Notices from July 30, 2018 to August 01, 2018

This publication synopsizes funding opportunities, rules and regulations, comment requests, and meetings information from Grants.gov, Federal Register, and Federal Business Opportunities for colleges and universities that are eligible to be lead applicants or serve as partners.

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**ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL**

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
2019 YSEALI Regional Workshop: Eco & Sustainable Tourism

**FON:**
PD-LAO-2018-001

**AGENCY:**
Department of State (State)

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking proposals for a five-day workshop in Laos on sustainable eco-tourism for the Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due August 30, 2018. Approximately $250,000 is available for one award.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Grants Officer, US Embassy Vientiane, 85621487297

**EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Applications for New Awards; Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education-Open Textbooks Pilot Program
AGENCY:  
Department of Education (Education), Office of Postsecondary Education

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications to support projects at institutions of higher education (IHEs) that create new open textbooks or expand their use of open textbooks while maintaining or improving instruction and student learning outcomes. Open textbook means a textbook that is licensed under a worldwide, non-exclusive, royalty-free, perpetual, and irrevocable license to the public to exercise any of the rights under copyright conditioned only on the requirement that attribution be given as directed by the copyright owner.

ACTION:  
Applications are due August 29, 2018. Approximately $4.95 million is available to support one to three awards.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Stacey Slijepcevic, 202-453-6150. Email: stacey.slijepcevic@ed.gov (mailto:stacey.slijepcevic@ed.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
Applications for New Awards; Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education-Pilot Program for Cybersecurity Education Technological Upgrades for Community Colleges

AGENCY:  
Department of Education (Education), Office of Postsecondary Education

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications designed to support projects at institutions of higher education (IHEs) that provide technological upgrades for cybersecurity education programs at community colleges.

ACTION:  
Applications are due August 29, 2018. Approximately $990,000 is available to support 10 awards. Community colleges are eligible.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Pearson Owens, 202-453-7997. Email: pearson.owens@ed.gov (mailto:pearson.owens@ed.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need

FON:  
ED-GRANTS-073018-003
AGENCY: Department of Education (Education), Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE)

ITEM: Notice seeking applications to provide grants to academic departments and programs of institutions of higher education (IHEs) to support graduate fellowships for students with excellent academic records who demonstrate financial need and plan to pursue the highest degree available in their course of study at the institution.

ACTION: Applications are due August 29, 2018. Approximately $18.36 million is available to support 74 awards up to 36 months. Cost share of at least 25 percent is required.


CONTACT: Rebecca Ell, 202-453–6348. Email: OPE_GAANN_Program@ed.gov (mailto:OPE_GAANN_Program@ed.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OSERS-OSEP: Technical Assistance and Dissemination Center on Improving Literacy through Supporting Elementary School Leaders CFDA Number 84.326L

FON: ED-GRANTS-073118-001

AGENCY: Department of Education (Education)

ITEM: Notice seeking proposals for a cooperative agreement to establish and operate a Center on Improving Literacy through Supporting Elementary School Leaders. The Center will provide targeted TA to school leaders on literacy skills and concepts and leadership skills related to improving teachers' implementation of evidence-based literacy practices and literacy outcomes for their students with, or at risk for, literacy-related disabilities. The Center will support school leaders in recognizing evidence-based literacy practices for students with, or at risk for, literacy-related disabilities and facilitating the implementation of these practices through developing education programming and professional development efforts, including coaching teachers.

ACTION: Applications are due August 30, 2018. Approximately $750,000 is available to fund one cooperative agreement.


CONTACT:
MEETING:
Census Scientific Advisory Committee Public Meeting

AGENCY:
Census Bureau (CB)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Census Scientific Advisory Committee to address policy, research, and technical issues relating to a full range of Census Bureau programs and activities, including communications, decennial, demographic, economic, field operations, geographic, information technology, and statistics.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on September 13, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and September 14, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET at the U.S. Census Bureau Auditorium, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Tara Dunlop Jackson, 301-763-5222. Email: census.scientific.advisory.committee@census.gov (mailto:census.scientific.advisory.committee@census.gov)

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MEETING:
Notice of a Federal Advisory Committee Meeting: Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee

AGENCY:
Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee with a substantial agenda tackling issues relevant to federal manufactured housing construction and safety standards; interpretation and enforcement of regulations; and assurance of fair opportunity for the expression and consideration of various positions and for public participation.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held from September 11 to September 13, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the Holiday Inn Washington—Capitol, 550 C Street SW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Teresa Payne, 202-708-6423
HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Early Psychosis Intervention Network (EPINET): Data Coordinating Center (U24 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-MH-19-151

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for an Early Psychosis Intervention Network (EPINET) National Data Coordinating Center (ENDCC) to support and extend the work of regional scientific hubs.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due October 2, 2018. Applications are due November 2, 2018. Approximately $6 million is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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Susan Azrin, 301-443-3267. Email: azrinst@mail.nih.gov (mailto:azrinst@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Early Psychosis Intervention Network (EPINET): Practice-Based Research to Improve Treatment Outcomes (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-MH-19-150

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for Early Psychosis Intervention Network (EPINET) regional scientific hubs to support practice-based research to improve early identification, diagnosis, clinical assessment, intervention effectiveness, service delivery, and health outcomes in clinics offering evidence-based specialty care to persons in the early stages of psychotic illness.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due November 2, 2018. Approximately $6 million is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Susan Azrin, 301-443-3267. Email: azrinst@mail.nih.gov (mailto:azrinst@mail.nih.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Genomic Innovator Award (R35 Clinical Trial Optional)
FON:
RFA-HG-18-006
AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for highly innovative work on important problems in genomics from early-career investigators currently working as part of consortia, large research groups, or other team science efforts.
ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 45 days before the application. Applications are due annually on October 30 until 2020. Approximately $1 million is available to fund two awards in FY 2019.
LINKS:
Grants.gov, Solicitation
CONTACT:
Lisa Brooks, 301-547-1387. Email: lisa.brooks@nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Gulf War Illness, New Investigator Award
FON:
W81XWH-18-GWIRP-NIA
AGENCY:
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)
ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for research into Gulf War Illness from investigators new to the field. Basic through clinical research is allowed under this award mechanism. The types of studies that will be supported include those aimed at identification of objective measures (e.g., biomarkers) to distinguish healthy Veterans from those with GWI, studies to improve the understanding of the pathobiology underlying symptoms, and preclinical development of interventions for GWI. Collaborations are encouraged for inexperienced investigators.
ACTION:
Pre-applications are due October 18, 2018. Applications are due November 8, 2018. Multiple awards are anticipated.
LINKS:
Grants.gov
CONTACT:
CDMRP Help Desk 301-682-5507. Email: help@ebrap.org
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program (HTPCP)

FON:
HRSA-19-055

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for community-based services aimed at improving the health status of children, adolescents, and families in rural and other underserved communities by increasing their access to health services. Community-based programs and evidence-based models of care that build on existing community resources will be implemented and evaluated to demonstrate program impact. This program supports collaboration between local pediatric providers and community leaders in an effort to provide quality health care and preventive health services to children, adolescents, and families in rural and other underserved communities.

ACTION:
Applications are due October 1, 2018. Approximately $400,000 is available to fund up to eight awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Madhavi Reddy, 301-443-0754. Email: mreddy@hrsa.gov (mailto:mreddy@hrsa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Naval Medical Research Center: Research and Development of Operational and Undersea Medical Issues of Military Importance

FON:
N62645-PA-18-1

AGENCY:
Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support an undersea mission to elucidate the underlying pathophysiology of environmental stressors and to develop countermeasures for military personnel who operate in undersea and high altitude environments in the Undersea Medicine Department.

ACTION:
Applications are due August 30, 2018. Approximately $14.87 million is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
NMLC Grants Officer, Email: usn.detrick.navmedlogcomftdmd.mbx.research@mail.mil (mailto:usn.detrick.navmedlogcomftdmd.mbx.research@mail.mil)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NCI Outstanding Investigator Award (R35 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-18-880

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to provide long-term support to accomplished investigators with outstanding records of cancer research productivity who propose to conduct exceptional research. The Outstanding Investigator Award (OIA) is intended to allow investigators the opportunity to take greater risks, be more adventurous in their lines of inquiry, or take the time to develop new techniques.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due November 2, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Christine Siemon, 240-276-6180. Email: siemonc@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Short-term Mentored Career Enhancement Awards in Mobile and Wireless Health Technology and Data Analytics: Cross-Training at the intersection of Behavioral and Social Sciences and STEM Disciplines (K18 Independent Clinical Trial Required)

FON:
PAR-18-882

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research; Office of Research on Women's Health

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to develop research capability in mobile and wireless health technology (e.g., wearable devices, mobile applications, electronic health records, data analytics). Special emphasis will be given to independent behavioral and social sciences investigators who seek to train in a STEM discipline (e.g., big data analysis, computational modeling, engineering, computer science, and mathematics) or to STEM scientists who which to train in a behavioral and social science discipline.

ACTION:
Applications are due July 12, 2019 and 2020. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Contacts vary by institute.

MEETING:
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development; Notice of Meeting

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Advisory Child Health and Human Development Council to discuss administrative matters, the Director’s Report, and the Division of Extramural Research Report.

ACTION:
The open portion of the meeting will be held on September 13, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the National Institutes of Health, 6710B Bethesda Drive, Rm. 1425, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Della Hann, 301-496-8535

MEETING:
Fogarty International Center; Notice of Meeting

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Fogarty International Center Advisory Board to discuss current and planned activities concerning global health.

ACTION:
The open portion of the meeting will be held on September 7, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET at the National Institutes of Health, Lawton L. Chiles International House Building 16, Conference Room, 16 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kristen Weymouth, 301-496-1415. Email: weymouthk@mail.nih.gov (mailto:weymouthk@mail.nih.gov)
AGENCY:  
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:  
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS) to hear presentations, hold discussions on several health data policy topics, and continue work on projects outlined in the NCVHS 2018 workplan.

ACTION:  
The meeting will be held on September 13, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and September 14, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET at the Melrose Georgetown Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Rebecca Hines, 301-458-4715

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

ITEM:  
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Advisory Council on Aging to discuss reports from the Task Force on Minority Aging Research among other items.

ACTION:  
The open portion of the meeting will be held on September 14, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. ET at the National Institutes of Health, Building 31, C Wing 6th Floor Conference Room 10, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Robin Barr, 301-496-9322. Email: barrr@nia.nih.gov (mailto:barrr@nia.nih.gov)

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MEETING:  
Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses; Notice of Meeting  
AGENCY:  
Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

ITEM:  
Notice announcing a meeting of the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses to review VA program activities relating to the committee's purview, and receive updates on relevant scientific research recently published.
The meeting will be held on September 18, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET at 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC.


Karen Block, 202-443-5600. Email: karen.block@va.gov

HIV Services and Systems Strengthening (HS3)

FON:
72051718RFA00003

AGENCY:
United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for a cooperative agreement to assist the government of the Dominican Republic in achieving HIV epidemic control through the implementation of clinical care activities using a health systems strengthening approach. The overall aim of the activity should be to assist the GoDR in reaching HIV epidemic control and preparing the GoDR and key population/priority population (KP/PP) safety-net private providers to transition from donor support.

Applications are due August 31, 2018. Approximately $19.5 million is available to fund one cooperative agreement for five years.


Linda McElroy, 809-368-7505. Email: lmcelroy@usaid.gov

Army Research Office Broad Agency Announcement for Basic and Applied Scientific Research

FON:
W911NF-17-S-0002

AGENCY:
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking fundamental research proposals in the engineering, physical, life, and information sciences fields to advance the scientific state of the art or increase basic knowledge and understanding. Research priorities vary by discipline.

Applications will be accepted until March 31, 2022. Multiple awards are anticipated. Funding varies by discipline.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/notices/b8698214fda93d9fc10ffde6cc0bb93d)

CONTACT:
Andrew Fiske, 919-549-4338. Email: andrew.l.fiske.civ@mail.mil (mailto:andrew.l.fiske.civ@mail.mil)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
BROAD AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENT (BAA) for Extramural Biomedical Research and Development

FON:
W81XWH-18-S-SOC1

AGENCY:
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for basic and applied research to support scientific study and experimentation directed toward advancing the state-of-the-art or increasing knowledge or understanding in the biomedical field. Research areas of interest include Damage Control Resuscitation; Prolonged Field Care; Portable Lab Assays and Diagnostics; Force Health Protection and Environmental Medicine; Medical Simulation and Training Technologies; Human Performance Optimization; and Canine Medicine.

ACTION:
Applications will be accepted at any time until July 31, 2023. Approximately $3 million is available annually to fund multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
CDMRP help Desk, 301-682-5507. Email: help@ebrap.org (mailto:help@ebrap.org)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Mapping and Analysis of Illegally Harvested Timber and Forest Products in Global Trade

FON:
SFOP0005268

AGENCY:
Department of State (State)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for a cooperative agreement to work with developing countries and partners to gather data and build capacity to identify, analyze, and map illegal timber and forest products trade in key regions for forest production and trade. The results aim to influence policy makers in these regions, and will inform ongoing U.S. programs and the design and implementation of future interventions to assist developing countries in combating illegal logging and associated trade

ACTION:
Applications are due August 21, 2018. Approximately $92,500 is available to fund one cooperative agreement for two years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Luke Thompson, 202-647-0658. Email: thompsonld@state.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Space Environment Exploitation (SEE)
FON:
HR001118S0055

AGENCY:
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for research in the area of high spatial and temporal resolution predictive/assimilative modeling and simulation of the near-earth space environment. Proposed research should investigate innovative approaches that enable revolutionary advances in science, prediction, devices, or systems.

ACTION:
Optional abstracts are due August 9, 2018. Proposals are due September 24, 2018. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/spg/ODA/DARPA/CMO/HR001118S0055/listing.html)

CONTACT:
BAA Coordinator email: HR001118S0055@darpa.mil

MEETING:
Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee to receive updates on biomass R&D activities from the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Energy, and to hear presentations from national laboratories and federal agencies on their work on the Bioeconomy Initiative and on the opportunities and challenges for biobased plastics R&D.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on August 22, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and August 23, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. ET at the DoubleTree Crystal City, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA.
MEETING:
State Energy Advisory Board (STEAB)

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a teleconference of the State Energy Advisory Board to welcome new board members and to discuss recommendations to the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy regarding goals, objectives, and programmatic and administrative policies.

ACTION:
The teleconference will be held on August 16, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Michael Li, 202-287-5718. Email: michael.li@ee.doe.gov (mailto:michael.li@ee.doe.gov)

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MEETING:
The President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee

AGENCY:
Department of Homeland Security (Homeland Security)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a teleconference of the National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee to discuss a potential new study topic regarding advancing resiliency and fostering innovation in the information and communications technology ecosystem. Additionally, there will be an update on the committee's progress on its current Cybersecurity Moonshot study.

ACTION:
The teleconference will be held on August 15, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Helen Jackson, 703-705-6276. Email: helen.jackson@hq.dhs.gov (mailto:helen.jackson@hq.dhs.gov)
NOTICE:
Design of Aircraft with Flow Control

FON:
DARPA-SN-18-62

AGENCY:
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking information to revolutionize the design of next generation aircraft and dramatically improve performance through the use of pulsed or steady flow control technologies and design tools to provide aerodynamic stability and control through modification of nominal flow fields.

ACTION:
Responses are due August 13, 2018.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/index.php?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=3553a0a7c6e27763b9898b7ff3c136&tab=core&_cview=0)

CONTACT:
Email: DARPA-SN-18-62@darpa.mil (mailto:DARPA-SN-18-62@darpa.mil)

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NOTICE:
Notice of Request for Information (RFI) on National Offshore Wind Energy R&D Test Facilities

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy)

ITEM:
Notice seeking information regarding national-level test facilities for offshore wind-specific research and development. The Wind Energy Technologies Office (WETO) is seeking information on facilities that can conduct unique offshore wind research and development (R&D) in the U.S., what upgrades to existing facilities or new facilities are needed for the U.S. to be at the cutting edge of offshore wind R&D, and what specific tests and analyses could be carried out at existing, upgraded, or new facilities in order to advance the U.S. offshore wind industry.

ACTION:
Responses are due September 14, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Alan Duerr, 202-287-6953. Email: osw.rfi@ee.doe.gov (mailto:osw.rfi@ee.doe.gov)
NOTICE:
Notice of Request for Information (RFI) on National Wind Technology Center Facility and Infrastructure Investments

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy)

ITEM:
Notice requesting information on energy efficiency and renewable energy R&D testing needs and the associated equipment, facilities and infrastructure needed to ensure continued world class energy technology development at the National Wind Technology Center.

ACTION:
Responses are due by August 27, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Gary Nowakowski, 720-356-1732. Email: gary.nowakowski@ee.doe.gov (mailto:gary.nowakowski@ee.doe.gov)

NOTICE:
Scenario-Based Assessment of High Frequency (HF), High Band Width Communications

FON:
W911NF18R-DHS_HF

AGENCY:
Army (Army), Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice seeking information on technologies that will enable interoperable long-distance communications of Homeland Security Enterprise operators in austere environments. The purpose of the request is to identify technologies that are interested in being part of a scenario-based assessment of High Frequency), high band width communications antennas and systems.

ACTION:
Responses are due August 23, 2018.

LINKS:
FBO (https://www.fbo.gov/notices/ad73bb13ccc604f69954665876831fdf)

CONTACT:
Joel Kppinger, email: joel.m.koppinger.civ@mail.mil (mailto:joel.m.koppinger.civ@mail.mil)

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