Grants Newsletter
May 11, 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

[Institute of Education Sciences (IES): Research Grants Focused on Systematic Replication](#)
Project description: The IES research grant programs are designed to provide interested individuals and the general public with reliable and valid information about education practices that support learning and improve academic achievement and access to education opportunities for all learners.
Eligibility: Eligible Applicants: Applicants that have the ability and capacity to conduct scientifically valid research are eligible to apply. Eligible applicants include, but are not limited to, nonprofit and for-profit organizations and public and private agencies and institutions of higher education, such as colleges and universities.
Application Due date: Aug 20, 2020

Health

[Basic Center Program](#)
Project description: The Runaway and Homeless Youth Program's Basic Center Program (BCP) provides temporary shelter and counseling services to youth who have left home without permission of their parents or guardians, have been forced to leave home, or other homeless youth who might otherwise end up in the law enforcement or in the child welfare, mental health, or juvenile justice systems. BCPs work to establish or strengthen community-based programs that meet the immediate needs of runaway and homeless youth and their families.
Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Special district governments, City or township governments, Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, County governments, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Independent school districts, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), State governments, Private institutions of higher education Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments) Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)
Application Due date: Jul 03, 2020

[Innovations in Newborn Screening Interoperability](#)
Project description: The purpose of this program is to enhance data interoperability in the newborn screening (NBS) system. The recipient will accomplish this by serving as a national leader and resource on health information data interoperability and providing technical assistance, training, and education in data interoperability to state NBS programs. Interoperability is defined as the ability of different information systems, devices, and applications ('systems') to access, exchange, integrate, and cooperatively use data in a coordinated manner, within and across organizational, regional, and national boundaries, to provide timely and seamless portability of information and optimize the health of individuals and populations globally
Eligibility: 1) a state or a political subdivision of a state; (2) a consortium of two or more states or political subdivisions of states; (3) a territory;(4) a health facility or program operated by or

pursuant to a contract with or grant from the Indian Health Service; or (5) any other entity with appropriate expertise in newborn screening, as determined by the Secretary.
Application Due date: Jul 01, 2020

[Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Legal Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA) Center](#)
Project description: The Office of Community Services (OCS) within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) plans to issue a funding opportunity announcement (FOA) for a cooperative agreement for the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Legal Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA) Center. The CSBG Legal T/TA Center cooperative agreement has contributed to the long-term capacity of State Agencies and local CSBG-eligible entities by increasing accountability and organizational performance through legal T/TA. This FOA is intended to support a 3-year effort for the CSBG Legal T/TA Center to provide continued supportive T/TA strategies for organizational assessment that can be u
Eligibility: Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)
Application Due date: Jul 07, 2020

Research/Development

[Assessment Tools for Biotechnology Products](#)
Project description: The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as part of its Science to Achieve Results (STAR) program, is seeking applications proposing research to support the development of improved science-based human health and environmental risk assessments of new biotechnology products, including those developed through synthetic biology, genome editing, and metabolic engineering.
Eligibility: Public and private nonprofit institutions/organizations, public and private institutions of higher education, and hospitals located in the U.S., state and local governments, Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments, and U.S. territories or possessions are eligible to apply.
Application Due date: Jul 15, 2020

[Federal and State Technology (FAST) Partnership Program](#)
Project description: The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) plans to issue Notice of Funding Opportunity No. SBA-OIIFT-20-001 with estimated total program funding of $3,000,000. The award ceiling is $125,000 and the award floor is $0. Applicants may request any amount up to the award ceiling. Funding will go to organizations to conduct proposal development training, outreach, mentoring, financial support, technical and business assistance to R&D focused small businesses interested in the SBIR/STTR Programs. Applications will be considered from all 50 states, U.S. territories and the District of Columbia. This program is authorized by Public Law (P.L.) 116-93 and 15 U.S.C. 657d(c). Only one proposal from each state may be submitted to the SBA for
Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Private institutions of higher education

Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification
Application Due date: Jun 19, 2020

Veterans

[Enhancing Agricultural Opportunities for Military Veterans](#)
Project description: The Enhancing Agricultural Opportunities for Military Veterans Program provides grants to non-profits to increase the number of military veterans gaining knowledge and skills through comprehensive, hands-on and immersive model farm and ranch programs offered regionally that lead to successful careers in the food and agricultural sector. The program encourages the development of training opportunities specifically designed for military veterans. AgVets projects will offer onsite, hands-on training and classroom education leading to a comprehensive understanding of successful farm and ranch operations and management practices.
Eligibility: nonprofit organizations
Application Due date: Jul 26, 2020

Arts and Culture

[Summer Stipends](#)
Project description: The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Research Programs is accepting applications for the Summer Stipends program. The purpose of this program is to stimulate new research in the humanities and its publication. Summer Stipends support continuous full-time work on a humanities project for a period of two consecutive months. NEH funds may support recipients' compensation, travel, and other costs related to the proposed scholarly research.
Eligibility: Individuals
Application Due date: Sep 22, 2021

[NEA Grants for Arts Projects](#)
Project description: Grants for Arts Projects is the National Endowment for the Arts' principal grants program. Through project-based funding, we support public engagement with, and access to, various forms of excellent art across the nation, the creation of art that meets the highest standards of excellence, learning in the arts at all stages of life, and the integration of the arts into the fabric of community life. Projects may be large or small, existing or new, and may take place in any part of the nation's 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories.
The National Endowment for the Arts is committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, and fostering mutual respect for the diverse beliefs and values of all individuals and groups.

Eligibility: Special district governments, State governments, County governments, Independent school districts, Private institutions of higher education, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
City or township governments
Application Due date: Jul 09, 2020

[NEA Our Town](#)
Project description: Our Town is the National Endowment for the Arts' creative placemaking grants program. Through project-based funding, we support projects that integrate arts, culture, and design activities into efforts that strengthen communities by advancing local economic, physical, and/or social outcomes. Successful Our Town projects ultimately lay the groundwork for systemic changes that sustain the integration of arts, culture, and design into local strategies for strengthening communities. These projects require a partnership between a local government entity and nonprofit organization, one of which must be a cultural organization; and should engage in partnership with other sectors (such as agriculture and food, economic development, education and youth, environment and energy, health, housing, public safety, transportation, and workforce development). Cost shar
Eligibility: County governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Independent school districts, City or township governments, Special district governments, Private institutions of higher education, State governments, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Application Due date: Aug 06, 2020

[IMLS CARES Act Grants for Museums and Libraries](#)
Project description: The goal of the FY2020 IMLS CARES Act Grants for Museums and Libraries program is to support the role of museums and libraries in responding to the coronavirus pandemic.
Eligibility: See NOFO for more information
Application Due date: June 12, 2020

Grant Resources

[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 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.