

Grants Newsletter

April 22, 2020

In an effort to better serve you, I would like to provide you with this week's Grant's Newsletter. Enclosed you will find a variety of open federal grant opportunities.

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 that we can bring federal funds and assistance to our area.

For more information on the federal grant process, please visit my grants webpage or contact Alexis Garcia, Grants Coordinator, at alexis.garcia@mail.house.gov. To stay informed about recent legislative activity and how it impacts your family and your community, please visit my congressional website at www.cuellar.house.gov or follow me on Twitter at @RepCuellar.

Sincerely,

Henry Cuellar, Ph.D.

U.S. Congressman 28th 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 alexis.garcia@mail.house.gov

Education

Supporting Effective Educator Development Program

Project description: The SEED program provides funding to increase the number of highly effective educators by supporting the implementation of Evidence-Based practices that prepare, develop, or enhance the skills of educators. These grants will allow eligible entities to develop, expand, and evaluate practices that can serve as models to be sustained and disseminated.

Eligibility: IHE, national nonprofit, a for-profit entity; see posting for more information

Application Due date: Jun 12, 2020

Health/Food Security

Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: Specialized Services for Abused Parents and Their Children

Project description: The Family Violence Prevention and Services Discretionary Grants: Specialized Services for Abused Parents and Their Children (Demonstration Projects) will support up to 24 demonstration projects. Funded demonstration projects will focus on expanding their capacity (as family violence, domestic violence, and dating violence coalitions; local programs; tribal communities; and community-based programs) to prevent future domestic violence by addressing, in an appropriate manner, the needs of children exposed to family violence, domestic violence, or dating violence.

Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments), Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), County governments, City or township governments

Application Due date: Jun 05, 2020

National Center on Parent, Family and Community Engagement

Project description: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Head Start (OHS) announces the availability of approximately \$5,900,000 to be competitively awarded for the purpose of operating a National Center on Parent, Family and Community Engagement (NC PFCE). The NC PFCE will provide training and technical assistance (TTA) that reflects current evidence, is research-informed and promotes best practices. The NC PFCE will strengthen professional development outcomes for staff and improve outcomes for children and families enrolled in Head Start and/or Early Head Start programs.

Eligibility: Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, Small businesses, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education Independent school districts, City or township governments, Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, State governments, For profit organizations other than small businesses

Unrestricted (i.e., open to any type of entity above), subject to any clarification in text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility", Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments), County governments, Special district governments **Application Due date**: Jun 22, 2020

Children's Healthy Learning Environments Grant Initiative

Project description: The purpose of the Children's Healthy Learning Environments Grant Initiative is to provide capacity building to address children's environmental health in school and childcare settings. The Children's Healthy Learning Environments Grant Initiative provides funding directly to organizations to support school- and/or childcare center-based capacity building projects that help school communities understand and address local environmental and public health issues that affect children.

Eligibility: Assistance under this competition is available to States or state agencies, territories, city or township governments, county governments, the District of Columbia, American Indian Tribes (federally recognized), and possessions of the U.S. It is also available to public and private universities and colleges, hospitals, laboratories, other public or private nonprofit institutions, and 501(c)(3) organizations.

Application Due date: Jun 01, 2020

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Process and Technology Improvement Grants

Project description: Process and Technology Improvement Grants support efforts by State agencies and their community-based and faith-based partners to develop and implement projects that focus on improving the quality and efficiency of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) operations and processes.

Eligibility: the 53 State agencies that administer SNAP, State or local governments, Agencies providing health or welfare services, Public health or educational entities, and private non-profit entities such as community-based or faith-based organizations, food banks, or other emergency feeding organizations.

Application Due date: Jun 15, 2020

Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants

Project description: DLT Program provides financial assistance to enable and improve distance learning and telemedicine services in rural areas. DLT grant funds support the use of telecommunications-enabled information, audio and video equipment, and related advanced technologies by students, teachers, medical professionals, and rural residents. These grants are intended to increase rural access to education, training, and health care resources that are otherwise unavailable or limited in scope.

Eligibility: City or township governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), For profit organizations other than small businesses, Private institutions of higher education, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Nonprofits that do not

have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Small businesses, State governments, Special district governments, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, County governments Independent school districts

Application Due date: Jul 13, 2020

Housing

Fair Housing Organization Initiative

Project description: The Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP) provides funding to fair housing organizations and other non-profits that assist individuals who believe that they have been victims of housing discrimination. Currently FHIP provides funds to eligible organizations through competitive grants under three initiatives to carry out enforcement activities to prevent or eliminate discriminatory housing practices and inform individuals of their rights and responsibilities under the Fair Housing Act. **Eligibility**: Eligible applicants may be Qualified Fair Housing Enforcement Organizations (QFHOs) and Fair Housing Enforcement Organizations (FHOs), and nonprofit groups organizing to build their capacity to provide fair housing enforcement.

Application Due date: May 11, 2020

Fair Housing Initiative Program - Education and Outreach Initiative

Project description: This Education and Outreach Initiative (EOI) NOFA makes available \$6,950,000 million to develop, implement, carry out, and coordinate education and outreach programs designed to inform members of the public concerning their rights and obligations under the provisions of the Fair Housing Act.

Eligibility: Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, State governments Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification), Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)

Application Due date: May 11, 2020

Science and Technology

Cyber-Physical Systems

Project description: The CPS program aims to develop the core research needed to engineer these complex CPS, some of which may also require dependable, high-confidence, or provable behaviors. Core research areas of the program includecontrol, data analytics, and machinelearning—including real-time learning for control, autonomy, design, Internet of Things (IoT), mixed initiatives including human-in- or human-on-the-loop, networking, privacy, real-time systems, safety, security, and verification **Eligibility**: Proposals may only be submitted by the following: -Non-profit, non-academic organizations: Independent museums, observatories, research labs, professional societies and similar organizations in the U.S. associated with educational or research activities. -Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) - Two-

and four-year IHEs (including community colleges) accredited in, and having a campus located in the US, acting on behalf of their faculty members.

Application Due date: Jun 22, 2020 Frontier proposals

Security/Law Enforcement and First Responders

Preventing Trafficking of Girls

Project description: The goal of this program is to prevent/reduce victimization of girls who are vulnerable to sex trafficking. Organizations are provided fundinf to support prevention and early intervention programs for girls who are at risk of or are victims of sex trafficking.

Eligibility: nonprofit organizations (including tribal nonprofit organizations), and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education)

Application Due date: May 26, 2020

Support for Alcohol Law Enforcement to Prevent Impaired Driving

Project description: The purpose of the Cooperative Agreement (CA) is to develop and measure the effectiveness of a demonstration program that improves training and technical assistance available to Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) Agencies. ALE agencies oversee the issuance, regulation, compliance, and enforcement of liquor licenses and laws. These agencies play a role in enforcing alcohol laws and reducing impaired driving. NHTSA will provide assistance to support monitoring new and emerging issues among ALE agencies regarding the enforcement of alcohol laws as it pertains to preventing impaired driving. The Recipient will provide tools such as in-person and web-based education and training to ALE agencies to support reducing impaired driving. In addition, the Recipient may support the ALE community in the following areas:

Eligibility: Unrestricted

Application Due date: May 13, 2020

Services for Minor Victims of Sex Trafficking

Project description: This program is designed to develop, expand, and strengthen assistance programs for minor victims of sex trafficking. The objective in providing these services is to achieve increased safety, self-sufficiency, and well-being for minor victims of sex trafficking. OVC anticipates making four awards of up to \$2 million for a 12-month period of performance, to begin on January 1, 2021. Grants may be renewed for up to three additional 1-year periods, for a total of 4 years.

Eligibility: States, tribes, or units of local government

Application Due date: May 29, 2020

Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence - Inventory, Tracking, and Reporting Program

Project description: DOJ seeks applications from eligible States and units of local government that will inventory, track, and report the status of SAKs. As an integral part of these activities, applicants also are expected to identify and prioritize (for testing) SAKs for which prosecution of a perpetrator is soon to be barred by the expiration of an applicable statute(s) of limitations.

Since multiple grant programs for testing evidence related to sexual assault are offered through the Office of Justice Programs, including the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) and NIJ, funding from this program will not be made available for testing evidence. Nonetheless, in order to facilitate the prioritization of cases (for testing) in which an applicable statute(s) of limitations is soon to expire, applicants are to include in the application detailed plans to clearly identify such potentially time-limited cases in the applicant's SAK inventory, implement methods and approaches to track such cases, and report on the disposition of any such cases during the period of performance under the award.

Eligibility: County governments, State governments, Special district governments, City or township governments

Application Due date: Jun 15, 2020

Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System Program

Project description: With this solicitation, BJA seeks proposals to strengthen the medical examiner/coroner (ME/C) system in the United States. Through this program, BJA will support grants in two focus areas by: (1) Supporting forensic pathology fellowships (2) Providing resources necessary for medical examiner and coroner offices to achieve accreditation

Eligibility: County governments, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Small businesses, Special district governments, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, City or township governments, For profit organizations other than small businesses, Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification), State governments

Application Due date: Jul 15, 2020

<u>Targeted Training and Technical Assistance for VOCA Victim Assistance and Compensation</u> Administrators

Project description: The goal of this project is to provide peer-to-peer training and support on federal grants management and administration for Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Victim Assistance and Compensation Administrators and VOCA victim assistance subgrantees. The objective of this peer-to-peer training is to enhance support to VOCA Victim Assistance Administrators (and their subgrantees) and Compensation Administrators to more closely align these training and assistance services with the needs and demands of VOCA administrators.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations (including tribal nonprofits) are eligible to apply **Application Due date:** Jun 01, 2020

Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA

Project description:

Eligibility: City or township governments, Special district governments, State governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), County governments **Application Due date:**

Arts and Culture

NEA Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

Project description: The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act recognizes that the nonprofit arts industry is an important sector of America's economy. The National Endowment for the Arts will award funds to nonprofit arts organizations across the country to help these entities and their employees endure the economic hardships caused by the forced closure of their operations due to the spread of COVID-19. As part of this important investment, the Arts Endowment has designed a plan to expedite the distribution of critical funds to the national, regional, state, and local levels to help retain as many jobs as possible, as quickly as possible. These funds are intended to help save jobs in the arts sector and keep the doors open to the thousands of organizations that add value to America's economy and the creative life of our communities.

Eligibility: eligible nonprofit organizations including arts organizations, local arts agencies, statewide assemblies of local arts agencies, arts service organizations, units of state or local government, federally recognized tribal communities or tribes, and a wide range of other organizations that can help advance the goals of the Arts Endowment

Application Due date: Apr 22, 2020

Grant Resources

<u>Grants.gov Community Blog</u> This website provides information on how to apply for grants, open solicitations, and other helpful grant resources.

<u>Grants.gov Training Videos</u> This webpage provides videos and webinars in order 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.