Notices from January 08, 2018 to January 10, 2018

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• ARTS / HUMANITIES / INTERNATIONAL
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
2018 DRC, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda

FON:
SFOP0003687

AGENCY:
Department of State (State), Bureau of Population Refugees and Migration (PRM)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support refugees and host communities in Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Sud-Ubangi, Nord-Ubangi provinces).

ACTION:
Concepts papers are due February 9, 2018. Invited applications are due 30 calendar days after they are notified of their selection. Approximately $3 million is available to support projects lasting up to one to three years.
Limited Submission:
Two concept notes for Uganda and/or one concept note for each of DRC, Rwanda, and Tanzania per applicant.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kristen Frost, 202/453-9383. Email: FrostKL@state.gov (mailto:FrostKL@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Community Challenges to Violent Extremism - Civil Society Capacity Building Initiative
FON:
SFOP0003690
AGENCY:
Department of State (State)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to build the capacity and expand the work of local Tunisian NGOs and CSOs who directly and indirectly work with individuals vulnerable to sympathizing and/or supporting violent extremism.
ACTION:
Applications are due March 11, 2018. Approximately $592,500 is available for one award to support a project lasting up to one to two years.
Limited Submission:
One application per institution.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
Brian Engel, Email: engelb@state.gov (mailto:engelb@state.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY 2018 Request for Concept Notes for NGO Programs Benefiting Refugees and Other Vulnerable Populations in Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, and Turkey
FON:
SFOP0003666
AGENCY:
Department of State (State) , Bureau of Population Refugees and Migration (PRM)
ITEM:
Notice seeking concept papers to support refugees and other vulnerable populations in Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, and Turkey. Projects are encouraged to allow for support of other refugee populations, including Africa refugees and Palestinian refugees from Syria.
ACTION:
Concept papers are due February 7, 2018. Nonprofits are eligible to apply.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Contacts vary by country.

EDUCATION / ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Environmental Education Local Grants Program for Region 2, 3, 8, & 10 -- Solicitation Notice for 2018

FON:
EPA-EE-18-02; EPA-EE-18-03; EPA-EE-18-08; EPA-EE-18-10

AGENCY:
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support locally-focused environmental education projects that increase public awareness and knowledge about environmental and conservation issues and provide the skills that participants in its funded projects need to make informed decisions and take responsible actions toward the environment. See EPA-EE-18-10 solicitation at https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=299956.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 15, 2018. Approximately $300,000 is available for each regional awards to support multiple projects lasting up to one to two years. A 25 percent cost share is required.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Karen Scott, email: EEGrants@EPA.gov (mailto:EEGrants@EPA.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Environmental Education Local Grants Program for Regions 1,6, and 7

FON:
EPA-EE-18-01; EPA-EE-18-06; EPA-EE-18-07

AGENCY:
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for locally-focused environmental education projects that increase public awareness and knowledge about environmental and conservation issues and provide the skills that
participants in its funded projects need to make informed decisions and take responsible actions toward the environment. Grants in this entry are for EPA Region 1, Region 6, and Region 7. Link to EPA Regions map.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 15, 2018. Approximately $300,000 is available for each region with an award ceiling of $100,000 per award.

Limited Submission:
Applicants must be present in region of application.

LINKS:
Grants.gov (Region 6) (https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=299925),

CONTACT:
Karen Scott, Email: EEGrants@EPA.gov (mailto:EEGrants@EPA.gov)

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
EONS 2018: Appendix E Minority University Research and Education Project (MUREP) Aerospace Academy – (MAA)

FON:
NNH18ZHA002N-MAA

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals from minority-serving institutions to establish an Aerospace Academy to increase participation and retention of historically underserved and underrepresented K-12 youth in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Partnerships with regional or state-based organizations focused on educational support are required for this proposal.

ACTION:
Required notices of intent are due January 18, 2018. Proposals are due March 22, 2018. Up to seven awards are available with a ceiling of $325,00 for two years.

Limited Submission:
One application per institution.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Priscilla Mobley, 216/433-8333.

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY18 National Climate Change & Wildlife Science Center Program

FON:
G18AS00019
AGENCY:
Department of the Interior (Interior), U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to identify organizations that propose to host and, as applicable, serve as consortium partners for a Department of the Interior (DOI) Climate Science Center (CSC) in the following region: North Central Climate Science Center (NC CSC); and to determine if their proposed science, partnership, and program support activities and strategies are appropriate to serve in these roles.

ACTION:
Applications are due April 9, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Janet Cushing, 703/648-4015. Email: jcushing@usgs.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
OVW FY 2018 Grants to Reduce Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking on Campus Program

FON:
OVW-2018-13820

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications from institutions to reduce campus domestic violence and sexual assault through a comprehensive coordinated community approach that enhances victim safety, provides services for victims and supports efforts to hold offenders accountable. External and internal partnerships are required.

ACTION:
Required letters of registration must be submitted by January 25, 2018. Applications are due February 22, 2018. Approximately $20 million is available for 45 to 50 awards split between individual projects (with a ceiling of $300,000), consortia projects of two to four institutions (with a ceiling of $550,000), and consortia projects of five or more institutions (with a ceiling of $750,000). All projects run for a maximum of 36 months.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
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MEETING:
Notice of National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship Meeting
AGENCY:
Economic Development Administration (EDA), Department of Commerce (Commerce)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship. The purpose of the meeting is to hear from Federal innovation and entrepreneurship policymakers and program executives and discuss potential policies that would foster innovation, increase the rate of technology commercialization, and catalyze the creation of jobs in the United States.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held Thursday, February 1, 2018. from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET and Friday, February 2, 2018 from 9:00 am - noon ET. at the Herbert Clark Hoover Building (HCHB), 1401 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC, Room 72015. Teleconference and/or web conference connection information will be published prior to the meeting along with the agenda on the NACIE website at https://www.eda.gov/oie/nacie/.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Craig Buerstatte, 202/482 8001. Email: nacie@doc.gov

HEALTH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Advancing Public Health Research in Central America (Belize, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama)

FON:
RFA-GH-18-004

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for cooperative agreements to conduct and monitor epidemiologic, clinical, and laboratory-based projects, surveillance, and research of important human diseases in Central America (Belize, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama) including but not limited to acute febrile illness, antimicrobial resistance and hospital acquired infections, respiratory infections and influenza, enteric illnesses, and other public health threats.

ACTION:
Mandatory letters of intent are due February 8, 2018. Applications are due March 9, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
CDC Technical Information Management Section, 770/488-2700. Email: ogstims@cdc.gov
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Cutting-Edge Basic Research Awards (CEBRA) (R21-Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PAR-18-437

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for highly innovative or conceptually creative research related to the etiology, pathophysiology, prevention, or treatment of substance use disorders. The proposed research should: test an innovative and significant hypothesis for which there are scant precedent or preliminary data and which, if confirmed, would transform current thinking; and/or develop, and/or adapt, revolutionary techniques or methods for addiction research or that show promising future applicability to substance use disorder research.

ACTION:
Requested letters of intent are due 30 days before the application. Applications are due annually on August 20 and December 20 until December 2020. Multiple two-year awards are anticipated with a ceiling of $275,000 per award.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Amy Lossie, 301/827-6092. Email: lossieac@mail.nih.gov (mailto:lossieac@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
FY18 The National Lupus Training, Outreach, and Clinical Trial Education Program (Lupus Program)

FON:
MP-CPI-18-001

AGENCY:
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to eliminate health disparities among racial and ethnic minority populations and disadvantaged populations disproportionately affected by lupus, and improve the participation of minority populations in clinical trials.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 30, 2018. A technical assistance webinar for potential applicants will be held on February 7, 2018, from 3:00pm – 4:00pm ET. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to six awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Hearing Health Care for Adults: Improving Access and Affordability (R01 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON: 
PA-18-438

AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for research on hearing health care in adults in support of improving access and affordability. Further research is needed to strengthen the evidence base with a goal of delivering better hearing health care outcomes in adults.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5. Program expires November 6, 2020.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kelly King, 301/402-3458. Email: kingke@nidcd.nih.gov (mailto:kingke@nidcd.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Hearing Health Care for Adults: Improving Access and Affordability (R21 Clinical Trial Optional)

FON: 
PA-18-382

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking exploratory and developmental research proposals for research on hearing health care in adults in support of improving access and affordability.

ACTION:
Applications are due on a standard schedule of February 16, June 16, and October 16 each year until November 16, 2020.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Kelly King, 301/402-3458. Email: kingke@nidcd.nih.gov (mailto:kingke@nidcd.nih.gov)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
International Research Collaboration on Drug Abuse and Addiction Research (R01, Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PA-18-568

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking collaborative research applications on drug abuse and addiction that take advantage of special opportunities that exist outside the United States. Priority research areas include linkages between HIV/AIDS and drug abuse; prevention, initiation, and treatment of nicotine and tobacco use (especially among vulnerable populations such as children, adolescents, pregnant women, and those with co-morbid disorders); the neuroscience of marijuana and cannabinoids; and the effect of changes in laws and policies on marijuana and its impact.

ACTION:
Optional letters of intent are due 30 days before the application. Applications are due February 5, 2018.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Steven Gust, 301/443-6480. Email: ipdirector@nida.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Lab to Marketplace: Tools for Brain and Behavioral Research (R43/R44 - Clinical Trial Optional)

FON:
PAR-18-565

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting small businesses to translate technologies for brain or behavioral research from academic and other non-small business research sectors to the marketplace. Colleges and universities may partner.

ACTION:
Letters of intent are due 30 days before the application. Applications are due annually on April 5, September 5, and January 5 until January 2021. Multiple awards are anticipated. Budgets of up to $450,000 per year total cost for Phase I awards, $750,000 per year total cost for Phase II awards, and $1,000,000 per year total cost for Phase IIB may be requested.

LINKS:
CONTACT: 
Margaret Grabb, 301/443-3563. Email: mgrabb@mail.nih.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: 
National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Tuberculosis Prevention (NCHHSTP) Public Health Conference Support 

FON: 
CDC-RFA-PS18-1809

AGENCY: 
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Tuberculosis Prevention

ITEM: 
Notice seeking applications to provide partial support for specific non-Federal conferences focusing on topics that support the CDC’s goals and recommendations related to HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, STDs, TB, and/or adolescent and school health. Applicants must propose conferences that are specific to one or more of the "Focus Areas of Programmatic Interest" (HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, STD or TB prevention, and/or adolescent and school health).

ACTION: 
Applications are due March 16, 2018. Multiple awards are anticipated with a ceiling of $400,000 per award.

Limited Submission: 
Applications must be for a single conference. Only one application per institution.

LINKS: 

CONTACT: 
Gustavo Aquino, Email: gaa1@cdc.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: 
NIDCD Mentored Career Development Award for Postdoctorate Au.D./Ph.D. Audiologists (K01 - No Independent Clinical Trials)

FON: 
PAR-18-436

AGENCY: 
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)

ITEM: 
Notice seeking applications to support comprehensive and rigorous postdoctoral research and career development experiences in the biomedical, behavioral, or clinical sciences of promising Au.D./Ph.D. audiologists who have the potential to become productive, independent investigators in scientific health-related research fields relevant to NIDCD's mission.
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIDCD Mentored Career Development Award for Postdoctorate Au.D./Ph.D. Audiologists (K01 Clinical Trial Required)
FON:
PAR-18-435
AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications for postdoctoral research relevant to NIDCD's mission in the biomedical, behavioral, or clinical sciences. This mechanism is designed specifically for applicants proposing to serve as the lead investigator of an independent clinical trial, a clinical trial feasibility study, or a separate ancillary study to an existing trial, as part of their research and career development.
ACTION:
Applications are due February 15, June 19, and October 19 annually until October 2020. Multiple awards are anticipated.
LINKS:
CONTACT:
Alberto Rivera-Rentas, 301/496-1804. Email: riverara@mail.nih.gov (mailto:riverara@mail.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
NIDCD Research Career Enhancement Award for Established Investigators (K18 - No Independent Clinical Trials/Clinical Trials Required)
FON:
PAR-18-564; PAR-18-562
AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)
ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to augment or redirect existing research programs through the acquisition of new research skills to answer questions relevant to the hearing, balance, smell, taste,
voice, speech and language sciences. Two funding mechanisms are available. One for applicants proposing to serve as the lead investigator of an independent clinical trial, a clinical trial feasibility study, or a separate ancillary study to an existing trial, as part of their research and career development; and one for applicants not proposing an independent trial or study, who are permitted to propose research experience in a clinical trial led by a mentor or co-mentor.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due annually on February 8, June 8, and October 9 until October 8, 2020. Approximately $600,000 is available per year for each funding mechanism, to be split between an estimated three to five awards per mechanism.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Alberto Rivera-Rentas, 301/496-1804. Email: riverara@nidcd.nih.gov (mailto:riverara@nidcd.nih.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
NIH StrokeNet Clinical Trials and Biomarker Studies for Stroke Treatment, Recovery, and Prevention (U01 - Clinical Trial Optional)

**FON:**
PAR-18-561

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

**ITEM:**
Notice seeking applications for multi-site exploratory and confirmatory clinical trials focused on promising interventions, as well as biomarker-or outcome measure validation studies that are immediately preparatory to trials in stroke prevention, treatment, and recovery. Successful applicants will collaborate and conduct the trial within the NIH StrokeNet.

**ACTION:**
Applications are due annually on February 5, June 5, and October 5 until November 5, 2020. Multiple awards are anticipated.

**LINKS:**

**CONTACT:**
Claudia Scala Moy, 301/496-9135. Email: moyc@ninds.nih.gov (mailto:moyc@ninds.nih.gov)

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**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:**
NIH StrokeNet Small Business Innovation Clinical Trials and Biomarker Studies for Stroke Treatment, Recovery, and Prevention (U44 - Clinical Trials Optional)

**FON:**
PAR-18-563
AGENCY:
National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications supporting small businesses proposing exploratory and confirmatory clinical trials focused on promising interventions, as well as biomarker-or outcome measure validation studies that are immediately preparatory to trials in stroke prevention, treatment, and recovery. Successful applicants will collaborate and conduct the trial within the NIH StrokeNet. Colleges and universities may partner.

ACTION:
Applications are due annually on April 5, September 5, and January 5 until January 5, 2021. Multiple awards are anticipated.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Claudia Scala Moy, 301/496-9135. Email: moyc@ninds.nih.gov (mailto:moyc@ninds.nih.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Rural Health Clinic Policy and Clinical Assessment Program

FON:
HRSA-18-039

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

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to identify key policy, regulatory and clinical challenges facing rural health clinics (RHC) and identify possible solutions, while also informing them and other rural stakeholders about key RHC issues, including regulatory and programmatic changes that affect care delivery in these locations.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 16, 2018. Approximately $100,000 is available for one award to support a project lasting up to three years.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Wakina Scott, 301/945-4136. Email: WScott@hrsa.gov (mailto:WScott@hrsa.gov)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
Treatment for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness, Serious Emotional Disturbance or Co-Occurring Disorders Experiencing Homelessness (Short Title: Treatment for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness)
FON:
SM-18-014

AGENCY:
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to support the development and/or expansion of the local implementation of an infrastructure that integrates behavioral health treatment and recovery support services for individuals, youth, and families with a serious mental illness, serious emotional disturbance or co-occurring disorder (i.e., a serious mental illness [SMI] and substance use disorder [SUD] or a serious emotional disturbance [SED] and SUD who are experiencing homelessness.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 9, 2018. Approximately $10.39 million is available to support up to 16 awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Maia Banks-Scheetz, 240/276-1969. Email: Maia.Banks-scheetz@samhsa.hhs.gov

MEETING:
Center for Mental Health Services: Notice of Meeting

AGENCY:
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Center for Mental Health Services National Advisory Council with agenda items including a conversation with the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, discussion of the Center’s policy issues, and two presentations on disaster response and the Policy Lab.

ACTION:
The open session of the meeting will be held February 14, 2018 from 8:30 am to 10:00 am ET at the SAMHSA offices, 5600 Fishers Lane, 5th Floor, Conference Room 5N76, Rockville, Maryland.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Pamela Foote, 240/276-1279. Email: pamela.foote@samhsa.hhs.gov
MEETING:
Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records

AGENCY:
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting to solicit information concerning the Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder Patient Records regulations. The listening session will provide an opportunity for the public to provide input concerning the effect of part 2 on “patient care, health outcomes, and patient privacy” as well as potential regulatory changes and future subregulatory guidance.

ACTION:
In-person attendance requires pre-registration. The meeting will also be streamed online with pre-registration. The meeting will be held on January 31, 2018 from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm ET at 5600 Fishers Lane, 5th (Main) Floor Pavilion rooms, Rockville, MD.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Rachel Karton, 240/276-0416. Email: PrivacyRegulations@SAMHSA.hhs.gov (mailto:PrivacyRegulations@SAMHSA.hhs.gov)

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MEETING:
National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Research; 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 Dental and Craniofacial Research Council to deliver a report to the director of the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

ACTION:
The open session of the meeting will be held on January 31, 2018 from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm ET at the National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 6th Floor, Conference Room 6, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD. Attendance is limited by space available.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Alicia Dombroski, 301/594-4805. Email: adombroski@nidcr.nih.gov (mailto:adombroski@nidcr.nih.gov)

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MEETING:
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; 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 Drug Abuse with announcements and reports of administrative, legislative, and program developments in the drug abuse field.

ACTION:  
The meeting will be held on February 6, 2018 from 10:30 am to 4:30 pm ET at National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Susan Weiss, 301/443-6487. Email: sweiss@nida.nih.gov

SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY / ENGINEERING / MATH

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
NOAA Great Lakes Habitat Restoration Project Grants under the U.S. Great Lakes Restoration Initiative

FON:  
NOAA-NMFS-HCPO-2018-2005487

AGENCY:  
Department of Commerce (Commerce)

ITEM:  
Notice seeking applications to restore coastal habitats and support the Great Lakes restoration initiative. These habitats support valuable fisheries and important coastal resources, improve the quality of our water, provide recreational opportunities for the public’s use and enjoyment, and increase the resilience of our coastal communities to the effects of changing climatic conditions.

ACTION:  
Applications are due March 12, 2018. Approximately $10 million is available for two to five awards across three purpose areas to support projects lasting up to one to four years.

LINKS:  

CONTACT:  
Julie Sims, 734/741-2385. Email: julie.sims@noaa.gov; Jessica Berrio, 301/427-8654. Email: Jessica.Berrio@noaa.gov; Rina Studds, 301/427-8651. Email: Rina.Studds@noaa.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:  
Organic Transitions

FON:  
USDA-NIFA-ICGP-006464
AGENCY:
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking applications to solve critical organic agriculture issues, priorities, or problems.

ACTION:
Applications are due March 29, 2018. Approximately $3.8 million is available to support multiple awards.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Mathieu Ngouajio, 202/401-4895. Email: mngouajio@nifa.usda.gov

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY:
ROSES 2017: In-Space Validation of Earth Science Technologies

FON:
NNH17ZDA001N-INVEST

AGENCY:
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

ITEM:
Notice seeking proposals for basic and applied research in support of NASA’s Science Mission Directorate, covering dozens of specific research projects. A full list of the programs can be found on the Agency site.

ACTION:
Notices of intent are required for most projects, generally with a due date of four to six weeks before the application due date. Due dates and budgets vary by project.

LINKS:

CONTACT:
Max Bernstein sara@nasa.gov

MEETING:
Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering

AGENCY:
National Science Foundation (NSF)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting of the Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering. The purpose of the meeting is 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 February 1, 2018; 1:00 pm - 5:30 pm February 2, 2018; 8:30 am - 3:30 pm at the National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA.

LINKS:

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MEETING:
Environmental Laboratory Advisory Board Meeting Dates and Agenda

AGENCY:
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ITEM:
Notice announcing teleconference meetings of Environmental Laboratory Advisory Board to discuss the expansion of national environmental accreditation, issues relating to measurement and monitoring for all programs, and follow-up on past recommendations and issues.

ACTION:
The teleconference meetings will be held on February 21, March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, September 19, October 17, November 21, and December 19, 2018. Call 919/541-5544 to obtain teleconference information.

LINKS:

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MEETING:
Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (FESAC); Meeting

AGENCY:
Department of Energy (Energy)

ITEM:
Notice announcing a meeting to provide advice on a continuing basis to the director, Office of Science of the Department of Energy, on the many complex scientific and technical issues that arise in the development and implementation of the fusion energy sciences program.

ACTION:
The meeting will be held on February 1, 2018 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm and February 2, 2018 from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm ET at Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center, 9751 Washingtonian Boulevard,
Gaithersburg, MD. Access meeting remotely at http://science.energy.gov/fes/fesac/meetings/ (http://science.energy.gov/fes/fesac/meetings/).

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