Notices from December 05, 2019 to December 11, 2019

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ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Archives Collaboratives

FON:
COLLABORATIVES-202006

AGENCY:
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to share best practices, tools, and techniques; assess institutional strengths and opportunities; and promote management structures for long-term sustainability and growth.

ACTION:
Proposals are due January 16, 2020. Implementation grants are up to $100,000. Cost sharing is required.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Daniel Stokes, Email: Daniel.stokes@nara.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Fellowships Open Book Program

FON:
20200316-DR

AGENCY:
National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Office of Digital Humanities (ODH)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to award publishers grants to release open access digital editions of books whose underlying research was funded by one of the following six NEH programs: Fellowships; Awards for Faculty at Hispanic-Serving Institutions; Awards for Faculty at Historically Black Colleges and Universities; Awards for Faculty at Tribal Colleges and University; Fellowships for Advanced Social Science Research on Japan; or Public Scholars. Each ebook shall be released under a Creative Commons license, making those books free for anyone to download.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 16, 2020. Approximately 30 awards of up to $5,500 are available. Eligibility is limited to publishers (including colleges and university publishers) who have published within the last three years (or will publish within the period of performance) a book whose research was supported by an NEH fellowship.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
ODH, Email: odh@neh.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY 2020 International Sports Programming Initiative

FON:
SFOP0006298

AGENCY:
Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA), Department of State (State)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support two-way exchange programs between U.S. IHEs and foreign institutions to enhance and improve the infrastructure of youth sports programs in select countries
around the world. The focus of all programs must be on both male and female youth and/or their coaches/sports administrators. The theme is Sport for Social Change. Programs designed to train elite athletes will not be considered.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 27, 2020. Approximately $2.2 million is available for four awards.

Limited Submission:
one application per institution.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Hans Posey, Email: poseyhe@state.gov (mailto:poseyhe@state.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Publishing Historical Records in Documentary Editions

FON:
EDITIONS-202006

AGENCY:
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to publish documentary editions of historical records. Projects may focus on broad historical movements in U.S. history, such as politics, law (including the social and cultural history of the law), social reform, business, military, the arts, and other aspects of the national experience, or may be centered on the papers of major figures from American history.

ACTION:
Optional draft applications are due April 1, 2020. Applications are due June 10, 2020. Approximately $3 million is available to support 25 awards. Cost sharing is required.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Darrell Meadows, 202-357-5321. Email: darrell.meadows@nara.gov (mailto:darrell.meadows@nara.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
State Board Programming Grants

FON:
STATE-202006

AGENCY:
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to assist state boards to broaden preservation of, and increased online access to, historical records; develop and promote best practices; support activities that put the American people in touch with primary sources in their communities and online; promote the institutional advancement of organizations in underserved communities; and assist locally based repositories with training and tools to improve their stewardship abilities.

ACTION:
Optional draft applications are due April 1, 2020. Applications are due June 10, 2020. Approximately $800,000 is available to support 30 awards. Cost sharing is required.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Daniel Stokes, 202-357-5487. Email: daniel.stokes@nara.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
U.S. Embassy La Paz - PAS Annual Program Statement

FON:
PAS-LAPAZ-FY20-01

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to Bolivia

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for programs that strengthen cultural, educational, professional and scientific ties between the U.S. and Bolivia through cultural and exchange programming that highlights shared values and promotes bilateral cooperation. All programs must include an American cultural element, or connection with American expert/s, organization/s, or institution/s in a specific field that will promote increased understanding of U.S. policy and perspectives. Examples of programs include, but are not limited to academic and professional lectures, seminars and speaker programs; artistic and cultural workshops, joint performances and exhibitions; cultural heritage conservation and preservation programs; and professional and academic exchanges and programs.

ACTION:
Applications are due August 31, 2020. Awards of $1,000 to $40,000 are available.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Email: LaPazGrants@state.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
U.S. Embassy Panama Public Diplomacy Small Grants Program

FON:
PAS-PAN-FY20-02
AGENCY:  
Department of State (State), U.S. Mission to Panama

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications for small grants for cultural and exchange programming to strengthen ties between the United States and Panama. Examples of PAS Small Grants Program programs include, but are not limited to: academic and professional lectures, seminars and speaker programs; artistic and cultural workshops, joint performances and exhibitions; cultural heritage conservation and preservation programs; professional and academic exchanges and programs; and community engagement or student programs on entrepreneurship or STEM education.

ACTION:  
Applications are due May 31, 2020. Awards ranging from $1,000 to $25,000 are available.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Colin Machado, Email: pancultural@state.gov (mailto:pancultural@state.gov)

NOTICE:  
Request for Information for the 2020 Tracking in Persons Report

FON:  
2019-26520

AGENCY:  
Department of State (State), The Office to Monitor and Combat Tracking in Persons (TIP Office)

ITEM:  
Notice seeking information to inform the forthcoming 2020 Tracking in Persons Report, which tracks governments’ efforts to combat trafficking in persons around the world. Submissions may include written narratives that answer the questions presented in this notice, research, studies, statistics, fieldwork, training materials, evaluations, assessments, and other relevant evidence of local, state/provincial, and federal/central government efforts.

ACTION:  
Submissions are due January 15, 2020.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Email: tipreport@state.gov (mailto:tipreport@state.gov) for submissions related to foreign governments. Email: tipreportUS@state.gov (mailto:tipreportUS@state.gov) for submissions related to the United States.

EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Conservation Collaboration Grants or Agreements Fiscal Year 2020

FON:
USDA-NRCS-NHQ-CCG-20-GEN0010619

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications addressing local natural resource issues, encouraging collaboration and developing state- and community-level conservation leadership for historically underserved agricultural producers.

ACTION:
Proposals are due February 7, 2020. Approximately $35 million is available to support 35 awards. Cost share of 50 percent is required.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Vivian Dickson, 202-720-5477. Email: Vivian.dickson@usda.gov (mailto:Vivian.dickson@usda.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Inviting Applications for Value-Added Producer Grants and Solicitation of Grant Reviewers

AGENCY:
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to provide measurable results in helping rural communities build robust and sustainable economies through strategic investments in infrastructure, partnerships and innovation.

ACTION:
Applications are due by March 5, 2020. Approximately $18 million is available for multiple awards to support projects lasting up to 36 months. 1:1 match required. Preference is extended to following segments within the farmer/rancher community: beginnings, veterans, socially-disadvantaged, operators of small-medium sized family establishment, cooperatives, and projects proposing to develop a mid-tier value chain.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
National Office staff, 202-720-1400. Email: CPGrants@wdc.usda.gov (mailto:CPGrants@wdc.usda.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OR WA Master Cultural and Paleontological Resource Management
FON:
L20AS00005

AGENCY:
Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Department of the Interior (Interior)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to improve access to, and use, of heritage resources, and promote their educational, scientific, cultural, and recreational values in a manner that meets U.S. Department of the Interior priorities and Cultural Heritage and Paleontology Program goals.

ACTION:
Applications are due on the 10th of the month from February 10, 2020 to July 10, 2020. Approximately eight awards of up to $100,000 are available.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kristen Martine, 503-808-6431. Email: kmartine@blm.gov (mailto:kmartine@blm.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OVW FY 2020 Enhanced Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life Program

FON:
OVW-2020-17692

AGENCY:
Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for projects that will focus on providing training for criminal justice professionals to enhance their ability to address elder (50 years and older) abuse, neglect and exploitation (including domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking) in their communities.

ACTION:
Letters of intent are strongly encouraged by January 16, 2020. Applications are due February 6, 2020. Approximately $3 million is available for nine awards.

Limited Submission:
OVW will consider only one application per organization for the same service area.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Janice A. Green, 202-616-6728. Email: janice.a.green@usdoj.gov (mailto:janice.a.green@usdoj.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OVW FY 2020 Sexual Assault Services Culturally Specific Program
FON: OVW-2020-17652

AGENCY: Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), Department of Justice (Justice)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to create, maintain, and expand sustainable sexual assault services provided by culturally specific organizations, which are uniquely situated to respond to respond to the needs of sexual assault victims within culturally specific populations. OVW is interested in supporting the establishment, maintenance, and expansion of culturally specific intervention and related assistance for victims of sexual assault.

ACTION: Optional letters of intent are due by January 28, 2020. Applications are due February 12, 2020. IHEs may partner but are not eligible to apply as lead. Approximately $3.75 million is available for 12 awards.

Limited Submission: OVW will consider only one application per organization for the same service area.


CONTACT: Tonette Ngassa, 202-305-2379. Email: tonette.ngassa@usdoj.gov

NOTICE: Federal Perkins Loan Program, Federal Work-Study Programs, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant Program, Federal Family Education Loan Program, William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program, Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education

AGENCY: Department of Education (Education)

ITEM: Notice announcing the Department of Education proposes (1) revising the current regulations regarding the eligibility of faith-based entities to participate in the Federal Student Aid programs authorized under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, and the eligibility of students to obtain certain benefits under those programs; and (2) simplify the Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program requirements to minimize the number of TEACH Grants that are converted to Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loans, and to update, strengthen, and clarify other areas of the TEACH Grant Program regulations.

ACTION: The Department welcomes comments on or before January 10, 2020. Submit your comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. Go to www.regulations.gov to submit your comments electronically. Mail your comments to Mr. Jean-Didier Gaina, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave. SW, Mail Stop 294-20, Washington, DC 20202.
LINKS:

CONTACT:
Sophia McArdle, 202-453-6318. Email: Sophia.McArdle@ed.gov (mailto:Sophia.McArdle@ed.gov)

HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Advanced-Stage Development and Utilization of Research Infrastructure for Interdisciplinary Aging Studies (R33 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PAR-20-071

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications that propose to support advanced-stage development and utilization of novel research infrastructure to advance the science of aging in specific areas requiring interdisciplinary partnerships or collaborations. Applicants are expected to have an existing research infrastructure developed,

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on February 16, June 16, and October 16. Program expires November 17, 2022.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Winifred K. Rossi, 301-496-3836. Email: rossiw@mail.nih.gov (mailto:rossiw@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Black Lung Clinics Program

FON:
HRSA-20-027

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing the opportunity to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with occupationally-related coal mine dust lung disease (CMDLD) through the provision of medical, outreach, educational, and benefits counseling services. All applicants, at a minimum, must provide certain services to coal miners in their service area. The additional guidelines to the minimum required
services are intended to ensure that all service areas receive a level of services commensurate with
current efforts in those areas and that the quality and breadth of services delivered to coal miners is
sustained.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 6, 2020. Approximately $11 million is available for 15 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Krista M. Mastel, 301/443-0491. Email: blacklung@hrsa.gov (mailto:blacklung@hrsa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Environmental Health Specialists Network (EHS-Net) - Practice based research to improve food safety
FON:
RFA-EH-20-001

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop and sustain a network of environmental health program staff,
in collaboration with epidemiologists and other public health professionals, to identify retail food
safety research practice-based priorities focused on identifying and preventing foodborne illness risk
factors, and to conduct the research.

ACTION:
Approximately $7.7 million is available for eight awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Daniel Holcomb, 770-488-1556. Email: dwh6@cdc.gov (mailto:dwh6@cdc.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Identify and Evaluate Potential Risk Factors for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
FON:
RFA-TS-20-001

AGENCY:
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS),
Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to fund research that will identify and evaluate risk factors contributing to
ALS, with preferred focus on factors related to military service, contact sports, traumatic brain injury,
neuroinflammation and infectious agents. Only one application per principal investigator is allowed.
ACTION:
Applications are due March 4, 2020. Optional letters of intent are due January 13, 2020. Approximately $7.5 million is available for up to five awards to support projects lasting up to three years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kimberly Leeks, 770-488-6562. Email: kleeks@cdc.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
National Dental Practice-Based Research Network Infrastructure Access (X01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-20-073

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for small developmental/exploratory, feasibility (pilot), and/or survey studies of practitioners and/or patients to be conducted in the National Dental PBRN. Successful X01 applicants will be given access to the National Dental PBRN infrastructure to support an individual project.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 24, 2020, September 1, 2020, September 1, 2021, and September 1, 2022.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Dena Fischer, 301-594-4876. Email: dena.fischer@nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIAID Investigator Initiated Program Project Applications (P01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-20-072

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for submission of investigator-initiated Program Project (P01) applications. The proposed programs may address scientific areas relevant to the NIAID mission including the biology, pathogenesis, and host response to microbes, including HIV; the mechanisms of healthy immune system development and function across the lifespan; and immune dysfunction resulting in...
autoimmunity, immunodeficiency, allergy, asthma, and transplant rejection; and translational research to develop vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics to prevent and treat infectious and immune-mediated diseases.

**ACTION:**

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Contacts vary by subject.

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
NIDCR Predoctoral to Postdoctoral Transition Award for A Diverse Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research Workforce (F99-K00 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

**FON:**
PAR-20-069

**AGENCY:**
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications to support outstanding graduate students from diverse backgrounds, including those from groups underrepresented in biomedical, clinical, behavioral and social sciences, over the transition from predoctoral to postdoctoral research training.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due annually on February 12, June 12, and October 12. Program expires January 8, 2023.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Leslie A. Frieden, 301-496-4263. Email: leslie.frieden@nih.gov (mailto:leslie.frieden@nih.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Research Infrastructure Development for Interdisciplinary Aging Studies (R21-R33 - Clinical Trial Optional)

**FON:**
PAR-20-070

**AGENCY:**
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Aging (NIA)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications that propose to develop novel research infrastructure that will advance the science of aging in specific areas requiring interdisciplinary partnerships or collaborations.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on February 16, June 16, and October 16. Program expires November 17, 2022.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Winifred K. Rossi, 301-496-3836. Email: rossiw@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Revision Applications for Validation of Biomarker Assays Developed Through NIH-Supported Research Grants (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-20-074

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support projects that are expected to accelerate the pace of translation of NCI-supported methods/assays/technologies (referred to as "assays") to the clinic. The project focus should be on the adaption and clinical validation of molecular/cellular/imaging markers (referred to as "markers" or "biomarkers") for cancer detection, diagnosis, prognosis, monitoring, and prediction of response in treatment, as well as markers for cancer prevention and control.

ACTION:

LINKS:

CONTACT:
See the solicitation for contacts by subject area.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Ryan White HIV-AIDS Program Implementation Program for HIV Clinical Quality Improvement

FON:
HRSA-20-071
AGENCY:
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to provide RWHAP recipients and subrecipients with training and technical assistance (T/TA) to implement quality improvement methodologies and concepts.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 18, 2020. Approximately $1.5 million is available to support one award.

Limited Submission:
Multiple applications from an organization are not allowable.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Chepkorir Maritim, 301-443-1084. Email: cmaritim@hrsa.gov (mailto:cmaritim@hrsa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Support for Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) to Development and Testing of New Technologies and Bioengineering Solutions for the Advancement of Cell Replacement Therapies for Type 1 Diabetes (R43 R44 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-DK-19-028

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking SBIR applications for funding to perform research leading to the development of novel and supportive technologies for the improvement of cell replacement interventions using novel methods, biomaterials and devices for type 1 diabetes treatment.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 9, 2020 and November 3, 2020. Optional letters of intent are due March 9, 2020 and October 3, 2020. Approximately $3 million is available for up to 8 awards. Eligibility is limited to small businesses but colleges and universities may collaborate.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Guillermo Arreaza-Rubin, 301-594-4724. Email: arreazag@mail.nih.gov (mailto:arreazag@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Type 1 Diabetes in Acute Pancreatitis Consortium - Clinical Centers (T1DAPC-CCs) (U01 Clinical Trial Optional)
FON:
RFA-DK-19-022

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for the establishment of a clinical consortium, composed of one Data Coordinating Center (DCC) and up to 10 Clinical Centers (CC), to conduct studies on diabetes mellitus, with an emphasis on Type 1 diabetes (T1D), that occurs after or as a consequence of one or more episodes of acute pancreatitis.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due February 13, 2020. Applications are due March 13, 2020. Approximately $2.7 million is available to support 10 awards.

Limited Submission:
Only one application per institution is allowed

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Jose Serrano, 301-594-8871. Email: js362q@nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Type 1 Diabetes in Acute Pancreatitis Consortium - Data Coordinating Center (T1DAPC-DCC) (U01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-DK-19-023

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for the establishment of a clinical consortium, the Type 1 Diabetes in Acute Pancreatitis Consortium (T1DAPC), composed of one Data Coordinating Center (DCC) and up to 10 Clinical Centers (CC), to conduct studies on Type 1 diabetes mellitus (T1D) that occurs after or as a consequence of one or more episodes of acute pancreatitis.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due February 13, 2020. Applications are due March 13, 2020. Approximately $2.3 million is available to support one award.

Limited Submission:
Only one application per institution is allowed

LINKS:
CONTACT: Dana K. Andersen, 410-868-0638. Email: andersendk@niddk.nih.gov

MEETING: National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities; Notice of Meeting

FON: 2019-26507

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

ITEM: Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss the Director’s Report, NIH Health Disparities Update, and other presentation and activities.

ACTION: The open portion of the meeting will be held February 4, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., ET at NIH, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Conference Room A, B, and C, Bethesda, MD

CONTACT: Joyce Hunter, 301-402-1366. Email: hunterj@nih.gov

NOTICE: Notice to Announce the National Eye Institute (NEI) Draft Strategic Plan, 2020 Vision for the Future

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

ITEM: Notice seeking information to assist the National Eye Institute (NEI), National Institutes of Health (NIH) in developing its next strategic plan titled, 2020 Vision for the Future.


CONTACT: Email: NEIplan@mail.nih.gov (mailto:NEIplan@mail.nih.gov) with a copy to Nora Wong, 301-496-4308. Email: norawong@NIH.gov (mailto:norawong@NIH.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Building EPSCoR-State-National Laboratory Partnerships

FON:
DE-FOA-0002215

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy), Office of Science

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to advance human understanding of the physical world by supporting fundamental, early-stage energy research collaborations with the DOE national laboratories. (Information on the DOE national laboratories including links to websites can be found at https://www.energy.gov/about-national-labs.) Multiple EPSCoR institutions wishing to collaborate on an application must choose one institution as the lead.

ACTION:
Required pre-applications are due January 16, 2020. Applications are due March 27, 2020. Approximately $24 million is available. Domestic applicants within the following jurisdictions will be eligible for this FOA: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Delaware, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Vermont, Virgin Islands, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Tim Fitzsimmons, 301-903-9830. Email: Tim.fitzsimmons@science.doe.gov
(mailto:Tim.fitzsimmons@science.doe.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Dimensions of Biodiversity

FON:
20-524

AGENCY:
Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO), National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice seeking support of integrative, innovative, international approaches to filling the most substantial gaps in understanding of the diversity of life on Earth. Project must be a collaborative research effort involving China, Sao Paulo, or South Africa. This campaign takes a broad view of biodiversity, and in its initial phase focuses on the integration of genetic, phylogenetic, and functional dimensions of biodiversity.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 27, 2020. Approximately, $12 million is available for up to six awards.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Faculty Early Career Development Program

FON:
20-525

AGENCY:
National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice announcing NSF's agency-wide activity that offers the most prestigious awards in support of early-career faculty who have the potential to serve as academic role models in research and education and to lead advances in the mission of their department or organization. Activities pursued by early-career faculty should build a firm foundation for a lifetime of leadership in integrating education and research. NSF encourages submission of CAREER proposals from early-career faculty at all CAREER-eligible organizations and especially encourages women, members of underrepresented minority groups, and persons with disabilities to apply.

ACTION:
Applications are due July 27, 2020, the fourth Monday in July annually. Approximately $250 million is available for 500 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Sonia Esperanca, 703-292-4735. Email: sesperan@nsf.gov (mailto:sesperan@nsf.gov)
Notices of intent are due December 16, 2019. Proposals are due February 12, 2020. Approximately six to eight awards of up to $500,000 are available to support projects lasting up to two years. Eligibility is limited to organizations that have successfully completed a NIAC Phase I study that has not already been followed by selection to Phase II.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Jason Derleth, Email: hq-niac@mail.nasa.gov (mailto:hq-niac@mail.nasa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OR WA Master Invasive and Noxious Plant Management Funding Opportunity
FON: L20AS00025
AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Department of the Interior (Interior)
ITEM: Notice seeking applications to collaboratively manage and coordinate treatments, inventories, monitoring, education and outreach, and prevention activities to control weed populations on public lands in Oregon and Washington.
ACTION: Applications are due on the 10th of the month from February 20, 2020 to July 10, 2020. Approximately 10 awards of $15,000 to $250,000 are available.
CONTACT: See the solicitation for a list of contacts by geographic area.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Petrology and Geochemistry
FON: 20-523
AGENCY: Directorate for Geosciences (GEO), National Science Foundation (NSF)
ITEM: Notice supporting basic research proposals on the formation of planet Earth, including its accretion, early differentiation, and subsequent petrologic and geochemical modification via igneous and metamorphic processes. Proposals in this program generally address the petrology and high-temperature geochemistry of igneous and metamorphic rocks (including mantle samples), mineral physics, economic geology, and volcanology. Proposals that are focused on the development of
analytical tools, theoretical and computational models, and experimental techniques for applications by the igneous and metamorphic petrology, and high temperature geochemistry and geochronology communities are also invited.

**ACTION:**
Proposals accepted anytime. Approximately $13.5 million is available for 60 awards.

**LINKS:**

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Program

**FON:**
20-526

**AGENCY:**
National Science Foundation (NSF)

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications to fund scholarships for academically talented, financially needy students, and to enhance and study effective curricular and co-curricular activities that support their recruitment, retention, success, and graduation in STEM. Encourages partnering between different types of institutions; among STEM faculty/educational and social science researchers; and higher education/business and industry.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due March 25, 2020, then the last Wednesday in March annually. Approximately $95 million is available for 80 awards.

Limited Submission:
One application per school or college.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Contacts vary

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**MEETING:**
Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

**FON:**
2019-26585

**AGENCY:**
Department of Energy (Energy), National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), National Science Foundation (NSF)
ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss presentations of current programming relevant to astronomy and astrophysics from representatives of NSF, NASA, and DOE, and other agencies.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held January 23, 2020, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and January 24, 2020, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., ET at NSF, 2415 Eisenhower Ave., Room E2020, Alexandria, VA.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Christopher Davis, 703-292-4910.

MEETING:
National Security Education Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the National Security Education Board to review and make recommendations to the Secretary of Defense concerning requirements established by the David L. Boren National Security Education Act, Title VII of Public Law 102-183, as amended.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held January 16, 2020 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET at the Institute of International Education, 1400 K Street NW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

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NOTICE:
Request for Information - HBCU-MI Artificial Intelligence-Machine Learning

FON:
W911NF-19-S-0013-RFI-03

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking information on the research capabilities of Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority-Serving Institutions (HBCU/MI) in the area of artificial intelligence/machine learning
(AI/ML). Based on the responses to this RFI, the Department of Defense (DoD) may issue a funding opportunity call against the HBCU/MI Research and Education Program Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) published on Grants.gov under funding opportunity number W911NF-19-S-0013. The responses to this RFI for description of research capabilities do not commit DoD to issue a funding opportunity; however, HBCU/MI are encouraged to respond to this request so that DoD can gauge their current capabilities.

ACTION:
Responses are due January 10, 2020.

LINKS:

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