): Supplements to Advance Research (STAR) from Projects to Programs (Admin Supp)

Notice seeking supplemental funding to early established investigators (EEIs). The STAR Program will support activities that effectively allow EEIs to expand and explore new opportunities within the broader scope of a currently funded, peer-reviewed research project to facilitate the transition from a single, structured research project to a research program. For the purpose of this program, NIAMS EEIs as those who have successfully renewed a first NIAMS-supported R01. Applications are due May 1, 2015; November 4, 2015; April 4, 2016; November 4, 2016; April 4, 2017; and November 6, 2017. The expiration date is November 7, 2017. Multiple awards of up to $300,000 are available to support projects lasting up to two years.

Links: Grants.gov, Solicitation

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA): Developing Technologies and Tools to Monitor HIV Brain Reservoirs and How They May Be Altered by Exposure to Substances of Abuse (R21/R33)

Notice seeking applications to support projects developing technologies and tools to detect and quantify HIV brain reservoirs and how they may be altered by exposure to substances of abuse. Applications are due April 10, 2015. Approximately $3 million is available to support five to eight awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA); National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA): Gene-Environment Interplay in Substance Use Disorders

Notice seeking applications to stimulate and expand research on the interplay of genetic and environmental factors in the genesis, course, and outcomes of substance and alcohol use disorders. R01 Applications are due February 5; June 5 and October 5, annually. R21 and R03 Applications are due February 19; June 16; and October 16, annually. The program expires on September 8, 2017. The number of awards is contingent upon NIH appropriations and the submission of a sufficient number of meritorious applications over a five year period.

Links: R01 Solicitation, Grants.gov R21 Solicitation, Grants.gov R03 Solicitation

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Office of the National Coordinator: Community Health Peer Learning Program

Notice seeking applications to address health challenges at the population level through a community-based collaborative approach. The Community Health Peer Learning Program supports HHS efforts to promote the development of a nationwide health information infrastructure built on the sustainable efforts of local providers and communities. Letters of intent are requested by March 2, 2015. Applications are due April 6, 2015. Approximately $1.7 million is available to support one award.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Office of the National Coordinator: Workforce Training to Educate Health Care Professionals in Health Information Technology

Notice seeking applications to provide assistance to institutions of higher education, or consortia thereof, to establish or expand medical health informatics education programs to promote the rapid and effective utilization and development of health information technologies. Notices of intent are due March 2, 2015. Applications are due April 6, 2015. Approximately $6.4 million is available to support five to seven awards.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ); Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA): BJA FY 15 Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adults with Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Disorders

Notice seeking applications to help communities develop and implement comprehensive and collaborative strategies that address the challenges posed by reentry and recidivism reduction. Applications are due March 31, 2015. Approximately $6 million is available to support up to 10 awards. Limited submission: one application per lead applicant will be considered; however, subrecipients may be part of multiple proposals.

Links: Grants.gov

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): ROSES 2014: Extreme Precision Doppler Spectrometer Instrument

Notice seeking applications to procure an Extreme Precision Doppler Spectrometer instrument to enable characterization of high-priority exoplanet targets in accordance with the strategic goals of NASA and the science interests of the National Science Foundation. Step-1 proposals are due March 20, 2015, and Step-2 proposals are due April 24, 2015.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• National Science Foundation (NSF): Cyber-Physical Systems

Notice seeking proposals for engineered systems that are built from, and depend upon, the seamless integration of computational algorithms and physical components. Proposals are due May 4, 2015. Approximately $34 million is available to support 32 awards.

Links: Grants.gov

• National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO); Division of Integrative Organismal Systems (IOS): Basic Research to Enable Agricultural Development

Notice seeking proposals to support innovative basic scientific research designed to address key constraints to smallholder agriculture in the developing world. Proposals are due April 27, 2015. Approximately $12 million is available to support 10 to 20 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Education & Human Resources (EHR); Division of Graduate Education: Promoting Research and Innovation in Methodologies for Evaluation

Notice seeking proposals to support research on evaluation with special emphasis on: (1) exploring innovative approaches for determining the impacts and usefulness of STEM education projects and programs; (2) building on and expanding the theoretical foundations for evaluating STEM education and workforce development initiatives, including translating and adapting approaches from other fields; and (3) growing the capacity and infrastructure of the evaluation field. Proposals are due April 30, 2015. Approximately $8 million is available to support 13 to 18 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Engineering (ENG); Engineering Education and Centers: Professional Formation of Engineers

Notice seeking proposals to create and support an innovative and inclusive engineering profession for the 21st Century. Professional Formation of Engineers (PFE) refers to the formal and informal processes and value systems by which people become engineers. Proposals are due April 30, 2015, March 31, 2016 and Last Thursday in March, Annually Thereafter. Approximately $3 million is available to support 20 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• Office of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI); Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA): Mercury Proposers’ Day Conference

Notice announcing an open conference to provide introductory information on Mercury and the research problems that the program aims to address, to respond to questions from potential proposers, and to provide a forum for potential proposers to present their capabilities and identify potential team partners. The conference will be held on March 5, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET in Washington, DC. Attendees must register no later than 6:00 pm EST, February 27, 2015 at http://events.SignUp4.com/MercuryPDRegistration_March2015.

Links: FBO notice

• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA): Agriculture and Food Research Initiative: Food Security Challenge Area

Notice seeking to support fundamental and applied research, education, and extension projects in food and agricultural sciences. Funds research in three priority areas: "Agricultural Production Systems", "Breeding and Genomics of Crops and Livestock", and "National Strategy for Sustainable Crop and Livestock Production in the United States". Letters of intent are requested by April 2, 2015. Applications are due by June 4, 2015. Approximately $16.8 million is available. Funding levels and number of awards vary by program area.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); International Trade Administration (ITA): Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee Public Meeting

Notice announcing a public teleconference to discuss the newly chartered committee with an overview of committee operations and a briefing on Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) requirements. The committee will also deliberate on and approve the composition of subcommittees as well as the proposed chair, vice-chair, and subcommittee chairs. The teleconference meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 27, 2015, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ET. Please register by 5:00 p.m. ET on Friday, February 20, 2015.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); International Trade Administration (ITA): Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee Public Meeting

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee. The public meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. ET at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4830, 1401 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. Those interested in attending must provide notification by Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. ET.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST): NIST Center for Neutron Research (NCNR) Comprehensive Grant Program

Notice seeking applications to support research involving neutron scattering and spectroscopy specifically aimed at developing new instrumentation for neutron research, conducting collaborative research with NIST and visiting scientists, and to conduct other outreach and educational activities that advance the use of neutrons by U.S. academia and industrial scientists. Applications are due April 17, 2015. Approximately $3 million is available to support up to three awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• **U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA):** National Sea Grant Advisory Board Meeting

Notice announcing a public meeting of the National Sea Grant Advisory Board to discuss and provide advice on the National Sea Grant College Program in the areas of program evaluation, strategic planning, education and extension, science and technology programs. The public meeting will be held on Monday, March 2, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET, and Tuesday, March 3, 2015 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ET at the Washington Plaza Hotel, 10 Thomas Circle, Northwest, Washington, D.C. The agenda for this meeting will be available at [website](#).

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

• **U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); Department of the Air Force; Air Force Materiel Command:** Audio Processing & Exploitation Technologies

Notice seeking white papers to increase the Air Force's knowledge and understanding of speech and audio exploitation technologies for support of military applications. White papers are due March 13, 2015. Only approved white papers will be invited to submit full proposals.

Links: [FBO notice](#)

• **U.S. Department of Defense (DOD); Department of the Army:** The U.S. Army Tank Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center (TARDEC) 2015 INDUSTRY DAYS

Notice announcing open meeting to discuss TARDEC’s 30-Year Strategy Update, funded projects review, and future projects review. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m to Thursday, March 19, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m at the U.S. Army Garrison-Detroit Arsenal, 6501 E. Eleven Mile Road, Bldg. 200, Warren, Michigan. All attendees should register at [https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=227523&k=0063450C7954](https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=227523&k=0063450C7954) by March 4, 2015.

Links: [FBO notice](#)

• **U.S. Department of Defense (DOD); Department of the Army; Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC):** 2015 Broad Agency Announcement

Notice seeking proposals for various research and development topic areas. Pre-proposals may be submitted anytime until January 31, 2016.

Links: [Grants.gov, FBO notice](#)

• **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); Advanced Research Projects Agency Energy (ARPA-E):** Network Optimized Distributed Energy Systems (NODES)

Notice seeking concept papers to support the development innovative and disruptive technologies to enable real-time management of T&D networks by large-scale active load control and system-wide coordination of DERs. There are three technical categories of interest: Category 1: Synthetic Frequency Response Reserves; Category 2: Synthetic Regulating Reserves; Category 3: Synthetic Ramping Reserves. Concept papers are due March 20, 2015. Send questions to the contact by March 13, 2015 with NODES DE-FOA-0001289 in the subject line. Approximately $30 million is available to support one or multiple awards.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL):** University Turbine Systems Research

Notice seeking to support applied laboratory- and bench-scale university research into gas turbine technologies. Funds R&D programs in four topic areas: Low NOx Combustion, Pressure Gain Combustion, Turbine Cooling, and SCO2 Oxy-combustion. Applications are due by March 20, 2015. Approximately $6.4 million is available to support eight awards; two in each topic areas.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL):** Solid Oxide Fuel Cells (SOFC) Prototype System Testing Project

Notice seeking applications to test a 400kWe (or higher) thermally self-sustaining atmospheric or pressurized SOFC prototype system with an average stack operating temperature greater than 700 °C. Applications are due April 6, 2015. Cost sharing of 30% of the total allowable costs is required for demonstration and commercial application projects. Approximately $12 million is available to support multiple awards for projects lasting up to 18 months.

Links: [Grants.gov](#)
U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); National Energy Technology Laboratory (NETL): Solid Oxide Fuel Cell (SOFC) Innovative Concepts and Core Technology Research Program

Notice seeking applied-research projects that support the improvement of the reliability, robustness, and endurance of SOFC cell and stack technology. This objective will support the development of commercially viable SOFC technology for entry into service products. There are two topic areas: 1) Innovative Concepts and 2) SOFC Target Technology. Applications are due April 6, 2015. Approximately $9.5 million is available to support 13 awards. Phase one awardees are eligible to apply for Phase Two SOFC Core Technology funding.

Links: Grants.gov

U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI); Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS): National Coastal Wetland Conservation Grant Program

Notice seeking applications to acquire, restore, and enhance wetlands in coastal States through competitive matching grants to State agencies. Applications are due June 22, 2015. Approximately $16 million is available to support multiple awards. Eligible applicants are any State agency or entity designated as eligible by the Governor of a coastal State. Colleges and universities can serve as partners.

Links: Grants.gov

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): Request for Nominations of Experts for the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) Particulate Matter Review Panel

Notice seeking nominations of nationally and internationally recognized scientists with demonstrated expertise and research in the field of air pollution related to particulate matter. Submit nominations February 25, 2015.

Links: Federal Register notice

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Request for Applications

Notice seeking applications to complete chemical analysis in support of the Great Lakes Fish Monitoring and Surveillance Program. Applications are due April 17, 2015. Approximately $6.5 million may be awarded as a cooperative agreement under this RFA, contingent upon funding availability, the quality of applications received, and other applicable considerations.

Links: Grants.gov

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): FY 2015 National Priority Activities for the Section 303(d) Program, the Nonpoint Source (Section 319) Program, the Wetlands Program, and the Water Quality Monitoring Program

Notice seeking applications to provide support for training and technical assistance activities to build the capacity of state and tribal officials and nongovernmental stakeholders in the Clean Water Act. Applications are due March 24, 2015.

Links: Grants.gov

STATE and REGIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Great Lakes Beach Study

Links: FBO notice

Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit, Southern Appalachian CESU

Links: Grants.gov

FY 2015 Alaska Pinniped Research Program

Links: Grants.gov

FY 2015 Habitat Blueprint - Coastal and Marine Habitat Focus Area Grants for Biscayne Bay, FL, Puerto Rico's Northeast Reserves and Culebra Island, and Kachemak Bay, AK.

Links: Grants.gov
• Bureau of Land Management Nevada Resource Advisory Councils and Recreation Resource Advisory Council

Links: Federal Register notice

• Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit, Colorado Plateau

Links: Grants.gov

• National Coastal Wetland Conservation Grant Program

Links: Grants.gov

• McKinley County Rural Water Appraisal Study

Links: Grants.gov

• BLM-CO NCA FRIENDS GROUP & SUPPORT

Links: Grants.gov

• R8 (CA/NV) Sport Fish Restoration Grant Program for State Fish and Game Agencies R8 (CA/NV) Firearm and Bow Hunter Safety and Education Program for State Fish and Game Agencies R8 (CA/NV) Wildlife Restoration Grant Program for State Fish and Game Agencies

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• Solar Powering America by Recognizing Communities (SPARC)

Links: Grants.gov

• 2015 Senior Companion Program (SCP) Indian Tribes Competition

Links: Grants.gov

• 2015 Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) Indian Tribes Competition

Links: Grants.gov

• National Cancer Institute; Notice of Meeting (Agency: HHS, NIH, NCI; Location: CA)

Links: Federal Register notice

• Aleutian and Bering Sea Islands Landscape Conservation Cooperative FY15 (Agency: USFWS; Location: AK)

Links: Grants.gov
• California Least Tern and Light-Footed Ridgways Rail Population Surveys and Monitoring for Naval Weapons Station Seal Beach (Agency: DOD, Navy; Location: CA)

Links: Grants.gov

• NOAA: HIV Early Intervention Services Program Existing Geographic Service Areas (EISEGA) (Agency: HHS, HRSA; Location: certain counties in FL, GA, IL, MN, MT, NC, and WA)

The 2015 NOAA Fisheries/Sea Grant Fellowship Federal Funding Opportunities for both Marine Resource Economics and Population and Ecosystem Dynamics have now posted to Grants.Gov. The links for each announcement are as follows:

Links: Grants.gov