ARTS, HUMANITIES, and INTERNATIONAL

FY2020 Historic Preservation Fund- African American Civil Rights- History Grants
Department of the Interior (Interior), National Park Service (NPS)

Notice seeking applications to support projects to document, interpret, and preserve the sites related to the African American struggle to gain equal rights as citizens. The 2008 NPS report, Civil Rights in America, A Framework for Identifying Significant Sites (PDF) serves as the reference document in determining the appropriateness of proposed projects and properties. This is for historical research/documentation/survey/nomination projects.

Applications are due December 15, 2020. Projects must range from $15,000 to $50,000 in federal share.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

FY2020 Historic Preservation Fund- African American Civil Rights- Preservation Grants
Department of the Interior (Interior), National Park Service (NPS)

Notice seeking applications to support projects to document, interpret, and preserve the sites related to the African American struggle to gain equal rights as citizens. The 2008 NPS report, Civil Rights in America, A Framework for Identifying Significant Sites (PDF) serves as the reference document in determining the appropriateness of proposed projects and properties.

Applications are due December 15, 2020. Approximately $15.5 million is available to support 50 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

FY2020 Historic Preservation Fund- History of Equal Rights- Preservation Grants
Department of the Interior (Interior), National Park Service (NPS)

Notice seeking applications to preserve sites related to the struggle of all American's to achieve equal rights. HER grants are funded by the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF), administered by the NPS, and will fund a broad range of preservation projects for historic sites including: architectural services, historic structure reports, preservation plans, and physical preservation to structures. Grants are awarded through a competitive process and do not require non-Federal match.

Applications are due December 15, 2020. Grant award amounts range from 75,000 and $500,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Division of Preservation and Access

Notice seeking applications for funding to preserve large and diverse holdings of humanities materials for future generations by supporting sustainable conservation measures that mitigate deterioration, prolong the useful life of collections, and strengthen institutional resilience (i.e., the ability to anticipate and respond to disasters resulting from natural or human activity.)

Applications are due January 14, 2021 and January 13, 2022. Approximately 15 awards are available in two types: Planning Grants of up to $50,000 each to support projects lasting up to two years; and Implementation Grants of up to $350,000 each to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

42nd Meeting of the National Museum and Library Services Board
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss IMLS activities including museum and library response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.

The meeting will be held December 10, 2020, at 11:00 a.m., ET, online. Register with the contact to attend.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Competitive Grants Program Sustainable Agricultural Systems (SAS)
National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking applications to help transform the U.S. food and agricultural system to increase agricultural production by 40% in sustainable ways as we approach a world population of 10 billion by 2050, and to do so in the context of economic, societal, and environmental attributes of sustainability.

Letters of intent are due January 7, 2021. Applications are due April 1, 2021. Approximately $150 million is available to support 15 awards. Cost sharing is required.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Coastal Programs
Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), Department of the Interior (Interior)

Notice seeking applications that provides technical and financial assistance through cooperative agreements to coastal communities, conservation partners, and landowners to restore and protect fish and wildlife habitat on public and private lands. The Coastal Program staff coordinates with partners, stakeholders and other Service programs to identify geographic focus areas and develop habitat conservation goals and priorities with in these focus areas.

Applications are due September 30, 2021. Approximately $13 million is available to support 250 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

FY 2021 Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund Traditional Conservation Grants Program (Service Legacy Regions 1-8)
Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), Department of the Interior (Interior)

Notice supporting the development and implementation of states’ programs to conserve and recover threatened and endangered species under the Service’s jurisdiction. Financial assistance, provided in the form of grants, can be used to support projects that have direct conservation benefits for federally listed species, candidate and at-risk species, and recently delisted species. States may apply for funding to conduct work on federally-listed resident species that are included in the State’s cooperative agreement. States may also apply for funding to monitor candidate, at-risk, and recently delisted species.

Applications are due May 12, 2021. Multiple awards expected. While funding can only be granted to States, individuals or groups (for example counties or conservation organizations) may work with a State agency that has a cooperative agreement on conservation efforts that are mutually beneficial, as a subgrantee.

LINKS: Grants.gov (search for Fish and Wildlife Service)

I2O PostDoc Fellowship
Defence Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense), Information Innovation Office (I2O)

Notice seeking applications for innovative basic or applied research concepts in areas of interest to I2O in the following topic areas: Computational Theory of Insecurity; Cross-Disciplinary Knowledge Discovery; Ego-Centric Emotion Recognition; Multi-Scale Models of Social Dynamics; Identifying Insecurity in Software of Unknown Provenance; Calming Advisor to Reduce Conflict Online; Rethinking Design through Imprecise Specifications; Software Source of Truth; and Evaluating Generative Common Sense Question Answering.

Stage I applications are due December 14, 2020. Multiple awards of up to $300,000 are available to support projects lasting up to 24 months. Eligibility is limited to 1) U.S. citizens or Permanent Residents who received a PhD degree no earlier than June 2019 or 2) will receive a PhD prior to the date of the award and 3) will be appointed to a postdoctoral position at a U.S. institution of higher education during the 2021-22 academic year.

LINKS: Contract Opportunities, Grants.gov, Agency Site

Vision and Change in Undergraduate Biology Education
Directorate for Education & Human Resources (EHR), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking proposals to study the impact of the Vision and Change (V&C) movement in Undergraduate Biology Education. Specifically, this program seeks to support projects that evaluate a combination of factors such as the awareness, acceptance, adoption, and adaptation of V&C principles and outcomes including changes in curriculum, laboratories, and student retention, completion, and learning.

Full proposal target dates are March 1, 2021; March 7, 2022; and the first Monday in March annually thereafter.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

VA National Academic Affiliations Council, Notice of Meeting
Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss health profession student debt; VA scholarship and loan repayment opportunities; status of VA's Electronic Health Record implementation; and updates from its Subcommittees.

The meeting will be held December 8, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., ET. Join via teleconference, call 646-828-7666 and enter meeting ID 160 398 5160# and passcode 531119#.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

Veterans Advisory Committee on Education, Notice of Meeting
Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss the establishment of subcommittees to determine new recommendations, provide information centered around the GI Bill user database, automation tools, distance education and online learning outcomes and measures, and COVID-19 (coronavirus) response outcomes.

The meeting will be held December 9 and 10, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., ET. Join via teleconference by calling 872-701-0185 and entering Conference ID number 205 967 563#. To join an online stream, email the contact by December 9, 2020.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site
HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

Conducting Public Health Research in Ethiopia
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Center for Global Health Extramural Research Program Office

Notice seeking proposals to conduct research activities in Ethiopia, including human subjects research, that determine effective implementation for responding to public health threats, measure impact of health programs, and characterize public health threats. Proposals for communicable diseases must focus on Ethiopia’s notifiable public health diseases, priority zoonotic diseases, or an emerging pathogen with outbreak potential. Proposals for non-communicable diseases should focus on cardiovascular disease, cancer, chronic respiratory disease, or diabetes, as well as shared risk factors and determinants within and outside the health sector.

Applications are due February 21, 2021. Optional letters of intent are due January 19, 2021. Approximately $5 million is available for up to five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Conducting Research to Inform Pandemic Response and Recovery of Emergency-Affected Populations by Determining Public Health Needs, Improving Methods, and Integrating Services to Mitigate Morbidity and Mortality
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Center for Global Health (CGH)

Notice seeking applications to understand the needs of emergency-affected and displaced populations and estimate morbidity and mortality in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Optional letters of intent are due January 18, 2021. Applications are due February 18, 2021. Approximately $75 million is available to support five awards for five years.

Limited Submission: Only one application per institution

LINKS: Grants.gov

Implementation Research Consortium to Accelerate Impact of Health Department-Delivered HIV Prevention Activities
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications designed to support research to enhance the implementation of proven HIV prevention interventions by forming a collaborative research infrastructure between experts in the field. The work of the proposed research will support the goals of the Ending the HIV Epidemic national plan.

Letters of intent are due December 17, 2020. Applications are due January 28, 2021. Approximately $15 million is available to support up to six awards.

Limited Submission: Only one application per institution

LINKS: Grants.gov

National Cancer Institute's Investigator-Initiated Early Phase Clinical Trials for Cancer Treatment and Diagnosis (R01 Clinical Trial Required)
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Cancer Institute (NCI)
Notice seeking applications to fund research projects that implement early phase (Phase 0, I, and II) investigator-initiated clinical trials focused on cancer-targeted diagnostic and therapeutic interventions of direct relevance to the research mission of NCI's Division of Cancer Treatment and Diagnosis and the Office of HIV and AIDS Malignancies.

Applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually and AIDS applications are due January 7, May 7, and September 7 annually. The expiration date is January 8, 2024.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

NIAMS Clinical Trial Implementation Cooperative Agreement (U01 Clinical Trial Required)
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)

Notice seeking applications for implementation of investigator-initiated interventional clinical trials (all phases) related to the mission of NIAMS.

Applications are due March 4, 2021; July 2, 2021; November 2, 2021; March 4, 2022; July 1, 2022; November 4, 2022; March 3, 2023; July 2, 2023; and November 3, 2023. Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the application deadline. The expiration date is November 4, 2023.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

Stephen I. Katz Early Stage Investigator Research Project Grant (R01 Basic Experimental Studies with Humans Required)
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to support an innovative project that represents a change in research direction for an early stage investigator (ESI) and for which no preliminary data exist. Applications submitted to this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) must not include preliminary data.

Applications are due January 26, 2021; May 26, 2021; September 28, 2021; January 26, 2022; May 26, 2022; September 27, 2022; January 26, 2023; May 26, 2023; and September 26, 2023.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS
Climate Program Office (CPO), Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessments (RISA)
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

Notice seeking proposals to support the development of knowledge, expertise, and abilities of decisionmakers to plan and prepare for climate variability and change. Through regionally-focused and interdisciplinary research and engagement teams, RISA builds and expands the Nation's capacity to adapt and become resilient to extreme weather events and climate change. RISA teams accomplish this through co-developed applied research and partnerships with public and private communities.

Optional letters of intent are due December 9, 2020. Applications are due February 8, 2021.

LINKS: Grants.gov

FY2021 North America Marine Debris Prevention and Removal
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (Commerce)
Notice seeking proposals to provide funding to address the adverse impacts of marine debris on the United States economy, the marine environment, and navigation safety through the identification, determination of sources, assessment, prevention, reduction, and removal of marine debris.

Proposals are due January 29, 2021. Up to $5 million is available to support 6 to 12 awards. A minimum of one to one cost share is required.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Harnessing the Data Revolution (HDR): Data Science Corps
National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking proposals for educational pathways that will transform data science education and expand the data science talent pool by enabling the participation of undergraduate and Master's degree students with diverse backgrounds, experiences, skills, and technical maturity in the Data Science Corps.

Applications are due February 12, 2021. Approximately $12 million is available for up to 10 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Navigating the New Arctic
National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking proposals for innovations in fundamental convergence research across the social, natural, environmental, computing and information sciences, and engineering that address the interactions or connections among natural and built environments and social systems, and how these connections inform our understanding of Arctic change and its local and global effects.

Proposals are due March 5, 2021. Approximately $30 million is available to support 20 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

P21AS00210 - Southwest Border Resource Protection Program
Department of the Interior (Interior), National Park Service (NPS)

Notice seeking applications for scientific research and monitoring of species, as well as conservation, interpretation and preservation projects designed to help protect and preserve natural and cultural resources located near or along the border of the United States and Mexico. Applicants are strongly encouraged to work closely with at least one of ten NPS units located near the international border in the formulation of the project including the following: Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument, Big Bend National Park, Amistad National Recreation Area, Palo Alto National Historic Site, Padre Island National Seashore, Saguaro National Park, Tumacacori National Historical Park, Chamizal National Memorial, Coronado National Memorial, and Chiricahua National Monument.

Applications are due January 21, 2021. Approximately $275,000 is available for awards ranging from $10,000 to $50,000 each are available to support projects lasting up to one year.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO BROWNFIELDS COMMUNITIES
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice seeking applications to provide technical assistance to communities on brownfield issues.
Applications are due December 22, 2020. Approximately $11 million is available for up to 11 awards to support projects lasting up to five years.

LINKS: Solicitation, Grants.gov

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

Notice announcing a meeting of the Science Committee of the NASA Advisory Council (NAC). The meeting will be held for the purpose of soliciting, from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning.

The meeting will be held December 1, 2020, 1:00-5:00 p.m. ET; December 2, 2020, 1:00-5:00 p.m. ET; and Thursday, December 3, 2020, 1:00-5:00 p.m. ET.

LINKS: Federal Register

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Solicitation of Applications for the Ocean Exploration Advisory Board (OEAB)
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

Notice seeking applications to fill up to four membership vacancies on the Ocean Exploration Advisory Board (OEAB).

Applications are due December 9, 2020 to Christa Rabenold via email: christa.rabenold@noaa.gov.

LINKS: Federal Register

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Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

Notice announcing revisions to uniform guidance and policies for NASA grants programs and administration.

See the notice for details.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site