Notices from September 10, 2020 to September 11, 2020

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:
Digital Humanities Advancement Grants

FON:
20210115-HAA

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support innovative, experimental, and/or computationally challenging projects at different stages throughout their lifecycles, from early start-up phases through implementation and sustainability.

ACTION:
Optional draft applications are due December 1, 2020. Applications are due January 15, 2021. Maximum award amount for Level I: $50,000; Level II: $100,000; and Level III: $325,000 in outright funds, with an additional $50,000 in matching funds.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Office of Digital Humanities Team, Email: odh@neh.gov

EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY 2021 AmeriCorps State and National Grants

FON:
CNCS-09-11-20

AGENCY:
Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions to strengthen communities. An AmeriCorps member is an individual who engages in community service through an approved national service position.

ACTION:
Applications are due January 6, 2021. The amount and number of awards may vary.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Email: AmeriCorpsGrants@cns.gov
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Women's Business Center - Initial Phase

FON:
OWBO-2020-07

AGENCY:
Small Business Administration (SBA), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

ITEM:
Notice providing funding for up to 25 private, non-profit organizations that will provide entrepreneurial development services to women, with an emphasis on socially and economically disadvantaged entrepreneurs in locations that are outside of the geographical areas of existing WBCs. This program announcement seeks to encourage MSIs to provide entrepreneurial development services to socially and economically disadvantaged entrepreneurs.

ACTION:
Applications are due September 24, 2020. Approximately $3.75 million is available.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Office of Women's Business Ownership, Email: owbo@sba.gov (mailto:owbo@sba.gov)

HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Advanced Laboratories for Accelerating the Reach and Impact of Treatments for Youth and Adults with Mental Illness (ALACRITY) Research Centers (P50 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PAR-20-293

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

ITEM:
Notice inviting applications for centers to support transdisciplinary teams of clinical and mental health services researchers, behavioral scientists, social scientists, health information and communications technologists, health systems engineers, decision scientists, and mental health stakeholders (e.g., service users, family members, clinicians, payers) to engage in high-impact studies that will significantly advance clinical practice and generate knowledge that will fuel transformation of mental health care in the United States.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due May 17 annually through 2023. Direct costs are limited to $1.5 million per year.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award Institutional Research Training Grant

FON:
HRSA-21-013

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

ITEM:
Notice supporting applications for institutional training grants awarded to eligible institutions to develop or enhance postdoctoral research training opportunities for qualified individuals who are planning to pursue careers in primary care research.

ACTION:
Applications are due November 9, 2020. Approximately $7.8 million is available for 15 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Svetlana Cicale, 301-443-7271. Email: scicale@hrsa.gov (mailto:scicale@hrsa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Translational Research in Maternal and Pediatric Pharmacology and Therapeutics (R21 and R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PAR-20-299; PAR-20-300

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications that will perform basic, translational and clinical research to (1) advance the understanding of underlying mechanisms of drug action; (2) discover and develop novel therapeutics; (3) enhance the usage of existing drugs or drug repurposing for safer and more effective treatment for pregnant women, lactating women, neonates and children.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days prior to the application due date. Applications are due December 10, 2020, April 9, 2021, August 10, 2021, December 10, 2021, April 11, 2022, August 10, 2022, and December 9, 2022. Program expires December 10, 2022.

LINKS:
Grants.gov (R01) (https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=329011),

CONTACT:
Zhaoxia Ren, 301-402-9340. Email: zren@mail.nih.gov

MEETING:
Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Blood and Tissue Safety and Availability

AGENCY:
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a public meeting of the Advisory Committee on Blood and Tissue Safety and Availability (ACBTSA) to discuss and vote on recommendations from the work groups to improve the blood community's response to future public health emergencies.

ACTION:
The meeting is September 25, 2020 from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. ET.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
James Berger, 202-795-7608. Email: ACBTSA@hhs.gov

NOTICE:
Request for Information (RFI): Testing for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)-Surge Capacity

AGENCY:
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking to obtain information regarding the ability of Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)-certified/accredited commercial, academic, medical center, and public health laboratories to feasibly provide additional COVID-19 testing capability if supplementary testing instruments were made available.

ACTION:
Comments are due September 21, 2020.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Natalie Gibson, 240-743-1757. Email: COVID19TestSupplies@hhs.gov

SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
ECOSynBIO SBIR-STTR
FON:  
DE-FOA-0002388

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

ITEM:  
Notice seeking submissions to establish new technologies to significantly improve the carbon efficiency of bioconversion platforms through the accommodation of external reducing equivalents. Proposed systems of interest include, but are not limited to: carbon optimized fermentation strains that avoid CO2 evolution; engineered mixotrophic consortia or systems that avoid CO2 evolution; biomass or gas fermentation with internal CO2 utilization; cell-free carbon optimized biocatalytic biomass conversion and/or CO2 utilization; and cross-cutting or other proposed carbon optimized bioconversion schemes.

ACTION:  
Required concept papers are due October 26, 2020. Approximately $25 million is available for 10 awards.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Donna C. Williams, 202-287-1572. Email: donna.williams@hq.doe.gov (mailto:donna.williams@hq.doe.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
Energy and Carbon Optimized Synthesis for the Bioeconomy (ECOSynBio)

FON:  
DE-FOA-0002387

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

ITEM:  
Notice seeking submissions to establish new technologies to significantly improve the carbon efficiency of bioconversion platforms through the accommodation of external reducing equivalents. Proposed systems of interest include, but are not limited to: carbon optimized fermentation strains that avoid CO2 evolution; engineered mixotrophic consortia or systems that avoid CO2 evolution; biomass or gas fermentation with internal CO2 utilization; cell-free carbon optimized biocatalytic biomass conversion and/or CO2 utilization; and cross-cutting or other proposed carbon optimized bioconversion schemes.

ACTION:  
Required concept papers are due October 26, 2020. Approximately $25 million is available for 12 awards.

LINKS:  
CONTACT:
Donna C. Williams, 202-287-1572. Email: donna.williams@hq.doe.gov
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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY21 Effects of Sea Level Rise (ESLR)

FON:
NOAA-NOS-NCCOS-2021-2006594

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

ITEM:
Notice soliciting proposals to improve adaptation and planning in response to regional and local effects of sea level rise and coastal inundation through targeted research on key technologies, natural and nature-based infrastructure, physical and biological processes, and model evaluation. The overall goal of the ESLR Program is to facilitate informed adaptation planning and coastal management decisions through a multidisciplinary research program that results in integrated models of dynamic physical and biological processes capable of evaluating vulnerability and resilience under multiple SLR, inundation, and management scenarios.

ACTION:
Required letters of intent are due October 16, 2020. Full proposals are due January 7, 2021. Approximately $1.2 million is available for eight awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
David Kidwell, 240-533-0286. Email: David.Kidwell@noaa.gov (mailto:David.Kidwell@noaa.gov)
Email for LOIs: nccos.grant.awards@noaa.gov (mailto:nccos.grant.awards@noaa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
ROSES 2020: Citizen Science Seed Funding Program

FON:
NNH20ZDA001N-CSSFP

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals to support scientists and other experts to develop citizen science projects relevant to NASA's Astrophysics, Heliophysics and Planetary Science Research Programs. In addition, proposals relevant to Biological and Physical Sciences will also be considered on a case by case basis.

ACTION:
Requested notices of intent are due October 13, 2020. Proposals are due December 11, 2020. Up to $720,000 is available to support nine awards.
MEETING:
Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering; Notice of Meeting

FON:
2020-20090

AGENCY:
National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to study data, programs, policies, and other information pertinent to the National Science Foundation and to provide advice and recommendations concerning broadening participation in science and engineering.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held October 29, 2020, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., and October 30, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., ET, online.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Bernice Anderson, 703-292-8040. Email: banderso@nsf.gov

NOTICE:
Development of NRC's Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2022 Through 2026

AGENCY:
NRC (Nuclear Regulatory Commission)

ITEM:
Notice seeking comments on the NRC Fiscal Years 2022-2026 Strategic Plan to provide input on the agency's strategic goals related to nuclear power regulations and research, actions to realize those goals, and how to address key challenges and external factors.

ACTION:
Comments are due October 13, 2020. A public webinar on the Strategic Plan will be held September 22, 2020, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., ET. To attend via webinar go to https://usnrc.webex.com/usnrc/onstage/g.php?MTID=edb8d9854a356d1c13bfc4f1339244bd1. To attend via teleconference, call 800-369-1713 and enter passcode 5805934.
NOTICE:
Request for Information (RFI): Engaging States to Advance State Energy Office Priorities

FON:
DE-FOA-0002274

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy), Golden Field Office

ITEM:
Notice seeking information from the public on organizations, including industry, academia, nonprofit organizations, and others, that have the expertise to support state energy offices (SEOs); in particular, EERE hopes to receive comments from energy office directors and their senior policy staff that design and implement energy efficiency and renewable energy programs in their respective states. The desired outcome of this request is to enhance how DOE SEP delivers specific technical assistance and provides direct support to help states maximize the affordability, reliability, and resiliency of their state-led energy policies and programs.

ACTION:
Responses are due October 16, 2020.

LINKS:

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