



UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN  
**HENRY CUELLAR**  
REPRESENTING THE 28TH DISTRICT OF TEXAS



## Grants Newsletter

April 15, 2024

To better serve you, I would like to provide this week's Grants Newsletter. Enclosed you will find several open grant applications that provide the opportunity to procure federal funding for a variety of projects.

Attracting more federal funds to our district and region has been a top priority during my tenure in Congress. By providing this document, I hope we can secure additional federal funds and assistance to our area that will improve life in Texas's 28<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

For more information on the federal grant process, please visit my [grants webpage](#) or contact my Grants Coordinator, Randy Aguilar, at [Randy.Aguilar@mail.house.gov](mailto:Randy.Aguilar@mail.house.gov). To stay informed about recent legislative activity and how it impacts your family and your community, please visit my [congressional website](#) or follow me on Twitter at [@RepCuellar](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Henry Cuellar".

Henry Cuellar  
Member of Congress  
28<sup>th</sup> District of Texas

*Note: This newsletter provides information on current federal grant solicitations. This is not a comprehensive list of all grant opportunities. For more information on federal grants, please contact the office at (202) 225-1640 or email [randy.aguilar@mail.house.gov](mailto:randy.aguilar@mail.house.gov).*

# Education and Research

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## [Innovations in Graduate Education Program](#)

**Project description:** The Innovations in Graduate Education Program is designed to encourage development and implementation of bold, new, and potentially transformative approaches to STEM graduate education training. The program seeks proposals that a) explore ways for graduate students in STEM master's and doctoral degree programs to develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers, or b) support research on the graduate education system and outcomes of systemic interventions and policies.

**Eligibility:**

- Nonprofit entities
- Institutions of higher education

**Application due date:** April 22, 2024

# Law Enforcement

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## [COPS Hiring Program](#)

**Project description:** The Fiscal Year 2024 COPS Hiring Program is a competitive award program designed to provide funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts.

**Eligibility:**

- Local law enforcement agencies
- State law enforcement agencies
- Territorial law enforcement agencies

**Application due date:** June 12, 2024

## [FY24 Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System Program](#)

**Project description:** With this solicitation, the Bureau of Justice Assistance seeks to fund applications to strengthen the medical examiner-coroner system by increasing the number of qualified forensic pathologists and enhance the quality of medicolegal death investigations nationwide.

**Eligibility:**

- City or township governments
- County governments
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Nonprofit entities
- Private institutions of higher education

- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Special district governments
- State governments

**Application due date:** April 15, 2024

[FY24 Connect and Protect: Law Enforcement Behavioral Health Response Program](#)

**Project description:** This program supports law enforcement–behavioral health cross-system collaboration to improve public health and public safety by improving responses to and outcomes for individuals with mental health disorders or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders. Through this opportunity, the Bureau of Justice Assistance provides grant funding to help entities prepare, create, or expand comprehensive plans and then implement these collaborative projects to target people who qualify.

**Eligibility:**

- State governments
- Special district governments
- City or township governments
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- County governments

**Application due date:** May 6, 2024

## Health and Nutrition

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[Opioid-Impacted Family Support Program](#)

**Project description:** This program’s purpose is to support training programs that enhance and expand paraprofessionals knowledge and expertise, and to increase the number of peer support specialists and other behavioral health-related paraprofessionals who work on integrated, interprofessional teams in providing services to families impacted by opioid use disorder and other substance abuse disorder.

**Eligibility:**

- State governments
- Nonprofit entities
- Special district governments
- Independent school districts
- Private institutions of higher education
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- County governments
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Small businesses

- City or township governments

**Application due date:** May 6, 2024

[Lethal Means Safety Suicide Prevention Research in Healthcare and Community Settings](#)

**Project description:** National Institute of Mental Health seeks applications to evaluate the preliminary effectiveness of therapeutic and service delivery interventions that utilize lethal means safety strategies to reduce suicide risk in healthcare and community settings. Behavioral health clinics that incorporate lethal means counseling into their programming have been associated with significant reductions in suicide attempts and death.

**Eligibility:**

- Others (see posting for additional information)
- State governments
- County governments
- Nonprofit entities
- Special district governments
- Small businesses
- Independent school districts
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- City or township governments
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education
- Public housing authorities

**Application due date:** January 23, 2025

[Nathan Shock Centers of Excellence in Basic Biology of Aging](#)

**Project description:** This notice of funding opportunity invites applications for the Nathan Shock Centers of Excellence in Basic Biology of Aging. These Center grants will provide funding for leadership, training, research, and outreach activities that will increase and disseminate scientific knowledge in areas supported by the National Institute on Aging's Division of Aging Biology.

**Eligibility:**

- Independent school districts
- State governments
- City or township governments
- Nonprofit entities
- Private institutions of higher education
- Special district governments
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Small businesses
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- County governments

- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education

**Application due date:** June 14, 2024

## Veterans

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### [Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program](#)

**Project description:** The Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program enables Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide resources toward community-based suicide prevention efforts to meet the needs of Veterans and their families through outreach, suicide prevention services, and connection to VA and community resources.

**Eligibility:**

- Veterans

**Application due date:** April 26, 2024

## Housing

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### [FY24 Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grants](#)

**Project description:** Choice Neighborhoods Planning Grants support the development of a comprehensive plan to revitalize severely distressed public housing and/or HUD-assisted housing and the surrounding neighborhood. Using these grant funds, communities will undertake certain activities that lead to the creation of a comprehensive neighborhood revitalization strategy, or Transformation Plan. The Transformation Plan will become the guiding document to carryout subsequent implementation of the plan to achieve the program's three core goals: Housing, People and Neighborhood - redevelop the target housing while simultaneously directing the transformation of the surrounding neighborhood and positive outcomes for families.

**Eligibility:**

- Nonprofit entities
- County governments
- City or township governments
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- Public housing authorities

**Application due date:** June 10, 2024

### [FY 2024 Maternity Group Home Program](#)

**Project description:** The Maternity Group Home program provides safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for pregnant and/or parenting youth and young adults ages 16 to under 22 who have runaway or are experiencing homelessness, and their dependent child(ren), for 18 months and, under extenuating circumstances, up to 21 months.

**Eligibility:**

- Nonprofit entities
- City or township governments
- Independent school districts
- State governments
- County governments
- Special district governments
- Public housing authorities
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Private institutions of higher education

**Application due date:** June 7, 2024

## Grant Resources

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[Grants.gov Community Blog](#) This website provides information on how to apply for grants, open solicitations, and other helpful grant resources.

[Grants.gov Training Videos](#) This webpage provides videos and webinars to assist you in your application process. Video topics include registering with grants.gov, how to search for federal grants, and other topics of interest for applicants.