ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

• U.S. Agency for International Development - Serbia: Call for Public-Private Alliance Proposals in Serbia under existing APS-OAA-13-00003

Notice seeking concept papers to identify ways in which collaboration with the private sector can improve workforce development in Serbia and provide the country with the mix of human capital needed to promote broad-based economic growth, accelerate the transition of the Serbian economy and support the EU integration process. Applicants should be willing and able to devote financial and in-kind resources to identify and suggest ways we can work together to address key workforce development challenges in Serbia. Concept papers are due June 03, 2013. Approximately $300,000 can be requested in funding. At least a 1:1 cost share is required.


• U.S. Department of State; Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor: Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor Request for Statements of Interest: Internet Freedom Programs

Notice seeking statements of interest for projects that support Internet freedom under the ?Governing Justly and Democratically? Foreign Assistance program objective. Statements of interest are due May 20, 2013. Only invited statements of interest will be requested to submit full proposals. The agency will consider past performance of prior recipients and the demonstrated potential of new applicants. Awards range from $500,000 to $7 million over a three-year period.


• U.S. Department of State; Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor: DRL Internet Freedom Annual Program Statement for Internet Freedom Technology

Notice seeking proposals that address the development and deployment of anti-censorship and secure communications technologies in countries where Internet use is heavily filtered and monitored. Statements of interest are due May 31, 2013; August 30, 2013; November 29, 2013; and February 28, 2014. Full proposals will be invited based on an evaluation of how the statements of interest meet solicitation review criteria. Approximately $8 million is available for multiple awards over three years.


• U.S. Department of State; Bureau Of Educational and Cultural Affairs: Pan-Africa Youth Leadership Program

Notice seeking proposals to provide African secondary school students and adult educators the opportunity to explore the primary themes of civic rights and responsibilities, leadership development, respect for diversity, and community engagement through three-week French and English language exchanges in the United States. Proposals are due May 22, 2013. Approximately $3.6 million is available to support two to three awards for up to three years. It is strongly recommended that potential applicants contact the Program Officer prior to submitting proposals. Nonprofit organizations are eligible. Organizations with less than four years' experience in conducting international exchanges are ineligible to apply under this competition.


• U.S. Department of State; Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs; Youth Programs Division, Office of Citizen Exchanges: Future Leaders Exchange (FLEX) and American Serbia and Montenegr0 Youth Leadership Exchange (A-SMYLE) Programs Organizational Component

Notice seeking applications to manage the FY13 Future Leaders Exchange (FLEX) and the American Serbia and the Montenegr0 Youth Leadership Exchange (A-SMYLE) Programs- Organizational Components including: (1) recruit and select international students from designated countries; (2) provide orientations for all participants; (3) coordinate travel and logistics; (4) liaise with ECA, U.S. embassies and natural families; (5) provide advice and counseling for students and placement organizations (POs); and (6) provide follow-on alumni programs that promote civil society, leadership, and mutual understanding. Applications are due May 10, 2013. Approximately $12.1 million is available to support one award. Non-profit organizations are eligible to apply. Each partner must have at least four years of previous experience in youth exchange either placing students with host families or implementing programs within the respective country(ies), depending on the role of the partner. Cost sharing is encouraged.


• U.S. Department of State; International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs: Nicaragua Citizen Security Grants

Notice seeking applications that minimize the impact of international crime and illegal drugs on the United States, its citizens, and partner nations by providing effective foreign assistance and fostering global cooperation. Applications are due May 3, 2013. Approximately $3.7 million is available to support one to four awards. Applicants must demonstrate prior experience in implementing education, media outreach, and capacity building activities with a preference for institutions with previous experience in Nicaragua, or similar countries.

• U.S. Department of State; Public Affairs Section, U.S. Embassy, Islamabad, Pakistan: Establishment of a University Partnership in Textile Design with National College of Arts, Lahore, Pakistan

Notice seeking applications to establish a University Partnership between a four-year college or university in the U.S. and the National College of Arts in Textile Design in Lahore, Pakistan. A successful proposal will address the needs of the National College of Arts, through a cost-effective project that includes collaborative research, curriculum reform/development, faculty exchange, capacity building, and professional development. The creation of new degree programs is not supported. Applications are due May 16, 2013. Approximately up to $1 million is available to support one award. The lead institution and funding recipient in the project must be an accredited four-year U.S. college or university. Expertise working in Pakistan and established relationships with Pakistan universities and/or local officials in Pakistan will be considered favorably but is not required. Cost sharing is required.


EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

• Corporation for National and Community Service: VISTA Logistical Support of Training

Notice seeking proposals to fund organizations through a cooperative agreement to deliver full logistical support to AmeriCorps VISTA in conducting its Pre-Service Orientations (PSO), Supervisor Orientations (SO), and Leader Orientations (LO). Applications are due April 30, 2013. Approximately $4.5 million is available to support one award.


• Executive Office of the President: Establishment of the Presidential Commission on Election Administration

Notice announcing the creation of the Presidential Commission on election Administration designed to identify best practices, make recommendations to promote the efficient administration of elections, ensure all eligible voters have the opportunity to cast ballots without undue delay, and to improve the experience of voters facing obstacles in casting their ballots. The creation of this new commission may lead to future political science research funding opportunities.


• Social Security Administration; Office of Research Evaluation and Statistics: Retirement Research Consortium

Notice seeking proposals in support of the RRC that will continue to serve as a national resource fostering high quality research, communication, and education on matters related to retirement policy. Letters of intent are requested and due May 1, 2013. Applications are due May 31, 2013. Approximately $5 million is available to support one or more awards. Recipients of an SSA cooperative agreement are required to contribute a non-Federal match of at least 5 percent toward the total approved cost of each center.


• U.S. Department of Education: National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity (NACIQI)

Notice announcing the NACIQI public meeting. The NACIQI advises the secretary on the establishment and enforcement of the criteria for recognition of accrediting agencies or associations under Subpart 2, Part H, Title IV, of the HEA, as amended, among other functions. The meeting will be held on June 6-7, 2013, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., each day at the Hyatt Arlington, 1325 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22209.


• U.S. Department of Education; Office of Postsecondary Education: Minority Science and Engineering Improvement Program (MSEIP) CFDA Number 84.120A

Notice seeking applications to effect long-range improvement in science and engineering education at predominantly minority institutions and to increase the flow of underrepresented ethnic minorities, particularly minority women, into scientific and technological careers. Applications are due May 31, 2013. Approximately $2.9 million is available to support 12 awards. Minority institutions are encouraged.


• U.S. Department of Education; Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services: National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research; Long-Range Plan for Fiscal Years 2013-2017

Notice of publication of the final Long-Range Plan for Fiscal Years (FY) 2013-2017 (Plan) for the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Services (NIDRR). The Plan provides an overview of NIDRR’s goals and objectives, identifies contributions that NIDRR research has made to improve the lives of individuals with disabilities, and presents NIDRR’s specific goals and objectives for the next five years. This Plan is effective May 6, 2013.

• U.S. Department of Energy: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board Chairs

Notice announcing a public webinar to make recommendations to Department of Energy environmental management and site management officials in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities. The webinar will be held on Thursday, April 25, 2013 1:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. (ET) Contact the agency official by April 22, 2013 to register and obtain access information.


• U.S. Department of Energy; Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy: State Energy Advisory Board; Meeting

Notice announcing a public State Energy Advisory Board meeting to make recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals and objectives, programmatic and administrative policies. The meeting will be held on June 25, 2013; 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (ET) and June 26, 2013; 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (ET) at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Washington, DC--Crystal City (in the Jefferson Meeting Room), 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, Virginia.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Program; National Institute of Justice: NIJ FY 13 Research on Offender Decision-Making

Notice seeking applications to expand the theoretical basis for understanding the adult offender decision-making process. Applications are due June 17, 2013. Approximately up to $1 million is available to support one or more awards lasting up to three years.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; National Institute of Justice: Testing Geospatial Predictive Policing Strategies

Notice seeking applications for research that explores the relationship between theory (of any discipline) and geospatial predictive policing strategies. In particular, NIJ is seeking proposals that focus on linking theories to current policing strategies, discerning potential disconnects in the levels of analysis between theory and practice, explicating what effects this may have on findings, and, finally, addressing means of adapting theory and practice based on the results. Applications are due June 17, 2013. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one or more awards.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Office for Victims of Crime: OVC FY 13 State Victim Assistance Academy (SVAA) Initiative Competitive Solicitation

Notice seeking applications to fund the development of State Victim Assistance Academies (SVAA) that provide comprehensive, academically based, fundamental education and training for victim assistance providers, victim advocates, criminal justice personnel, and allied professionals who routinely work with victims of crime. Applications are due May 13, 2013. Approximately up to $210,000 is available to support six awards.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: OJJDP FY 2013 National Training and Technical Assistance Center for Youth in Custody

Notice seeking applications to provide resources, training, and technical assistance for state, local, and tribal departments of juvenile justice and corrections, service providers, and private organizations that operate juvenile facilities. The Center will serve the range of facilities in which juveniles are placed, including detention, corrections and adult facilities, and the unique population of juveniles in these institutions; and will emphasize the rehabilitative goals of the juvenile justice system by providing comprehensive training, technical assistance, and resources directly to justice facilities that detain or confine juveniles. Applications are due May 30, 2013. Approximately $400,000 is available to support one award for one year.


• U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention: OJJDP FY 2013 Field-Initiated Research and Evaluation Program

Notice seeking applications to fund field-initiated studies that advance the understanding of how the application of a child and adolescent development framework to juvenile justice system approaches, policies, and programs impacts juvenile delinquency, justice system involvement, and recidivism. This solicitation has two categories. Applicants should clearly indicate under which category they are applying and cannot submit the same application under both categories. The categories have different limits on award amounts: Category 1: New Research and Evaluations and Category 2: Extended or Expanded Data Collection for Ongoing/Existing Juvenile Longitudinal Studies. Applications are due May 29, 2013. Three awards are anticipated for both categories combined.

U.S. Department of Justice; Office of Justice Programs; Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention: OJJDP FY 2013 National Girls Institute

Notice seeking applications to improve girls’ delinquency programming and practices at the national, state, tribal and local levels to reduce the number of girls in the juvenile justice system and to improve the treatment of girls who are already in detention. Applications are due May 30, 2013. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one award for a 12-month project period.


U.S. Department of Justice; Office on Violence Against Women: OVW FY 2013 Technical Assistance Program

Notice seeking applications from existing and potential grantees and sub grantees to enhance and support their efforts to successfully implement projects supported by OVW grant funds. Proposals should focus on building the capacity of criminal justice and victim services organizations to respond to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking and foster partnerships among organizations that have not traditionally worked together to address violence against women. Letters of intent are optional and due April 30, 2013 to Tosha.Preston@usdoj.gov. Applications are due May 14, 2013.


U.S. Department of Labor; Employment and Training Administration: Notice of Availability of Funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications for Face Forward—Serving Juvenile Offenders

Notice seeking applications to provide services to eligible participants in areas with high-poverty and high-crime rates. These services will include diversion and/or expungement (required for all participants), case management, mentoring, education, training leading to industry-recognized credentials for in demand industries and occupations in the State or local area, service-learning, workforce activities, and post-program support and follow-up services. Applications are due May 10, 2013. Approximately $1 million is available to support 26 grants over a 39-month period.


U.S. Department of Labor; Employment and Training Administration: Face Forward Serving Juvenile Offenders Grants

Notice seeking applications to improve the long-term labor market prospects of both court involved youth prior to adjudication and juvenile offenders. Grantees must utilize a strategy where they collaborate with non-profit legal services providers to assist participants with expungement actions, and/or be designated by the juvenile justice system as a diversion program. Applications are due May 10, 2013. Approximately $26 million is available to support 26 awards. Non-profit organizations are eligible to apply.


U.S. Department of Labor; Veterans’ Employment and Training Service: Urban and Non-Urban Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program (HVRP) for Program Year (FY) 2013, July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014

Notice seeking applications proposing programs which expedite the reintegration of eligible homeless veterans into the labor force by providing job placement services, job training, counseling, supportive services, and other assistance. Applications are due May 3, 2013. Approximately $6 million is available to support multiple awards ranging from $100,000 to $300,000 with a period of one year. Nonprofit organizations are eligible, but opportunities for partnerships may exist.


Notice announcing a public teleconference to provide input and recommendations to the Comptroller General for revisions to the Government Auditing Standards, to provide for timely resolution of auditing issues, and to maintain the relevancy of the standards. The teleconference will be held on April 12, 2013, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. (ET) To participate, call toll free 1-866-763-4533. When prompted, enter the following passcode: 48755534.


HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

National Institutes of Health; National Institute on Drug Abuse: National Institute on Drug Abuse: Notice of Meeting

Notice announcing open portion of the meeting for announcements and reports of administrative, legislative and program developments in the drug abuse field. The meeting will be held on May 8, 2013 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at NIH, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Conference Rooms C & D, Rockville, MD 20852. Any member of the public interested in presenting oral comments to the committee may notify the contact listed on this notice at least 10 days in advance of the meeting.

• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: Meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS**

Notice announcing that the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS (PACHA) will hold a meeting to discuss implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The Council was established to provide advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary regarding programs and policies intended to promote effective prevention of HIV disease and AIDS. The meeting will be held April 22, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20201 in the auditorium.

**Links:** Federal Register notice https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/04/02/2013-07614/meeting-of-the-presidential-advisory-council-on-hiv-aids

• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality: AHRQ Patient-Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR) Mentored Research Scientist Development Award and Mentored Clinical Investigator Award**

Notice seeking applications for an awards designed to prepare individuals for careers that use complex comparative effectiveness research methods toward clinical and health systems PCOR issues. Applications are due February 12, June 12, and October 12 annually. AHRQ will provide salary for the award recipient up to $90,000 and contribute a maximum of $25,000 per year toward research development for up to five years. Programs expire July 13, 2016.


• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation: Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services; Meeting**

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services. The meeting will be held on April 29, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (ET) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Room 800, Washington, D.C.


• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Technical Assistance in Support of HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment Services in the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire under the President's Emergency Plan for HIV/AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)**

Notice seeking applications to provide technical assistance to the government of Cote d'Ivoire to improve its capacity to reduce the morbidity and mortality of people living with HIV/AIDS and prevent infections in newborns. Applications are due by April 22, 2013. Approximately up to $1 million is available to support one award.


• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Improving HIV Prevention and Treatment Outcomes Among HIV-Infected Persons by Integrating Community Pharmacists and Clinical Sites into a Model of Patient-centered HIV Care**

Notice seeking applications to develop and implement a model of HIV care that integrates community pharmacists with primary medical providers for patient-centered HIV care. Letters of intent are due April 22, 2013. Applications are due May 15, 2013. Approximately $2.3 million is available in support.

**Links:** Grants.gov notice http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppid=228813

• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Food & Drug Administration: Collection of Dose Adjustment and Therapeutic Monitoring Data to Aid Narrow Therapeutic Index Drug Classification (U01)**

Notice seeking applications to collect drug dose adjustment and therapeutic monitoring data in patients to aid NTI classification. The outcome of this study can help FDA develop a NTI drug list and implement the NTI policy. Applications are due May 17, 2013. Approximately $250,000 is available to support one award.


• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Food & Drug Administration: Postmarketing Surveillance of Generic Drug Usage and Substitution Patterns (U01)**

Notice seeking applications to evaluate existing tools and to develop new methods to proactively monitor the drug safety, efficacy, usage, and substitution patterns of recently approved generic drugs whose approval was controversial and to evaluate if controversy during the approval process affects their acceptance by physicians and patients. Applications are due May 10, 2013. Approximately $250,000 is available to support one award.

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- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Food & Drug Administration; Center of Drug Evaluation and Research:** Evaluation of Dissolution Methods for Complex Parenteral Dosage Forms (U01)

  Notice seeking applications to evaluate current in vitro release methods for complex parenteral dosage forms and analyze their capability of detecting formulation differences, predicting in-vivo performance, as well as their method robustness. Applications are due May 24, 2013. Approximately $500,000 is available to support one award.


- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Food and Drug Administration:** Peripheral and Central Nervous System Drugs Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

  Notice announcing an FDA public advisory committee meeting on FDA regulatory issues. The meeting will be held on May 22, 2013, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (ET) at the FDA White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 31, Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD.


- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Food and Drug Administration; Center of Drug Evaluation and Research/Office of Generic Drugs:** Development of Bio-relevant In-vitro Assay to Determine Labile Iron in the Parenteral Iron Complex Product (U01)

  Notice seeking applications that evaluate various in-vitro methods of determining labile iron in the parenteral iron complex formulations and develop a bio-relevant in-vitro method to predict the amount of NTBI in vivo. Such a predictive in-vitro method will allow for linkage of FDA's equivalence standards to in vivo performance. Applications are due May 24, 2013. Approximately up to $500,000 is available to support one award. Program expires June 1, 2013.


- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Cancer Institute:** The Role of Microbial Metabolites in Cancer Prevention and Etiology (U01)

  Notice seeking applications that encourage preclinical and clinical research that describe the effect of microbially generated metabolites in cancer prevention/ progression and the molecular mechanisms underlying these effects: proliferative/apoptotic responses, cytokine production, inflammatory and immunomodulatory effects locally and/or distant. Letters of intent are optional and due annually on October 14, 2013 and October 14, 2014. Applications are due annually on November 14, 2013 and November 14, 2014. Application budgets are not limited, but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. The project will be funded for five years.


- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Human Genome Research Institute:** Genomic Medicine Pilot Demonstration Projects (U01)

  Notice seeking applications to support a consortium of collaborative genomic medicine pilot Demonstration Projects designed to demonstrate the feasibility of, and develop methods for, incorporating an individual patient's genomic findings into his or her clinical care. Letters of intent are requested and due June 17, 2013. Applications are due July 17, 2013. Approximately $3 million per year is available to support three to four awards.


- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases:** Indo-U.S. Vaccine Action Program (VAP) Small Research Grant Program (R03)

  Notice seeking applications to conduct vaccine-related research through U.S.-Indo collaborations on the following: dengue, influenza (including avian influenza), malaria, enteric diseases, HIV/AIDS, and tuberculosis. Basic, translational, clinical, or epidemiological vaccine research may be proposed. R03 applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually.


- **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research:** NIDCR Small Research Grants for Secondary Analysis of FaceBase Data (R03)

  Notice seeking applications that conduct secondary data analyses of these FaceBase datasets relevant to craniofacial development, human craniofacial conditions or traits, and animal models of those craniofacial conditions. R03 applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually.

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of General Medicine: Undiagnosed Diseases Gene Function Research (R21)

Notice seeking applications that propose to investigate the underlying genetics, biochemistry and/or pathophysiology of newly diagnosed diseases in association with the respective gene variant(s) identified through the UDN. Letters of intent are optional and due on May 14, 2013. Applications are due June 14, 2013. Program expires June 15, 2013. Approximately $650,000 is available to support three to five awards in FY 14.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute of Nursing Research and National Cancer Institute: Innovative Research Methods: Prevention and Management of Symptoms in Chronic Illness

Notice seeking applications to update the randomized control trial (RCT) design using novel research methods that are practical, innovative, and hold promise for producing more effective outcomes. Research of interest includes but is not limited to work that seeks to: Develop and test optimal interventions using innovative methodological designs that address the challenge of varied treatment responses across patients; Identify the comparative effectiveness of interventions that have been designed and tested using different methodological designs; Conceptualize new methods and/or improve upon current methods (i.e., EHR enabled research) for developing and testing optimal interventions. R01 Applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually. R21 Applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually. R15 Applications are due February 25, June 25, and October 25 annually. Program expires May 8, 2016.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; National Institutes of Health; National Institute on Aging: Secondary Analyses of Existing Data Sets and Stored Biospecimens to Address Clinical Aging Research Questions (R01)

Notice seeking applications employing secondary analysis of existing data sets or stored biospecimens, to address clinically-related issues on aging changes influencing health across the life span, and/or on diseases and disabilities in older persons. Activities addressing specific hypotheses in clinical aging research and/or to inform the design and implementation of future epidemiologic or human intervention studies, or current geriatric practice in maintenance of health, management of disease, and prevention of disability are supported. Existing data sets may also be used to develop and test new statistical analytical approaches. R01 Applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually. Program expires May 8, 2016.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Office of Preparedness and Emergency Operations: Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response Grants to Support Scientific Research Related to Recovery from Hurricane Sandy

Notice seeking applications to address issues affecting Hurricane Sandy victim in research areas of resiliency, decision making, the health system response, adverse health outcomes (including behavioral health), communications, and the use of social media. Letters of intent are strongly encouraged and are due April 22, 2013. Applications are due May 20, 2013. Approximately $7.6 million is available to support 10 to 15 awards over two years. Although eligible applicants are not required to be located in the Hurricane Sandy affected areas, it is expected that applicants will work periodically in those locations as needed, and have existing local collaborations in those areas.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health; Office of Population Affairs: FY13 Announcement of Anticipated Availability of Funds for Family Planning Services Grants (Republic of Palau)

Notice seeking applications from public and private nonprofit entities to establish and operate voluntary family planning services projects. These projects will provide family planning services to all who request them, with priority given to people from low-income families. Applications are due May 3, 2013. Approximately $94 million is available to support 27 awards, with a project period of up to three years. Only public and private nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply. Partnership opportunities may exist.


• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; U.S. Food and Drug Administration: Bioequivalence of Generic Bupropion (U01)

Notice seeking applications to (1) demonstrate bioequivalence between generic and brand name bupropion HCl modified release products with different release patterns at steady state in patients, and (2) evaluate whether patients can perceive the difference in release pattern and experience lack of efficacy or increased adverse events after they are switched between each treatment. Applications are due May 31, 2013. Approximately up to $800,000 is available to support one award.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration: ROSES 2013: Astrobiology: Exobiology and Evolutionary Biology**

Notice seeking proposals to understand the origin, evolution, distribution, and future of life in the Universe. Research is centered on the origin and early evolution of life, the potential of life to adapt to different environments, and the implications for life elsewhere. Notices of intent are due April 19, 2013. Proposals are due June 14, 2013. Approximately $3.5 million is available to support 25 awards.


• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration: ROSES 2013: Near Earth Object Observations**

Notice seeking proposals whose primary objective is to complete the inventory of the population of Near Earth Objects (NEOs) with sizes greater than 100 meters. Notices of intent are due April 12, 2013. Proposals are due June 7, 2013. Approximately $5 million is available to support eight to ten awards.


• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration: ROSES 2013: Laboratory Analysis of Returned Samples**

Notice seeking proposals to maximize the scientific return from the samples provided by missions such as Genesis, Stardust, and Hayabusa (see further below) through development of laboratory instrumentation and advanced analytical techniques required for the complete analyses of the samples they return. Notices of intent are due April 12, 2013. Proposals are due June 7, 2013. Approximately $3.2 million is available to support 20 to 30 awards.


• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration: Smallsat Technology Partnerships**

Notice seeking proposals for cooperative agreements to United States colleges and universities to develop and/or demonstrate new technologies and capabilities for small spacecraft in collaboration with NASA. Projects may be technology development or development of spacecraft or payloads for suborbital, balloon or orbital space flights. Notices of intent are strongly encouraged and due May 1, 2013. Proposals are due June 5, 2013. Approximately $1.5 million is available to support up to ten awards. LIMITED SUBMISSION: A college or university shall not submit more than two proposals in response to this notice as a proposing institution or partner.


• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration: Space Technology Research Opportunities - Early Stage Innovations**

Notice seeking proposals to accelerate the development of groundbreaking, high-risk/high-payoff space technologies, not necessarily directed at a specific mission, to support the future space science and exploration needs of NASA, other government agencies, and the commercial space sector. Notices of intent are encouraged and due April 29, 2013. Proposals are due May 21, 2013. Approximately $250,000 per year is available for each award.


• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration: ROSES 2013: Rapid Response and Novel Research in Earth Science**

Notice seeking proposals that advance the goals and objectives of NASA's Earth Science Division by conducting unique research to investigate 1) unforeseen or unpredictable Earth system events and opportunities that require rapid response, and 2) novel new ideas of potential high merit and relevance for ESD science that have not otherwise been solicited by NASA in the past three years. Proposals may be submitted at any time until midnight on March 31, 2014.


• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration: ROSES 2013: Topical Workshops, Symposia, and Conferences**

Notice seeking proposals for topical workshops, symposia, and other scientific/technical meetings (herein referred to as ?events?) that advance the goals and objectives of only the following SMD Divisions: Earth Science and Planetary Science. Proposals are accepted until March 31, 2014. Most awards from this program element are expected to be one year in duration.

**National Aeronautics and Space Administration: ROSES 2013: NASA Energy and Water Cycle Study**

Notice seeking proposals to integrate Earth Science Research Program components to make decisive progress toward the NEWS challenge. To achieve this objective, the NEWS investigations will integrate and interpret past, current, and future space based and in situ observations into assimilation and prediction products and models that are global in scope. Proposals are due June 3, 2013. Approximately $1.5 million is available to support 10 to 12 awards.


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**National Aeronautics and Space Administration: ROSES 2013: Planetary Astronomy**

Notice seeking proposals supports science investigations and technology development utilizing payloads flown on sounding rockets, balloons, or reusable suborbital vehicles. Notices of intent are due April 12, 2013. Proposals are due June 7, 2013. Approximately $1 million is available to support 6 to 10 awards.


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**National Aeronautics and Space Administration: Centennial Challenges: 2014 Night Rover Challenge**

Notice announcing prize competitions to stimulate innovation in technologies of interest and value to NASA and the nation. The 2014 Night Rover Challenge is a prize competition designed to encourage development of new energy storage technologies or application of existing storage technologies in unique ways for application in extreme space environments. Competitors will need to demonstrate high energy density storage systems that would enable a rover to operate throughout lunar darkness cycles. The 2014 Night Rover Challenge will be held January 20-April 4, 2014. Interested teams must register at http://nightrover.org.

**Links:** Federal Register notice https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/04/02/2013-07552/centennial-challenges-2014-night-rover-challenge#th-10

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**National Aeronautics and Space Administration: NASA Advisory Council; Science Committee; Astrophysics Subcommittee; Meeting**

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Astrophysics Subcommittee of the NASA Advisory Council (NAC) to solicit from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (ET), and Wednesday, April 17, 2013, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (ET) at the Holiday Inn Capitol, 550 C Street SW., Discovery II Room, Washington, D.C. 20024, and NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW., Room 6H45, Washington, D.C., respectively.


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**National Aeronautics and Space Administration: NASA Advisory Council; Meeting**

Notice announcing a public meeting to solicit from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The meeting will be held on Monday, April 15, 2013, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (ET) at NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW., Room 6H45, Washington, D.C. This meeting is also available telephonically and by WebEx. Dial the toll free access number 866-753-1451 or toll access number 1-203-875-1553, and enter the numeric participant passcode: 6957984 followed by the pound sign. To join via WebEx, the link is https://nasa.webex.com/, meeting number 999 465 732, and password: AprINAC@2013.


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**National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): NASA Advisory Council; Science Committee; Meeting**

Notice announcing a public meeting to solicit from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2013, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (ET), and Friday, April 19, 2013, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (ET) at NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW., Room 6H45, Washington, D.C.


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**National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): NASA Advisory Council; Science Committee; Heliophysics Subcommittee; Meeting**

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Heliophysics Subcommittee for the purpose of soliciting, from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The meeting will be held on Monday, April 15, 2013, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (ET), and Tuesday, April 16, 2013, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (ET) at NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW., Room 3H46-A, Washington, D.C.

• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): NASA Advisory Council; Human Exploration and Operations Committee; Meeting Notice announcing a public meeting of the Human Exploration and Operations Committee for the purpose of soliciting, from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2013, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (ET), and 1:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (ET) at NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW., Room 9H40, Program Review Center (PRC), Washington, D.C.


• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): NASA Advisory Council; Technology and Innovation Committee; Meeting Notice announcing a public meeting of the NASA Technology and Innovation Committee to review status of the Space Technology Mission Directorate programs; status of activities within the Office of the Chief Technologist with an emphasis on the discussing the Agency's basic research and engineering sciences efforts; update on the Solar Sail project; status of the NASA Robotics Technologies project and NASA's work with the National Robotics Initiative; and an annual ethics briefing. The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2013, 8:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. (ET) at NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW., Room 6Z43, Washington, D.C.


• National Science Foundation; Directorate for Geosciences; Division of Earth Sciences: EAR Postdoctoral Fellowships Notice seeking proposals to support 2-year postdoctoral fellowships to provide opportunities for scientists early in their careers to obtain training beyond their graduate education. The postdoctoral fellowship program is intended to recognize beginning investigators of significant potential, and provide with them experience that will establish them in positions of leadership in the scientific community. A research plan whose focus falls within the scope of any of the EAR disciplines is eligible for support. EAR focuses on improving understanding of the Earth's structure, evolution, and the interaction with the Earth's biosphere, atmosphere, and hydrosphere. EAR research disciplines include: EarthScope, Geobiology and Low Temperature Geochemistry, Geomorphology and Land Use Dynamics, Geophysics, Hydrologic Sciences, Petrology and Geochemistry, Sedimentary Geology and Paleobiology, and Tectonics. Proposals are due July 18, 2013 and July 18, annually thereafter. Approximately $87,000 per year per fellowship is available to support 10 awards. Proposals must be submitted by individuals. NSF postdoctoral fellowships are awards to individuals not to institutions. However, the individuals must affiliate with an institution. Applicants must either currently be a graduate student or, at the deadline date, have served in a position requiring the doctoral degree for no more than 18 full-time-equivalent months since earning the degree. If more than18 months have elapsed between conferral of the doctoral degree and the deadline date, the candidate must include specific language in their Biographical Sketch affirming that they meet this eligibility requirement.


• National Science Foundation; Office of Integrative Activities; Office of Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research: EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Program Track 1: (RII Track 1) Notice seeking proposals to promote scientific progress nationwide - specifically at those jurisdictions that have historically received lesser amounts of NSF Research and Development (R&D) funding. Twenty-eight jurisdictions, including twenty-five states (Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wyoming), the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Territories of Guam and the U. S. Virgin Islands are currently eligible to participate in the RII program. Through this program, NSF establishes partnerships with government, higher education, and industry that are designed to effect sustainable improvements in a jurisdiction's research infrastructure, R&D capacity, and, hence, its national R&D competitiveness. Funding is provided to physical, human, and cyber infrastructure improvements in research areas selected by the jurisdiction's EPSCoR steering committee as having the best potential to improve future R&D competitiveness of the jurisdiction. Proposals are due August 6, 2013. Approximately $32 million is available to support eight awards in FY 2014. Only jurisdictions that meet the EPSCoR eligibility criteria may submit proposals. Eligibility is based on these two primary considerations: A jurisdiction's demonstrated commitment to develop its research foundation and to improve the quality of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) research conducted at its universities and colleges; and a jurisdiction's most recent three-year history of research funds awarded by NSF relative to the Foundation's total research budget for that same period. LIMITED SUBMISSION: Only one application per institution.


• U.S. Department of Agriculture; National Institute of Food and Agriculture: Regional Integrated Pest Management Competitive Grants Program Notice seeking applications for projects that develop individual pest control tactics, integrate individual tactics into an IPM system, and develop and implement extension and education programs. The program is administered by the land-grant university system's four regional IPM Centers (North Central, Northeastern, Southern, Western) in partnership with NIFA. Eligibility is limited to land-grant institutions, schools and colleges of veterinary medicine and colleges and universities receiving funds under the Act of October 10, 1962. Applications are due May 16, 2013.

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Notice seeking comments on the draft U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS) vision statement. The Committee and U.S. IOOS stakeholders will use the "IOOS Vision" to provide clear, consistent messaging to public sectors on the mission and value of U.S. IOOS. The draft "IOOS Vision" is available at http://www.ioos.noaa.gov/advisorycommittee. Comments must be submitted by May 3, 2013 to iios.advisorycommittee@noaa.gov.


- **U.S. Department of Commerce; U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:** Changes to Representation of Others Before the United States Patent and Trademark Office; Final Rule

Notice announcing that USPTO is adopting the new USPTO Rules of Professional Conduct which are based on the American Bar Association's (ABA) Model Rules of Professional Conduct. USPTO has also revised the existing procedural rules governing disciplinary investigations and proceedings. The new rules take effect May 3, 2013.


Notice seeking proposals in the area of probabilistic programming languages and accompanying tools to facilitate the construction of new machine learning applications across a wide range of domains. Proposed research should investigate innovative approaches that enable revolutionary advances in science, devices, or systems. Proposals are due May 16, 2013. Multiple awards are anticipated for each Technical Area except for TA1. Eligibility is unrestricted.


- **U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Army:** Research and Development for Cargo Pocket (CP) Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR) System Enabling Technologies

Notice seeking concept papers from industry and academia for enabling technologies that support the development of a mobile soldier sensor. The overall capabilities of the cargo pocket sized soldier sensor should support both indoor and outdoor intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) missions. Concept papers are due April 26, 2013.

Links: Solicitation https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=606049d4eb5d98e1f57c165b5337b0eb&tab=core&_cview=0

- **U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Navy, Naval Supply Systems Command, Naval Postgraduate School:** The Project on Advanced Systems and Concepts for Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction (PASCC) at the Naval Postgraduate School

Notice seeking innovative proposals for research on weapons of mass destruction and weapons of mass effect (WMD/WME) counter proliferation, nonproliferation, and strategy to be conducted mainly during the January 2014 through September 2015 timeframe. The phrase "security studies research" refers to research in all disciplines, fields, and domains that (1) are involved in expanding knowledge for national defense, and (2) could potentially improve policy and international relations for combating WMD. Disciplines include, but are not limited to: Political science, sociology, history, biology, chemistry, economics, homeland defense, and public policy. Proposals are due July 1, 2013. Approximately $6 million per year is available in support.


- **U.S. Department of Defense; U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command:** New and Innovative Ideas for Air, Space, and Missile Defense Technology

Notice seeking basic and applied research proposals for new ideas for advanced and innovative concepts as well as prototype hardware and software for current and emerging air, space and missile defense science and technologies. Applications are due by April 4, 2014. Engineering and technical services proposals are not appropriate.

Links: Solicitation https://acquisition.army.mil/asfi/synopsis_attach_viewer.cfm?psolicitationnbr=W9113M-09-0001-2013&pssequir=37528&pnout_type=COMBINE, FBO notice https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=d689e98b67989fc58cac7661f1b0e93e7&tab=core&_cview=0

- **U.S. Department of Energy; Office of Science; Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research:** Uncertainty Quantification Methodologies for Enabling Extreme-Scale Science

Notice seeking pre-applications for ASCR Applied Mathematics basic research that significantly advances uncertainty quantification (UQ) methodologies as an enabling technology in extreme-scale scientific computing. UQ broadly refers to the end-to-end study of the accuracy, reliability, development and effective use of computational models in making scientific inferences. Pre-applications are required and due April 24, 2013. Applications are due May 24, 2013. Approximately up to $5 million is available to support four to nine awards. Each institution that participates in a funded project receives a separate award. OASCR expects between five and 25 institutional awards of $150,000 to $1.4 million per year.

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• **U.S. Department of Homeland Security; Domestic Nuclear Detection Office**: Human Portable Tripwire

  Notice seeking information on human-portable spectroscopic radiological/nuclear detection and identification systems in support of the government's Human Portable Tripwire (HPT) Commercial Off-the-Shelf (COTS) program. Responses are due April 9, 2013.

  **Links**: Solicitation [https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=e6c3127e3ac5a3e1cf98439e9b5d8c07&tab=core&_cview=0](https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=e6c3127e3ac5a3e1cf98439e9b5d8c07&tab=core&_cview=0)

• **U.S. Department of the Interior; Fish and Wildlife Service; Division of Bird Habitat Conservation**: NAWCA Mexican Standard Grants

  Notice seeking proposals for protecting, improving, restoring, and managing an appropriate distribution and diversity of wetland ecosystems and other habitats for wetlands-associated migratory birds and other fish and wildlife in North America; maintaining and improving the current distributions of wetlands-associated migratory bird populations; and maintaining an abundance of waterfowl. Proposals are due June 7, 2013. Approximately $125,000 may be available to support projects taking place in Mexico. One to one matching funds are required.


• **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**: FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel; Notice of Public Meeting

  Notice announcing meeting of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act Scientific Advisory Panel (FIFRA SAP) to consider and review proposed Endocrine Disruptor Screening Program (EDSP) Tier 2 Ecotoxicity Tests. The meeting will be held on June 25-28, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. at the EPA, Conference Center, Lobby Level, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 South Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 22202. The EPA encourages that written comments be submitted by June 11, 2013 and requests for oral comments be submitted by June 18, 2013. Nominations of candidates to serve as ad hoc members of FIFRA SAP for this meeting should be provided on or before April 16, 2013.