ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

• National Endowment for the Arts (NEA); Office of Research & Analysis: Research: Art Works

Notice seeking applications for grant awards to support research that investigates the value and/or impact of the arts, either as individual components within the U.S. arts ecology, or as they interact with each other and/or with other domains of American life. Applications are due by November 5, 2013. NEA anticipates up to 25 awards ranging between $10,000 and $30,000. All awards require a non-federal match of one to one.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Labor (DOL); Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB): Morocco: Increasing Gender Equality in Work

Notice seeking proposals for technical assistance projects in Morocco to increase gender equality at work through support to relevant civil society and non-governmental organizations and efforts to empower women with respect to their labor rights. Proposals are due October 4, 2013. Approximately $1 million is available in support of one or more awards.

Links: Agency website, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL); Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB); Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor and Human Trafficking (OCFT): Project to Reduce Child Labor in Burma

Notice seeking proposals for technical assistance projects to promote efforts in Burma to reduce child labor. Proposals are due October 4, 2013. Approximately $5 million is available to support one or more awards, with duration of four years.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of State (DoS); U.S. Embassy Baghdad, Iraq; Public Affairs Section: Professional Development Training for English Language Educators in Kirkuk

Notice seeking proposals to develop and implement a year-long English language and methodology training program for English language educators (primary, secondary and post-secondary levels) in the Kirkuk province. Proposals are due by September 3, 2013. Approximately $100,000 is available for one award for a project lasting up to one year. Applicants must have demonstrated experience administering education and training programs and have the capacity to operate in Iraq or have or develop partnerships with organization(s) operating in Iraq.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of State; U.S. Mission to Iraq: American Corners in Iraq

Notices seeking applications to provide day-to-day logistical field-support for 9 existing American Corners in Iraq under the strategic oversight and direction of the Embassy Public Affairs Section (PAS). These American Corners are fully operational and located in the following cities: Baghdad, Erbil, Sulaymaniyah, Tikrit, Maysan, Basrah, Najaf, Mosul and Dohuk. Applications are due September 2, 2013. Approximately $350,000 is available in support. Colleges and universities with demonstrated experience administering education and/or information outreach programming.

Links: Grants.gov

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA): 1994 Land-Grant Research Leadership Development Initiative

Notice seeking proposals for a 1994 Land-Grant Institution(s) to design and implement a research capacity building initiative in partnership with an 1862 or 1890 Land-Grant Institution, and in cooperation with USDA. Applications are due by September 16, 2013. Approximately $125,000 is available to support one project lasting up to two years. Eligibility is limited to 1994 Land-Grant Institutions, but opportunities exist for collaborations with 1862 or 1890 Land-Grant Institutions.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBCS): Notice of Funds Availability for the Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program for Fiscal Year 2013

Notice seeking applications from Microenterprise Development Organizations (MDO) for grants and loans to provide support to rural microentrepreneurs. Applications are accepted each federal fiscal quarter with exception of the June 30, 2013 deadline which is extended to September 13, 2013 for FY 13 funds. Approximately $300,000 is available for Technical Assistance (TA) Grants, $1.2 million for Microlender TA Grants, and $10.7 million for loans. Eligibility is limited to MDOs, but opportunities exist for collaborations with colleges and universities.

Links: Federal Register
• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); Rural Housing Service (RHS): Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI)

Notice seeking applications from intermediary organizations that will provide financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop their capacity and ability to undertake projects related to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development. Applications are due by November 12, 2013. Applicants must provide matching funds equal to grant. Approximately $5.7 million is available in FY 14 for grants of $50,000 to $300,000. A map of eligible rural areas can be found.

Links: Grants.gov, Federal Register

• U.S. Department of Commerce (DoC); National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA); Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR): Climate Program Office FY 2014

Notice seeking applications for funding to conduct research in four high-priority areas: Climate Observations and Monitoring; Earth System Science; Modeling, Analysis, Predictions, and Projections; and Climate and Societal Interactions. Letters of intent are requested by September 10, 2013. Applications are due by November 14, 2013. Approximately $11 million is available for up to 100 awards to support projects lasting up to three years depending on project type.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Commerce; Bureau of the Census: Census Scientific Advisory Committee

Notice of public meeting to address policy, research, and technical issues relating to a full range of Census Bureau programs and activities, including communications, decennial, demographic, economic, field operations, geographic, information technology, and statistics. The public meeting will be held on September 19, 2013 from 8:45 a.m. to 4:35 p.m. (ET), and September 20, 2013 from 8:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. (ET) at the U.S. Census Bureau Conference Center, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, Maryland.

Links: Federal register

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK): Understanding Barriers and Facilitators to Type 1 Diabetes Management in Adults (DP3)

Notice seeking applications for research that will identify barriers and facilitators to good diabetes self management in adults with type 1 diabetes. The results from this research should inform future intervention research in adults with type 1 diabetes. Letters of intent are requested and due January 19, 2014. Applications are due February 19, 2014. Approximately $5 million is available to support one to two awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ): Scientific Information Request on Imaging Techniques for the Surveillance, Diagnosis, and Staging of Hepatocellular Carcinoma

Notice seeking scientific information submissions on imaging techniques for the surveillance, diagnosis, and staging of hepatocellular carcinoma which will inform a review of Imaging Techniques for the Surveillance, Diagnosis, and Staging of Hepatocellular Carcinoma, which is currently being conducted by the Evidence-based Practice Centers for the AHRQ Effective Health Care Program. Information may be submitted at to the contact by September 13, 2013. Further information on this collection can be found.

Links: Federal Register

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response: Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Control (CMC) and Clinical Trial Technical Support for Influenza Vaccine Manufacturers in Under-Resourced Nations

Notice seeking applications to facilitate sustainable production of quality influenza vaccine in under-resourced nations to mitigate the overall global shortage of influenza vaccines and to ensure adequate manufacturing capacity of influenza vaccines in event of an influenza pandemic. Letters of intent are optional and due August 23, 2013. Applications are due September 9, 2013. Approximately $4.25 million is available to support up to four awards.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Food and Drug Administration (FDA): Gastroenterology Regulatory Endpoints and the Advancement of Therapeutics; Public Workshop

Notice announcing a public workshop to provide a forum to consider issues related to endpoints that can support drug development for pediatric and adult inflammatory bowel diseases. The workshop is scheduled for October 21 and 22, 2013, from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, ET, at the National Institutes of Health, 31 Center Dr., Natcher Conference Center, Building 45, Bethesda, MD. Registration is required before October 1, 2013.

Links: Federal Register
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA): Public Education Efforts to Increase Solid Organ Donation

Notice seeking to promote broader implementation and evaluation of interventions that increase public commitment to solid organ donation. Successful projects will support public education and outreach strategies to: (a) increase the number of individuals who make a commitment to become a deceased organ donor or (b) increase knowledge among parents/guardians, and minors if age appropriate, about the need for transplantation and organ donation among minors, and willingness of parents/legal guardians to authorize organ donation for a minor child in the event of death. Types of projects: Category 1: Replication of Empirically Validated Interventions and Category 2: Combined Community Outreach Interventions. Applications are due December 3, 2013. Approximately $1 million is available to support four awards. Applicants are encouraged to work as a team consisting of the following two types of organizations: 1) at least one organization/institution currently involved with demonstrated expertise in community education and outreach strategies to encourage public commitment to organ donation; and 2) at least one organization/institution with demonstrated expertise and experience in evaluation design and methods in the behavioral and social sciences.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA); Advisory Committee on Organ Transplantation (ACOT): Advisory Committee on Organ Transplantation; Request for Nominations for Voting Members

Notice seeking nominations to fill vacancies on the Advisory Committee on Organ Transplantation. Nominations are due September 12, 2013.

Links: Federal Register

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA); Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines: Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines. The agenda will include updates from the Division of Vaccine Injury Compensation, Department of Justice, National Vaccine Program Office, and Immunization Safety Office. The meeting will be held on September 5, 2013 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm ET, via audio conference call and Adobe Connect Pro. See Federal Register notice for login information. Individuals interested in presenting to the committee should notify the contact.

Links: Federal Register

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Indian Health Service (IHS); Office of Direct Service and Contracting Tribes (ODSCT); National Indian Health Outreach and Education (NIHOE): National Indian Health Outreach and Education II

Notice seeking applications for two limited competition cooperative agreements under the National Indian Health Outreach and Education program: The Behavioral Health - Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Intervention (MSPI) outreach and education award and the Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) outreach and education award. Applications are due by September 8, 2013. Approximately $150,000 is available for the Behavioral Health - MSPI award and $100,000 for the HIV/AIDS award to support projects lasting up to one year. Eligibility is limited to national Indian health care organizations with at least 10 years of experience providing education and outreach on a national scale, but opportunities exist for collaborations with colleges and universities.

Links: Grants.gov, Federal Register

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institute of Health (NIH); National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) and National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK): Health Promotion Among Racial and Ethnic Minority Males

Notice seeking applications that propose to stimulate and expand research in the health of minority men. R01 applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually. R21 applications are due February 16, June 16, and October 16 annually.

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

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute on Aging (NIA): NIA Revision and Resubmission Program Project Applications (P01)

Notice invites revision applications to ongoing NIA-supported program project (P01) awards and resubmissions of unfunded program project applications (including unfunded revision requests). The applications should address scientific areas relevant to the NIA mission. Revision applications should include expansion of (an) existing, or proposal of (a) new project or projects within a program project. Revision applications may not request support beyond the end date of the parent P01 award. Applications are due September 7, 2013.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Multiple Institutes: Rare Diseases Clinical Research Consortia (RDCRC) for Rare Diseases Clinical Research Network (U54)

Notice seeking applications for clinical research in rare diseases through the following four items: collaborative clinical research, including longitudinal studies of individuals with rare diseases, clinical studies and/or clinical trials; training of clinical investigators in rare diseases research; pilot/demonstration (proof of concepts) clinical research projects; and access to information related to rare diseases for basic and clinical researchers, academic and practicing physicians, patients, and the lay public. Letters of intent are requested and due October 7, 2013. Applications are due November 7, 2013. Approximately $17.5 million is available to support up to 14 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Eye Institute (NEI) and National Institute on Aging (NIA): Audacious Goals Initiative High Priority Research Area: Intersection of Aging and Biological Mechanisms of Eye Disease (R01)

Notice seeking applications for new, innovative projects directed to exploring the intersection of aging and biological mechanisms of eye disease. Applications may propose design-directed, developmental, discovery-driven, or hypothesis-driven research. It is appropriate to propose small, multidisciplinary teams applying an integrative approach to solve these problems. Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5. Program expires January 8, 2017. Application budgets are not limited, but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) and National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS): Onsite Tools and Technologies for Heart, Lung, and Blood Clinical Research Point-of-Care STTR (R41/R42)

Notice seeking applications to support research using advanced technologies to develop novel point-of-care devices and implement existing technologies in clinical settings with a goal to guide diagnostic and therapeutic efforts for the heart, lung, blood and sleep disorders. Applications are due annually on October 15. Program expires October 16, 2016. Approximately $675,000 is available in FY ’14 to support three NHLBI Phase I awards, and approximately $150,000 for one NCATS Phase I award: In FY’15, approximately $1.5 million is available for two NHLBI Phase I awards, one NHLBI Phase II award, and $500,000 for one NCATS Phase II award. In FY’16, approximately $2 million is available for one NHLBI Phase II award and $500,000 for one NCATS Phase II award. In FY’17, approximately $750,000 is available from NHLBI. Phase I cannot exceed one year and Phase II cannot exceed two years. Colleges and universities are eligible to serve as partners.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) and National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS): Onsite Tools and Technologies for Heart, Lung, and Blood Clinical Research Point-of-Care SBIR (R43/R44)

Notice seeking applications to support research using advanced technologies to develop novel point-of-care devices and implement existing technologies in clinical settings with a goal to guide diagnostic and therapeutic efforts for the heart, lung, blood and sleep disorders. Letters of intent are optional and due annually on September 15, and March 16 through September 15, 2015. Applications are due annually on October 15 and April 16. Program expires October 16, 2015. In FY’14, approximately $1.3 million is available from NHLBI in FY ’14 for six Phase I awards, and approximately $150,000 is available from NCATS for one Phase I award. In FY’15, approximately $2.8 million is available from NHLBI for six Phase I and two Phase II awards, and approximately $500,000 is available from NCATS for one Phase I award. In FY’16, approximately $3 million is available from NHLBI for two Phase II awards, and approximately $500,000 is available from NCATS. In FY’17, approximately $2.2 million is available from NHLBI for one Phase II award. In FY’18, approximately $750,000 is available from NHLBI. Colleges and universities are eligible to serve as partners.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK): Improving Diabetes Management in Young Children with Type 1 Diabetes (DP3)

Notice seeking applications for research to develop, refine, and pilot test innovative strategies to improve diabetes management in young children with type 1 diabetes (5 years old and under). At the end of the funding period, there should be a well-developed and well-characterized intervention that has been demonstrated to be safe, feasible to implement, acceptable in the target population, and, if promising, ready to be tested in a larger efficacy trial. Letters of intent are requested and due January 19, 2014. Applications are due February 19, 2014. Approximately $8 million is available to support three to four awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS): Bridges to Baccalaureate Program (R25)

Notice seeking applications that propose research education programs intended to enhance the pool of community college students who are nationally underrepresented in biomedical and behavioral sciences. Applications are due by October 18, 2013, September 25, 2014, and September 25, 2015. Program expires September 26, 2015. Awards of up to $300,000 are available in support of projects lasting up to five years.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); NIH Office of the NIH Director; Office of Strategic Coordination: NIH Director’s Early Independence Awards (DP5)

Notice seeking applications for awards to support exceptional investigators who wish to pursue independent research directly after completion of their terminal doctoral/research degree or clinical residency, thereby forgoing the traditional post-doctoral training period and accelerating their entry into an independent research career. Letters of intent are requested by December 31, 2013. Applications are due by January 31, 2014. Approximately $4 million is available for up to 10 awards to support projects lasting up to five years.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Office of the Secretary; Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health: Meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS (PACHA) to discuss the Ryan White Program. More information can be found at www.aids.gov/pacha. The meeting will be held September 18 and 19, 2013 from 9:00 am 5:30 pm, ET, at U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC. To attend, register with the contact by September 11, 2013.

Links: Federal Register

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA); Medical Devices Advisory Committee; Circulatory System Devices Panel: Circulatory System Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Circulatory System Devices Panel to discuss and make recommendations regarding the proposed classification of external cardiac compressor devices, external pacemaker pulse generators, and membrane lung for long-term pulmonary support systems. The meeting will be held on September 11 and 12, 2013, from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, ET, at Hilton Washington DC North/Gaithersburg, Montgomery Room, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD. Individuals interested in presenting to the committee should notify the contact by August 20, 2013.

Links: Federal Register

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

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Pediatric Advisory Committee. The agenda includes discussion of pediatric-focused safety reviews and a report of the Pediatric Ethics Subcommittee of the PAC concerning their discussion of the ethical issues involved in the development of pediatric medical countermeasures. The meeting will be held on September 19, 2013, from 10:00 am to 5:30 pm, ET, and September 20, 2013, from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, at Doubletree Hilton Hotel, 8727 Colesville Road, Silver Spring, MD. Individuals interested in presenting to the committee should notify the contact by August 22, 2013.

Links: Federal Register

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): Lessons Learned From Recent Planetary Science Division


Links: FBO notice

• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): NASA International Space Station Advisory Committee

Notice announcing a public meeting of the International Space Station Advisory Committee to assess all aspects related to the safety and operational readiness of the International Space Station (ISS), and to assess the possibilities for using the ISS for future space exploration. The meeting will be held on September 3, 2013, 1:00-2:00 pm, ET, at NASA Headquarters, Glennan Conference Room, IQ39, 300 E Street SW, Washington, DC. U.S. citizens and permanent residents are required to notify the contact at least three working days prior to the meeting. Foreign nationals are must notify the contact within 10 days.

Links: Federal Register

• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); Langley Research Center; Office of Procurement: Request for Information for Spacecraft Two-Reaction Wheel Hybrid control Approaches

Notice seeking information on innovative approaches for spacecraft hybrid attitude control that employ mixed-actuator combinations of two reaction wheels and reaction control thrusters. Responses are due August 30, 2013.

Links: FBO notice
• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA); Science Committee; Astrophysics Subcommittee: NASA Advisory Council; Science Committee; Astrophysics Subcommittee

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Astrophysics Subcommittee. The agenda includes Nuclear Spectroscopic Telescopic Array Data Policy. The meeting will be held September 20, 2013, from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm, ET, telephonically and by WebEx. See Federal Register notice for login information.

Links: Federal Register

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

Notice announcing a public meeting of the Heliophysics Subcommittee. The agenda includes: Heliophysics Division Overview and Program Status; Flight Mission Status Report; Heliophysics Science Performance Assessment; Heliophysics Roadmap for Science and Technology 2013-2033 Status. The meeting will be held September 17 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, and September 18, 2013 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, ET, at NASA Headquarters, Rooms 6J42 and 1Q39, 300 E Street SW., Washington, DC, and will be available telephonically. Those interested in listening may call 800/857-7040, pass code HPS. U.S. citizens and permanent residents are required to notify the contact at least three working days prior to the meeting. Foreign nationals are must notify the contact within 10 days.

Links: Federal Register

• National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Education & Human Resources (EHR); Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings: Data-Intensive Research to Improve Teaching and Learning - An Ideas Lab to Foster Transformative Approaches to Teaching and Learning

Notice seeking proposals to foster novel, transformative, multidisciplinary approaches that address the use of large data sets to create actionable knowledge for improving STEM teaching and learning environments (formal and informal) in the medium term, and to revolutionize learning in the longer term. Preliminary Proposals are required and due August 19, 2013. Proposals are due December 9, 2013. Approximately $5 million is available to support 10 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Education and Human Resources (EHR); Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings: Data-Intensive Research to Improve Teaching and Learning - An Ideas Lab to Foster Transformative Approaches to Teaching and Learning

Notice seeking proposals for novel, transformative, multidisciplinary approaches that address the use of large data sets to create actionable knowledge for improving STEM teaching and learning environments in the medium term, and to revolutionize learning in the longer term. Preliminary proposals are due August 19, 2013, and are required for participation in the Ideas Lab workshop to be held October 7-11, 2013. Full proposals are due December 9, 2013; proposers do not need to have participated in the Ideas Lab. Approximately $5 million will be available in support of up to 10 awards.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Engineering (ENG): Biophotonics

Notice seeking proposals that applies photonics technology to the fields of medicine, biology and biotechnology. Proposals are due from September 27, 2013 - October 29, 2013. The average annual award size for the program is $100,000 for individual investigators and $200,000 for multiple investigators.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Engineering (ENG): Biotechnology, Biochemical, and Biomass Engineering

Notice seeking proposals that supports fundamental engineering research that advances the understanding of cellular and biomolecular processes (in vivo, in vitro, and/or ex vivo) and eventually leads to the development of enabling technology and/or applications in support of the biopharmaceutical, biotechnology, and bioenergy industries, or with applications in health or the environment. Proposals are due from September 27, 2013 - October 29, 2013. The average annual award size for the program is $100,000 for individual investigators and $200,000 for multiple investigators.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Engineering (ENG): Biomedical Engineering

Notice seeking proposals to provide opportunities to develop novel ideas into discovery-level and transformative projects that integrate engineering and life science principles in solving biomedical problems that serve humanity in the long-term. Proposals are from September 27, 2013 - October 29, 2013. The typical annual award size for the program is $100,000 for individual investigators or $200,000 for multiple investigators per year (including indirect cost).

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Notice seeking proposals that supports research that will lead to the development of new technologies, devices, or software for persons with disabilities. Proposals are due from September 27, 2013 - October 29, 2013. The average annual award size for the program is $80,000.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Notice seeking proposals for academe-industry partnership research, to collaborate in building technological and human innovation capacity, with a focus on platform technologies to enable ‘smart’ service systems. Letters of intent are required and due November 18, 2013. Full proposals are due January 27, 2013. Approximately $8 million is available to support 10 awards, with award duration of three years. Educational institutions are eligible to apply, but must have at least one industry partner. PIs are limited to one proposal. LIMITED SUBMISSION: Lead institutions are limited to two proposals

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Notice seeking proposals for innovative, transformative, and insightful fundamental investigations of original technologies with broad long-term impact. Areas of interest include: novel biorecognition elements; multifunctional nanomaterials and interfaces for biosensing applications; fundamental study of bio-macromolecules confinement and orientation at the micro- and nano-interfaces for biosensing applications. Applications are due between September 27 and October 29, 2013. The average annual size of this award is $100,000. Proposals outside of specific interest areas can be considered, but PIs should contact the program director prior to submission.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Notice seeking proposals for fundamental and applied multidisciplinary research on the catalysis of chemical reactions with products including molecules used for fuels, energy sources, feedstocks, fine chemicals, bulk chemicals and specialized materials. Heightened interest will be given to proposals relating to processes and catalysts for conversions of biomass to fuels and chemicals, for development of renewable energy sources and for transition to green or environmentally benign products and processes. Applications are due between January 15 and February 20, 2014. The average annual size of this award is $100,000. Proposals outside of specific interest areas can be considered, but PIs should contact the Program Director prior to submission.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Notice seeking proposals for research on chemical reactions; chemical and biochemical phenomena occurring at or near solid surfaces; chemical processes with engineering significance or commercial potential; design and optimization of complex chemical and biochemical processes; dynamic modeling and control of process systems and individual process units; reactive processing of polymers, ceramics, and thin films; and interactions between chemical reactions and transport processes. Proposals are due between January 15 and February 20, 2014. The average annual size of this award is $100,000. Proposals outside of specific interest areas can be considered, but PIs should contact the program director prior to submission.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Notice seeking proposals for fundamental research in engineering areas related to interfacial phenomena, mass transport phenomena, and molecular thermodynamics. Current emphasis is on molecular engineering approaches at interfaces, especially as applied to the nano-processing of soft materials. Molecules at interfaces with functional interfacial properties are of special interest and have uses in many new technologies, based on nano-fabrication. Proposals are due between September 27 and October 29, 2013. The average annual size of this award is $90,000. Proposals outside of specific interest areas can be considered, but PIs should contact the program director prior to submission.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Notice seeking proposals for projects that demonstrate how an operational Marine Biodiversity Observation Network could be developed for the nation by establishing one or more prototype networks in U.S. coastal waters, the Great Lakes, and the exclusive economic zone. Applications are due December 2, 2013. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to five awards.

Links: Grants.gov
• **U.S. Department of Commerce; International Trade Administration (ITA): Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee**

Notice announcing a meeting of the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee. The purpose is to provide the Secretary of Commerce with consensus advice from the private sector on the development and administration of programs and policies to enhance the international competitiveness of the U.S. renewable energy and energy efficiency industries. The meeting will be held September 10, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 4830, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

**Links:** [Federal Register](#)

• **U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); Department of the Air Force (DAF); Air Force Materiel Command: Engineered Surfaces and Materials for Drag Reduction Request for Information**

Notice seeking information on two items: durable and cost-effective engineered surfaces and coatings to enable drag reduction for the Air Force fleet; and possible formation of a consortium to bring together industry, academia and the government to develop standard protocol for the testing of engineered materials and to facilitate interactions with small business and non-traditional DoD contractors to provide materials and test articles for evaluation by the government and other industry partners. Responses are due September 13, 2013.

**Links:** [FBO notice](#)

• **U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); Department of the Army; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: Small Business Event - Industry Day for Army Geospatial Center**

Notice announcing Army Geospatial Center (AGC) onsite industry day outreach event on October 24, 2013. This event is open to contractors who can show they have geospatial capabilities that are in line with the missions of AGC, and is primarily focused on small businesses. Other stakeholders may attend, but are limited to no more than 30. Individuals wishing to attend should notify contact prior to the event.

**Links:** [FBO notice](#)

• **U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); Department of the Navy; Office of Naval Research (ONR): Fiscal Year 2014 Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Program (YIP)**

Notice seeking proposals for YIP, which seeks to identify and support academic scientists and engineers who are in their first or second full-time tenure-track or tenure-track-equivalent academic appointment and who show exceptional promise for doing creative research. Proposals are due January 3, 2014. Approximately $9.6 million is available to support 15 awards.

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

• **U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); Department of the Navy; Office of Naval Research (ONR): Host/Gut Microbiota Response to Stressors: Informing Resiliency**

Notice seeking proposals on research directed at understanding the effects of certain behavioral and physical stressors on the host/gut microbiota, with an emphasis on deducing the role the gut microbiota may play in mediating physiological, psychological and possibly cognitive effects of such exposures. White papers are due September 10, 2013. Approximately $400,000 is available per project, for a both individual and team awards.

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

• **U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); Office of Naval Research (ONR): Basic Research in Spatial Sensing Scene Characterization (also known as Imaging) 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 October 9, 2013. Full proposals are due December 11, 2013. Approximately $3 million is available to support up to three awards, with award duration of up to three years.

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

• **U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Navy; Office of Naval Research (ONR): Select Topics in Power Generation and Energy Storage**

Notice seeking proposals to address research and technology gaps in the area of energy storage safety and novel and improved power generation technologies in ONR's current program portfolio. White papers are strongly encouraged and due September 12, 2013. Proposals are due November 20, 2013.

**Links:** [FBO notice](#)
• **U.S. Department of Defense; Department of the Navy; Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command:** Energy System Technology Evaluation Program (ESTEP)

Notice seeking white papers to address issues related to new and emerging energy technology systems. White papers are due on August 14, 2014. The agency is not soliciting basic research, applied research, advanced research or exploratory development, but is seeking unique, innovative approaches that de-risk new energy technologies for acquisition and adoption into naval facilities.

Links: [FBO notice](#)

• **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); Office of Science:** SBIR/STTR FY 2014 Phase I Release I

Notice seeking proposals for SBIR/STTR funding. A list of topics for FY 2014 can be found. Letters of intent are required and due September 3, 2013. Approximately $30 million is available to support up to 150 awards. Educational institutions are eligible to cooperate with small businesses.

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

• **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):** Request for Nominations of Candidates to Serve on the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

Notice seeking nominations of candidates to serve on the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Environmental Health/Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry. Nominations are due by September 30, 2013. Nominees will be selected from experts having experience in preventing human diseases and disabilities caused by environmental conditions. Experts in the disciplines of toxicology, epidemiology, environmental or occupational medicine, behavioral science, risk assessment, exposure assessment, and experts in public health and other related disciplines will be considered. Members may be invited to serve up to four-year terms.

Links: [Federal register](#)

• **U.S. Department of Interior; Geological Survey:** National Land Remote Sensing Education Outreach and Research Activity (NLRSEORA)

Notice seeking applications to expand the science of remote sensing through education, outreach and research/applications development in areas such as environmental monitoring and phenology, public health related issues, natural resource management, land cover mapping, land use change and disaster analysis. Applications are due on September 12, 2013. Approximately $960,000 is available for one grant for one year with the total program not exceeding $5 million over a five year period.

Links: [Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA):** National Environmental Education Advisory Council

Notice announcing teleconferences of the National Environmental Education Advisory Council to discuss specific topics of relevance for consideration by the council in order to provide advice and insights to the Agency on environmental education. The public teleconferences will be held on Wednesday, August 28, 2013; Monday, September 23, 2013; Monday, October 23, 2013; and Monday, November 25, 2013, from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. (ET)

Links: [Federal register](#)