**UNO FOCUS:**

Distinguished Innovator Award (and other opportunities)
Lupus Research Alliance

Provides outstanding scientists with substantial support (up to $1 million over 4 years) to conduct highly innovative research into the fundamental causes of systemic lupus erythematosus and so provide new directions towards a cure.


LINKS: [LupusResearch.org](http://LupusResearch.org)

**ARTS, HUMANITIES, and INTERNATIONAL**

FY 2021 Fulbright Teacher Exchange Programs
Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), Department of State (State)

Notice seeking proposals to reflect the critical need for teachers and administrators to further develop their own global competencies so they may better help their students develop these skills and abilities at the primary and secondary level.

Proposals are due June 23, 2020. Approximately $9.08 million is available.

Limited Submission: One proposal per organization

LINKS: [Grants.gov](http://Grants.gov), [Solicitation](http://Solicitation)

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Combatting COVID-19 Pandemic and Proliferation Threats
Department of State (State), Bureau of International Security-Nonproliferation (ISN)

Notice seeking applications to build EXBS partner capacity to continue to safely prevent, contain, and mitigate threats and impacts posed by the rapid spread of destabilizing biological and chemical threats at national borders and points of entry, including infectious diseases such as COVID-19.

Applications are due May 29, 2020. Approximately $15 million is available for up to 20 awards.

LINKS: [Grants.gov](http://Grants.gov), [Agency Site](http://Agency Site)

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Countering Efforts to Exploit Sensitive Technologies and Strategic Assets
Department of State (State), Bureau of International Security-Nonproliferation (ISN)

Notice seeking applications to address weaknesses in partner nations export control, investment screening, critical infrastructure protection, customs and border security institutions to prevent malign state actors from exploiting those weaknesses for their advantage.

Applications are due May 20, 2020. Approximately $3.5 million is available to support up to five awards.

LINKS: [Grants.gov](http://Grants.gov), [Agency Site](http://Agency Site)

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Digital Projects for the Public
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Division of Public Programs
Notice seeking applications to support projects that interpret and analyze humanities content in primarily digital platforms and formats, such as websites, mobile applications and tours, interactive touch screens and kiosks, games, and virtual environments.

Applications are due June 10, 2020. Optional draft applications are due May 6, 2020. Approximately 16 awards of up to $30,000 (Discovery grants), $100,000 (Prototyping grants), and $400,000 (Production grants) are available to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

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DRL Supporting Democracy, Human Rights, and Rule of Law in Syria
Department of State (State), Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor (DRL)

Notice seeking proposals for projects that support democracy, human rights, and the rule of law in Syria. Funding will support programs to prevent intercommunal conflict; protect civic space; and promote justice and accountability efforts through targeted engagement with Syrian civil society.

Applications are due June 9, 2020. Up to seven awards of up to $1.5 million are available to support projects lasting up to 24 months.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

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NEH CARES: Cultural Organizations
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Notice seeking applications to support at-risk humanities positions and projects that have been impacted by the coronavirus. Through this funding opportunity, NEH will award grants to museums, libraries and archives, historic sites, independent research institutions, professional organizations, colleges and universities, and other cultural organizations across the country to help these entities continue to advance their mission during the interruption of their operations due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Applications are due May 11, 2020. The maximum award amount is $300,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Advisory Committee; Meeting
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss FOIA vision, time/volume, and records management.

The meeting will be held May 1, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., ET. Register to attend with the contact by April 28, 2020.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

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EDUCATION and ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

BJA FY 20 Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence
Department of Justice (Justice), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

Notice seeking applications for funding to help defray the costs (e.g., of additional personnel, overtime, testing supplies and services) associated with postconviction DNA testing for violent felony offenses (as defined by state law) in which actual innocence might be demonstrated. Funds may be used to review
suitable postconviction cases and to locate and analyze biological evidence. Only a limited portion of funds may be used for case identification activities.

Applications are due June 15, 2020. Awards are up to $500,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

BJA FY 20 Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System Program
Department of Justice (Justice), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

Notice seeking proposals to strengthen the medical examiner/coroner (ME/C) system in the United States. Through this program, BJA will support grants in two focus areas by and supporting forensic pathology fellowships, and providing resources necessary for medical examiner and coroner offices to achieve accreditation.

Applications are due June 15, 2020. Upwards are up to $125,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Building State Capacity to Expand Apprenticeship through Innovation
Department of Labor (Labor), Employment and Training Administration (ETA)

Notice seeking applications to expand the national Registered Apprenticeship system by funding baseline activities that improve States' ability to serve, improve, and strategically scale the Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) to fund innovations aimed at using RAPs as a tool for developing the economy and building infrastructure.

Applications are due May 21, 2020. States are the only applicants, but partnerships may be available for colleges and universities.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Capacity Building Grants for Non-Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture Program (NLGCA)
National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking applications to assist in maintaining and expanding their capacity to conduct education, research, and outreach/extension activities related to food, agriculture, natural resources, and human sciences (FANH).

Applications are due October 28, 2020. Approximately $4.7 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Renewable Resources Extension Act - National Focus Funds Projects
National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking applications to provide for expanded and comprehensive extension programs for forest and rangeland renewable resources at a national, regional, or institutional level.

Applications are due June 28, 2020. Approximately $300,000 is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review
Notice soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) regarding the Grant Application Form for Project Objectives and Performance Measures Information. The form serves as a precursor to the U.S. Department of Education Grant Performance Report Form (ED 524 B) in which project objectives, measures, and targets will be entered by applicants at the time that grant applications are entered in Grants.gov.

Comments are due May 18, 2020.

LINKS: Federal Register

Entrepreneurship Education Program for Formerly Incarcerated Persons
Department of Commerce (Commerce), Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)

Notice seeking applications to fund innovative projects to support formerly incarcerated individuals with entrepreneurial assistance including (but not limited to): (1) educational programs and workshops; (2) entrepreneurial training; and (3) coaching assistance.

Applications are due May 22, 2020. Approximately $1.8 million is available to support three awards for two years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S)

Notice seeking applications to support fire prevention programs and firefighter health and safety research and development.

Applications are due May 29, 2020. Approximately $35 million is available for up to 150 awards to support projects generally lasting 12 months.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Food for Education Standing Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Amendments
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS)

Notice seeking applications to feed school children and improve literacy (especially for girls) in low-income, food-deficit countries around the world through donated U.S. agricultural commodities, financial and technical assistance.

Applications are due August 1, 2020. Approximately $5 million, per award, is available for 10 awards to support projects.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Food for Progress: Standing Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Amendments
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS)

Notice seeking applications to introduce and expand free agricultural enterprise in developing countries and emerging democracies.
Applications are due August 1, 2020. Approximately $5 million, per award, is available for up to 10 awards. This FOA is only available for current FFPr award recipients with active cooperative agreements.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-IHE Institution
Department of Education (Education)

Notice seeking applications for the second (institutions portion) part of the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEER) program. Campuses must apply for part 1 (student’s portion) of HEER before they apply for part 2.

Applications are due September 30, 2020. See allocation chart linked on the Grants.gov notice for award amounts. Your campus must complete and submit the CARES HEERF Certification and Agreement Student’s Portion before submitting the CARES HEERF Certification and Agreement for the Institution’s Allocation of HEER Funds.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA): Parent Information and Training Program CFDA Number 84.235F
Department of Education (Education), Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

Notices seeking applications to support parent information centers that ensure parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve results for their children: ED-GRANTS-042120-001 supports parent information centers; ED-GRANTS-042120-002 supports eight regional centers; and ED-GRANTS-042120-003 supports a national parent information center to provide technical assistance to other centers.

Applications are due June 22, 2020. A pre-application informational webinar will be held May 4, 2020. Approximately $21 million is available for up to 65 Parent Information Center awards (ED-GRANTS-042120-001). Eight regional awards of up to $300,000 each (ED-GRANTS-042120-002) and one national technical assistance award of up to $300,000 (ED-GRANTS-042120-003) are available. Eligibility is limited to parent organizations but opportunities may exist for colleges and universities to collaborate.

LINKS: Grants.gov (ED-GRANTS-042120-001), Grants.gov (ED-GRANTS-042120-002), Grants.gov (ED-GRANTS-042120-003)

HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

Implementation Research to Improve Case Finding, Cascade Screening, and Treatment for Familial Hypercholesterolemia (FH) (R61-R33 Clinical Trial Required)
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Notice inviting applications for single site clinical trials to: (1) address barriers that impede population-level implementation of case finding and cascade screening (i.e., blood relatives of familial hypercholesterolemia (FH) index cases are systematically contacted based on their risk according to the pattern of inheritance); (2) explore implementation science methodologies to assess the uptake, cost-effectiveness, feasibility, and scalability of family-based cascade screening programs for FH; (3) develop or improve machine learning algorithms and data mining techniques to find high-risk individuals using Electronic Health Records (EHRs); and (4) optimize treatment strategies and health outcomes.

Optional letters of intent are due February 8, 2021. Applications are due March 8, 2021. Approximately $2 million is available for five awards.
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LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

National Emergency Telecritical Care Network (NETCCN) Project for Coronavirus
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), Medical Technology Enterprise Consortium (MTEC)

Notice seeking proposals to rapidly develop and deploy the National Emergency Telecritical Care Network - a cloud-based, low-resource, stand-alone health information management system for the creation and coordination of flexible and extendable “virtual critical care wards.” These high acuity, virtual wards would bring high-quality critical care capability to nearly every bedside, be it healthcare facility, field hospital, or gymnasium.

White paper proposals are due April 27, 2020. Approximately $7 million is available for up to six awards.

LINKS: Contract Opportunities

Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human; Notice of Meeting
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing an open meeting of the National Advisory Board on Medical Rehabilitation Research. The agenda includes: NICHD Director's report; NCMRR Director's report; Connecting with Our Public Communities; Updates on the NIH Rehabilitation Research Conference and NIH Rehabilitation Research Plan; Scientific presentation on Data Science in Rehabilitation; Agenda Planning for the next Board meeting.

The meeting will occur on May 4, 2020, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET via videocast: https://videocast.nih.gov/live.asp?live=36020.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site, Agency Site

Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods; Notice of Public Webcast; Request for Public Input
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing that the Interagency Coordinating Committee on the Validation of Alternative Methods (ICCVAM) will hold a public forum to share information and facilitate direct communication of ideas and suggestions from stakeholders. Registration is required for both webcast viewing and oral statements.

The event will occur on May 21, 2020, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET. Registration for webcast: April 17, 2020, until 3:00 p.m. ET May 21, 2020. Registration for oral statements: April 17, 2020, until 4:00 p.m. EDT May 8, 2020. Information about the meeting and registration are available at https://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/go/iccvamforum-2020.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

DoD Melanoma Awards
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP)

Notices announcing research awards of varying types for the study of melanoma, including the following: Idea Awards (IA, W81XWH-20-MRP-IA); Translational Research Awards (TRA, W81XWH-20-MRP-TRA); Mid-Career Accelerator Awards (MCAA, W81XWH-20-MRP-MCAA); Team Science Awards (TSA,W81XWH-20-MRP-TSA); and Technology Development Partnership Awards (TDPA, W81XWH-20-MRP-TDPA). Search Grants.gov by FON for more details on each opportunity.
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IA applications are due June 15, 2020. TRA, MCAA, TSA, and TDPA applications are due September 24, 2020. See individual funding opportunities for more information on amount and size of awards and eligibility.

LINKS: Grants.gov (W81XWH-20-MRP-IA), Grants.gov (W81XWH-20-MRP-MCAA), Grants.gov

Long-Term Effects of Disasters on Health Care Systems Serving Health Disparity Populations (R01-Clinical Trial Optional)
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to support investigative and collaborative research focused on understanding the long-term effects of natural and/or human-made disasters on health care systems serving health disparity populations in communities in the U.S., including the U.S. territories.

Optional letters of intent are due September 4, 2020. Applications are due October 5 and then February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research (Admin Supp - Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications for administrative supplements to enhance the diversity of the research workforce by recruiting and supporting students, postdoctorates, and eligible investigators from underrepresented backgrounds, including those from groups that have been shown to be nationally underrepresented in health-related research.

Application due date vary by awarding IC.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Rural Tribal COVID-19 Response Program
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to assist tribes, tribal organizations, urban Indian health organizations, and health service providers to tribes to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19) and the evolving needs in rural communities. Specifically, this program will provide funding to assist tribes to engage in activities that may include, but are not limited to: establishing testing sites, purchasing test kits, implementing telehealth strategies/activities, purchasing personal protective equipment and other supplies, and hiring and/or training health care providers and other health care personnel to provide care for COVID-19 patients.

Applications are due May 6, 2020. Approximately $15 million is available for awards of up to $300,000 each. Eligibility is limited to tribes, tribal organizations, urban Indian health organizations, and health service providers to tribes serving rural communities at risk for COVID-19 but opportunities may exist for colleges and universities to collaborate.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Health Statistics (BSC, NCHS)
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Health Statistics.
The meeting will be held on May 5, 2020, 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., ET. This meeting is available via teleconference. The teleconference access is https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/about/bsc/bsc_meetings.htm.

LINKS: Federal Register

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Amended Notice of Meeting
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council to discuss and review the Division scientific and planning activities.

The meeting will be held on May 12-13, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. EST. Any member of the public may submit written comments no later than 15 days after the meeting.

LINKS: Federal Register

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

Invisible Headlights (IH)
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense), Defense Sciences Office (DSO)

Notice seeking innovative research to exploit the ambient thermal light present in all environments using a totally passive 3D sensor that is accurate enough and fast enough to support autonomous navigation.


LINKS: Grants.gov, Contract Opportunities, Agency Site

Joint Light Tactical Vehicle (JLTV) C-17 Gravity Airdrop System (GADS) Preliminary Design
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking white paper proposals to develop a preliminary JTLV GADS design concept that will lead to a prototype capability.

White paper proposals are due May 8, 2020.

LINKS: Contract Opportunities

NIST Standards Services Curricula Development Cooperative Agreement Program (SSCD CAP)
National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

Notice seeking applications from eligible applicants to develop undergraduate and/or graduate level curricula to incorporate documentary standards, standards development, and standardization information and content into seminars, modules, courses, and learning resources. The recipients will work with NIST to strengthen education and learning about documentary standards, standards development, and standardization.

Applications are due June 15, 2020. Approximately $250,000 is available for eight awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

NSF Program on Fairness in Artificial Intelligence in Collaboration with Amazon (FAI)
Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE), Directorate for Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences (SBE), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking applications support computational research focused on fairness in AI, with the goal of contributing to trustworthy AI systems that are readily accepted and deployed to tackle grand challenges facing society. Specific topics of interest include, but are not limited to transparency, explainability, accountability, potential adverse biases and effects, mitigation strategies, algorithmic advances, fairness objectives, validation of fairness, and advances in broad accessibility and utility.

Proposals are due July 13, 2020. Approximately $7.6 million is available for up to 10 awards.

LINKS: [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov), [Solicitation](#)

2020 Healthy Communities Grant Program
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice seeking applications to support projects that reduce environmental risks, protect and improve human health and improve the quality of life in New England.

Applications are due June 5, 2020. Approximately 10 awards of up to $35,000 each are available. Projects must take place in states or tribal lands of New England. A five percent match is required.

LINKS: [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov), [Solicitation](#)

2020 Office of Naval Research (ONR) Global Research Opportunity: Global-X Challenge
Navy (Navy), Department of Defense (Defense), Office of Naval Research (ONR)

Notice seeking white papers from interdisciplinary teams proposing transformative and innovative technology research in three areas: 1) Tailored Material and Manufacturing; 2) Multifunctional Maritime Films for Persistent and Survivable Platforms and Warfighters; and 3) Object Detection and Identification in any Medium (Air, Water, Sand/Earth).

White papers are due May 25, 2020. Invited proposals are due July 13, 2020. Multiple awards of up to $750,000 each are available to support projects lasting up to nine months (with an additional nine-month period possible after proof-of-concept demonstration).

LINKS: [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov), [Agency Site](#)

BAA for Advancement of Technologies for Use by Special Operations Forces
Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Special Operations Command

Notice seeking white paper proposals to research and develop innovative and disruptive capabilities for use by special forces. See the solicitation for a list of topic areas drawing from a range of disciplines.

White paper proposals are due May 21 for consideration for FY 20 and FY 21 funding, but may be submitted at any time for future funding until December 31, 2025.

LINKS: [Contract Opportunities](#)

Coastlines and People Hubs for Research and Broadening Participation
National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking applications to apply a earth system research approach that integrates improved understanding predictions about natural, social, and technological processes with efforts to increase the resilience of coastal systems.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

HIGH REDUCTION-RATIO TRANSMISSION (HRT)
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking proposals to develop the technologies required to design, build, and test a more reliable, high reduction-ratio transmission, in a lightweight, compact package for future and current fleet of manned and unmanned vehicles.

Proposals are due July 6, 2020. Approximately $12.7 million is available for multiple awards.

LINKS: Contract Opportunities

Quantum Information Science Research for Fusion Energy Sciences
Department of Energy (Energy), Office of Science (SC)

Notice seeking applications to expand the fundamental understanding of matter at very high temperatures and densities and to build the scientific foundation needed to develop a fusion energy source.

Required letters of intent are due May 15, 2020. Applications are due June 12, 2020. Approximately $12 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov

ROSES 2020: Advanced Component Technology
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice seeking proposals for technology development leading to new component- as well as subsystem-level spaceborne and/or airborne measurement techniques to be developed in support of the Science Mission Directorate’s Earth Science Division.

Optional notices of intent are strongly encouraged and due May 22, 2020. Proposals are due July 21, 2020. A pre-bidders conference call will be held May 18, 2020 at 1:00 p.m., ET. To join, call 1-844-467-6272 and enter passcode 831772.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Ultrahigh Temperature Impervious Materials Advancing Turbine Efficiency
Department of Energy (Energy)

Notice seeking applications to develop and demonstrate ultrahigh temperature materials that can operate continuously at 1300 ºC in a standalone material test environment (or with coatings, enabling gas turbine inlet temperatures of 1800 C) or higher, targeting gas turbine applications in the power generation and aviation industries.


LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site
Advisory Committee for Education and Human Resources
Directorate for Education & Human Resources (EHR), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss NSF's response to COVID-19 (coronavirus), STEM education, and other matters related to EHR programs and activities.

The meeting will be held May 21, 2020 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, ET via webinar. To attend, register at least 48 hours in advance with Dr. Nafeesa Owens at ehr_ac@nsf.gov. A Zoom link will be provided.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology
National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology. The purpose of this meeting is for the VCAT to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for NIST, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress.

The meeting will be held Tuesday, June 9, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday, June 10, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET via webinar.

LINKS: Federal Register

Solicitation of Stakeholder Input for Urban, Indoor, and Other Emerging Agricultural Production Research, Education, and Extension Initiative
National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking comments on the most urgent and highest priorities for research, education and extension to assist the development of NIFA's FY 20 request for applications for the Urban, Indoor and other Emerging Agricultural Production Research, Education and Extension Initiative.


LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site