ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

Lifeline: Embattled CSOs Assistance Fund (FY15)

Department of State (State) , Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor (DRL)

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to enable and protect civil society by providing emergency assistance to civil society organizations (CSOs) under threat. Funds also support small advocacy grants for work on the freedoms of association and assembly. Funds support efforts to: identify, assess, and assist emergency needs of embattled CSOs across all regions and types of advocacy that have been threatened or attacked because of their work; provide support and short-term assistance to local CSOs for advocacy initiatives; and the establishment of a robust monitoring and evaluation system. Applicants must include at least three non-US partners. Applications are due by October 30, 2015. Approximately $1.98 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for Guatemala's Development Challenges

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Broad Agency Announcement seeks opportunities to co-create, co-design, co-invest, and collaborate in the research, development, piloting, testing, and scaling of innovative, practical and cost-effective interventions to address Guatemala's Development Challenges. Those Development Challenges may include opportunities to address the Regional HIV/AIDS Program managed in Guatemala. The open period for this BAA is two years from the date of issuance.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Governance and Civil Society in Syria

Department of State (State)

Notice seeking applications to strengthen the unity and legitimacy of inclusive, representative, moderate opposition elements and institutions in Syria's liberated territories by building their capacity to govern, serve and support their communities, promote security and stability, counter intolerance and extremism and serve as responsible advocates for their communities in future national-level political transition dialogues. Applications are due October 14, 2015. Approximately $42 million is available to support up to three awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Supporting Participatory Governance in the Western Sahara

Department of State (State) , Bureau of Near East Affairs; Middle East Partnership Initiative (MEPI)

Notice seeking applications for activities in the Western Sahara that develop the capacity of local civil society, political parties, and/or government officials with the goal of strengthening the ability of citizens to have a regular opportunity to play an active role in making decisions that affect their lives and in holding their governments accountable. Applications are due October 14, 2015. Approximately $1 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, GrantSolutions.gov
EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged; Assistance to States for the Education of Children With Disabilities

Department of Education (Education)

Notice announcing changes to the regulations governing title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA) to no longer authorize a State to define modified academic achievement standards and develop alternate assessments based on those modified academic achievement standards for eligible students with disabilities. These regulations are effective September 21, 2015.

LINKS: Federal Register

Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services to receive briefings and updates relating to their current work such as the Services’ pregnancy/postpartum policies, detailing/assignment process for women serving at sea, In-Home Child Care Provider Certification programs, and the Army Ranger Assessment. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and Thursday, September 10, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Hilton Alexandria—Mark Center, 5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA

LINKS: Federal Register

2016 National Urban and Community Forestry Challenge Cost Share Grant Program

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Forest Service

Notice seeking applications to establish sustainable urban and community forests, by encouraging communities of all sizes to manage and protect their natural resources, which, if well managed, improves the public’s health, well-being, economic vitality, and creates resilient ecosystems for present and future generations. Pre-proposals are required by November 23, 2015. Approximately $900,000 is available to support 75 awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: Meeting

Department of Education (Education)

Notice announcing open meeting of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance to elect an ACSFA member to serve as chair and a member to serve as vice-chair for one year beginning October 1, 2015. The meeting will be held September 9, 2015, from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET at Capitol Place, 555 New Jersey Ave. NW. Suite 522, Washington DC. The meeting is also available via teleconference.

LINKS: Federal Register

Advisory Committee on Women Veterans, Notice of Meeting

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Notice announcing open meetings of the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans to make recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs regarding the needs of women Veterans with respect to health care, rehabilitation, compensation, outreach, and other programs and activities administered by VA designed to meet such needs. The meetings will be held September 21-24, 2015, at multiple locations in Washington, DC. See solicitation for further details.

LINKS: Federal Register
**Army Family Advocacy Program Incident Determination Committee Testing and Evaluation**

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Notice seeking applications to test and evaluate multiple models for reviewing and determining cases of maltreatment (domestic and/or child abuse) cases at a number of test installations to be determined. Applications are due September 8, 2015. Approximately $1.8 million is available to support one award.

**LINKS:** Solicitation, Grants.gov

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**Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene**

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service

Notice announcing open meeting of the Office of the Under Secretary for Food Safety to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items and draft United States positions to be discussed at the 47th Session of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene of the Codex Alimentarius Commission. The meeting will be held October 19, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET at the Jamie L. Whitten Building, United States Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 107-A, Washington, DC. Attendees are encouraged to register. The meeting is also accessible via conference call. The Call-in Number is 1-888-844-9904.

**LINKS:** Federal Register

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**Homeland Security Information Network Advisory Committee; Meeting**

Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security)

Notice announcing open meeting of the Homeland Security Information Network Advisory Council to receive all relevant information and facilitate development of recommendations to the Program Management Office in the major issue area of developing Focused Mission Growth outcome measures. The meeting will be held on September 28, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and September 29, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. ET at 131 M. Street NE., 6th floor Conference Room, Washington, DC. The meeting is also accessible via conference call and web-casting.

**LINKS:** Federal Register

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**Independent Review Panel on Military Medical Construction Standards; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting**

Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice announcing open meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee’s Independent Review Panel on Military Medical Construction to deliberate the findings and recommendations that will be contained in the Panel’s final report to the Secretary of Defense. The meeting will be held on September 11, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. ET at Falls Church Marriott Fairview Park, 3111 Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church, Virginia. All members of the public who wish to attend the public meeting must contact Ms. Kendal Brown no later than 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 1, 2015, to register.

**LINKS:** Federal Register

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**NIJ FY 16 Graduate Research Fellowship Program in the Social and Behavioral Sciences**

Department of Justice (Justice), National Institute of Justice

Notice seeking applications to support graduate research leading to doctoral degrees in areas that are relevant to ensuring public safety, preventing and controlling crime, and ensuring the fair and impartial administration of criminal justice in the United States. Applications are due December 15, 2015. Approximately $500,000 is available to support up to eight awards.

**LINKS:** Grants.gov
HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

Abuse Liability Associated with Reduced Nicotine Content Tobacco Products (R01)

Food and Drug Administration (FDA), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Multiple Institutes

Notice seeking applications to generate data to inform the FDA on ways to reduce the addictiveness and resulting public health toll from tobacco product use in the United States. Nicotine is the primary constituent responsible for the addictiveness of cigarettes, resulting in smokers’ inability to quit and continued use. Letters of intent are requested by October 30, 2015. Applications are due December 11, 2015. Approximately $5 million is available to support up to 10 awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

BRAIN Initiative: Technology Sharing and Propagation (R03)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Multiple Institutes

Notice seeking applications for the Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies (BRAIN) Initiative is to encourage the transfer of new technologies and new data analysis techniques into a research laboratory. Letters of intent are requested by December 6, 2015. Applications are due January 6, 2016. Approximately $1 million is available to support up to 10 awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Chemistry, Toxicology, and Addiction Research on Waterpipe Tobacco (R01)

Food and Drug Administration (FDA), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Multiple Institutes

Notice seeking applications to support biomedical, behavioral, and social science research related to possible regulatory action on waterpipe/hookah tobacco products. Funds support projects that address the following topics: identifying harmful and potentially harmful constituents (HPHCs) in waterpipe smoke; changes in HPHC levels based on smoking intensity; finding assays that can be used to distinguish toxicity of waterpipe tobacco smoke; discovering constituents, compounds, design features, and tobacco use behaviors that impact the toxicity of waterpipe tobacco products; studying the impact of waterpipe tobacco characteristics on use behaviors; investigating how tobacco characteristics affect behaviors such as dependence and intermittent and dual/poly tobacco product use patterns; and studying the impact of waterpipe tobacco experimentation among youth and young adults on progression to regular use of waterpipes, and other tobacco product use. Letters of intent are optional and due by October 13, 2015. Applications are due by November 20, 2015. Approximately $3 million is available to support up to 10 awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Exploratory Multi-site Palliative Care Research in Diverse Populations Utilizing the Palliative Care Research Cooperative (PCRC) Group (R21)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)

Notice seeking applications to support explorative research related to palliative care science across diverse populations receiving end-of-life and palliative care through multi-site clinical research. Projects should utilize the infrastructure and resources of the existing Palliative Care Research Cooperative Group, and provide the foundation for future, larger-scale multi-site clinical research with individual- and/or caregiver-specific outcomes. Letters of intent are optional and due October 30, 2015. Applications are due November 30, 2015. Approximately $275,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov
Government-Owned Inventions; Availability for Licensing

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing several government-owned inventions eligible for licensing. The inventions include "Novel Benzotropine Analogs for Treatment of Cocaine Abuse and Other Mental Disorders", "Novel Dopamine Receptor Ligands as Therapeutics for Central Nervous System Disorders", and "Genome Wide DNase I Hypersensitive Sites Detection in Formalin-Fixed Paraffin-Embedded Single Cells". Licensing information and copies of the U.S. patent applications listed may be obtained by writing to the indicated licensing contact at the Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, Maryland 20852-3804

LINKS: Federal Register

NEI Audacious Goal Initiative: Discovery-based Science to Identify factors Influencing Neural Regeneration in the Visual System (U01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Eye Institute (NEI)

Notice seeking applications to support efforts to restore vision through regeneration of neurons and neural connections through discovery-based approaches to identify unknown factors critical to the regeneration of neurons, guiding their axons to targets, and making new functional connections. Funds support research into: unknown genes, transcription factors, and signaling molecules that enable neurons to regenerate; identifying cues that guide axons to appropriate targets; innovative high-throughput strategies for screening, and assays for evaluating the role of identified factors in the regeneration process; experimental approaches comparing models that differ in their regenerative capacity, such as fish versus mammals, comparing developmental stages to adults, or comparing specific cell types; and testing newly identified factors in model systems that more closely approximate regeneration and reconnection in the human visual system. Letters of intent are optional and due December 15, 2015. Applications are due January 15, 2016. Approximately $3 to $5 million is available to support five to ten awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

NIDA Translational Avant-Garde Award for Development of Medication to Treat Substance Use Disorders (UG3/UH3)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

Notice seeking applications to support outstanding basic and/or clinical researchers translating research discoveries into medications for the treatment of substance use disorders stemming from tobacco, cannabis, cocaine, methamphetamine, heroin, or prescription opiate use. Funds support research into: new chemical entities; already-marketed pharmacotherapies; biologics; combinations of medications; and/or new delivery devices/technologies. Programs that reach certain milestones in two years are eligible for a three-year extension. Letters of intent are optional and due November 3, 2015. Applications are due by December 3, 2015. Approximately $3 million is available to support three awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Submission for OMB Review; 30-Day Comment Request; Web-Based Resource for Youth About Clinical Research

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Notice requesting comments on a proposed comprehensive web-based resource for youth with chronic illnesses or diseases that will attempt to increase knowledge, self-efficacy, and positive attitudes towards participation in various clinical trials and research. Comments are requested by September 20, 2015.

LINKS: Federal Register
Urinary Stone Disease Research Network: Scientific Data Research Center (USDRN-SDRC) (Collaborative U01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)

Notice seeking applications to establish a multi-center, multi-disciplinary group of investigators to be known as the Urinary Stone Disease Research Network (USDRN). Letters of intent are requested by October 18, 2015. Applications are due November 18, 2015. Approximately $4 million is available.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH or the Advisory Board), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing open conference-call meeting of the Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health to discuss Work Group and Subcommittee Reports; SEC Petitions Update for the November 2015 Advisory Board Meeting; Plans for the November 2015 Advisory Board Meeting; and Advisory Board Correspondence. The conference-call will be held September 22, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET. The dial-in number is 1-866-659-0537 and the passcode is 9933701.

LINKS: Federal Register

AHRQ Health Services Research Projects: Making Health Care Safer in Ambulatory Care Settings and Long Term Care Facilities (R01)

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to support investigative research projects that examine the epidemiology of patient safety in ambulatory care settings and long term care facilities, gather evidence about strategies that can improve safety in these settings, and develop evidence-based tools to facilitate implementation of these strategies. Applications are due October 5; February 5; and June 5.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (BSC, NIOSH)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing open meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors to discuss NIOSH Director's update, structuring labor-management participation in research, systematic review (grading evidence and recommendations), occupational exposure banding, and an update from the NIOSH Research Translation Office. The meeting will be held on September 22, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET at Patriots Plaza I, 395 E Street SW., Room 9000, Washington, DC. The meeting is also accessible via webcast.

LINKS: Federal Register

Clinical Center; Notice of Meeting

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing open meeting of the NIH Advisory Board for Clinical Research to discuss intramural clinical research operational and funding issues. The meeting will be held on September 28, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ET at the National Institutes of Health, Building 10, CRC Medical Board Room 4-2551, and 10 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register
**DoD Breast Cancer Breakthrough Award Levels 1 and 2**

Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity

Notice seeking applications to accelerate high-impact research with clinical relevance, encourage innovation and stimulate creativity, and facilitate productive collaborations. Pre-applications are required. Due November 18, 2015. Applications due December 2, 2015. Approximately $25 million is available to support up to 25 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

**Meeting of the Community Preventive Services Task Force (Task Force)**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing open meeting of the Community Preventive Services Task Force to discuss cancer prevention and control, cardiovascular disease and control, promoting health equity, improving oral health, and promoting physical activity. The meeting will be held on October 28, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET and October 29, 2015 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. ET at the CDC Edward R. Roybal Campus, Tom Harkin Global Communications Center (Building 19), 1600 Clifton Road NE., Atlanta, GA. The meeting is also accessible via webcast. All meeting attendees are required to RSVP.

LINKS: Federal Register

**Meeting of the National Vaccine Advisory Committee**

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing open meeting of the National Vaccine Advisory Committee to discuss vaccine confidence that will include studies looking at how attitudes and beliefs about immunizations change over time. The meeting will be held September 9-10, 2015 at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, the Great Hall, 200 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. The meeting times and agenda will be posted on the NVAC Web site at http://www.hhs.gov/nvpo/nvac/meetings/upcomingmeetings/ as soon as they become available. The meeting is also accessible via live webcast. Pre-registration is required.

LINKS: Federal Register

**National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Classifications and Public Health Data Standards Staff; Meeting**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing open meeting of the ICD-10 Coordination and Maintenance Committee for the presentation of proposed modifications to the International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification and ICD-10 Procedure Coding System. The meeting will be held on September 22-23, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Auditorium, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland. Those wishing to attend the meeting must register by September 11, 2015 for inclusion on the visitor list. The meeting is also accessible via webcast.

LINKS: Federal Register

**National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Research; Notice of Meeting**

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing open meeting of the National Advisory Dental and Craniofacial Research Council to discuss oral microbiome. The meeting will be held on September 18, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:35 p.m. ET at the National Institutes of Health, Building 31C, 6th Floor, Conference Room 10, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register
National Institute on Aging; Notice of Meeting

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Aging

Notice announcing open meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, NIA for individual presentations, laboratory overview. The meeting will be held on October 13, 2015 from 7:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the National Institute on Aging, Biomedical Research Center, 3rd Floor Conference Room, 251 Bayview Boulevard, Baltimore, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

National Training, Education, Extension, Outreach, and Technical Assistance Competitive Grants Program: Regional Center Grants to Enhance Food Safety

Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to begin building an infrastructure that will support a national food safety training, education, extension, outreach, and technical assistance system and provide significant opportunities for funding through subcontracts and for partnerships with eligible stakeholder groups, including community-based and non-governmental organizations. Letters of intent are optional and due October 1, 2015. Applications are due November 2, 2015. Approximately $950,000 is available to support up to two awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

NINDS Advanced Postdoctoral Career Transition Award to Promote Diversity in Neuroscience Research (K22)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)

Notice seeking applications to assist talented scientists from underrepresented groups to transition from postdoctoral training to a secure, independent (i.e., non-mentored) research position and enhance the conditions that promote establishing a strong and innovative independent program of research. Applications are due October 12; February 12; and June 12.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A HIV Emergency Relief Grant Program

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A HIV Emergency Relief Grant Program. Part A funds provide direct financial assistance to an eligible metropolitan area or a transitional grant area that has been severely affected by the HIV epidemic. Applications are due November 2, 2015. Approximately $620 million is available to support up to 53 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Subcommittee for Dose Reconstruction Reviews (SDRR), Advisory Board on Radiation and Worker Health (ABRWH or the Advisory Board), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing open conference-call meeting of the Subcommittee for Dose Reconstruction Reviews to discuss current findings from NIOSH and Advisory Board dose reconstruction blind reviews; dose reconstruction cases under review from Sets 14-18, including the Oak Ridge sites (Y-12, K-25, Oak Ridge National Laboratory), and Savannah River Site; preparation of the Advisory Board’s next report to the Secretary, HHS, summarizing the results of completed dose reconstruction reviews. The conference-call will be held on September 24, 2015. From 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET. The dial-in number is 1-866-659-0537 and the pass code is 9933701.

LINKS: Federal Register
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

Long Range Broad Agency Announcement (LRBAA)

Department of the Treasury (Treasury)

Notice seeking white papers to support basic and applied research to create revolutionary, evolving, and maturing technologies that demonstrate the potential for significant improvement in U.S. Federal Reserve Notes. Focus areas include Overt Features, Device Assisted Features, Hidden Machine Readable Security Features, Pigments and Colorants, Substrates other than cotton/linen, Adhesives, Additives and Ink Formulations, and Raised Tactile Features. White papers are accepted until August 31, 2020.

LINKS: FBO

Research and Development Industry Day

Department of the Treasury (Treasury)

Notice announcing an R&D Industry Day event to discuss the agency’s future U.S. Federal Reserve Notes features, materials, and applications requirements, discuss the objectives and mechanics of the new Long Range Broad Agency Announcement, and request industry participation in providing comments and suggestions to promote research and development for the U.S. Currency Program. Registration is due by October 19, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. EST. The meeting will be held November 19th from 8:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and November 20th from 8:45 a.m. to 12 p.m. at 14th and C Streets, SW Washington, DC.

LINKS: FBO

Resource Implementations for Data Intensive Research in the Social Behavioral and Economic Sciences

National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking proposals to support user-friendly large-scale next-generation data resources and relevant analytic techniques to advance fundamental research in social, behavioral, and economic sciences. Funds support efforts to create new databases and analytic techniques. Proposals are due by February 29, 2016. Approximately $4.5 million is available to support three to four awards.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

ROSES 2015: Nancy Grace Roman Technology Fellowship

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice seeking applications to support early-career researchers develop the skills necessary to lead astrophysics flight instruments/projects and become Principal Investigators of future astrophysics missions. Funds support efforts to increase fellows’ ability to develop innovative technologies for space astrophysics; and to foster new talent by putting early-career instrument builders on a trajectory towards long-term positions. Fellows must be a recent Ph.D. recipient in an early career position such as a postdoctoral, tenure-track, term civil service, or an equivalent non-tenured position. IHEs or individuals may apply on behalf of an individual. Notices of intent are optional, and due September 4, 2015. Applications are due November 6, 2015. Approximately $900,000 is available.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT INSTRUMENT PROJECT (USIP) 2015

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice seeking proposals to develop an undergraduate-led Project Team that will fly a science and/or technology payload relevant to NASA strategic goals and objectives on a sounding rocket, balloon, aircraft, suborbital reusable launch vehicle (sRLV), or CubeSat launched on an orbital launch vehicle (hereafter referred to collectively as suborbital-class platforms). Notices of intent are due October 1, 2015. Proposals are due November 20, 2015. Approximately $6 million is available to up to 30 awards.

LINKS: FBO
**Warfighter Readiness and Training (WRT)**

Air Force (Air Force), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking applications to support programs to increase Live, Virtual, and Constructive (LVC) training research capabilities along with continued improvements in platforms, systems (e.g., simulators and virtual trainers) and networks. Funds support research into Distributed Mission Operations and LVC training Airman Machine Teaming; personalized learning; Command, Control, Communications, Computer, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Training; training and analysis for autonomous systems, and synthetic agents and modeling. Intent to Propose are optional and due by October 8, 2015. Applications are due by October 15, 2015. Approximately $200 million is available to support one award, although more awards are possible.

**LINKS:** FBO

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**2017 Solar Decathlon College Team Competition**

Department of Energy (Energy), Golden Field Office

Notice seeking applications to compete in the Solar Decathlon competition. The challenge to the teams competing in the Solar Decathlon is, in less than 24 months, to safely and effectively design, build, and operate solar-powered houses that are cost-effective, energy-efficient, and attractive. The winner of the competition is the team that best blends affordability, consumer appeal, and design excellence with optimal energy production and maximum efficiency. Letters of intent are required by September 17, 2015. Applications are due October 29, 2015. First place receives $300,000. Second place receives $225,000. Third place receives $150,000.

**LINKS:** Solicitation, Grants.gov

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**Mathematics Curriculum Development for DoDEA Worldwide Department of Defense Schools**

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)

Notice seeking applications for the Mathematics Curriculum Development for Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Worldwide Department of Defense Schools (MATH) for fiscal year (FY) 2015 to develop mathematics units for grades levels K-5 for DoDEA schools which are aligned with the College and Career Ready Standards for Mathematics (i.e. Common Core State Standards for Mathematics). Applications are due September 8, 2015. Approximately $315,000 is available to support one award.

**LINKS:** Solicitation, Grants.gov

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**NIJ FY 16 Graduate Research Fellowship in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics**

Department of Justice (Justice), Office of Justice Programs (OJP); National Institute of Justice (NIJ)

Notice seeking applications to increase the pool of researchers who are involved in providing STEM-based solutions to problems that affect criminal justice policy and practice in the United States. Applications are due December 15, 2015. A stipend of $35,000 is usable toward student's salary and related costs, and up to $15,000 to cover the student's tuition and fees, research expenses, and related costs.

**LINKS:** Solicitation, Grants.gov

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**President’s Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST)**

Department of Energy (Energy)

Notice announcing a partially-closed meeting of PCAST, an advisory group of presidentially-appointed scientists and engineers. The agenda includes discussion of studies on the future of cities and on technology for older Americans, as well as additional remarks on science, technology, and standards. The meeting will be held September 18, 2015, from 9:30 a.m. to noon, at the National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC in the Lecture Room. A live webcast and recording will be available at the agency website listed below.

**LINKS:** Federal Register, Agency website
# BoRSF NOI & Proposal Submission Deadlines and Eligible Disciplines (updated 08/03/15)

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<td>Traditional Graduate Fellows (GFT Subprogram terminated effective FY 2015-16)</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>11/16/2015</td>
<td>Agricultural Sciences, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer &amp; Information Sciences, Earth/Environmental Sciences, Engineering A &amp; B, Health and Medical Sciences, Mathematics, Physics/Astronomy, Social Sciences, Arts, Humanities</td>
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<td>BoR/SREB Doctoral Fellowships to Promote Diversity</td>
<td>n/a</td>
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<td>Supervised Undergraduate Research Experiences (SURE)</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>TBA</td>
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<td>LA EPSCOR - Preliminary Planning Grants for Major Initiatives (PrePlan)</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>TBA</td>
<td>Must be in process of preparing a pre-proposal or proposal to a federal agency for a large-scale multidisciplinary research and/or education program for at least $1 million. Pre-proposal or proposal must be submitted with the Prelim Planning Grant term.</td>
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<td>LA EPSCOR - Regional Grant writing Workshops (RGW) (ORSP MUST SUBMIT)</td>
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<td>LA EPSCOR - Speaking of Science (SOS) (contact sponsor directly)</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>OPEN</td>
<td>VOLUNTEER TO TEACH SCIENCE OR ENGINEERING TO LOCAL STUDENTS</td>
<td><a href="mailto:susan.jernigan@la.gov">susan.jernigan@la.gov</a></td>
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<td>n/a</td>
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<td><strong>BoR EPSCoR</strong></td>
<td>9/9/2013 - 10/11/13</td>
<td>Eligible disciplines are not listed in RFP. Tenure-track or Research Faculty position. Science PIs/Institutional PIs who have had a successful proposals (selected by NASA) over the past 5 years are not eligible to serve as leads of a proposal in this competition.</td>
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<td>Endowment programs do not have discipline rotations. Consult the RFP.</td>
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<td><strong>BoR Enhancement: Traditional &amp; Undergraduate Subprograms</strong></td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>FY 2014-15 disciplines: Biological Sciences, Computer and Information Sciences, Engineering B (Industrial, Materials, Mechanical, etc.), Humanities, Social Sciences</td>
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<td><strong>BoR GF: Graduate Fellows &amp; Graduate Fellowships for Teachers</strong></td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>Available every year: Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer and Information Sciences, Earth/Environmental Sciences, Engineering A and B, Health/Medical Sciences, Physics/Astronomy Available FY 2014-15: Agriculture, Business, Education including Literacy, Mathematics ONLY ONE PROPOSAL PER DISCIPLINE PER INSTITUTION FOR TRAD GF; ONE PROPOSAL EACH IN MATH AND SCIENCES FOR GFT</td>
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<td><strong>BoR R&amp;D: Awards to Louisiana Artists and Scholars Subprogram (ATLAS)</strong></td>
<td>10/10/2014 - 11/21/2014</td>
<td>The ATLAS program does not have discipline rotations, but is limited to the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences disciplines and sub disciplines. Consult the RFP.</td>
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<td>n/a - 12/1/2014</td>
<td>Limited to female undergraduate students or students (male &amp; female) considered underrepresented minorities by NSF or students with disabilities (must be full-time undergraduate student in STEM).</td>
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<td><strong>LA EPSCoR (OPT-IN) Opportunities for Partnerships in Technology with Industry</strong></td>
<td>n/a - 12/8/2014</td>
<td>Tenured or tenure-track S&amp;E position or a full-time reasearch professor; prior OPT-IN recipients can apply but have additional requirements.</td>
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<td>Tenure-track but untenured S&amp;E faculty in the following fields: biological sciences; math &amp; computer sci; earth &amp; environmental sci (geology, oceanography, environmental); engineering; physical sciences (astronomy, chemistry, physics); social &amp; behavioral sciences</td>
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<td>BoR may offer matching for proposals: 1. minimum $5 million in federal funds 2. promote academic enhancement &amp; economic development 3. meaningful involvement of multiple institutions</td>
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