Notices from November 07, 2019 to November 12, 2019

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:
Annual Program Statement for Public Affairs Cultural and Educational Programs

FON:
STATE-BISHKEK-PAS-20-0002

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for programs that support one of the following goals: Counterterrorism and Security, Promoting Business and Free Markets, and Promoting Democracy and Stability.

ACTION:
Proposals are accepted on a rolling basis until August 23, 2020. Awards are up to $120,000 each.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Email: BishkekProjectProposals@state.gov (mailto:BishkekProjectProposals@state.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
U.S. Embassy Grants Program

FON:
ANK-NOFO-FY20-01

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs

ITEM:
Notice announcing an open competition for organizations to submit applications 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.

ACTION:
Applications are due January 21, 2020. Awards are up to $80,000.
LINKS:

CONTACT:
Email: GrantsTurkey@state.gov (mailto:GrantsTurkey@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
U.S. Embassy Lebanon PAS Small Grants Annual Program Statement

FON:
LBN-PAS-20-001 (Small Grants); LBN-PAS-20-002 (Large Grants)

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

ITEM:
Notice inviting proposals for programs that strengthen cultural ties between the United States and Lebanon through cultural and exchange programming that highlights engaging youth and empowering women. 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.

ACTION:
Proposals for Small Grants are due any time through August 30, 2020. Proposal for Large Grants are due March 31, 2020. Approximately $600,000 is available for awards.

LINKS:
Agency Site (https://lb.usembassy.gov/category/grants/)

CONTACT:
Email: PDBeirutGrants@state.gov (mailto:PDBeirutGrants@state.gov)

MEETING:
40th Meeting of the National Museum and Library Services Board

FON:
2019-24517

AGENCY:
Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

ITEM:

ACTION:
The meeting will be held December 5, 2019 from 9:00 a.m., ET to adjournment at Suite 4000, 955 L'Enfant Plaza North SW, Washington, DC. Register to attend with the contact.
LINKS:

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NOTICE:
Higher Education Partnerships Activities
FON:
RFI-612-HE-20-002
AGENCY:
United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Malawi USAID-Lilongwe
ITEM:
Notice seeking Request for Information (RFI) to provide US and Malawi-based academia, industry, and other stakeholders the opportunity to review, comment, suggest, and input into the development of two potential USAID/Malawi activities that will involve partnerships between US and Malawian Higher Education Institutions (HEIs). The two potential activities will focus on: 1) expanding degree opportunities in Malawi; and 2) strengthening Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) in Higher Education.
ACTION:
Responses are due December 4, 2019.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
Manale Jimu, Email: mjimu@usaid.gov (mailto:mjimu@usaid.gov)

NOTICE:
Request for Statements of Interest: CHINA PROGRAMS
FON:
SFOP0006265
AGENCY:
Department of State (State), Bureau of Democracy Human Rights and Labor (DRL)
ITEM:
Notice announcing a request for SOIs for programs that protect and promote human rights in China.
ACTION:
Statements of interest are due December 7, 2019.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
Email: DRL-ChinaProgramInfo@state.gov (mailto:DRL-ChinaProgramInfo@state.gov)
EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving (EJCPS) Cooperative Agreement Program

FON:
EPA-OP-OEJ-20-01

AGENCY:
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to fund projects that support community-based organizations in their efforts to collaborate and partner with local stakeholder groups (e.g., local businesses and industry, local government, medical service providers, and academia) as they develop and implement community-driven solutions that address environmental and/or public health issues for underserved communities.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 7, 2020. Approximately $1.2 million is available for up to 10 awards (one award for each EPA Region) to support projects lasting up to two years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Jacob Burney, 202-564-2907. Email: burney.jacob@epa.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY 2020 Community-based Restoration Program Coastal and Marine Habitat Restoration Grants

FON:
NOAA-NMFS-HCPO-2020-2006306

AGENCY:
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

ITEM:
Notice supporting habitat restoration projects that use an ecosystem-based approach to foster species recovery and increase populations under NOAA's jurisdiction. Proposals submitted under this solicitation will be primarily evaluated based on their ability to demonstrate how the proposed habitat restoration actions will: 1) help recover threatened and endangered species listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA); 2) sustain or help rebuild fish stocks managed under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act; and/or 3) contribute to the sustainability of saltwater recreational fisheries.

ACTION:
Required pre-proposals are due January 8, 2020. Full proposals are due April 9, 2020. NOAA anticipates typical federal funding for awards will range from $300,000 to $1.5 million over one to three years. NOAA will not accept proposals with a request of less than $75,000 or more than $3 million total over three years.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OVW FY 2020 Justice for Families Program Solicitation

FON:
OVW-2020-17568

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to improve the response of the civil and criminal justice system to families with a history of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, or in cases involving allegations of child sexual abuse. The program supports the following activities for improving court and community response to these crimes: court-based and court-related programs; supervised visitation and safe exchange by and between parents; training for people who work with families in the court system; civil legal services; and the provision of resources in juvenile court matters.

ACTION:
Applications are due January 8, 2020. Optional letters of intent are due December 20, 2019. An information session is tentatively scheduled to be available December 4, 2019. Approximately $11 million is available for up to 15 Standard awards of up to $550,000 and 3 to 7 Comprehensive awards of up to $650,000.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
OVW, 202-307-6026. Email: OVW.JFF@usdoj.gov (mailto:OVW.JFF@usdoj.gov)

MEETING:
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Advisory Committee; Meeting

FON:
2019-24489

AGENCY:
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss the work of the FOIA Advisory Committee's three subcommittees, focusing on records management, FOIA vision, and time/volume.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held December 6, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., ET, at NARA, 700 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, William G. McGowan Theater, Washington, DC. Register to attend by December 3, 2019 at https://foia-advisory-committee-meeting.eventbrite.com/.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kirsten Mitchell, 202-741-5770. Email: foia-advisory-committee@nara.gov

HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Assessing the Effects of Cannabinoids on HIV-Induced Inflammation (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-DA-20-022

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications that encourage basic science and preclinical research to determine the biological mechanisms underlying the effects of cannabinoids and the endocannabinoid system on HIV-associated persistent inflammation and its consequent effects on nervous system function. Projects submitted in response to this FOA must include expertise and resources in both areas of HIV/AIDS and addiction science.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due February 11, 2020. Applications are due March 11, 2020. Approximately $2 million is available for up to six awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Yu (Woody) Lin, 301-435-1318. Email: ylin1@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Dysregulation and Proximal Risk for Suicide (Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-MH-20-327 (R01) RFA-MH-20-326 (R21)

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
ITEM:
Notice seeking research applications that will address information gaps by providing an understanding of the mechanisms of how dysregulation interacts with Cognition and Negative and Positive Valence in order to determine time-varying risk, and then to identify modifiable targets for timely interventions during high-risk periods.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due January 13, 2020. Applications are due February 13, 2020. Approximately $4 million is available for up to 10 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Stacia Friedman-Hill, 301-443-8458. Email: friedmans@mail.nih.gov (mailto:friedmans@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Impact of Alcohol on the Onset and Progression of Alzheimer's Disease and Its Related Dementias (R01 - Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-AA-20-006

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for funding to support basic and clinical research on the influence of alcohol on susceptibility and progression of Alzheimer's disease and its related dementias.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due February 24, 2020. Applications are due March 24, 2020. Approximately $3 million is available for three to eight awards to support projects lasting up to five years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Changhai Cui, NIAAA, 301-443-1678. Email: changhai.cui@nih.gov (mailto:changhai.cui@nih.gov)
Bradley Wise, NIA, 301-496-9350. Email: WiseB@nia.nih.gov (mailto:WiseB@nia.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Leadership Award for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Research (R35 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-AG-21-007
AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Aging (NIA)

ITEM:
Notice inviting applications to develop and implement innovative multidisciplinary research and mentoring programs through an interchange of ideas that enable individuals and their institutions to strengthen existing programs and the development of new research programs that are specific to the goals/milestones of the NIH Alzheimer’s Disease and Alzheimer’s Disease Related Dementias Summits.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due May 19, 2020. Applications are due June 19, 2020. Approximately $5 million is available for up to 10 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NEI Center Core Grant for Vision Research (P30 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-20-051

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to combine three or more Resource and/or Service Cores for a group of R01 investigators to enhance their research, consolidate resources, avoid duplication of efforts, and/or contribute to cost effectiveness by providing a service with lower costs or higher quality than could be attempted for independent projects by several individual program directors/principal investigators.

ACTION:
Applications are due September 30, 2020; September 30, 2021; and September 30, 2022. The program expires October 1, 2022. Institutions with 8 to 19 eligible grants may request up to $2 million and those with 20 or more may request up to $2.5 million to support projects lasting up to five years.

Limited Submission:
One application per institution.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NINDS Postdoctoral Mentored Career Development Award

FON:
PAR-20-049 (No Independent Clinical Trial Allowed) PAR-20-050 (Clinical Trial Required)

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support the ability of outstanding, mentored postdoctoral researchers to develop a potentially impactful research project with a comprehensive career development plan that will enable them to launch an independent research program. Candidates are encouraged to apply for support from this NINDS K01 any time between the second through fourth year of cumulative mentored postdoctoral research experience. By the end of the proposed K01 award period, the candidate should be poised to begin an independent research career with a well-developed, impactful research project and the expertise required to become a leader in the field.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 12, June 12, and October 12 annually through January 8, 2023.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Stephen Korn, Email: korns@ninds.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Pilot Projects Enhancing Utility and Usage of Common Fund Data Sets (R03 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
RFA-RM-19-012

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for innovative research to enhance the utility and usability of selecteved common fund data sets. A range of project types can be funded including the following: Conducting pilot or feasibility studies based on analyses across Common Fund datasets; Building synthetic cohorts, combining and comparing datasets; Developing research methods, or analytic tools to support data visualization, harmonization and integration; Curating and or annotating genomic information in the datasets; and Collecting additional phenotypic or clinical data to enhance datasets.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the application deadline. Applications are due February 19, 2020. Approximately $2 million is available for five to eight awards to support projects lasting up to one year.
LINKS:

CONTACT:
Ananda L Roy, 301-435-8056. Email: ananda.roy@nih.gov (mailto:ananda.roy@nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Program to Assess the Rigor and Reproducibility of Extracellular Vesicle-Derived Analytes for Cancer Detection (R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-20-053

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to fund research projects that focus on innovative research in the isolation and characterization of extracellular vesicles and their cargo for discovery of predictive biomarkers for risk assessment, detection, diagnosis and prognosis of early cancer.

ACTION:
Applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5 annually. The program expires January 8, 2023.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Research to Action: Assessing and Addressing Community Exposures to Environmental Contaminants (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
RFA-ES-20-002

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)

ITEM:
Notice encouraging multidisciplinary project applications to investigate the potential health risks of environmental exposures of concern to a community and to implement an environmental public health action plan based on research findings. Projects supported under this program are expected to employ community-engaged research methods to not only conduct research but also to seamlessly translate research findings into public health action.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due December 21, 2019. Applications are due January 21, 2020 and December 4, 2020. Approximately $2 million is available for up to five awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Alfonso R. Latoni, 984-287-3279. Email: alfonso.latoni@nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Transgender People: Immunity, Prevention, and Treatment (R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)

FON:
PAR-20-054

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to support hypothesis-generating research in transgender people with the objective of characterizing the biological and immunological impact of the interventions (hormones, drugs and surgical) used for gender reassignment and their impact on susceptibility to HIV and other sexually transmitted infections.

ACTION:
Applications are due May 11, 2020 and May 11, 2021. The program expires May 12, 2021. Approximately $1 million is available for two to five awards to support projects lasting up to two years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Breakthroughs Enabling Thermonuclear - Fusion Energy (BETHE)

FON:
DE-FOA-0002212

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy), Advanced Research Projects Agency Energy (ARPA-E)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support the development of timely, commercially viable fusion energy. This program addresses the need to lower the costs of development and eventual deployment of commercial fusion energy by supporting R&D to increase the performance and number of credible, lower-cost fusion concepts.
ACTION:
Applications are due January 14, 2020. Approximately $30 million is available for 14 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Email: arpa-e-co@hq.doe.gov (mailto:arpa-e-co@hq.doe.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Environmental System Science

FON:
DE-FOA-0002184

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for research in Environmental Systems Science (ESS), including Terrestrial Ecosystem Science (TES) and Subsurface Biogeochemical Research (SBR). The goal of the Environmental System Science (ESS) activity is to advance a robust, predictive understanding of the set of interdependent physical, biogeochemical, ecological, hydrological, and geomorphological processes for use in Earth system, ecosystem and reactive transport models. This FOA will consider applications that focus on improving the understanding and representation of terrestrial and subsurface environments in ways that advance the sophistication and capabilities of local, regional, and larger scale models.

ACTION:
Required pre-applications are due December 5, 2019. Applications are due February 20, 2020. Approximately $10 million is available for 12 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Contacts vary

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Hyper-Dimensional Data Enabled Neural Networks (HyDDENN)

FON:
DARPA-PA-19-03-03

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for new data enabled neural network architectures to break the reliance on large multiply and accumulate(MAC)-based deep neural networks. HyDDENN will explore and develop
innovative data representations with shallow neural network architectures based on efficient, non-MAC, digital compute primitives to enable highly accurate and energy efficient artificial intelligence for DoD edge systems.

ACTION:
Proposals are due December 11, 2020.

LINKS:
Contract Opportunities (https://tinyurl.com/w85awla)

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Young-Kai Chen, Email: HyDDENN@darpa.mil

MEETING:
NASA Planetary Science Advisory Committee; Meeting

FON:
2019-24528

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Science Mission Directorate (SMD), Planetary Science Division

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to include updates from the Planetary Science Division and reports from the Specific Research & Analysis Programs.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held December 6, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., ET via telephone and WebEx. To attend by telephone, call 800-779-9966 and enter passcode 5255996. To attend by WebEx, go to https://nasaenterprise.webex.com/ and enter meeting number 906287000 and password PAC@Dec6.

LINKS:

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