ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

• National Endowment for the Humanities; Division of Public Programs: Bridging Cultures through Film: International Topics

Notice seeking applications to fund the creation of documentary films that examine international and transnational themes in the humanities. These projects are meant to spark Americans’ engagement with the broader world by exploring countries and cultures outside of the United States. Proposed documentaries must be analytical and deeply grounded in humanities scholarship. Innovative nonfiction storytelling that presents multiple points of view in creative formats is encouraged. The proposed film should range in length from thirty minutes to a feature-length documentary. A wide range of approaches to international and transnational topics and themes, is encouraged such as an examination of a critical issue in ethics, religion, literature, or history, viewed through an international lens; an exploration of a topic that transcends a single nation-state; a biography of a foreign leader, writer, artist, or historical figure; or an exploration of the history and culture(s) of a specific region, country, or community outside of the United States. Applications are due June 12, 2013. Awards are for one to three years and for up to $75,000 (for development) and up to $800,000 (for production).


• U.S. Agency for International Development: In-STEP

Notice seeking applications to build the capacity of Indian teacher educators (and administrators) by exposing them to the talent, methodologies, and expertise offered by U.S. Schools of Education (SOEs). It is expected that these teacher educators will take the practices and methodologies learned in the U.S. and apply them to the Indian context. Questions are due April 11, 2013. Applications are due May 10, 2013. Approximately $4.3 million is available to support one award.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Refugee Resettlement: Refugee Home-Based Childcare Microenterprise Development Project

Notice seeking applications to fund projects that teach refugee women about local, state, and federal child care laws, regulations and licensing requirements and about cultural norms concerning child care and child care development; and assist refugee women in English language acquisition, advance educational attainment (GED) and improve economic opportunities through application of acquired job skills in a market where there is a shortage of childcare providers. Mentors will help primarily refugee women establish agreements or contracts with State or county childcare care offices so they may qualify for State/county childcare reimbursement as childcare service providers. Although the focus will be on refugee women, all services provided to refugee women under this project are available to refugee men who are able to benefit from these services. Applications are due May 21, 2013. Approximately $2.2 million is available to support 13 awards.


• U.S. Department of State, Office of Environmental Quality and Transboundary Issues, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs: Reducing the Use and Release of Mercury by Artisanal Gold Miners in Latin America

Notice seeking proposals that will build capacities in Latin American countries to reduce the use and release of mercury by artisanal gold miners and to otherwise prepare for their potential obligations under the Minamata Convention on mercury pollution. Successful applicants will be able to demonstrate an understanding of the ASGM dynamics in Latin America and explain how their project is appropriate for advancing the OES goal of reducing mercury use and release. The application must also address the sustainability and replication potential of the proposed project. It is anticipated that this initial award will be awarded for an ASGM project in Nicaragua. Proposals are due April 22, 2013. Approximately $198,000 is available to support one award. Applicants must supply evidence that they have significant experience working on mercury use and reduction in ASGM programs in Central America.


• U.S. Department of State; Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor: Promoting Human Rights and Rule of Law in Egypt

Notice seeking proposals to support Egyptian civil society efforts to combat impunity for human rights violations and increase transparency and accountability in the criminal justice system. Proposals are due April 14, 2013. Approximately $675,000 is available. Non-profit organizations are eligible. LIMITED SUBMISSION: An organization may submit no more than one proposal.


• U.S. Department of State; Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor: Protecting Transgender Persons from Violence and Combating Impunity

Notice seeking proposals to promote and protect the human rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) people, and to ensure that incidents of violence are documented and investigated and that victims receive appropriate legal redress through domestic, regional, or international human rights mechanisms. Proposals are due May 2, 2013. Proposals may be submitted for any region or country in the world, however activities in the following regions are strongly encouraged: Eastern Europe and Central and South America. Approximately $450,000 is available in support for three years. Programs that leverage resources from funds internal to the organization or other sources, such as public-private partnerships, will be highly considered. Cost-sharing is not required, but is strongly encouraged.

• U.S. Department of State; Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation; Office of Export Control Cooperation: Strategic Trade Control Workshops for Brokers and Freight Forwarders - Kazakhstan

Notice seeking proposals for assisting the government of Kazakhstan with improving its strategic trade control framework through the provision of two, one-day workshops designed for brokers and freight forwarders. Proposals are due April 15, 2013. Approximately $100,000 is available to support one award.


• U.S. Department of State; Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs: Small Grants for Alumni of U.S. Government Funded Programs FY 2013

Notice seeking all eligible organizations headed by Afghan alumni of U.S. government-funded programs to submit a proposal for projects that will provide sustainable economic opportunity, leadership training, and/or increase access to or the quality of education. A successful proposal will come from an established organization to continue constructive work and request funding for a project or program that will be sustainable beyond the period of the grant. Applications are due April 30, 2013.


EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

• Executive Office of the President; Council on Environmental Quality: Economic and Environmental Principles and Guidelines for Water and Related Land Resources Implementation Studies; Request for Comments on the Interagency Guidelines and Notice of Availability of Final Principles and Requirements.

Notice announcing the availability of the Final Principles and Requirements and the release of draft Interagency Guidelines for public comments. The Updated Principles and Requirements include a number of important changes that modernize the current approach to water resources development. The draft guidelines will be available for public comment until May 28th and will incorporate feedback from the public and stakeholders before being finalized. Members of the public may submit comments on the Interagency Guidelines by May 28, 2013 at www.whitehouse.gov/administration/eop/ceq/initiatives/PandG.


• U.S. Department of Agriculture; Office of Rural Development: Delta Health Care Services Program

Notice seeking applications to provide financial assistance to address the continued unmet health need in the Delta Region through cooperation among health care professionals, institutions of higher education, research institutions, and other entities in the Delta Region. Applications are due May 28, 2013. Approximately $3 million is available to support multiple awards. Eligibility is limited to consortiums of regional institutions of higher education, academic health and research institutes, and economic development entities located in the Delta Region that have experience in addressing the health care issues in the region.


• U.S. Department of Commerce; National Institute of Standards and Technology: Incentives To Adopt Improved Cybersecurity Practices

Notice of consideration of incentives designed to promote participation in a voluntary program, to be established by the Secretary of Homeland Security, to support the adoption by owners and operators of critical infrastructure and other interested entities of the Cybersecurity Framework being developed by the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Public comments are due on or before April 29, 2013.


• U.S. Department of Education; Office of Innovation and Improvement: Investing in Innovation Fund, Development Grants

Notice seeking pre-applications to provide competitive grants to applicants with a record of improving student achievement and attainment in order to expand the implementation of, and investment in, innovative practices that are demonstrated to have an impact on improving student achievement or student growth, closing achievement gaps, decreasing dropout rates, increasing high school graduation rates, or increasing college enrollment and completion rates. Notices of intent to submit pre-applications are strongly encouraged and due April 16, 2013. Pre-applications are due April 26, 2013. Approximately 10 to 20 Development Grants awards of up to $3 million each may be available. The project period is 36 to 60 months. Only local education agencies (LEAs), partnerships between LEAs and nonprofit organizations, or a consortium of elementary or secondary schools are eligible to apply, though partnership opportunities may be available for colleges and universities.

**U.S. Department of Education; Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services: Proposed Priority--National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research--Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training Program**

Notice seeking public comment on a proposed priority for the Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training program to ensure that the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research's resources are appropriately allocated across the three outcome domains of individual well-being--community living and participation; employment; and health and function. Public comments are due by April 29, 2013.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Administration for Children and Families, Office of Policy, Research and Evaluation: Early Care and Education Research Scholars: Child Care Research Scholars**

Notice seeking applications to build capacity in the research field to focus research on questions that have direct implications for child care policy decision-making and program administration, and to foster mentoring relationships between faculty members and high-quality doctoral students. Areas of interest include: Understanding the child care needs of diverse low-income families and/or improving child care programs and policies for various subpopulations; the effects of alternative State/Territory/Tribal- and local-level child care subsidy policies and practices on children and families, etc. Applicants must consult with a CCDF administrator in the development of the proposal. Letters of intent are requested and due April 21, 2013. Applications are due May 21, 2013. Approximately $150,000 is available to support six awards.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Administration for Community Living, Administration on Aging: Pension Counseling & Information Program: National Pension Assistance Resource Center**

Notice seeking applications to fund a Technical Resource and Assistance Center to support the Pension Counseling and Information Program's grantees and others, and to encourage coordination among the projects, State and Areas Agencies on Aging, legal services providers, and other potential providers of pension assistance by providing substantive legal training, technical assistance, programmatic coordination, and nationwide outreach, information and referral. Applications are due April 29, 2013. Approximately $412,670 is available per year to support one award. 25% cost share required.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Program to Support New Implementation of State or Territorial Public Health Laboratory Capacity for Newborn Bloodspot Screening of Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCID)**

Notice seeking applications to increase the number of states and territories in the United States that include SCID screening as part of their newborn screening program, resulting in a greater number of newborns that are screened, identified, and referred for treatment for SCID. Applications are due May 28, 2013. Approximately $1.8 million is available to support three awards for two years. Applicants must have an active public health newborn screening program. Colleges and universities are encouraged to apply as partners, but are ineligible to serve as the lead.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Using Evidence from Science and Community Practice to Develop Web- and other Technology-Based Tools for HIV Treatment Service Provider Organizations to Improve Linkage, Retention, and Re-Engagement of HIV-Positive Persons in Care**

Notice seeking applications that identify, translate and pilot-test evidence-informed strategies and community best practices to improve linkage, retention and re-engagement of HIV positive persons in HIV care. Letters of intent are required and due April 15, 2013. Applications are due May 10, 2013. Approximately $2.7 million is available to support one award.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry Public Health Conference Support Program**

Notice seeking applications for one-year support to provide partial funding for conferences focused on environmental health issues. Conferences must occur between June 1, 2013 and May 31, 2014. Letters of intent are requested and due April 15, 2013. Applications are due May 2, 2013. Approximately four to eight awards may be made for up to $100,000 each.


**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Advisory Committee to the Director: Advisory Committee to the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

Notice announcing a public meeting intended to provide advice to the CDC Director on strategic and other broad issues facing CDC. The agenda is scheduled to include updates from: the Global Workgroup; the State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Workgroup; the Communications Workgroup; the Ethics Subcommittee; the Health Disparities Subcommittee; and an update from the CDC Director. The meeting will be held on April 25, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. ET. The meeting is available by teleconference. To participate, register by sending an email to GHickman@cdc.gov by April 22, 2013. To enter the meeting, call 877/930-8819 and use passcode 1579739.

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Native Diabetes Wellness Program; Division of Diabetes Translation: Using Traditional Foods and Sustainable Ecological Approaches for Health Promotion and Diabetes Prevention in American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) Communities: CC-RFA-DP08-819

Notice seeking applications to create a set of culturally relevant and evaluable health practices, approaches, and sustainable strategies that can be used as a model for American Indian/Alaska Native communities and other health disparate communities to aid in the prevention of diabetes. Proposals will promote increased access to traditional foods, traditional forms of physical activity, and social support as well as increased community engagement in identifying and sharing unique and common approaches to Type 2 diabetes prevention and health promotion. Applications are due April 29, 2013. Approximately $1.7 million is available for 17 awards at $100,000 each over a 12-month period. Only Native American Tribes listed in the announcement are eligible. Partnership opportunities may exist.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control; Advisory Committee on Breast Cancer in Young Women: Advisory Committee on Breast Cancer in Young Women (ACBCYW)

Notice of a public meeting to advise HHS and CDC regarding the formative research, development, implementation and evaluation of evidence-based activities designed to prevent breast cancer (particularly among those at heightened risk) and promote the early detection and support of young women who develop the disease. The agenda will include discussions on approaches to increase awareness of clinicians/practitioners regarding topics such as breast health, symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment of breast cancer in young women; and information needs and delivery mechanisms for women at higher risks for developing breast cancer. These discussions will be directed toward the final review and approval of formal recommendations on these topics. The meeting will be held as a teleconference on April 16, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. ET. ACBCYW requests registration for the meeting at: http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/breast/what_cdc_is_doing/conference.htm. To participate over the phone, call 800/857-4875 and use passcode 9377. To participate over the internet go to: https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join/, and use conference number PW8921926 and passcode 9377.


Notice seeking applications for support for medical professionals’ recruitment and continuing education programs. Applications are due April 30, 2013. Competition is limited to organizations in advancing the health of American Indian/Alaskan Native people to ensure that the training, education, and outreach provided through this award are provided in a culturally competent manner to motivate American Indian/Alaskan Native students to remain in the academic pipeline and to pursue a career in the health professions and/or biomedical research. Approximately $75,000 is available for three years.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering

Notice announcing open portion of a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering. The agenda includes a report from the institute director, other institute staff and scientific presentation. The meeting will be held May 17, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. ET at the William F. Bolger Center, 9600 Newbridge Drive, Potomac, MD 20854.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders: Development and Characterization of Animal Models for Aging Research (R01)

Notice seeking applications to promote research that develops, characterizes, refines and enhances model systems for research on aging. NIA encourages applications that promote research that develops, characterizes, refines and enhances model systems for understanding age-related biology and diseases. NIDCD encourages applications that investigate age-related changes in the structure and function of the sensory systems involved in hearing, balance, smell and taste. Applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5, annually. Program expires September 8, 2016.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development: Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development; Notice of Meeting

Notice announcing a public meeting to provide review of proposed concepts related to diet, obesity, and weight change in pregnancy; biobehavioral influences and intervention approaches. The meeting will be held on April 25, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. (ET) at the National Institutes of Health, 6100 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD.

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Multiple Institutes: Home and Family Based Approaches for the Prevention or Management of Overweight or Obesity in Early Childhood

Notice seeking applications that propose randomized clinical trials testing novel home- or family-based interventions for the prevention or management of overweight in infancy and early childhood. Tested interventions can use behavioral (including dietary and physical activity), environmental, or other relevant approaches. Applications should focus on infants and young children (to age 6 years) and emphasize the role of home environment and the influence of family/extended family members and parents (including guardians/ substantial care providers) within the child’s home environment. R01 applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually. R21 applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually. Program expires May 8, 2016.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; Multiple Institutes: Development and Application of PET and SPECT Imaging Ligands as Biomarkers for Drug Discovery and for Pathophysiological Studies of CNS Disorders

Notice seeking applications that propose the development of novel radioligands for positron emission tomography (PET) or single photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) imaging in human brain, and that incorporate pilot or clinical feasibility evaluation in pre-clinical studies, model development, or clinical studies. Applications are due February 16, June 16 and October 16 annually. PA-13-157 program expires May 8, 2016.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases: Drug Target Development and Validation for Antimicrobial-Resistant Pathogens (R21/R33)

Notice seeking applications to support basic to translational research focused on characterization and validation of novel antimicrobial targets for development of new therapeutic interventions against select antimicrobial-resistant bacterial pathogens. Letters of intent are requested and due June 18, 2013. Applications are due July 18, 2013. Approximately $3.5 million is available to support 15 to 20 awards.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases: NIAID Clinical Trial Grants

Notice seeking applications for implementation of investigator-initiated, high-risk clinical trials and mechanistic studies associated with high-risk clinical trials. Mechanistic work in clinical trials may be of great value because it promotes the understanding of human diseases and the development of future therapeutic modalities. Only one clinical trial may be proposed in each NIAID Clinical Trial Implementation (R01) Grant application. Letters of intent are requested and due 30 days prior to the application deadline. Applications are due June 4, 2013; September 11, 2013; January 13, 2014; May 13, 2014; September 11, 2014; January 13, 2015; May 13, 2015; September 11, 2015; and January 13, 2016. Program expires January 14, 2016.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research: Functional Characterization of Oral Cancer Initiating Cells

Notice seeking Exploratory/Developmental Grant (R21) and Research Project Grant (R01) applications to facilitate translational research in oral cancers by supporting studies aimed at understanding the cellular, molecular, and functional properties of oral cancer initiating cells and their niches. Letters of intent are requested and due July 15, 2013. Applications are due August 15, 2013. Approximately up to $1.5 million is available to support two to three R01 and two to three R21 awards. Programs expire on August 16, 2013.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute on Aging: Aging Research Dissertation Awards to Increase Diversity (R36)

Notice seeking to provide dissertation awards to increase diversity in the scientific research workforce engaged in research on aging and aging-related health conditions within NIA's strategic priorities. Applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16, 2013. Program expires May 8, 2016. Approximately five awards are expected. Predoctoral students from backgrounds underrepresented in research who are enrolled in good standing in accredited research doctoral programs in the United States (including Puerto Rico and other U.S. territories or possessions) focused on age related research are eligible to apply.

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism:
Research on Comparative Effectiveness and Implementation of HIV/AIDS and Alcohol Interventions

Notice seeking applications for Research Project Grant (R1) and Exploratory/Developmental Grant (R21) designed to advance knowledge of the effective implementation and comparative effectiveness of alcohol-focused interventions among HIV Positive (HIV+) individuals. The overall goal is to inform clinical decision-making that will enhance treatment outcomes and reduce harms associated with interventions for HIV+ individuals with alcohol use disorders. This solicitation is divided into two parts, one or both of which an applicant may choose to address. These parts include: 1) comparative effectiveness research focused on understanding factors related to patient engagement in appropriate alcohol and HIV care and retention in treatment; and 2) modeling and testing alternative approaches to the implementation of effective interventions to reduce HIV disease transmission and progression. Letters of intent are requested and due April 29, 2013. Applications are due May 29, 2013. Programs expire May 30, 2013. R1: approximately $2.5 million is available in FY 13 to support four awards. R21: approximately $500,000 is available in FY 13 to support two to three awards.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism:
Alcohol Use Disorders: Treatment, Services, and Recovery Research

Notice seeking applications that propose to support research on behavioral and pharmacological treatment for alcohol use disorders; organizational, financial, and management factors that facilitate or inhibit the delivery of services for alcohol use disorders; and phenomenon of recovery from alcohol use disorders. R01: Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5. R21 and R03: Applications are due annually on February 16, June 16, and October 16. Program expires May 8, 2016.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute on Drug Abuse: 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. Letters of intent are optional and due annually on May 12 through September 8, 2015. Applications are due annually on June 12 through September 8, 2015.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; Center for Substance Abuse Treatment: Cooperative Agreements for State Adolescent Treatment Enhancement and Dissemination

Notice seeking applications for funding to improve treatment for adolescents and transitional aged youth through the development of a learning laboratory in collaboration with local community-based treatment provider sites. Through the shared experience between the state/territory/tribe and the local community-based treatment provider sites, an evidence-based practice will be implemented, adolescents, transitional aged youth, and their families/primary caregivers will be provided services, and a feedback loop will be developed to enable the state/territory/tribe and the sites to identify barriers and test solutions through a services component operating in real time. Applications are due May 22, 2013. Only Single State Agencies and federally recognized tribes and tribal organizations are eligible, but opportunities for partnerships may exist. Approximately $9.5 million may be available for up to 10 awards. Individual awards may not exceed $950,000 per year for programs lasting up to four years.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Bureau of Justice Assistance: Second Chance Act Reentry Program for Adult Offenders with Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Health Disorders

Notice seeking applications to implement or expand offender treatment programs for adults with co-occurring substance abuse and mental health disorders in jails and prisons and during the reentry and community reintegration process. These programs should improve the provision of treatment for adult individuals (18 years and over) being treated for co-occurring substance abuse and mental health disorders within prison and jails, and include both pre- and post-release programming for every program participant. Applications are due May 16, 2013. Applicants are limited to states, local government, and tribal governments but partnership opportunities may exist. Approximately $600,000 is available per project. Projects can last up to 24 months.

• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; National Institute of Justice: Research and Evaluation on White Collar Crime

Notice seeking wide range of applications to provide research and evaluation on White Collar Crime (WCC) that will improve public safety and advance the administration of criminal justice. Applicants are free to propose projects in any relevant topical area, with the exception of those listed in the announcement under “What will not be funded.” Applicants must justify the merit of their proposal by describing how it will enhance the WCC knowledge base, address existing research gaps, or contribute to promising prevention or intervention practices in the area of WCC. Applications are due June 19, 2013. Approximately up to $1 million is available to support one or more awards with individual research projects rarely exceeding $500,000. Projects may last up to three years.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; National Institute of Justice: Research and Evaluation on Radicalization to Violent Extremism in the United States

Notice seeking applications for research on radicalization to violent extremism as it occurs in the United States, and for evaluation of promising practices to prevent or mitigate radicalization in U.S. communities. Applications are due June 5, 2013. Approximately $2.5 million is available to support three to five awards. Funding priority will be given to experimental research designs that use random selection and assignment of participants to experimental and control conditions.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: OJJDP FY 2013 Community-Based Violence Prevention FIRE Program

Notice seeking applications to propose research questions and/or evaluation studies designed to produce findings with practical implications for efforts to prevent and reduce youth violence (including gun violence) and violence exposure at the community level. Applicants may choose to address one or more of the listed research and evaluation objectives, or they may propose and justify their own area of investigation. Applications are due May 28, 2013. OJJDP expects to award multiple grants ranging from $100,000 to $500,000 for a total project period of up to 36 months.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: OJJDP FY 2013 Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force National Training Program

Notice seeking applications for innovative approaches to designing and delivering training to support the ICAC task force network that includes law enforcement, prosecutors, computer forensic specialists, and other related partnering agencies/organizations. Applications are due May 28, 2013. Approximately up to $1.375 million is available.


• U.S. Department of Labor; Bureau of Labor Statistics: Data Users Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting and Agenda

Notice announcing meeting of Data Users Advisory Committee. The committee provides advice to the Bureau of Labor Statistics from the points of view of data users from various sectors of the U.S. economy, including the labor, business, research, academic, and government communities, on technical matters related to the collection, analysis, dissemination, and use of the Bureau’s statistics, on its published reports, and on the broader aspects of its overall mission and function. Agenda to include Commissioner’s Welcome and Review of Agency Developments, Occupational Requirements Survey, Geographic Display of Data, and Outreach Efforts at BLS. The meeting will be held May 7, 2013 at the Postal Square Building, 2 Massachusetts Avenue NE, Washington, DC in meeting rooms 1, 2, and 3 of the Postal Square Building Conference Center.


• U.S. Department of Transportation; Research and Innovative Technology Administration: Invitation for Public Comment on Draft DOT Research, Development and Technology Strategic Plan (2013-2018)

Notice seeking public comments on DOT draft strategic plan. The new five-year strategic plan will guide the DOT’s research, development, and technology activities, placing its focus on the U.S. DOT Strategic Goals: Safety; State of Good Repair; Economic Competitiveness; Livable Communities and Environmental Sustainability. Written comments should be submitted by April 26, 2013, identified by DOT Docket ID Number RITA 2013-0002 on the Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

• U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; Advisory Committee on Women Veterans: Advisory Committee on Women Veterans, Notice of Meeting

Notice announcing a meeting to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs regarding the needs of women veterans with respect to health care, rehabilitation, compensation, outreach, and other programs and activities administered by VA designed to meet such needs. The committee makes recommendations to the Secretary regarding such programs and activities. The public meeting will take place on April 9-11, 2013, in the G. V. "Sonny" Montgomery Conference Center, room 230, at VA Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC, from 8:30 to 4:30 p.m. ET each day. Written comments for review by the committee can be sent to ooW@mail.va.gov. Individuals who wish to attend the meeting or want additional information should call 202-461-6193.


• U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; Genomic Medicine Program Advisory Committee: Genomic Medicine Program Advisory Committee, Notice of Meeting

Notice announcing a public meeting providing insight into the committee’s efforts to incorporate genomic information into its health care program while applying appropriate ethical oversight and protecting the privacy of Veterans. It will focus on expanding VA’s infrastructure for storing and analyzing genomic data and updates on the status of the ongoing Million Veteran Program, as well as the clinical Genomic Medicine Service. The emerging implications of combining information from genetic data with data from publically available genealogy databases will also be discussed. The meeting will take place on April 11, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the United States Access Board Conference Room, 1331 F Street NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC. Members of the public wishing to speak should send up to a two page summary in advance to the contact.


**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS**

• National Aeronautics and Space Administration: NASA Advisory Council; Science Committee; Earth Science Subcommittee; Meeting

Notice announcing a meeting of the Earth Science Subcommittee of the NASA Advisory Council. The purpose of the meeting is to Review of Earth Science Division Goals and Objectives and Discussion of the NASA Data Center Study. The meeting will be held Thursday, April 11, 2013, 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., ET. This meeting will take place telephonically. Any interested person may call the USA toll free conference call number 800-857-7040, pass code ESS, to participate in this meeting by telephone.


• National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Science Mission Directorate, Astrophysics Division: ROSES 2013: Astrophysics Data Analysis

Notice seeking research proposals whose primary emphasis is the analysis of NASA space astrophysics data that are archived in the public domain at the time of proposal submission. Notices of intent are due March 28, 2013. Proposals are due May 17, 2013. Approximately $5 million is available to support 40 to 50 awards.


• National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Science Mission Directorate, Earth Science Division: ROSES 2013: Advancing Collaborative Connections for Earth System Science

Notice seeking applications proposing near-term solutions involving the innovative utilization of mature technologies that leverage current NASA data system capabilities and that are robust, sustainable, extensible, and reusable. Topic areas are: Tools and Technologies That Improve Users? Ability to Efficiently Discover, Find, Access, and Readily Use Multismission, Multiinstrument Earth Science Data; Tools That Enable Discovery, Search, and Access Across Both NASA and Non-NASA Data Systems; Innovative Technologies and Tools That Improve Access to NASA? s Earth Science Data Systems and Data Usability for Mobile Device Users; etc. Notices of intent are due April 3, 2013. Proposals are due June 3, 2013. Approximately $3.5 million is available to support 10 to 15 awards.


• National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Science Mission Directorate, Planetary Science Division: ROSES 2013: Origins of Solar Systems

Notice seeking basic research proposals to conduct scientific investigations related to understanding the formation and early evolution of planetary systems and to provide the fundamental research and analysis necessary to detect and characterize other planetary systems. These investigations may involve analytical and numerical modeling, laboratory research, and observational studies in the following areas: star formation and the relationship to planetary system formation, solar nebula processes, accumulation and dynamical evolution, analysis of primitive materials, and the detection and characterization of other planetary systems. Proposals are due May 23, 2013. Approximately up to $4 million is available to support 30 to 40 awards.

**U.S. Department of Agriculture; National Institute of Food and Agriculture**: Women and Minorities in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Fields Program (WAMS)

Notice seeking applications to support research and extension activities that increase the number of women and underrepresented minorities from rural areas who will pursue and complete a postsecondary degree in science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) disciplines. Applications are due April 29, 2013. Approximately $400,000 is available in support.


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**U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology**: Measurement Science for Advanced Manufacturing (MSAM) Cooperative Agreement Program (CAP)

Notice seeking proposals that address development of measurement science to support high-priority metrology and standards required to advance U.S. technical programs and ongoing national investments, technology transition, and commercial activities in additive manufacturing technology. The measurement science should focus on creating critical solution-enabling tools? metrics, models, and knowledge? for U.S. manufacturers. Measurement science includes the following activities and their associated products and outputs: 1) Development of performance test methods and metrics, measurement methods, predictive models and simulation tools, knowledge models, protocols, technical data, reference materials, and/or test artifacts; 2) Conduct of inter-comparison studies and calibrations; 3) Evaluation of technologies, systems, and practices, including uncertainty analysis; and 4) Development of the technical basis for standards, codes, and practices. Letters of intent are requested and due April 12, 2013. Proposals are due May 7, 2013. Approximately $5 million is available to support one or more awards. LIMITED SUBMISSION: Applicants may submit no more than one application.


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Notice announcing a Proposers’ Day to provide information to potential proposers on the objectives of the Innovative Systems for Military Missions (BAA-13-22). The objective of the BAA-13-22 is to solicit executive summaries, white papers and proposals for advanced research, development and demonstration of innovative systems for military missions. The meeting will be held Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET and Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the DARPA Conference Center located at 675 North Randolph Street, Arlington, VA 22203. Interested parties must register at registration website: www.sa-meetings.com/OficcwideProposersDay no later than 4:00 p.m. on April 5, 2013.

**Links**: FBO notice https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=8f42a205f210490109c048cfcdb36d9a&tab=core&_cview=1

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**U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Navy; Office of Naval Research**: Special Program Announcement for 2013 Office of Naval Research Opportunity: Ground Based Air Defense Directed Energy On-The-Move

Notice seeking white papers to provide novel subsystems and components in support of the Ground Based Air Defense Directed Energy On-The-Move Future Naval Capability (FNC). This FNC will demonstrate a vehicle-mounted on-the-move short-range air-defense laser system to defeat Low Observable/Low Radar Cross Section threats to a Marine Corps Air-Ground Task Force. White papers are due April 26, 2013. Invitations for full proposals will be made on or around May 9, 2013. Proposals are due June 7, 2013.

**Links**: Solicitation http://www.grants.gov/search/downloadAtt.do;jsessionid=Kx2LRIJGKVQmnNhsZ8nyhJF6DL84wm6xh1mg4h13tr12g5svGyp/237012623?attId=183865, Grants.gov notice http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppid=228433

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**U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Navy; Office of Naval Research**: Electronics Technology

Notice seeking proposals for efforts that will advance and demonstrate science and technology for the next generation electronics and devices under the following focus area: Electronics technology enablers for wideband Simultaneous Transmit and Receive (STAR) capabilities. White papers are required and due May 9, 2013. Invited proposals are due July 11, 2013. Approximately $3.5 million is available to support up to three awards.


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Notice seeking applications to significantly improve the energy efficiency of new and existing buildings to reduce national energy demand and allow the nation to work toward greater energy independence and a cleaner environment. Concept papers are due April 22, 2013. Applications are due June 24, 2013. Approximately $3 million is available to support up to three awards. Cost share must be at least 20% of the total allowable costs.

• **U.S. Department of Energy; Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy:** Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technical Advisory Committee (HTAC)

Notice announcing an open meeting of HTAC. The agenda is scheduled to include: Public Comments, HTAC Working Group Updates, DOE Leadership Updates, Program and Budget Updates, Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Industry Speakers, Other Industry Speakers, Government Speakers, Transportation Updates, Department of Defense Update, and Ohio Activities and Initiatives. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2013, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Wednesday, April 24, 2013, 8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m. ET, at National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL); 901 D Street SW., Suite 930, Washington, DC. Individuals who would like to attend and/or to make statements during the public comment period must register no later than 5:00 p.m. ET on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, by email at HTAC@nrel.gov. The minutes of the meeting will be available at http://hydrogen.energy.gov.


• **U.S. Department of the Interior; Fish and Wildlife Service:** Coastal Program - Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

Notice seeking applications that provides technical and financial assistance to coastal communities and landowners to restore and protect fish and wildlife habitat on public and private lands. The Coastal Program is not a conventional grants program, in that it does not solicit projects through a request for proposals. Applications are due September 30, 2013. Approximately $450,000 is available to support 10 awards.


• **U.S. Department of the Interior; U.S. Geological Survey:** Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee

Notice announcing a public meeting to receive reports on the status of program activities. The Committee will assess this information and provide guidance on the future undertakings and direction of the Earthquake Hazards Program. Focus topics for this meeting include induced seismicity, earthquake early warning and international activities. The meeting will be held on April 4-5, 2013 from at 8:30 am to 5:00pm (ET) on the first day and adjourning at noon on the second day. The meeting will take place at Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology, 1200 New York Avenue, Suite 400, Washington, D.C.


• **U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs:** Veterans' Rural Health Advisory Committee

Notice announcing a public meeting to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on health care issues affecting enrolled Veterans residing in rural areas. The Committee examines programs and policies that impact the provision of VA health care to enrolled Veterans residing in rural areas, and discusses ways to improve and enhance VA services for these Veterans. The meeting will be held on May 15-16, 2013 from 8:00am to 4:00pm (ET) each day at 1722 I Street N.W., Ground Level Conference Room, Washington, D.C.


• **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency:** Human Studies Review Board; Notification of a Public Webinar/Teleconference

Notice announcing a public webinar/teleconference of the Human Studies Review Board. The Webinar/teleconference will be held on Friday, April 12, 2013, from approximately 11:00 a.m. to approximately 12:30 p.m. (ET). Public comments may be submitted on or before Friday, April 5, 2013. Information regarding the HSRB final meeting report will be found at http://www.epa.gov/osa/hsrb and http://www.regulations.gov.