Notices from January 18, 2018 to January 20, 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:
Annual Program Statement - Grants for Sindh and Balochistan, PAS Karachi

FON:
SCAISB-18-AW-001-01182018

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to create or extend the communities engaged in specific topic areas for programs that take place in the provinces of Sindh and/or Balochistan, Pakistan. Focus areas include: Accessible Elections; Economic Empowerment and Entrepreneurship; Combating Gender-based Violence; Building Capacity for Non-formal Education; and Empowering Girls.

ACTION:
Applications are due by February 19, 2018. Approximately $50,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Program staff, Email: PakistanGrants@state.gov (mailto:PakistanGrants@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Grants for Khyber & Federally Administered Tribal Areas, U.S. Consulate General Peshawar

FON:
SCAISB-18-AW-003-01182018

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs (SCA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to further contributions to economic growth and the development of human and government capacity in Pakistan, while developing people-to-people, institutional, and economic ties between the United States and Pakistan. Funds also aim to increase understanding of and support for U.S.-Pakistan relations and American values and policy among the Pakistani public. Projects must focus on one of the following areas: Increased Services and Governance; Critical Thinking in Education; Economic Empowerment and Entrepreneurship; Journalism in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Federally Administered Tribal Areas; and Historical and Cultural Preservation as a Driver for Economic Development.

ACTION:
Applications are due by February 20, 2018. Approximately $30,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Lahore - Grants for Punjab Province

FON:
SCAISB-18-AW-002-01182018

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs (SCA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support efforts increasing entrepreneurship, investment, and employment opportunities in Punjab province in Pakistan as well as the US. Funds also support efforts enabling Punjab province youth to obtain needed employment skills in order to succeed in the job market. Funds support two types of projects: City-to-City Entrepreneurship Exchange; and English Language in Lincoln Corners.

ACTION:
Applications are due by February 20, 2018. Approximately $75,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

Limited Submission:
The applicant must choose one of the two opportunities. Statements of Interest containing proposals for both projects will not be considered.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Program staff, Email: PakistanGrants@state.gov (mailto:PakistanGrants@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Legal Aid Support

FON:
72048618RFA00002

AGENCY:
United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Thailand USAID-Bangkok

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting efforts to provide legal aid services and support to the Lao People's Democratic Republic. Funds support efforts that ensure more fair, consistent and transparent delivery of justice according to the law, inclusive of women, the poor, and traditionally underserved populations. Focus areas include: Increased capacity of Ministry of Justice and its legal aid services; Increased capacity of the Lao Bar Association and Non-Profit Association legal aid services; and Increased sensitivity to women's rights and empowerment in law-related professions.

ACTION:
Applications are due by March 2, 2018 at 4:00 pm (GMT+7). Approximately $195,000 is available to support up to one award. A minimum five-percent cost share is required.
LINKS:

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
U.S. Embassy Seoul PAS Annual Program Statement

FON:
PAS-SEOUL-FY18-01

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to promote increased understanding of U.S. policy and perspectives using a diverse approach through multiple channels to include but not limited to capacity building of DPRK defectors, empowering women, promoting Universal Human Rights, strengthening security cooperation and US/Republic of Korea trade balances.

ACTION:
Applications are due on February 23, 2018 and June 1, 2018. Approximately $75,000 is available for multiple award to support projects lasting up to two years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Seoul PD Grants Team, Email: SeoulPDGrants@state.gov (mailto:SeoulPDGrants@state.gov)

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EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Structured Decision Making Framework (SDMF) Site Implementation Project

FON:
18CS12

AGENCY:
Department of Justice (Justice), National Institute of Corrections (NIC)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to coordinate and deliver a specialized technical assistance program to assist paroling authorities in implementation planning and integrating the structured decision making framework tool into their existing policies and practices.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 20, 2018. Approximately $200,000 is available for one award to support a project lasting up to one year.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Veterans Treatment Court Enhancement Initiative - Phase II
FON: 18CS03
AGENCY: Department of Justice (Justice), National Institute of Corrections (NIC)
ITEM: Notice seeking applications to create and add more Veterans treatment courts sites to respond to the unique circumstances of veterans entering the justice system with the addition of the first specialized risk-need assessment and case planning tools for veterans treatment courts.
ACTION: Applications are due March 20, 2018. Approximately $150,000 is available for one award to support a project lasting up to three years (released in 12-month increments based on the availability of supplemental funding).
CONTACT: Greg Crawford, Email: gcrawford@bop.gov (mailto:gcrawford@bop.gov)

HEALTH
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Medications Development for the Treatment of Alcohol Use Disorder - CT optional (U01)
FON: RFA-AA-18-009
AGENCY: National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)
ITEM: Notice seeking applications supporting research that advances promising compounds thorough the drug development pipeline for the treatment of Alcohol Use Disorder. Funds support efforts to move candidate compounds through Investigational New Drug requirements, Phase 1 human safety, tolerability, and dosing studies, and Phase 2 human laboratory and proof-of-concept trials.
ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by February 20, 2018. Applications are due by March 20, 2018. Approximately $3 million is available to support up to four awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Abraham Bautista, 301/443-9737. Email: bautista@mail.nih.gov (mailto:bautista@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Rehabilitation Engineering Research Centers (RERC) Program: RERC on Individual Mobility and Manipulation

FON:
HHS-2018-ACL-NIDILRR-REGE-0258

AGENCY:
Administration for Community Living (ACL), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support research and development toward products, devices, or technological advances that allow people with disabilities to be more mobile, to manipulate objects in their environment more effectively, or both. Funds support efforts to conduct high quality research, development, technical assistance, capacity building, knowledge translation, and dissemination activities that address significant needs, promote independence, and improve the quality of life and community living outcomes of people with disabilities.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due by February 22, 2018. Applications are due by March 19, 2018. Approximately $925,000 is available to support one award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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MEETING:
CDC/HRSA Advisory Committee on HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention /Health Resources and Services Administration Advisory Committee on HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment to discuss workgroup reports and updates, information regarding the National Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Conference, and Committee business-related items.
ACTION:
The teleconference will be held February 22, 2018, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm ET. Call 888-989-6421 and enter conference code 9874492 at least 15-minutes prior to the start of the meeting.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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MEETING:
National Human Genome Research Institute; Notice of Meetings

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

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Advisory Council for Human Genome Research to discuss matters of program relevance.

ACTION:
The meetings will be held on February 12, 2018 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm ET at the National Institutes of Health, T-Level 508-510, 5635 Fishers Lane, Bethesda, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Rudy Pozzatti, 301/402-0838. Email: pozzattr@mail.nih.gov

**SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH**

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Cultivating Cultures for Ethical STEM

FON:
18-532

AGENCY:
Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO), Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE), Directorate for Engineering (ENG), Directorate for Geosciences (GEO), Directorate for Mathematical & Physical Sciences (MPS), National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop research projects that identify (1) factors that are effective in the formation of ethical STEM researchers and (2) approaches to developing those factors in all the fields of science and engineering that National Science Foundation supports.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 17, 2018 and February 22 annually thereafter. Approximately $3 million is available for up to eight awards to support projects lasting between three to five years.
Limited Submission:
One application per institution.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Multiple contacts.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY 2018 Joint Technology Transfer Initiative

FON:
NOAA-OAR-OWAQ-2018-2005496

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to conduct research and development activities related to advancing data assimilation of new observations and data assimilation techniques for convective-scale weather prediction, improving water prediction capabilities through enhancements to National Water Model, improving daily to subseasonal scale prediction of Arctic sea ice, and communicating forecast uncertainty.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due February 19, 2018. Applications are due April 9, 2018. Approximately $2 million is available for 10 awards for projects lasting up to two years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Chandra Kondragunta, Email: Chandra.Kondragunta@noaa.gov (mailto:Chandra.Kondragunta@noaa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Integrative Strategies for Understanding Neural and Cognitive Systems

FON:
18-533

AGENCY:
Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE), Directorate for Education & Human Resources (EHR), Directorate for Engineering (ENG), Directorate for Social, Behavioral & Economic Sciences (SBE), National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to exercise innovative, convergent, boundary-crossing approaches to open new opportunities leading to understanding complex aspects of neural and cognitive systems through
integrative multidisciplinary efforts. The program focuses on four areas: 1) Neuroengineering and Brain-Inspired Concepts and Designs; 2) Individuality and Variation; 3) Cognitive and Neural Processes in Realistic, Complex Environments; and 4) Data-Intensive Neuroscience and Cognitive Science.

**ACTION:**
Required letters of intent are due on February 20 and December 7, 2018 and January 08, 2019. Supplements are due April 17, 2018, February 26, 2019 and February 26, 2020. Full proposals are due on April 17, 2018, February 26, 2019 and February 26, 2020. Approximately $15 million is available annually for a combination 25 FRONTIERS and other class award awards.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Contacts vary by directorate.

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
Operator Selection for Two Regional Class Research Vessels (RCRV 2 and RCRV 3)

**FON:**
18-534

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

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications to operate additional Regional Class Research Vessels Class vessels to include: 1) providing representation on-site at the shipyard from the start of the design verification and transfer for their respective vessel; 2) offering one representative to a Transition Core Team formed at the start of the Transition to Operations Phase of RCRV; and 3) providing appropriate levels of phased personnel resources in support of the two-year Transition to Operations periods.

**ACTION:**
Proposals are due April 19, 2018. Approximately $8.6 million is available to support up to two awards. Institutions shall either have current membership in the University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System (UNOLS) or join UNOLS members prior to taking over responsibility for full vessel operations.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Email: grantsgovsupport@nsf.gov (mailto:grantsgovsupport@nsf.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
PREventing EMerging Pathogenic Threats

**FON:**
HR001118S0017
AGENCY:
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense) , Biological Technologies Office

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to develop new tools and models to quantify the likelihood of a virus to jump from an animal host into humans, and to develop and validate new scalable technologies to target potential human-capable viral pathogens in wild reservoirs and/or mosquito vectors to prevent transmission to humans.

ACTION:
Abstracts are due February 13, 2018. Full proposals are due March 27, 2018. The budget is contingent upon the quality of the proposals received and the availability of DARPA funds for multiple awards. DARPA will also host Prospers' Day on January 30, 2018. Click here (https://www.fbo.gov/spg/ODA/DARPA/CMO/DARPA-SN-18-18/listing.html) for more information.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
BAA Coordinator, Email: PREEMPT@darpa.mil (mailto:PREEMPT@darpa.mil)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program

FON:
2018-NIST-SBIR-01

AGENCY:
National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting small businesses conducting research that could lead to commercializable products. Research topics include: Advanced Communications, Networks, and Scientific Data Systems; Advanced Manufacturing and Material Measurements; Cybersecurity and Privacy; Exploratory Measurement Science; Health and Bioscience; Physical Infrastructure and Resilience; and Lab to Market. Colleges and universities may partner.

ACTION:
Applications are due by April 4, 2018. Approximately $100,000 per award is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Mary Clague 301/975-4188. Email: mary.clague@nist.gov (mailto:mary.clague@nist.gov)

MEETING:
Driven and Nonequilibrium Quantum Systems (DRINQS) Proposers Day
AGENCY:
Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), Department of Defense (Defense)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a Proposers Day webcast for the Driven and Nonequilibrium Quantum Systems (DRINQS) program.

ACTION:
The Proposers Day webcast will be held February 1, 2018 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm ET. Registration is required by January 29, 2018 at http://www.cvent.com/d/3tq4sp

LINKS:

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MEETING:
Fourth RTCA SC-236 Wireless Airborne Intra Communications (WAIC) Joint Plenary With EUROCAE WG-96

AGENCY:
Department of Transportation (DOT) , Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Fourth RTCA SC-236 Wireless Airborne Intra Communications (WAIC) Joint Plenary With EUROCAE WG-96.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held February 17 - March 2, 2018 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm ET at 1150 18th Street NW, Washington, DC.

LINKS:

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MEETING:
National Industrial Security Program Policy Advisory Committee (NISPPAC)

AGENCY:
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of NARA.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held March 14, 2018 from 10:00 am to noon ET at 700 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC.
LINKS:

CONTACT:
Robert Tringali, 202/357-5335. Email: robert.tringali@nara.gov (mailto:robert.tringali@nara.gov)

NOTICE:
Notice of Information Collection

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice requesting comments on NASA Citizen Science.

ACTION:
Comments will be accepted through February 16, 2018.

LINKS:

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