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Fishing for Energy 2019 Request for Proposals National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF)

Fishing for Energy's goals are to provide a cost-free solution to fishermen to dispose of old, derelict or unusable fishing gear and to reduce the amount of derelict fishing gear in and around our coastal waterways. Grants will target areas in U.S. coastal waters with a priority for areas that have been identified and prioritized for derelict fishing gear prevention, reduction, and gear technology innovation in state or regional plans, such as state marine debris action plans or as part of species or habitat conservation plans.

All application materials must be submitted online through National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's Easygrants system. Full Proposal Due Date: Thursday, April 25, 2019 by 11:59 PM Eastern Time

LINKS: NFWF

The Alice Award FURTHERMORE grants in publishing

The Alice is awarded to an illustrated book that makes a valuable contribution to its field and demonstrates high standards of production. Fields considered include the fine arts and the natural and built environments and related public issues. The organization submitting the book must be a 501(c)3 and have acted as a partner in the book's production. Books published in the year prior (2018) and up to the submission deadline will be considered.

Monday April 1 is the submission deadline for Furthermore's \$25,000 Alice Award. Books short listed for the Alice receive \$5,000.

LINKS: Furthermore

# **ARTS, HUMANITIES, and INTERNATIONAL**

Bangladesh - Community Policing Department of State (State), Bureau of Counterterrorism

Notice seeking proposals to support programming to strengthen and streamline community policing efforts to combat terrorism in Bangladesh.

Proposals are due May 3, 2019. Approximately \$1.98 million is available to support one award.

Limited Submission: One per applicant organization.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Criminal Justice and Litigation Skill Building: Supporting Consolidation of Mexico's Accusatorial Criminal Justice System (ACJS)

Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), Department of State (State)

Notice seeking applications to provide Mexican law students and professors an opportunity to develop litigation skills for working in and teaching the ACJS. This will be done by delivering litigation workshops, providing training/study tours to the United States and organizing an international conference on law schools' role in the consolidation of the ACJS.

Applications are due May 21, 2019. Approximately \$3 million is available to support one award.

# LINKS: Grants.gov

DRL FY18 and FY19 Regional Advocacy Projects in the Western Hemisphere Department of State (State), Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor (DRL)

Notice seeking applications for projects to increase accountability for human rights violations in Latin America by leveraging the institutional knowledge and activities of local civil society.

Applications are due May 9, 2019. Approximately \$950,000 is available to support one award for 18 to 24 months.

Limited Submission: Primary organizations can submit one application.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

FY 2019 Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Enhancement Program Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), Department of State (State)

Notice seeking applications to provide German youth participants in the CBYX Secondary School and Young Professionals components with enhanced opportunities to learn about civil society and political life in the United States through a Washington, D.C. workshop designed to improve their understanding of civic engagement in the United States both throughout history and currently. Workshops should include substantive engagement with Congress.

Applications are due May 20, 2019. Approximately \$2.25 million is available to support up to two awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

FY 2019 Pan Africa Youth Leadership Program Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), Department of State (State)

Notice seeking applications to provide participants with a three-week exchange program in the United States focused on civic education, community service, and youth leadership development, and to support the implementation of service projects in their home communities. U.S. embassies in Sub-Saharan Africa will recruit, screen, and select the participants.

Applications are due May 20, 2019. Approximately \$4.88 million is available to support one award.

### LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Higher Education Partnerships (HEP)-Dominican Republic Addendum\_STIP APS United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications to propel partner country HEIs toward becoming global leaders in scientific education and research, and to increase their presence as a source of innovation and knowledge for local government officials, policy makers, and other development players.

Concept papers are due May 1, 2019.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Notice seeking applications to propel partner country HEIs in Morocco toward becoming global leaders in scientific education and research, and to increase their presence as a source of innovation and knowledge for local government officials, policy makers, and other development players.

Concept paper are due May 1, 2019. Approximately \$5 million is available to support one award over three to five years.

## LINKS: Grants.gov

Higher Education Partnerships (HEP)-Paraguay Addendum\_STIP APS United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Notice seeking applications to propel partner country HEIs in Paraguay toward becoming global leaders in scientific education and research, and to increase their presence as a source of innovation and knowledge for local government officials, policy makers, and other development players.

Concept papers are due May 1, 2019. Approximately \$5 million is available to support one award over three to five years.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Board for International Food and Agricultural Development; Notice of Meeting United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD)

Notice announcing a meeting to solicit feedback from the U.S. university community on their experiences implementing the regulations that govern USAID funded Exchange Visitors and Participant Training, as per the Automated Directives System (ADS) 252 and ADS 253. The ADS contains the organization and functions of USAID, along with the policies and procedures that guide the Agency's programs and operations.

The meeting will be held April 9, 2019 from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET via livestream at <a href="http://www.aplu.org/projects-and-initiatives/international-programs/bifad/bifad-meetings.html">http://www.aplu.org/projects-and-initiatives/international-programs/bifad/bifad-meetings.html</a>.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

Supporting Learning Outcomes United States Agency for International Development (USAID), South Sudan (USAID)-Juba

Notice requesting information concerning possible development activities, ideas and approaches in support of improving learning outcomes appropriate to the South Sudan's environment to be implemented over the next five years with estimated funding \$20 million.

Responses are due April 9, 2019.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Becoming a Responsible Consumer of Media Department of State (State)

Notice seeking proposals to implement a series of workshops, lectures, media campaigns on Becoming A Responsible Consumer of Media over a one-year period to train trainers and educators to educate South Africans to be responsible consumers of news.

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Proposals are due May 31, 2019. One award of \$20,000 to \$50,000 is anticipated.

## LINKS: Grants.gov

Black History Month Performance Program 2020 Department of State (State)

Notice seeking proposals to carry out a Black History Month performance program. As part of the U.S. Mission's commemoration of Black History Month in February 2020, the grantee will stage a four-week (20-performance minimum) run of a thought-provoking play that addresses the African-American experience. Competitive proposals will demonstrate how the proposed play will resonate with South African audiences, and, preferably, feature a play written in the past 10 years by an African-American playwright.

Proposals are due May 31, 2019. One award of \$75,000 to \$100,000 is anticipated.

LINKS: Grants.gov

DRL FY18 and FY19 IRF Burma Department of State (State), Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor (DRL)

Notice seeking applications for projects that promote a diverse, multi-ethnic and multi-religious, and inclusive society that respects the rights of all people.

Applications are due May 10, 2019. Approximately \$1 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

DRL Strengthening Local Media Outreach and Security in Yemen Department of State (State), Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor (DRL)

Notice seeking applications to provide independent journalists and media outlets with the necessary investigative, physical, and digital security skills to securely produce fact-based reporting, thereby reinforcing the credibility of media products to the community.

Applications are due May 24, 2019. Up to \$1.25 million is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

FY 2019 Ngawang Choephel Fellows Program Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), Department of State (State)

Notice seeking proposals for a two-way exchange program designed to expand sustainable, inclusive economic development opportunities within the Tibetan communities of China.

Proposals are due May 28, 2019. Approximately \$600,000 is available to support two awards.

Limited Submission: Applicants must submit only one proposal under this competition.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

FY 2019 U.S. Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation Conservation Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), Department of State (State)

Notice seeking applications to strengthen existing professional and institutional relationships in architectural

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or objects conservation and to provide participants with new technical knowledge and skills that they may apply in their work at their home institutions or organizations.

Applications are due June 3, 2019. Approximately \$100,000 is available to support one award.

# LINKS: Grants.gov

FY18-19 IRF Combatting Anti-Semitism in EUR and SCA Department of State (State), Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor (DRL)

Notice seeking applications for projects that counter the rise of anti-Semitism in OSCE member states in Europe and Central Asia.

Applications are due May 3, 2019. Approximately \$1 million is available to support up to two awards.

Limited Submission: Primary organizations can submit one (1) application.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Go green on campuses and in surrounding communities Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to South Africa

Notice seeking proposals to carry out an exchange for South African and American undergraduate students and nearby youth community leaders dedicated to developing and implementing environmentally supportive on-campus/in-community projects.

Applications are due May 31, 2019. Approximately \$90,000 is available to support one award in 12 months.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Hackathons for SA: Digital Solutions for Real-World Challenges Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to South Africa

Notice seeking proposals interested in implementing a series of four hackathons (two in Cape Town and two in Johannesburg) over a one-year period to: Build technical, problem-solving, creative thinking, and collaborative skills among emerging software developers to strengthen their employability and help drive economic growth; Create innovative digital solutions to key social, environmental, health, and economic challenges; and Strengthen people-to-people ties between the United States and South Africa through exchanges of information, experiences, and expertise.

Applications are due May 31, 2019. Approximately \$70,000 is available to support one awards for 12 to 18 months.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

Linking Cities in the U.S. and South Africa Department of State (State)

Notice seeking proposals to carry out an exchange program for mayors and municipal leaders in the U.S. and South Africa. The objective of this program is to advance the overall goal of promoting prosperity and good governance in South Africa.

Proposals are due May 31, 2019. One award of \$25,000 to \$45,000 is anticipated.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Preservation and Access Education and Training National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Division of Preservation and Access

Notice seeking applications to support the development of knowledge and skills among professionals responsible for preserving and establishing access to humanities collections. Thousands of libraries, archives, museums, and historical organizations across the country maintain important collections of books and manuscripts, photographs, sound recordings and moving images, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, art and material culture collections, electronic records, and digital objects.

Optional draft applications are due April 3, 2019. Applications are due May 15, 2019. The maximum award amount is \$350,000 for a period of up to three years.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Promoting Volunteerism and Community Engagement Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to South Africa

Notice seeking proposals to develop and implement a program that would connect people who want to volunteer or intern with relevant volunteer opportunities at NGOs and corporations. This public-private partnership meets the U.S. Mission strategic goal to promote prosperity and good governance in South Africa with the goal of helping to close the skills gap and mitigate unemployment nationwide.

Applications are due May 31, 2019. Approximately \$115,000 is available to support one award for 12 to 18 months.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Protecting SA heritage & reducing demand for wildlife Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to South Africa

Notice seeking proposals to carry out a coordinated national public marketing campaign for audiences in South Africa for illicit wildlife products, with a particular focus on rhino horn and elephant ivory, as well as pangolins, vultures, and other trafficked flora and fauna. The campaign would focus on the historic South African cultural and natural heritage value of these threatened/endangered species as shown through literature, song, art, storytelling, etc., while deglamorizing/devaluing horn and ivory as mere keratin/dentine.

Applications are due May 31, 2019. Approximately \$30,000 is available for one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Research and Development National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Division of Preservation and Access

Notice seeking applications to support projects that address major challenges in preserving or providing access to humanities collections and resources. These challenges include the need to find better ways to preserve materials of critical importance to the nation's cultural heritage—from fragile artifacts and manuscripts to analog recordings and digital assets subject to technological obsolescence—and to develop advanced modes of organizing, searching, discovering, and using such materials.

Optional draft applications are due April 3, 2019. Applications are due May 15, 2019. Tier I provides awards up to \$75,000. Tier II provides awards up to \$350,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Southern Iraq Job Skills Development Program Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to Iraq

Notice seeking proposals for a job skills development and mentoring program in southern Iraq, targeting Basrah, Dhi Qar, Maysan, and Muthanna. This project will match 60 university and vocational students ages 19-22 with local private sector leaders for a one-year mentorship program. The program's objective is to improve the ability of local youth to find employment outside the public sector, including through entrepreneurship.

Proposals are due May 15, 2019. Approximately \$200,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Tunisia Chambers of Commerce Capacity Building Department of State (State)

Notice seeking proposals to strengthen the capacity of targeted regional Chambers of Commerce in Tunisia and increase their performance in serving as a major driver of local development and investment within their communities. The project will spur economic development through support to the Chambers of Commerce in Gabes, Gafsa, and Beja that improves their capacity to serve as local drivers of sustainable growth.

Applications are due May 1, 2019. Approximately \$500,000 to \$700,000 is available to support one award for 18 months of activities.

LINKS: Grants.gov

U.S. Embassy Ankara, Grants Program Department of State (State), Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs

Notice seeking proposals to carry out projects that address one or more of the following key bilateral themes: Support Shared Security, Strengthen Economic Prosperity, Reinforce Democratic Values or Foster Turkish and U.S. Ties.

Proposals are due April 30, 2019. Awards may range from a minimum of \$5,000 to a maximum of \$75,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov

# **EDUCATION and ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

AgrAbility

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

Notice seeking applications that increase the likelihood that farmers, ranchers, farm workers and farm family members with disabilities will experience success in agricultural production. The program supports projects between State Cooperative Extension System and private, non-profit disability organizations who work in partnership to provide agricultural education and assistance directed at accommodating disability in farm operations for individuals with disabilities, and their families, who engage in farming and farm-related occupations.

Applications are due May 9, 2019. Approximately \$4.1 million is available for three awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

BJA FY 19 National Officer Safety Initiatives Program Department of Justice (Justice), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

Notice seeking applications for innovative approaches to augment officer safety in three areas: strengthening officer wellness, establishing partnerships to reduce violent crime and increase officer safety, and enhancing defensive tactics training.

Applications are due May 21, 2019. Approximately \$4.25 million is available to support four awards.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

BJA FY 19 Preventing Violence Against Law Enforcement Officers and Ensuring Officer Resilience and Survivability (VALOR) Department of Justice (Justice), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

Notice seeking applications that work to enhance officer safety and wellness in a systemic and comprehensive manner; educating, training, and offering resources to state, local, and tribal law enforcement personnel to augment their safety and protection.

Applications are due May 21, 2019. Approximately \$7.2 million is available to support up to two awards (one in each category).

LINKS: Grants.gov

FY 2019 Graduate Research Fellowship Program for Criminal Justice Statistics Department of Justice (Justice), Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS)

Notice seeking applications to increase the pool of future researchers and practitioners using criminal justice statistical data generated by BJS in support of DOJ's top priorities: enhancing national security and countering the threat of terrorism, securing the borders and enhancing immigration enforcement, reducing violent crime and promoting public safety, or prosecuting federal drug crimes and enforcing the rule of law.

Applications are due May 21, 2019. Approximately \$120,000 is available to support three awards.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

OJJDP FY 19 Comprehensive School-based Approach to Youth Violence and Victimization Prevention, Intervention and Accountability

Department of Justice (Justice), Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)

Notice seeking applications to support a comprehensive effort to address youth violence and victimization through implementing prevention, intervention and accountability efforts in a school-based setting. The goals of the program are to: 1) reduce the incidence of school violence through accountability efforts for offenders; 2) respond to victimization whether as a result of violence that occurs in the school or community; 3) improve overall school safety; and 4) prevent violence, delinquency and victimization in the targeted school/community.

Applications are due May 20, 2019. Approximately \$7 million is available for nine awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Notice seeking applications to support potato research programs that focus on varietal development and testing and potato varieties for commercial production. As used herein, varietal development and testing is research using conventional breeding and/or biotechnological genetics to develop improved potato varieties. Aspects of evaluation, screening and testing must support variety development.

Applications are due May 21, 2019. Approximately \$2.2 million is available for four awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Civil Service Retirement System Board of Actuaries Meeting Office of Personnel Management (OPM)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Civil Service Retirement System Board of Actuaries to review the actuarial methods and assumptions used in the valuations of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund.

The meeting will be held April 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at 1900 E Street NW, Room 4351, Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register

Advisory Committees Solicitation of Applications for Membership Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)

Notice announcing a public invitation to apply for membership for appointment to its Consumer Advisory Board, Community Bank Advisory Council, Credit Union Advisory Council, and Academic Research Council. Membership of the advisory committees includes representatives of consumers, diverse communities, the financial services industry, academics, and economists.

Applications are due May 5, 2019.

LINKS: Federal Register

Technical Advisory Group for USCIS Naturlizati Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)

Notice seeking information and capability statements to put put together a Technical Advisory Group (TAG) composed of members of the Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages organization who will provide guidance on a new naturalization test as well as on educational materials and resources related to the new test. The contractor would also organize and facilitate six meetings of the TAG and report their findings to USCIS.

Capability statements are due April 5, 2019. Questions are due March 29, 2019.

LINKS: FBO

Announcement for Program Funding for NRCS Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) for Federal fiscal year 2019 - Michigan

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Notice seeking applications to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies in conjunction with agricultural production. Applications are accepted from eligible entities for projects carried out in the state of Michigan.

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Applications are due May 31, 2019. Approximately \$225,000 is available.

# LINKS: Grants.gov

Announcement for Program Funding for NRCS' Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG) for Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 – MISSOURI

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Notice seeking applications to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies in conjunction with agricultural production. CIG projects are expected to lead to the transfer of conservation technologies, management systems, and innovative approaches (such as market-based systems) to agricultural producers, into NRCS technical manuals and guides, or to the private sector.

Applications are due May 31, 2019. Approximately \$100,000 is available. Cost share is required.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

Arkansas funding announcement

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Notice seeking applications to solicit partnerships to provide direct technical services to assist producers to plan and/or implement conservation practices throughout Arkansas.

Applications are due May 24, 2019. Approximately \$5 million is available.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

BJA FY 19 Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Program Training and Technical Assistance (TTA) Program Department of Justice (Justice), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

Notice seeking applications to reduce opioid abuse and the number of overdose fatalities, as well as to mitigate impacts on crime victims. The program also supports the implementation, enhancement, and proactive use of prescription drug monitoring programs to support clinical decision making and prevent the abuse and diversion of controlled substances.

Applications are due May 28, 2019. Approximately \$13.3 million is available to support at least five awards.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

BJA FY 19 Enhancing Task Force Leadership, Operations, and Management Department of Justice (Justice), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

Notice seeking applications to provide training and technical assistance nationwide to increase the effectiveness and ensure the success of state and local multijurisdictional, and tribal law enforcement task forces created to address local crime issues.

Applications are due May 28, 2019. Approximately \$500,000 is available to support one award.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

Notice seeking applications for education and training programs to help identify, avoid, and prevent unsafe working conditions in and around mines. The focus of these grants for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 will be training programs and training materials on powered haulage safety (i.e. reducing vehicle-on-vehicle collisions, increasing seat belt use, and improving belt conveyor safety), examinations of working places at metal and nonmetal mines, mine emergency prevention and preparedness, or other programs to prevent unsafe conditions in and around mines.

Applications are due 60 days after the published date of this FOA. Approximately \$400,000 is available to support eight awards.

## LINKS: Federal Register

Higher Education Multicultural Scholars Program National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking applications to provide scholarships to support recruiting, engaging, retaining, mentoring, and training committed multicultural scholars, resulting in either baccalaureate degrees within the FANH disciplines or Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.) degrees.

Applications are due May 24, 2019. Approximately \$945,000 is available.

## LINKS: Grants.gov

Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP), Incarcerated Veterans' Transition Program (IVTP), and the Homeless Female Veterans' and Veterans' with Families Program (HFVVWF) (referred to collectively as HVRP)

Department of Labor (Labor), Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS)

Notice seeking applications to provide services to reintegrate homeless veterans into the labor force by placing them into meaningful employment and to stimulate the development of effective service delivery systems that will address the complex problems facing homeless veterans.

Applications are due April 26, 2019. Approximately \$13.5 million is available to support multiple awards.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

OJJDP FY 19 Family Drug Court Program Department of Justice (Justice), Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)

Notice seeking applications to build the capacity of states, state and local courts, units of local government, and federally recognized tribal governments to sustain existing family drug courts or establish new family drug courts. Family drug courts serve parents who require treatment for a substance abuse disorder and who are involved with the child welfare system as a result of child abuse, neglect, or other parenting issues.

Applications are due May 29, 2019. Approximately \$9 million is available to support 14 awards. Cost share of 25 percent is required.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Rehabilitation Research and Training Center (RRTC) on Employment of Transition-Age Youth with Disabilities

Administration for Community Living (ACL), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to conduct research, training, technical assistance, and related activities to

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contribute to improved employment outcomes of transition-age youth with disabilities.

Requested letters of intent are due April 29, 2019. Applications are due May 24, 2019. Approximately \$875,000 is available to support one award.

# LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Housing Service (RHS)

Notice seeking applications 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 that will support the community.

Applications are due June 5, 2019.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Workforce Data Quality Initiative – WDQI Round VII Department of Labor (Labor), Employment and Training Administration (ETA)

Notice seeking applications to support the development or expansion of State workforce longitudinal administrative databases. Collecting and analyzing data and conducting research using longitudinal data can provide a comprehensive picture of whether education programs lead to employment in related fields, whether jobseekers are obtaining training-related employment, and the impact of training on workers' earnings throughout their careers.

Applications are due April 24, 2019. Approximately \$11.5 million is available to support eight awards. Partnership opportunities exist for colleges and universities.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Fixed Income Market Structure Advisory Committee Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Fixed Income Market Structure Advisory Committee to discuss updates and presentations from the subcommittees and a discussion on the transition away from the London Interbank Offered Rate.

The meeting will be held April 15, 2019 beginning at 9:30 a.m. ET at 100 F Street NE, Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

# **HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH**

AHRQ Health Services Research Project: Partners Enabling Diagnostic Excellence (R01) Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to fund investigative health services research projects that establish the incidence of diagnostic errors, enhance our understanding of the factors contributing to diagnostic errors, and the association between diagnostic safety and quality and outcomes such as patient harms, costs, expenditures, and utilization.

Requested letters of intent are due April 22, 2019. Applications are due May 29, 2019. Approximately \$2 million is available to support up to four awards.

# LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Cystic Fibrosis Research and Translation Centers (P30 Clinical Trial Optional) 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 for Cystic Fibrosis (CF) Research and Translation Core Centers. CF Research and Translation Core Centers support three primary research-related activities: Research Core services; a Pilot and Feasibility program; and an Administrative Core with an enrichment program. Core Centers provide shared resources to support research to develop and test new therapies for CF and to foster collaborations among institutions with a strong existing research base in CF.

Optional letters of intent are due June 18, 2019. Applications are due July 18, 2019.

Limited Submission: Only one application per institution.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

DoD Lung Cancer, Career Development Award Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support early-career, independent investigators to conduct impactful research under the mentorship of an experienced lung cancer researcher as an opportunity to obtain the funding, mentoring, and experience necessary for productive, independent careers at the forefront of lung cancer research.

Required pre-applications are due August 1, 2019. Invited applications are due August 21, 2019. Approximately \$1.2 million is available to support three awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

DoD Lung Cancer, Idea Development Award Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support conceptually innovative, high-risk/high-reward research that could lead to critical discoveries or major advancements that will accelerate progress toward eradicating deaths and suffering from lung cancer.

Required pre-applications are due May 15, 2019. Invited applications are due August 21, 2019. Approximately \$3.36 million is available to support three Established and three New Investigator awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

DoD Lung Cancer, Investigator-Initiated Translational Research Award Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support translational research that will develop promising ideas in lung cancer into clinical applications. Translational research may be defined as an integration of basic science

and clinical observations.

Required pre-applications are due May 15, 2019. Invited applications are due August 21, 2019. Approximately \$2.56 million is available to support four awards.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

DoD Lung Cancer, Translational Research Partnership Award Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support partnerships between clinicians and research scientists that will accelerate the movement of promising ideas in lung cancer into clinical applications. This award supports the development of translational research collaborations between two independent, faculty-level (or equivalent) investigators to address a central problem or question in lung cancer in a manner that would be less readily achievable through separate efforts.

Required pre-applications are due May 15, 2019. Invited applications are due August 21, 2019. Approximately \$2.88 million is available to support two awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

DoD Neurofibromatosis Investigator- Initiated Research Award Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications for highly rigorous, high-impact research projects that have the potential to make an important contribution to NF research and/or patient care. Research projects may focus on any phase of research, excluding clinical trials. The rationale for a research idea may be derived from laboratory discovery, population-based studies, a clinician's firsthand knowledge of patients, or anecdotal data. Applications must include preliminary and/or published data that are relevant to NF and the proposed research project.

Required pre-applications are due May 23, 2019. Invited applications are due June 6, 2019. Approximately \$6 million is available for seven awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

DoD Parkinson's Early Investigator Research Award Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense), U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA)

Notice seeking applications to support Parkinson's disease-focused research opportunities for individuals in the early stages of their careers, under the guidance of a designated Mentor.

Required pre-applications are due July 9, 2019. Invited applications are due July 24, 2019. Approximately \$1.44 million is available to support four awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov

DoD Parkinson's Investigator-Initiated Research Award Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking applications to support highly rigorous, multidisciplinary, high-impact research projects that

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have the potential to make an important contribution to Parkinson's disease research and/or patient care.

Required pre-applications are due July 9, 2019. Invited applications are due July 24, 2019.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

DoD Peer Reviewed Cancer Programs (Multiple Opportunities) Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking applications that support innovative research for the prevention, detection, and treatment of cancer. Focus areas include colorectal cancer, genetic cancer, kidney cancer, listeria vaccine for cancer, liver cancer, melanoma and other skin cancers, mesothelioma, myeloproliferative disorders, neuroblastoma, pancreatic cancer, and stomach cancer.

Required pre-applications for Idea Award with Special Focus, Impact Award and Translational Team Science Award are due May 22, 2019. Required pre-applications for Career Development Award and Horizon Award are due August 21, 2019. Multiple awards expected.

LINKS: <u>Grants.gov (Translational Team Science Award)</u>, <u>Grants.gov (Career Development Award)</u>, <u>Solicitation</u>

Informatics Methodology and Secondary Analyses for Immunology Data in ImmPort (UH2 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

Notice seeking applications to support the development of new or improved informatics tools and methods for the reuse of shared data in the immunology study repository, ImmPort; and to support secondary analyses of existing immunology datasets to address basic and clinical immunology questions.

Requested letters of intent are due September 1, 2019. Applications are due October 1, 2019; October 1, 2020; and October 1, 2021.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Institutional Translational Research Training Program (T32) National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS); National Institute on Aging (NIA)

Notice seeking applications to equip trainees with the knowledge and skills needed to advance basic research toward clinical application. These programs will support, students and/or postdocs conducting basic, disease-relevant research in an environment that includes 1) basic scientists and clinicians who are actively engaged in collaborative research projects, 2) neuroscience researchers with expertise in translational processes who are conducting research designed to move basic discoveries toward clinical application and 3) relationships with industry and government regulatory agencies.

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due May 29, 2019; May 27, 2020; and May 26, 2021.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Creating Options for Veterans Expedited Recovery (COVER) Commission; Notice of Meeting Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Creating Options for Veterans' Expedited Recovery (COVER) Commission

Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss the evidence-based therapy treatment model used by the VA for treating mental health conditions of Veterans and the potential benefits of incorporating complementary and integrative health approaches as standard practice throughout the Department. The planned following topics include: (1) Models of care; (2) care system financial information; (3) tele-mental health; (4) Veteran's family experience and discussion with senior officials from the VA.

The meeting will be held April 16, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET and April 17, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at Hilton Garden Inn Washington DC Downtown, 815 14th Street NW, Washington, D.C. Attend in person by registering with the contact. Attend via teleconference by calling 800-767-1750 and entering access code 48664#.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

Development of Sample Sparing Assays for Monitoring Immune Responses (U24 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

Notice seeking applications to accelerate the development and validation of sample sparing assays that can be applied for studying the human immune system in health and disease. Development of new, cutting-edge sample sparing assays will lead to maximum use of the human-derived specimens by significant reduction of sample volumes/amounts required or by simultaneous multi-parameter assessments of immune function.

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due July 30, 2019. Approximately \$5 million is available to support 8 to 10 awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

ITCR: innovative algorithms (R21 Clinical Trial Optional) National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Notice seeking applications for the development of innovative methods and algorithms in biomedical computing, informatics, and data science addressing priority needs across the cancer research continuum including cancer biology, cancer treatment and diagnosis, early cancer detection, risk assessment and prevention, cancer control and epidemiology, and/or cancer health disparities. As a component of the NCI's Informatics Technology for Cancer Research (ITCR) Program, this FOA encourages applications focused on the development of novel computational, mathematical, and statistical algorithms and methods that can considerably improve acquisition, management, analysis, and dissemination of relevant data and/or knowledge.

Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due June 11, 2019. Approximately \$1.24 million is available to support six awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Optimizing the Management and Outcomes for Cancer Survivors Transitioning to Follow-up Care (R01 Clinical Trial Required)

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

Notice seeking applications that develop and test models of care for adult survivors of cancer who are transitioning from active treatment to follow-up care.

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Requested letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due June 28, 2019. Approximately \$5 million is available to support up to six awards.

# LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Rural Maternity and Obstetrics Management Strategies Program Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice seeking applications to improve access to and continuity of maternal and obstetrics care in rural communities.

Requested letters of intent are due May 3, 2019. Applications are due May 24, 2019. Approximately \$1.8 million is available to support up to three awards.

Limited Submission: One application per institution.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

Antimicrobial Drugs Advisory Committee Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing a forthcoming public advisory committee meeting of the Antimicrobial Drugs Advisory Committee. The committee will discuss the safety and effectiveness of bacitracin for intramuscular injection for the treatment of infants with pneumonia and empyema caused by staphylococci shown to be susceptible to the drug, which is the only approved indication for bacitracin for intramuscular injection.

The meeting will be held April 26, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Tommy Douglas Conference Center, the Ballroom, 10000 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD. The conference center's telephone number is 240-645-4000.

### LINKS: Federal Register

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 a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors. The purpose of the meeting is to addresses occupational safety and health issues related to: NIOSH Chemical Risk Management; Occupational Exposure Banding; Research Integration Activities; and an Overview of the National Fire Fighter Registry.

The meeting will be held May 30, 2019, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., ET at Patriots Plaza I, 395 E Street SW, Room 9000, Washington, DC.

# LINKS: Federal Register

Development of Antibacterial Drugs for the Treatment of Nontuberculous Mycobacterial Disease Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Notice announcing the following public workshop entitled "Development of Antibacterial Drugs for the Treatment of Nontuberculous Mycobacterial Disease." The purpose of the public workshop is to discuss the clinical trial design considerations, including endpoints, related to the development of antibacterial drug products for treatment of nontuberculous mycobacterial (NTM) disease.

The public workshop will be held April 8, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at FDA's White Oak Campus, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Building 31, Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503), Silver Spring, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register

# SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

Broadening Participation in Engineering Directorate for Engineering (ENG), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking proposals to strengthen the future U.S. Engineering workforce by enabling the participation of all citizens through the support of research in the science of Broadening Participation in Engineering (BPE). The BPE program is a dedicated to supporting the development of a diverse and well-prepared engineering workforce.

Proposals are accepted anytime.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

High-Risk Research in Biological Anthropology and Archaeology Directorate for Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences (SBE), National Science Foundation (NSF), Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences (BCS)

Notice seeking proposals that provide investigators with the opportunity to assess the feasibility of an anthropological research project. It is required that the proposed activity be clearly high risk in nature. The information gathered may then be used as the basis for preparing a more fully developed research program.

Proposals are accepted anytime. Up to \$150,000 is available to support two to five awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Network Director for the U.S. Testing Expertise and Access for Marine Energy Research (TEAMER) Program

Department of Energy (Energy), Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Notice seeking applications to provide developers access to Marine and Hydrokinetic (MHK) testing facilities. TEAMER will also lend technical expertise to assist with numerical modeling and data collection. TEAMER will be a collaborative effort including universities as well as already established national laboratories and National Marine Renewable Energy Centers (NMRECs). The Network Director will be the lead for administering periodic Request for Technical Support (RFTS) for participation in the U.S. TEAMER Program.

Concept papers are due April 25, 2019. Applications are due June 7, 2019. Approximately \$10 million is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Pipeline Safety Research Competitive Academic Agreement Program (CAAP) U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration (PHMSA)

Notice seeking applications for CAAP funding to research innovative solutions to pipeline corrosion and

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other known pipeline integrity challenges. The CAAP initiative is intended to spur innovation by enabling academic research focused on high technical risk and high pay-off solutions for the many pipeline safety challenges.

Questions are due April 12, 2019. Applications are due May 3, 2019. Approximately \$2 million is available to support multiple awards. Cost share of 20 percent is required for CAAP agreements.

# LINKS: Grants.gov

Sustained Availability of Biological Infrastructure Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice seeking applications that support the continued operation of extant infrastructure that will advance basic biological research. Infrastructure supported under this program may include cyberinfrastructure, instrumentation, experimental or observational facilities, biological living stocks which have ongoing costs of operation and maintenance that exceed the reasonable capacity of the host institution. Proposals must make a compelling case that sustained availability of the proposed infrastructure will advance or transform research in biological sciences.

Proposals are accepted anytime. Approximately \$5 million is available for up to three awards.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

Webless Migratory Game Bird Program Request for Proposals 2019 Department of the Interior (Interior), Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

Notice seeking applications that support activities that will improve management of the 16 species of webless migratory game birds (WMGBs) in North America. Priorities identified at the workshops must be used to guide proposal development and will be used by the review committee to select projects that address these priority information needs.

Applications are due April 22, 2019. Awards are between \$5,000 and \$100,000.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

Women and Minorities in STEM Fields National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking applications to support research, education/teaching, and extension projects that increase participation by women and underrepresented minorities from rural areas in STEM. NIFA intends this program to address educational needs within broadly defined areas of food, agriculture, natural resources, and human (FANH) sciences.

Applications are due May 21, 2019. Approximately \$400,000 is available for multiple awards.

### LINKS: Grants.gov

Advisory Committee for Engineering; Notice of Meeting National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Advisory Committee for Engineering to discuss recommendations and counsel on major goals and policies pertaining to engineering programs and activities.

The meeting will be held April 17-18, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. to 5:50 p.m. at the National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room E2030, Alexandria, Va.

# LINKS: Federal Register

The President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security)

Notice announcing a meeting of the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee to discuss communication issues and challenges in addition to discussions with Senior-Level Government Stakeholders and a review of ongoing committee work, including a deliberation and vote on the committee Letter to the President on Advancing Resiliency and Fostering Innovation in the Information and Communications Technology Ecosystem.

The meeting will be held April 2, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET via conference call. Email <u>NSTAC@hq.dhs.gov</u> by 5:00 p.m. ET on March 26, 2019 to register.

LINKS: Federal Register

Input for potential energy savings scope opportunities that may include solar energy integration and or energy storage

Federal Laboratories (Federal Laboratories), Department of Energy (Energy), Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL)

Notice seeking feedback from industry, academia, and other stakeholders on potential for collaborating with and using the SRNL available facilities and capabilities in ways that may satisfy the needs of utility scale grid modernization, renewable energy integration, and energy storage. Information is also sought on investment opportunities that would be funded via reduced operations and maintenance costs, including energy savings while increasing the Savannah River Site's renewable portfolio.

Responses are due April 22, 2019.

LINKS: FBO

State of the Art MS Tools for MI Experiments and Analysis Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

Notice seeking information on modeling and simulation (M&S) tools designed to evaluate military intelligence (MI) concepts, future prospective capabilities, and architectures. Suitable M&S technologies and tools must help lab personnel to evaluate future force concepts and prospective capabilities across multiple scenarios and future time horizons. Additionally, suitable M&S tools must help to reduce the research, development, testing, and evaluation risks inherent to Army force modernization.

White papers are due May 15, 2019. Submit questions and white papers to both contacts.

### LINKS: FBO

Advancing Sustainable Materials Management Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice seeking applications that focus on economically-driven strategies to drive SMM of food, glass, recycling markets, and the built environment.

Applications are due May 10, 2019. Approximately \$125,000 is available.

LINKS: Grants.gov

Clean Energy Manufacturing Innovation Institute: Cybersecurity in Energy Efficient Manufacturing Department of Energy (Energy)

Notice seeking proposals for a consortium of manufacturers, small businesses, universities, national laboratories, and state and local governments to establish a Clean Energy Manufacturing Innovation Institute dedicated to advancing cybersecurity in energy efficient manufacturing to pursue targeted research and development that will focus on understanding the evolving cybersecurity threats to greater energy efficiency in manufacturing industries, developing new cybersecurity technologies and methods, and sharing information and knowledge to the broader community of U.S. manufacturers.

Required concept papers are due May 15, 2019. Proposals are due August 20, 2019. Cost sharing of 20 percent is required for the consortium. Approximately \$14 million per year is available for one award.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

Higher Education Challenge Grants Program National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Notice seeking applications for projects that will produce baccalaureate or higher degree level graduates capable of strengthening the nation's food and agricultural scientific and professional workforce within the food, agricultural, natural resources, and human sciences.

Applications are due May 27, 2019. Multiple awards are anticipated, with a funding range of \$30,000 to \$750,000.

LINKS: Grants.gov, Agency Site

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

Notice seeking proposals for 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, validation of fairness, and considerations of inclusivity. Funded projects will enable broadened acceptance of AI systems, helping the U.S. further capitalize on the potential of AI technologies.

Required letters of intent are due May 10, 2019. Proposals are due June 25, 2019. Six to nine awards are anticipated, with a funding range of \$750,000 to \$1,250,000.

# LINKS: Grants.gov, Solicitation

State Department Key Verification Assets Fund BROAD AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENT (BAA) Department of State (State)

Notice seeking proposals to address priority science and technology requirements that help sustain, research, develop, or acquire technologies or programs relating to the verification of arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament agreements and commitments. Various topics are available for funding under this announcement.

Applications are due April 30, 2019. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS: <u>FBO</u>

DOE NSF High Energy Physics Advisory Panel Department of Energy (Energy), National Science Foundation (NSF)

Notice announcing a meeting of the High Energy Physics Advisory Panel with the following agenda: Discussion of Department of Energy High Energy Physics Program; Discussion of National Science Foundation Elementary Particle Physics Program; Reports on and Discussions of Topics of General Interest in High Energy Physics; and Public Comment.

The meeting will be held May 30, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and May 31 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET at 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD.

LINKS: Federal Register, Agency Site

Open Meeting of the Environmental Financial Advisory Board Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Notice announcing a meeting of the Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB) to hear from informed speakers on environmental finance issues and EPA priorities; to discuss recommendations from EFAB work products; to discuss changes to the EFAB's process of selecting new topics and developing recommendations; and to discuss stormwater funding and financing.

The meeting will be held beginning at 9:00 a.m. on April 17 and will end on April 18, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. ET. The meeting will be held at 801 Wharf St. SW, Washington, DC.

LINKS: Federal Register