

New Funding Opportunities
June 7, 2012

Aloha,

Here are some current funding opportunities that might be of interest to you. Please pass this information on to anyone else who could use it. If the deadline is too short for this year, it is still a good indication of the likely due date for next year. **Let me know if I can be of any assistance with developing and submitting a grant application.**

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For information on submitting grants electronically on grants.gov the following publication may be useful:

USDA, NIFA Grants.gov Application Guide – A guide for the preparation and submission of NIFA applications via grants.gov:

<http://apply07.grants.gov/apply/opportunities/instructions/oppUSDA-NIFA-CGP-002644-cfda10.217-instructions.pdf%20target>

NIFA Help Desk - Phone: 202-401-5048 (M-F 7:00 am -5:00 pm ET)

UH Office of Research Services (ORS) Grants.gov Cover Page Information:

http://www.ors.hawaii.edu/library/documents/SF424_Instructions.pdf

UH ORS Institutional Profile Information:

<http://www.ors.hawaii.edu/institutional-profile.asp>

UH ORS Help Desk – Phone: 956-5198 (M-F 7:45-4:30 pm HST)

\$ - USDA, NIFA - Farm Business Management and Benchmarking (FBMB) Competitive Grants Program

The Farm Business Management and Benchmarking (FBMB) Competitive Grants Program provides funds to (1) improve the farm management knowledge and skills of agricultural producers; and (2) establish and maintain a national, publicly available farm financial management database to support improved farm management.

Solicitation Date (Opening)	May 4, 2012
Letter of Intent Due Date	None
Due Date (Closing)	June 15, 2012
Estimated Total Program Funding	\$1,300,000.00
Range of Awards	\$0.00 to \$1,300,000.00
Percent of Applications Funded Last Fiscal Year	25%
Cost Sharing Requirements	None
For More Information Contact	Susan Smith Shockey
Funding Opportunity Number	USDA-NIFA-FBMB-003771
CFDA Number	10.319 Farm Business Management and Benchmarking Competitive Grants Program

<http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/fbmb.html>

\$ - USDA, NIFA - Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR) Phase I Commercialization Assistance Program (CAP)

The USDA SBIR CAP program will provide support to successful applicants to provide commercialization assistance to SBIR Phase I winners from FYs 2012, 2013 and 2014. The goals of the commercialization training program are: 1) Enhance the commercialization skills of SBIR Phase I grant recipients through introductory commercialization training that can be obtained by the grant recipients at a time and place that is convenient to them; 2) Help enhance the ability of SBIR Phase I grant recipients to write competitive commercialization plans; and 3) Monitor the impacts of commercialization training on Phase I grant recipients. Applications may be submitted by private companies, Small Business Development Centers and Universities.

Solicitation Date (Opening)	May 4, 2012
Letter of Intent Due Date	None
Due Date (Closing)	June 15, 2012
Estimated Total Program Funding	\$150,000.00
Range of Awards	\$0.00 to \$150,000.00
Cost Sharing Requirements	None
For More Information Contact	Charles F. Cleland
Funding Opportunity Number	USDA-NIFA-SBIR-003770
CFDA Number	10.212

http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/sbir_rfa.html

\$ - US Department of State (DOS) - Pathways to Prosperity in the Americas: Pathways to Increased Market Access for Smallholder Producers Implementing Sustainable Agriculture Practices

Document Type:	Modification to Previous Grants Notice
Funding Opportunity Number:	OES-OTE-11-004
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary
Posted Date:	May 17, 2012
Current Closing Date:	Jun 15, 2012
Archive Date:	Jul 15, 2012
Funding Instrument Type:	Cooperative Agreement
Award Ceiling:	\$247,500
Award Floor:	\$0
CFDA Number(s):	19.017 -- Environmental and Scientific Partnerships and Programs
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	No

Executive Summary: The Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs (OES), Office of Environmental Policy at the U.S. Department of State (DOS) announces an open competition to support an initiative in CAFTA-DR and other Pathways partner countries geared toward increasing market access for smallholder farmers or producers implementing sustainable agriculture practices. This activity is in support of Pillar IV, Promoting Sustainable Business Practices and Environmental Cooperation, of the Pathways to Prosperity in the Americas Initiative. Pathways to Prosperity links 15 Western Hemisphere countries committed to democracy and open markets in an initiative to promote inclusive growth, prosperity, and social justice. This effort looks to promote the sharing of best practices and to equip small farmers or producers in at least three Pathways countries with tools to access markets for goods produced using sustainable agricultural practices. Proposed activities should build on existing initiatives or ongoing collaboration with local communities, cooperatives and/or regional networks supporting sustainable agricultural practices. Applicants must have significant experience working with small farmers or producers, and/or rural communities in the Western Hemisphere, and are encouraged to partner or engage with other institutions to leverage available funds. Proposals should demonstrate creativity, substance, and a commitment to promoting regional and local activities that will continue well past the timeframe of the cooperative agreement. Subject to Congressional approval of funds, DOS will award a cooperative agreement for up to \$247,500 and the initial period of performance will be for 18-30 months. For additional information see URL below or contact MartinTorresMC@state.gov, phone: 202-647-4750, fax: 202-647-5947(F). <https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=14397>

\$ - USDA - Farm to School Grant Program (CFDA# 10.575)**Deadlines:** Letter of Intent Deadline (Suggested) - May 18, 2012**Proposals Due - June 15, 2012:**

The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA) amended Section 18 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (NSLA) to establish a Farm to School program in order to assist eligible entities, through grants and technical assistance, in implementing farm to school programs that improve access to local foods in eligible schools. The USDA Food & Nutrition Service (FNS) is charged with implementing the farm to school program. In this first funding cycle, FNS anticipates awarding up to \$3.5 million in grant funding to support efforts that improve access to local foods in eligible schools. Applicants are encouraged to first submit a Letter of Intent and then apply for either a Planning Grant or an Implementation Grant. Planning grants are expected to range from \$20,000 - \$45,000 and represent approximately 25 percent of the total awards. Implementation grants are expected to range from \$65,000 - \$100,000 and represent approximately 75 percent of the total awards. For both types of grants, the applicant must provide at least 25 percent of the costs of the grant project as the Federal share of costs for this grant cannot exceed 75 percent of the total cost of the project, as required by the HHFKA.

URL: http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/F2S/f2_grant_program.htm**\$ - USDA, NRCS - Pacific Islands Area (PI) Conservation Innovation Grants (CIG)****Deadline: June 18, 2012**

The purpose of CIG is to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies while leveraging the Federal investment in environmental enhancement and protection, in conjunction with agricultural production. CIG projects are expected to lead to the transfer of conservation technologies, management systems, and innovative approaches (such as market-based systems) into NRCS technical manuals, guides, and references or to the private sector. CIG does not fund research projects. It is a vehicle to stimulate the development and adoption of conservation approaches or technologies that have been studied sufficiently to indicate a likelihood of success, and to be candidates for eventual technology transfer or institutionalization. CIG funds projects targeting innovative on-the-ground conservation, including pilot projects and field demonstrations. Up to \$263,000 is available for proposals addressing one or more of the CIG natural resource concern. Natural resource concerns include water, soil, atmosphere, grazing land, forest health, energy conservation and renewable energy and wildlife habitat.

<http://www.pia.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/cig/>

\$ - CDC - PPHF 2012: Community Transformation Grants - Small Communities Programs financed solely by 2012 Prevention and Public Health Funds

Document Type:	Grants Notice
Funding Opportunity Number:	CDC-RFA-DP12-1216PPHF12
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary
Posted Date:	May 29, 2012
Current Closing Dates:	
Letter of Intent (Required)	June 18, 2012
Full Proposal	Jul 31, 2012
Archive Date:	Aug 30, 2012
Funding Instrument Type:	Cooperative Agreement
Expected Number of Awards:	50
Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$70,000,000
CFDA Number(s):	93.737 -- PPHF 2012: Community Transformation Grants -Small Communities Program financed solely by 2012 Public Prevention and Heal

Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement: No

The overarching purpose of this program is to prevent heart attack, stroke, cancer, diabetes and other leading chronic disease causes of death or disability through implementation of a variety of evidence based programs, policies, and infrastructure improvements to promote healthy lifestyles in small communities that improve health and health behaviors among an intervention population. The program aims to achieve this goal by supporting governmental and nongovernmental agencies and organizations, from multiple sectors, to implement evidence based strategies that align with their mission and to partner with agencies and organizations in other sectors to improve community health.

<http://www.grants.gov/search/announce.do;jsessionid=LJB2PFyVnnQqyRVQn430pFGJ1vRBv6FYg170kGXdsavn8PCQJJxn!64499778>

\$ - USDA, NIFA - Extension Integrated Pest Management - Coordination and Support

Document Type:	Grants Notice
Funding Opportunity Number:	USDA-NIFA-SLBCD-003743
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary
Posted Date:	Apr 19, 2012
Current Closing Date:	June 26, 2012 (was May 29 th)
Archive Date:	Jun 28, 2012
Funding Instrument Type:	Grant
Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$330,000

Award Ceiling:	\$100,000
Award Floor:	\$15,000
CFDA Number(s):	10.500 -- Cooperative Extension Service
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:	No

The FY 2012 Extension Integrated Pest Management Coordination and Support Program (EIPM-CS) contains two components, EIPM-CS Coordination and EIPM-CS Support. Both components support state and local contributions in advancing the goals of the National Road Map for Integrated Pest Management (IPM) by addressing priority needs associated with the coordination, design, development, implementation, and evaluation of extension IPM programs. EIPM-CS funds will help agricultural producers and other pest managers adopt alternative pest management practices through training, demonstration, and evaluation of methods and strategies. All EIPM-CS efforts are intended to contribute to the achievement of national IPM goals through the demonstration and evaluation of IPM practices in production agriculture and other settings. Awards strengthen the ability of NIFA and its IPM partner institutions to actively address local, state, and national IPM needs delivered through the Cooperative Extension Services and rapidly respond to new issues and opportunities. Only 1862 and 1890 land-grant universities and colleges, including Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University, and the University of the District of Columbia that did NOT receive any Smith-Lever 3(d) IPM funding for an EIPM-CS coordination program in FY 2011 are eligible to apply for IPM COORDINATION grants in FY 2012. All 1862 and 1890 land-grant universities and colleges, including Tuskegee University and West Virginia State University, and the University of the District of Columbia are eligible to apply for IPM SUPPORT grants in FY 2012.

http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/eipm_coordination_support_program.html

\$ - USDA, NIFA - Integrated Research, Education, and Extension Competitive Grants Program - National Integrated Water Quality Program (NIWQP)

The goal of the National Integrated Water Quality Program (NIWQP) is to contribute to the improvement of the quality of surface water and groundwater resources through research, education, and extension activities. Projects funded through this program will work to solve water resource problems by advancing and disseminating the knowledge base available to agricultural, rural, and urbanizing communities. Funded projects should lead to science-based decision making and management practices that improve the quality of the Nations surface water and groundwater resources in agricultural, rural, and urbanizing watersheds. See RFA for priority areas

Solicitation Date (Opening)	May 9, 2012
Letter of Intent Due Date	None
Due Date (Closing)	June 28, 2012
Estimated Total Program Funding	\$4,000,000.00
Range of Awards	\$0.00 to \$750,000.00
Percent of Applications Funded Last Fiscal Year	20%

Cost Sharing Requirements	If commodity-specific benefits, dollar-for-dollar match required. See RFA for details.
For More Information Contact	Michael P. O'Neill
Funding Opportunity Number	USDA-NIFA-ICGP-003789
CFDA Number	10.303 INTEGRATED PROGRAMS

http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/water_quality.html

\$ - USDA, NIFA - Center for Tropical and Subtropical Aquaculture (CTSA)

Deadline: Preproposal due June 29, 2012

The Center for Tropical and Subtropical Aquaculture (CTSA) requests pre-proposals for applied research that addresses problems and opportunities in the regional aquaculture industry. In a recent region-wide survey, CTSA stakeholders identified the below strategic areas and species as the top aquaculture development priorities. Pre-proposals that target these strategic areas and priority species will receive highest preference. However, pre-proposals that do not fall under specific priority areas but address CTSA's mission will be considered in our development process. CTSA strongly encourages collaboration between institutions and agencies in the region, as well as shared funding of large priority projects.

FY 2012 Strategic Areas & Priority Species:

Cost Effective Locally-Made Aquatic Feed

Tilapia Farming Development

Rabbitfish farming development

Sea Cucumber farming technology

Marine Shrimp farming

Marine Finfish Farming Technology

Freshwater Prawn industry

URL: http://www.ctsa.org/files/notes/CTSA_FY12_-_Request_for_Pre-Proposals.pdf

\$ - NSF - [Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers Program \(I/UCRC\)](#) (12-516)

Letter of Intent Deadlines Date: January 2, 2012 & **June 29, 2012 (required)**

Full Proposal Deadlines Date: March 6, 2012 & **September 28, 2012**

The Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers (I/UCRC) program develops long-term partnerships among industry, academe, and government. The centers are catalyzed by a small investment from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and are primarily supported by industry center members, with NSF taking a supporting role in the development and evolution of the center. Each center is established to conduct research that is of interest to both the industry members and the center faculty. An I/UCRC contributes to the Nation's research infrastructure base and enhances the intellectual capacity of the engineering and science workforce through the integration of research and education. As appropriate, an I/UCRC uses international collaborations to advance these goals within the global context.

http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5501&WT.mc_id=USNSF_39&WT.mc_ev=click

\$ - USDA, NIFA - Integrated Forest Products Research Program (FPR)

Document Type:	Grants Notice
Funding Opportunity Number:	USDA-NIFA-SRGP-003808
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary
Posted Date:	May 24, 2012
Current Closing Date:	Jul 06, 2012
Archive Date:	Aug 05, 2012
Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$1,260,000
Award Ceiling:	\$420,000
CFDA Number(s):	10.200 -- Grants for Agricultural Research, Special Research Grants

Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement: No

The intent is to stimulate the generation of new knowledge and transfer technologies that are necessary to balance the sustainable use of U.S. forest resources to maintain a vigorous, globally competitive domestic forest products industry. The FPR is uniquely designed to address the varying needs and opportunities of the different regions of the country but within a national needs framework. It is specifically designed to respond to current and emerging wood utilization issues, create new and improved value-added products, and provide technical information for the production of cross laminated timber from our Nation's wood supply, which are critical to the sustainability of the national economy.

http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/int_forest.html

\$ - NSF - [Collections in Support of Biological Research \(CSBR\)](#) (NSF 11-558)

Deadline: October 16, 2011, **July 27, 2012**

The Collections in Support of Biological Research (CSBR) Program provides funds for improvements to secure, improve, and organize collections that are significant to the NSF/BIO-funded research community. Support is also provided to secure collections-related data for sustained, accurate, and efficient accessibility of the collection to the biological research community. Supplemental funding is also available to transfer collection ownership responsibilities or consolidate or combine existing collections. The CSBR program provides for enhancements that secure and improve existing collections, result in accessible digitized specimen-related data, and develop better methods for specimen curation and collection management. Requests should demonstrate a clear and urgent need to secure the collection, and the proposed activities should address that need. Biological collections supported include established living stocks/culture collections, vouchered non-living natural history collections, and jointly-curated ancillary collections such as preserved tissues and DNA libraries. More at:

http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=503651&WT.mc_id=USNSF_39&WT.mc_ev=click

\$ - National Research Council (NRC) of the National Academies - Research Associateship Programs (RAP)

Deadlines: May 1, August 1, November 1, 2012 & Feb 1, 2013.

The mission of the NRC Research Associateship Programs (RAP) is to promote excellence in scientific and technological research conducted by the U. S. government through the administration of programs offering [graduate](#), postdoctoral, and senior level research opportunities at [participating federal laboratories and affiliated institutions](#). In these programs, prospective applicants select a research project or projects from among the large group of opportunities listed on this website. Prior to completing an application, prospective applicants should contact the proposed Research Adviser to assure that funding will be available if their application is recommended by NRC panels. Once mutual interest is established between a prospective applicant and a Research Adviser, an application is submitted through the NRC WebRap system. Reviews are conducted four times each year and review results are available approximately 6-8 weeks following the application deadline. These awards include generous stipends ranging from \$42,000 - \$75,000 per year for recent Ph.D. recipients, and higher for additional experience. [Graduate](#) entry level stipends begin at \$30,000. Detailed program information, including online applications, instructions on [how to apply](#) and a [list of participating laboratories](#), is available on the NRC Research Associateship Programs [website](#) (<http://sites.nationalacademies.org/pga/rap/>).

Questions should be directed to the NRC at 202-334-2760 (phone) or rap@nas.edu.

\$ - Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Announces Calls for Proposals for Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity

Deadline: August 9, 2012 (concept papers) and October 4, 2012 (full proposals)

The RWJF's Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity program supports research on environmental and policy strategies with strong potential to promote healthy eating among children to prevent childhood obesity, especially among lower-income and racial and ethnic populations at highest risk for obesity. RWJF funds efforts at the organizational, community, state, and federal levels to change public and institutional policies and environments in ways that promote improved nutrition and physical activity. This work ranges from large-scale changes to smaller-scale efforts taking place at the organizational or institutional level (e.g., in schools, recreational programs, child-care settings, hospitals, retail food outlets) that could be replicated if effective. The primary goal of this CFP is to fund and communicate strategic and timely research addressing key evidence needed to advance RWJF's policy priorities — providing advocates, decision-makers, and policy-makers with innovative, solution-oriented, policy-relevant environmental and policy studies to guide policy action. Proposals are invited for two types of awards: 1) Round 7 grants, and 2) RWJF New Connections grants awarded through the Healthy Eating Research program.

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=374900035

\$ - USDA, NIFA - AFRI- Dual Purpose with Dual Benefit: Research in Biomedicine and Agriculture Using Agriculturally Important Domestic Species

This interagency program is issued by the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), and USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) is to invite the submission of grant proposals that utilize agriculturally important domestic species to improve human health and animal agriculture through the advancement of basic and translational research deemed highly relevant to both agricultural and biomedical research. This initiative is designed to facilitate and encourage comparative medicine research studies through the careful selection and refinement of farm animal models that mimic human developmental, physiological, and etiological processes to better understand disease origins and improve assisted reproduction efficiencies. The anticipated outcomes include both the elucidation of fundamental information relevant for the improvement of human health and an increase in food animal production and improvement in animal health and product quality.

Solicitation Date (Opening)	September 2, 2010
Letter of Intent Due Date	August 20, 2012 (optional)
Due Date (Closing)	September 20, 2012
Estimated Total Program Funding	\$5,000,000.00
Range of Awards	Unavailable
Cost Sharing Requirements	See RFA for details.
For More Information Contact	Mark A. Mirando
Funding Opportunity Number	PAR-10-276
CFDA Number	10.310 - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-10-276.html>

\$ - USDA, NIFA – Western SARE - Sustainable Agriculture Tour Grants

Deadline: applications accepted year round

Sustainable Agricultural Tour Grants are funded for only one year. Any agriculture/natural resource professional in the Western region may apply. These professionals are cooperative extension educators/agents and specialists, USDA-NRCS field staff, agricultural consultants, nonprofit staff members or other agricultural professionals assisting producers at the local level. The grant applicant's institution and or organization are fiscally responsible for the project. These grants are offered as a cost reimbursable contract. Applicants are required to have at least one past or current Western SARE-funded project as part of the tour. Preference will be given for the more Western SARE-funded projects visited. The maximum amount per grant application is \$2,000. These grants are to provide opportunities for producers to:

- Interact and network with producers, and
- Assist producers in adoption of sustainable agricultural production.

URL: https://wsare.usu.edu/grants/RFA/TRG_2010.pdf