SPOTLIGHTED OPPORTUNITIES

The National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) is hosting the Fourth Annual Software Engineer Assembly (SEA) Conference and Tutorials. This is an opportunity for students to learn Python coding at the annual Software Engineer Assembly Conference. Travel support is available for students from EPSCoR states (e.g., Louisiana) and/or minority-serving institutions. As the support is limited to 10 travel scholarships, on a first-come, first-served basis, interested parties should apply as soon as possible.

Links: https://sea.ucar.edu/conference/2015.

ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

• National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH); Office of Challenge Grants: Challenge Grants

Notice seeking applications to strengthen the institutional base of humanities teaching, scholarly research, public programming, and other humanities activities. Challenge grants are capacity-building grants, intended to support significant humanities activities of high intellectual quality and to help institutions secure long-term support for their humanities programs. Applications are due May 5, 2015. Awards generally range between $75,000 and $500,000. Recipients must raise three times the amount of the award, except for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), Tribal Colleges and Universities, and two-year colleges, which are required to raise only two times the award amount.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID): The USAID Global Health Development Innovation Accelerator Broad Agency Announcement: Saving Lives at Birth

Notice seeking to support innovative ideas aimed at reducing global rates of still births, neonatal deaths, and maternal deaths. Funds support innovations in science and technology, service delivery, and demand-side practices. Program supports three funding streams: (1) Seed funds to develop and assess the feasibility of innovative ideas, (2) Validation funds to introduce and validate the effectiveness of innovations to reach proof-of-concept, and (3) Transition funds to transition innovations with demonstrated proof-of-concept toward scale-up. Expressions of interest are due by March 27, 2015. Funding levels vary based on applicable funding stream.

Links: Solicitation, FBO notice

• U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID): Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD)

Notice announcing open meeting to address old and new business and hear updates from USAID, the university community, and other experts on how human and institutional capacity development can support agricultural innovation systems. The meeting will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Friday, February 27, 2015 in the Association Multipurpose Room at the Association of Public and Land Grant University Offices, 1307 New York Avenue, Washington, DC.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of State (DOS); Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor (DRL): Supporting Security and Justice Sector Reforms in Tunisia

Notice seeking proposals for projects that will enhance ongoing security and justice sector reforms in Tunisia by supporting civilian capacity to understand and engage in these efforts, especially through direct dialogue with security and justice sector leaders in Tunisia. Applications are due March 20, 2015. Approximately $750,000 is available for an award or awards ranging from $350,000 to $750,000.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of State (DOS); Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration: FY 2015 Funding Opportunity Announcement for NGO programs Benefiting Afghan Returnees and IDPs in Afghanistan and Afghan Refugees in Pakistan

Notice seeking applications from NGO programs benefiting Afghan refugee returnees and IDPs in Afghanistan and Afghan registered refugees in Pakistan. For Afghanistan, proposals will be considered for activities supporting Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH), livelihoods training, and protection to prevent and respond to gender-based violence. Applications are due March 12, 2015. Approximately $1.5 million is available. Nonprofits are eligible to apply.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of State (DOS); U.S. Mission to Maseru-Lesotho: U.S. Ambassador's Special Self-Help Fund

Notice seeking applications to provide grant opportunities to community groups in Lesotho that are working to improve the basic economic and social conditions of their villages or communities, particularly projects that impact women and girls. Applications are due on March 31, 2015. Approximately $50,000 total is available for 8 awards for one year.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI); Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS): Wildlife Without Borders - Latin America and the Caribbean (Central America)

Notice seeking applications to reduce threats to species and ecosystems across high value landscapes in Central America and to strengthen the requisite individual and institutional capacity to sustain conservation programs in the long-term. Applications are due April 15, 2015. Approximately $500,000 is available to support 15 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA); Secondary Education, Two-Year Postsecondary Education, and Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom Challenge Grants Program

Notice seeking applications to support improvements in secondary and two-year postsecondary instruction in food, agricultural, natural resource, and human (FANH) sciences education. Funds support developing, evaluating and disseminating new curricular materials, delivery methods, and education professional development efforts improving FANH education. Projects must focus on "Agriculture in the Classroom" K-12 projects, secondary school programs, or Junior or Community College. Applications are due March 13, 2015. Approximately $900,000 is available to support multiple awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA): Higher Education Challenge Grants Program

Notice seeking applications to support advances in veterinary science and other food, agricultural, natural resources and human (FANH) sciences. Funds allow colleges offering degrees in at least one area of food and agricultural sciences to develop, evaluate and disseminate new curricular materials, delivery methods, and education professional development efforts improving FANH education. Applications are due March 19, 2015. Approximately $4.77 million is available to support multiple awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA): 1890 Institution Teaching, Research and Extension Capacity Building Grants (CBG) Program

Notice seeking to support the institutional capacity of designated 1890 Land-Grant Universities to design and implement food, agricultural, natural resources and human sciences programs. Funds support teaching goals that support faculty preparation and degree enhancement, research goals both fundamental and applied, or extension goals related to outreach to youth, famers, and local communities. Applications are due March 26, 2015. Approximately $18 million is available in support. Applications may only be submitted by 1890 Land-Grant Institutions, including Tuskegee University.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); Office of Advocacy and Outreach (OAO): Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program

Notice seeking applications to provide outreach and technical assistance to socially disadvantaged and veteran farmers and ranchers. Applications are due April 13, 2015. Approximately $9.1 million is available for multiple awards to support projects lasting up to one year.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); Economic Development Administration (EDA): FY 2015 Economic Development Assistance Programs - Application submission and program requirements for EDA's Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance programs

Notice seeking applications to provide investments that support construction, non-construction, technical assistance, and revolving loan fund projects under EDA's Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance programs. Applications are due March 12, 2015 and June 12, 2015. Approximately $99 million for the Public Works program and $35 million for Economic Adjustment Assistance program is available.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Education (ED); National Assessment Governing Board: National Assessment Governing Board Quarterly Board Meeting

The Quarterly Board meeting will be held to formulate policy for the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), including developing guidelines for reporting and disseminating results, and releasing initial NAEP results to the public. The meeting will be held on the following dates (with some sessions closed to the public): March 5, 2015 from 11:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m ET; March 6, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET; March 7, 2015 from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET at The Westin Crystal City, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Links: Federal Register notice
• U.S. Department of Education (ED); Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Arts in Education National Program (AENP)

Notice seeking applications supports national-level, high-quality Arts education activities and services for children and youth, with special emphasis on serving children from low-income families and children with disabilities. Notices of intent are requested by March 12, 2015. Applications are due April 13, 2015. Approximately $6.7 million is available to support one award. National Non-profit Arts Education Organizations are eligible.

Links: [Solicitation](https://www.grants.gov), [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov), [Federal Register notice](https://www.federalregister.gov)

• U.S. Department of Education (ED); Office of Innovation and Improvement (OII): Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED) Grant Program

Notice seeking applications for projects that support teacher or principal training or professional enhancement activities and that are supported by at least Moderate Evidence of Effectiveness. Notices of intent are requested by March 12, 2015. Applications are due April 13, 2015. Approximately $24.1 million is available to support three to six awards.

Links: [Solicitation](https://www.grants.gov), [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)

• U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ): Public Teleconference with the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing Discussing Best Practices and Recommendations

Notice announcing tentative public teleconferences by President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing (Task Force), which seeks to identify best practices and make recommendations to the President on how policing practices can promote effective crime reduction while building public trust and examine, among other issues, how to foster strong, collaborative relationships between local law enforcement and the communities they protect. The tentative teleconferences are: Wednesday, February 25, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET; Thursday, February 26, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET; Friday, February 27, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET. To access the conference line, please call 1-866-906-7447 and, when prompted, enter access code 8072024#.

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

• U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ); Office on Violence Against Women (OVW): OVW FY 2015 Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking on Campus Program

Notice seeking applications to support individual institutes of higher education or consortia seeking to reduce sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking through a comprehensive coordinated community approach. Activities that develop and strengthen victim services and strategies to prevent, investigate, respond to and prosecute are encouraged. Examples include providing training and technical assistance to relevant stakeholders, developing and strengthening campus policies and priorities, implementing education programs, enlarging victim services programs, etc. Letters of registration are strongly encouraged by March 2, 2015. Applications are due March 20, 2015. Approximately $12 million is available to support 35 awards. Grant recipients that received new or supplemental funding in FY 2013, and FY 2014 are NOT eligible to apply.

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

• U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ); Office on Violence Against Women (OVW): OVW FY 2015 Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program

Notice seeking applications that encourage partnerships between state, local, and tribal governments, courts, victim service providers, coalitions and rape crisis centers, to ensure that sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking are treated as serious violations of criminal law requiring the coordinated involvement of the entire criminal justice system and community-based victim service organizations. Letters of registration are requested by March 3, 2015. Applications are due March 24, 2015. Approximately $30 million is available for up to 60 awards of varying sizes to support projects lasting up to 36 months. Eligibility is limited to states, units of local government, Indian tribal governments and state, local, tribal and territorial courts, nonprofit and tribal government victim service providers, state or tribal sexual assault or domestic violence coalitions, and certain governmental rape crisis centers (in a state other than a territory) but opportunities exist for collaboration with colleges and universities. Grant recipients that received funding for 36 months in Fiscal Year 2013 or 2014 are NOT eligible to apply for Fiscal Year 2015 awards.

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

• U.S. Department of State (DOS); Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA): FY 2015 Future Leaders Exchange (FLEX) Program Organizational Components

Notice seeking applications to manage the FY15 organizational components of FLEX program. The FLEX program provides scholarships for high school students from Europe and Eurasia to live in the United States for an academic year. In turn, these students expose U.S. citizens to the culture, traditions, and lifestyles of people of their home countries. Applications are due April 6, 2015. Approximately $12 million is available to support one award.

Links: [Solicitation](https://www.grants.gov), [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)
• U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT); Federal Transit Administration (FTA): National Public Transportation/Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Technical Assistance Initiative

Notice seeking applications to provide technical assistance for transit-oriented development activities around public transportation stations, including technical assistance to economically distressed communities across the country. Technical assistance should include practical expertise in a range of disciplines including public transportation, transit-oriented development, land use, urban planning, affordable housing, environmental justice and community-based economic development. Applications are due April 10, 2015. Approximately $4 million is available to support projects lasting up to four years. Eligible proposers are national non-profit organizations with technical expertise in public transportation, transit-oriented development, land use, urban planning, public finance, affordable housing, environmental justice and community-based economic development. Eligible proposers must demonstrate that they are the primary applicant in partnership with one or more external strategic partner(s) with a substantial interest and involvement in the project.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA): National Research Advisory Council

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Research Advisory Council. The agenda will include a report from the Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development sub-committee and comments from the VA Secretary. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2015, in Room 730 at 810 Vermont Ave NW, Washington, DC. The meeting will convene at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:00 p.m.

Links: Federal Register notice

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

• Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS): Clinical Observational (CO) Studies in Musculoskeletal, Rheumatic, and Skin Diseases (R01)

Notice seeking to support clinical observational studies on musculoskeletal, rheumatic, or skin diseases or conditions. Specific examples of research areas of interest include: characterizing the frequency and/or severity of disease associated symptoms, correlation studies comparing biomarker to other outcome measures to establish surrogate markers, testing clinical study recruitment strategies for rare disease or underserved populations, collecting adverse event information during standard of care administration, and collecting standard of care data. Applications are due annually on July 1, November 1, and March 1 until November 1 2017. If a due date falls on a weekend, applications are due the following Monday. Approximately $450,000 is available per project.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Defense (DOD); U.S. Department of the Army: RFI for Coordinated, multi-disciplinary, multi-institution, effort to improve the understanding of pre-hospital mortality from severe trauma or injury in the civilian setting.

Notice seeking information on emerging clinical centers, networks or collaborative partnerships which have potential to identify and characterize causes of mortality from trauma that occurs before reaching a treatment facility. Information on existing experience and on the potential to perform multidisciplinary clinical research in this topic area is specifically encouraged. Submissions are due April 13, 2015. Questions are due March 30, 2015.

Links: FBO notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Resources (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA): NIDA Mentored Clinical Scientists Development Program Award in Drug Abuse and Addiction (K12)

Notice seeking applications for institutional research career development (K12) programs that propose to support intensive supervised research training and career development experiences for clinician scientists (scholars) leading to research independence in the area of drug abuse and addiction. Clinician scientists may include (but are not limited to) physicians, clinical psychologists, epidemiologists, doctoral-level social workers, pharmacists, and behavioral scientists. Scholars are expected to be supported for three to five years on consecutive 12-month appointments. Candidates selected for support as scholars must hold a doctorate and commit a minimum of 9 person-months (equivalent to 75% of full-time professional effort) to conducting clinical research and career development activities associated with the proposed program. Letters of Intent are requested 30 days before the application deadline. Applications are due June 12, 2015; June 12, 2016; and June 12, 2017. The expiration date is September 8, 2017. Awards of up to $500,000 per year are available to support projects lasting three to five years.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Administration for Children & Families - ACYF/FYSB: Street Outreach Program

Notice seeking applications to provide street-based services to runaway, homeless, and street youth who have been subjected to, or are at risk of being subjected to, sexual exploitation and/or sexual abuse. Applications are due April 10, 2015. Approximately $4.7 million is available to support 38 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Administration for Children & Families; ACYF/FYSB: Basic Center Program

Notice seeking applications to provide temporary shelter and counseling services to youth who have left home without permission of their parents or guardians or to other homeless youth who might otherwise end up in the law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. Applications are due April 10, 2015. Approximately $14.59 million is available to support 93 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Administration for Community Living (ACL): Senior Medicare Patrol Projects (SMP) - Empowering Seniors to Prevent Health Care Fraud

Notice seeking one SMP application from each state to prevent health care fraud through outreach, counseling, and education. Program coverage must target vulnerable, hard-to-reach beneficiaries, their families, caregivers, and other consumers. Letters of intent are requested by March 6, 2015. Applications are due April 14, 2015. Approximately $14.2 million is available to support up to 54 awards for projects lasting up to three years. Eligibility is limited to states but opportunities exist for collaboration with colleges and universities. An informational conference call will be held March 4. See the solicitation for details.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Food and Drug Administration (FDA): Arthritis Advisory Committee

Notice announcing open meeting to provide advice and recommendations to the Agency on FDA's regulatory issues. The meeting will be held on March 17, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the FDA White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Building 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA): Early Detection of Vision Problems in Young Children

Notice seeking applications to increase the detection and diagnosis of visual impairment in children aged five (5) years and younger in five (5) States by enhancing the capacity of the State public health agencies to use and apply quality improvement principles and practices to implement universal vision screening for preschool-aged children. Applications are due April 10, 2015. Approximately $300,000 is available to support one award.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA): Improving Timeliness of Newborn Screening Diagnosis

Notice seeking applications to improve the time to diagnosis and treatment for infants undergoing newborn screening who receive a presumptive positive result. Activities will include coordinating collaborative learning and quality improvement activities in newborn screening programs using practice-based strategies that improve timeliness. Applications are due April 13, 2015. Approximately $1.8 million per year is available to support one award for a project lasting up to three years. Opportunities exist for collaboration with colleges and universities.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH): Diabetes Mellitus Interagency Coordinating Committee

Notice announcing open meeting to discuss "Opportunities for Research Supported by the Special Statutory Funding Program for Type 1 Diabetes Research." The meeting will be held on April 8, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. ET and on April 9, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. ET at the NIH Neuroscience Center, Conference Room C (April 8) and Conference Room A1/A2 (April 9), 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD. Non-federal individuals planning to attend should register by email to Denise Hoffman at least seven days prior to the workshop. Please put 'Registration DMICC T1D Meeting' in the subject line.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Division of Program Coordination, Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Office of Research Infrastructure Programs (ORIP): High-End Instrumentation (HEI) Grant Program (S10)

Notice seeking applications from groups of NIH-supported investigators to purchase or upgrade a single item of expensive, specialized, commercially available instruments or integrated systems that cost at least $600,000. Types of instruments supported include, but are not limited to, X-ray diffraction systems, nuclear magnetic resonance and mass spectrometers, DNA sequencers, biosensors, electron and confocal microscopes, cell-sorters, and biomedical imagers. Applications are due May 29, 2015. Approximately $20 million is available to support 10 to 15 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Notice seeking applications to support the Human Connectome Project (HCP) to map connectivity in the developing, adult, and aging human brain. Development program funds investigations into typical brain development for children and adolescents. Aging program funds investigations into typical brain development for middle-age and elderly adults. Applications must build on existing experimental protocols of the HCP. Letters of intent are requested by May 15, 2015. Applications are due June 15, 2015. Approximately $2 million is available to support one award for each category.


Notice seeking applications to support pilot testing of natural products (i.e., botanicals, dietary supplements, and probiotics) to determine their effects on institute priorities. Priority areas include symptom management, particularly for sleep disturbance, pain management, menopausal symptoms, or common mental health conditions. Priorities also include research into the effects of probiotics and natural products on gut microbiome-brain interactions. R21 grants support research planning and feasibility studies. Letters of intent are requested by May 22, 2015. Applications are due June 22, 2015. Approximately $1 million is available to support four to five awards.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov]

Notice seeking applications to support testing of natural products (i.e., botanicals, dietary supplements, and probiotics) to determine their effects on institute priorities. Priority areas include symptom management, particularly for sleep disturbance, pain management, menopausal symptoms, or common mental health conditions (e.g., mild to moderate depression, anxiety, and post-traumatic stress). Priorities also include research into the effects of probiotics and natural products on gut microbiome-brain interactions. Applications must build on existing human studies on the product. Letters of intent are requested by May 29, 2015. Applications are due June 29, 2015. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one to two awards.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov]

Notice seeking applications to build upon the investment the NIAID has already made into adjuvant research, by combining previously identified and characterized adjuvants and characterizing their immune stimulating activity. Letters of intent are requested by June 9, 2015. Applications are due July 9, 2015. Approximately $4 million is available to support up to eight awards.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov]

Notice seeking applications for research center cooperative agreements designed to advance the diagnosis, prevention, treatment, and amelioration of intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). This FOA seeks applications from institutions that meet the qualifications for a multi-disciplinary program of IDD research that will include: 1) Cores that facilitate interdisciplinary and translational research in IDD, and support IDD-related projects funded by other sources; and 2) at least one specific research project related to one of five focus themes identified as an area of research need in IDD. Letters of intent are requested March 15, 2015. Applications are due April 15, 2015. Approximately $5.2 million is available to support up to four awards to support projects lasting up to five years.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov]

Notice seeking applications to support a national program of mentored institutional career development programs for junior faculty investigators who have recently completed postgraduate clinical training in a subspecialty area of Pediatrics, and are committed to launching an independent research career. Letters of intent are requested by March 15, 2015. Applications are due April 15, 2015. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to five awards for projects lasting up to five years.

Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov]
Notice seeking applications to support a cooperative agreement between NIDCD Project Scientist and investigator to support phase I and II clinical trials of preliminary efficacy and phase III clinical trials of definitive efficacy. Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the application due dates. Applications are due May 9, 2015; June 9, 2015; October 9, 2015; February 9, 2016; June 9, 2016; October 11, 2016; February 9, 2017; June 9, 2017; and October 10, 2017.

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

Notice seeking applications to support a cooperative agreement between NIDCD Project Scientist and investigator to support phase I and II clinical trials of preliminary efficacy and phase III clinical trials of definitive efficacy. Letters of intent are requested 30 days before the application due dates. Applications are due May 9, 2015; June 9, 2015; October 9, 2015; February 9, 2016; June 9, 2016; October 11, 2016; February 9, 2017; June 9, 2017; and October 10, 2017.

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

Notice seeking applications to conduct innovative, potentially groundbreaking and/or unconventional investigations on HIV/AIDS and substance abuse. Projects may be led by collaborative investigative teams or individual scientists. Letters of intent are requested by June 30, 2015. Applications are due July 31, 2015. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to three awards.

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

Notice seeking applications to support an integrated evaluation, continuous quality measurement and reporting, and, standardization and evidence-based interventions. Applications are due May 12, 2015. Approximately $2.2 million is available to support one to three awards.

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

Notice seeking applications to support established networks for interpersonal violence assessment and intervention organizations to encourage collaborations between healthcare providers and IPV programs. Successful applications will integrate screening, brief counseling, and referral for interpersonal violence into routine clinical practice which should lead to improved documentation standards, integrated evaluation, continuous quality measurement and reporting, and, standardization and evidence-based interventions. Applications are due May 12, 2015. Approximately $2.2 million is available to support one to three awards.

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

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Office of the Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service to discuss issues impacting integrative health, including community health centers; preventive medicine; health coaching; public health education; geriatrics; and rehabilitation medicine. The public meeting will be held on March 9-10, 2015. Exact start and end times and location will be published closer to the meeting date at: [http://www.surgeongeneral.gov/initiatives/prevention/advisorygrp/index.html](http://www.surgeongeneral.gov/initiatives/prevention/advisorygrp/index.html).

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

Notice announcing a meeting of the President’s Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities (PCPID) to discuss preparation of the PCPID 2015 Report to the President, and related data collection and analysis. Additionally, attendees will receive presentations from selected experts in the field of Technology for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. The meetings will take place Thursday, February 19, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Friday, February 20, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (EST) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services / Hubert H. Humphrey Building located at 200 Independence Avenue SW, Conference Room 505A, Washington, DC 20201.

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

- **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):** Community Announcement for Earth Venture Instrument-3 Solicitation

  Notice of intention to solicit proposals for the Earth Venture Instrument-3 (EVI-3) program. Proposals are due 90 days after the official announcement is made in early 2016. A Bidders Workshop (WebEx) will be held on March 4, 2015. Community Comments are due on March 10, 2015. The target date for the Release of Announcement of Opportunity (AO) is in March 2015. A Preproposal Workshop (WebEx) will be held approximately 2 weeks after the announcement is released.

  Links: [FBO notice](#)

- **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate (ARMD):** Research Opportunities in Aeronautics - 2015

  Notice seeking proposals to continue solicitation of foundational and systems-level research proposals for four programs within ARMD: the Advanced Air Vehicles Program, the Airspace Operations and Safety Program, the Integrated Aviation Systems Program, and the Transformative Aeronautics Concepts Program. Proposals are due by March 31, 2016.

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

- **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); NASA Kennedy Space Center (KSC); Research and Technology Management Office (RTMO):** Technology Advancing Partnerships Gall at John F. Kennedy Space Center

  Notice seeking applications to provide support to the KSC RTMO in developing technologies. See the solicitation for a list of project topics. Applications are due May 8, 2015. Approximately $75,000 is available to support up to three awards for projects lasting up to one year.

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

- **National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Geosciences (GEO); Division of Polar Programs:** Archiving and Discovering of Data and Metadata Generated through Projects Funded by the NSF Arctic Sciences Section

  Notice seeking proposals to provide data and metadata ingest services for NSF-funded data providers, data and metadata access services to scientists across disciplines and other Arctic stakeholders (including decision-makers), and data and metadata archival services to ensure that the data is accessible and discoverable in the future. Letters of intent are due April 17, 2015. Applications are due May 18, 2015. Approximately $1.2 million is available to support one award to support a project lasting three to five years. LIMITED SUBMISSION: Each organization may submit no more than one proposal.

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

- **National Science Foundation (NSF); Multiple Directorates:** National Science Foundation Research Traineeship Program (NRT)

  Notice seeking proposals that ensure that graduate students in research-based master's and doctoral degree programs develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers. Letters of intent are optional by March 25, 2015 and December 22, 2015. Applications are due May 6, 2015 and February 22, 2016. Approximately $37.8 million is available to support up to 30 awards. LIMITED SUBMISSION: Two proposals for the Traineeship Track, one for the Innovations in Graduate Education Track

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

- **U.S Department of Commerce (DOC); National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST):** NIST Standards Services Curricula Development (SSCD) Cooperative Agreement Program

  Notice seeking applications to support curriculum development at the undergraduate and/or graduate level that integrates standards and standardization information and content into seminars, courses, and learning resources. The recipients will work with NIST to strengthen education and learning about standards and standardization. Applications are due April 13, 2015. Approximately $350,000 is available to support two to eight awards ranging from $25,000 to $75,000 to support projects lasting up to eight months.

  Links: [Grants.gov](#)

- **U.S Department of Commerce (DOC); National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST):** National Strategy for Trusted Identities in Cyberspace (NSTIC) Pilots Cooperative Agreement Program

  Notice seeking pilot online identity solutions that embrace and advance the NSTIC vision of an Identity Ecosystem Framework. Pilots should address the needs of individuals, private sector organizations, and all levels of government in accordance. Solutions should be: 1) privacy-enhancing and voluntary, (2) secure and resilient, (3) interoperable, and (4) cost-effective and easy-to-use. Pilots that maximize their contribution to the development of the broader Identity Ecosystem Framework through public forums such as the Identity Ecosystem Steering Group (see solicitation) are encouraged. Abbreviated applications are due March 17, 2015. Applications are due May 21, 2015. Approximately $5 million is available to support new awards anticipated to be between $1 million to $2 million per year to support projects lasting up to two years.

  Links: [Grants.gov](#)
Notice announcing an open meeting to update the Committee on the progress of the implementation of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Joplin tornado investigation's recommendations and receive NIST's response to the Committee's 2013 annual report recommendations. The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 26, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. ET and Friday, March 27, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET in the Portrait Room, Administration Building, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland. All attendees must pre-register by 5:00 p.m. ET, Thursday, March 19, 2015. Please submit your full name, email address, and phone number to Melissa Banner.

Links: Federal Register notice

Notice seeking proposals for coordinated regional efforts that further the IOOS in one or both of the following two topic areas: 1) sustaining and enhancing comprehensive regional observing systems and 2) verification and validation of observing technologies for studying and monitoring coastal and ocean environments. Proposals are due August 31, 2015. Multiple awards of $1 million to $4 million per year are anticipated to support projects lasting up to five years.

Links: Grants.gov

Notice seeking proposals that demonstrate and validate innovative, sustainable, and cost-effective technologies and/or methodologies that will lead to more efficient and effective solutions for environmental restoration and compliance concerns across the Air Force and serve the Air Force's future environmental needs. White papers are due March 10, 2015. Applicants whose proposals are judged innovative and that meet Air Force needs (as indicated in the Phase I evaluation criteria) are notified electronically via email to submit a proposal to Phase II (request for proposal).

Links: FBO notice

Notice seeking abstracts proposing new or innovative technologies and methodologies to reduce environmental impacts from current and past Navy operations that are applicable to Navy installations worldwide. See the solicitation for a list of topic areas. Submit abstracts any time until February 11, 2016, using the form located here.

Links: FBO notice

Notice seeking applications to support novel training and educational opportunities that equip the next generation of energy entrepreneurs and innovators across the country, establish a national-level training program and competition for America’s top clean energy student entrepreneurs, and create a sustained and diverse community to support student entrepreneurs. There are two application topic areas: Topic 1: Cleantech UP: Hub; and Topic 2: Cleantech UP: Collegiate Competitions. Concept papers are due March 4, 2015. Applications are due April 16, 2015. One award of up to $700,000 is available for Topic 1 and up to eight awards of up to $225,000 are available for Topic 2. Cost sharing at 20 percent of total project costs is required for Topic 1 and 20 percent of total project costs for topic 2. An informational webinar will be held February 17, 2015 from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm, ET. Register here.

Links: Grants.gov

Notice seeking applications in two separate areas of interest: AOI 1 - Bio-gasification, which calls for proposals to complete preparation work of emerging bio-gasification technologies so that a field test of in-situ bio-gasification of coal to methane is possible in calendar year 2017; and AOI 2 - Advanced Air Separations, which calls for proposals to develop advanced air separation technologies that can produce oxygen for use in coal gasification processes at a significantly lower cost than that of the commercial air separation technology. Applicants must indicate the area of interest to which they are applying. Applications are due April 13, 2015. Two AOI-1 awards of up to $650,000 are available to support projects lasting 12 months. Two AOI-2 awards of up to $1.5 million are available to support projects lasting up to 18 months. Cost sharing of at least 20 percent of the award is required.

Links: Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH): FY15 Announcement of the Anticipated Availability of Funds for Research Conferences on Research Integrity

Notice seeking applications to support conferences to develop multi-disciplinary networks to build upon existing evidence-based research and stimulate innovative approaches to preventing research misconduct and promoting research integrity. ORI is especially interested in supporting conferences that lead to extramural grant applications on research on research integrity and peer-reviewed publications. Applications are due May 15, 2015. Approximately five awards of up to $50,000 each are available.

Links: Grants.gov

STATE and REGIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

• Coastal Program - Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

Links: Grants.gov

• Coral Reef Initiative Program

Links: Grants.gov

• Rio Grande Natural Area Commission

Links: Federal Register notice

• Administration for Children and Families; Tribal Consultation Meeting (Agency: HHS, OHS; Location: NM)

Links: Federal Register notice

• The National Syndromic Surveillance Program: Enhancing Syndromic Surveillance Capacity and Practice

Links: Grants.gov

• NOAA: NIJFY 2015 NIJ DNA Arrestee Collection Process

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:

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