New Funding Opportunities
April 4, 2013

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:
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:
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 - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Childhood Obesity Prevention

This Challenge Area Focuses on the societal challenge to end obesity among children, the number one nutrition-related problem in the US. Food is an integral part of the process that leads to obesity and USDA has a unique responsibility for the food system in the United States. This program is designed to achieve the long-term outcome of reducing the prevalence of overweight and obesity among children and adolescents 2-19 years. The Childhood Obesity Prevention Program supports Multi-function Integrated Research, Education, and/or Extension Projects and Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement (FASE) Grants.

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

$ - USDA, NIFA - Extension Integrated Pest Management Coordination and Support Program (EIPM-CS)

The FY 2013 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.

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$ - USDA, NIFA - Minor Crop Pest Management Program Interregional Research Project #4 (IR-4)

The purpose of the IR-4 program is to enable the crop protection industry to provide safe, effective, and economical crop protection products for growers and consumers of minor/specialty crops. The crop protection industry cannot justify the costs associated with the research and development, registration, production, and marketing of crop protection products for minor/specialty crops due to the smaller market base and limited sales potential. The IR-4 program provides the assistance needed to ensure that new and more effective crop protection products are developed and made available to minor/specialty crop producers. These efforts require effective collaborations among federal agencies, the crop protection industry, and land-grant colleges and universities. In FY 2013 NIFA anticipates funding five projects: one to establish a national headquarters and four to establish geographically-based regional IR-4 centers.

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http://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/minor_crop.html
$ - US DOT - Sun Grant Program, Western Region, 2013 Competitive Grants Program

**Deadlines:** Letter of Intent (required): April 19, 2013  
Full Application: May 24, 2013

The Sun Grant Program – Western Region (SGW) announces the availability of competitive funds and seeks proposals from qualified institutions and investigators that address the following SGW regional strategic program areas:

1) Biofuels Feedstocks Development and Production (starchy, cellulosic and fatty acid biomass),
2) Biofuels Conversion Processes and Technologies,
3) Bioproducts Development (biologically-based products) that reduce or replace petroleum use, and
4) Life Cycle Analysis and Sustainability of the Biofuel Supply Chain

In addition to requesting Sun Grant funds, all proposals must include an additional 25% (auditable) in project cost-share (20% of total project cost is required). Indirect is limited by DOT to 25% of total direct costs (or 20% total project cost). Integration, economics, marketing, policy, education or a combination of these overarching activities may be incorporated in any proposal. Two types of applications are being sought:

**Collaborative Proposals:** Multi-institutional and multi-functional (research, education and outreach) proposals are sought that address Sun Grant goals and regional priorities. Collaborative proposals may request up to $150,000 in federal funds per year for up to two years.

**Single Institution Proposals:** Individual investigators, or small teams from a single institution, that address the Sun Grant mission and regional priorities may submit proposals requesting up to $100,000 per year for one to two years.

URL: [http://sungrant.oregonstate.edu/grants](http://sungrant.oregonstate.edu/grants)

$ - USDA, NIFA - Children, Youth and Families at Risk Professional Development and Technical Assistance Program

CYFAR marshals the resources of the Land-Grant and the Cooperative Extension Systems so that, in collaboration with other organizations, they can develop and deliver educational programs to youth who are at risk for not meeting basic human needs. These programs provide youth with the skills they need to lead positive, productive, and contributing lives; participating youth make a difference socially. CYFAR-PDTA partnering universities will build connections, competency, and capacity to help communities develop and sustain holistic programs for at-risk children, youth, and families who are under-served and under-represented. CYFAR-PDTA will provide professional development and technical assistance to Sustainable Community Projects (SCP) to ensure continued development and implementation of the CYFAR Sustainable Community program. CYFAR-PDTA, collaboratively through the Extension system, will provide the components of programming, evaluation, technology, and technical assistance.

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Estimated Total Program Funding | $850,000.00
Range of Awards | $0.00 to $850,000.00
Cost Sharing Requirements | None
For More Information Contact | Bonita Williams
Funding Opportunity Number | USDA-NIFA-SLBCD-004190
CFDA Number | 10.500 Cooperative Extension Service

http://nifa.usda.gov/funding/rfas/cyfar_pro_dev Tech_asst.html

$ - USDA, Rural Development - The Rural Energy for America Program (REAP)

Deadline: April 30, 2013

The Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) provides assistance to agricultural producers and rural small businesses to complete a variety of projects. Offering both loan guarantees and grants, the REAP program helps eligible applicants install renewable energy systems such as solar panels or anaerobic digesters, make energy efficiency improvements such as installing irrigation pumps or replacing ventilation systems, and conduct energy audits and feasibility studies.

- The program is designed to help agricultural producers and rural small businesses reduce energy costs and consumption and help meet the Nation’s critical energy needs. Funds can be used to purchase a renewable energy system and/or to make energy efficiency improvements. See http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/BCP_Reap.html for general information.
- All areas in the State of Hawaii are eligible EXCEPT for around Honolulu. Other areas eligible include American Samoa, Guam, Saipan, Majuro, Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia.
- Non-profits and units of government are NOT eligible for this program. They may be able to finance renewable energy systems via our Community Facilities loan and grant program: http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/HCF_CF.html
- Residential use is also NOT eligible.
- Grant amount is limited to 25% of eligible project costs—not to exceed $500,000 for renewable energy systems and not to exceed $250,000 for energy efficiency improvements.
- Priority is being given to grant requests of $20,000 and LESS.
- Grant and guaranteed loan amounts cannot exceed 75% of total eligible project costs.
- For further application information (including templates, etc.), please contact the following individuals (based on geography):
  - East Hawaii, Maui County: § Lori Nekoba—808-933-8312.
  - lori.nekoba@hi.usda.gov
  - West Hawaii, Federated States of Micronesia:§ Denise Oda—808-933-8323.
  - denise.oda@hi.usda.gov
$ - National Research Council (NRC) of the National Academies - Research Associateship Programs (RAP)

**Deadlines:** Feb 1, May 1, August 1, November 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.

$ - NASA, DOE, NOAA, USDA - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Carbon Cycle Science

The carbon cycle plays a fundamental role in the forces driving global climate change as well as being impacted by a changing climate. This program, offered in partnership with the Research Opportunities in Space and Earth Sciences (ROSES) 2013 program of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the U.S. Department of Energy’s Office of Science (DOE), and the National Ocean and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), contributes toward the goals of the U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP) and its Carbon Cycle Science Program by providing critical scientific information about the movement of carbon in the environment and potential near- and long-term changes in the carbon cycle, including the role of and implications for societal actions. It follows from three previous joint USDA-NASA solicitations in 2004, 2007, and 2010, addressing questions of carbon stocks and fluxes as well as how carbon cycling might change and be managed in response to a changing climate, and the risks and benefits to society of management and adaptation options.

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Deadline: proposal (invited) | July 31, 2013
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Estimated Total Program Funding | $26,500,000.00
Range of Awards | $200,000.00 to $1,000,000.00
Percent of Applications Funded Last Fiscal Year | 15%
Cost Sharing Requirements | See RFA for details.
For More Information Contact | Nancy Cavallaro
Funding Opportunity Number | NNH13ZDA001N-CARBON
CFDA Number | 10.310 - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative


$ - Gates Foundation Invites Proposals for 2013 Grand Challenges Explorations

Deadline: May 7, 2013

Initial grants of $100,000, with the possibility of a follow-on grant of up to $1 million, will be awarded to individuals with a transformative idea to improve the lives of the world's poorest people. Anyone (students, scientists, entrepreneurs) with a transformative idea is invited to apply. Initial grants of $100,000 are awarded twice a year. Successful projects have the opportunity to receive a follow-on grant of up to $1 million. Topics for Grand Challenges Explorations Round 11 are 1) developing the next generation of condom; 2) increasing interoperability of social good data (in partnership with Liquidnet for Good); 3) One Health — bringing together human and animal health for new solutions; 4) labor-saving strategies and innovations for women smallholder farmers; and 5) new approaches for detecting, treating, and controlling selected neglected tropical diseases.

http://www.grandchallenges.org/Explorations/Pages/ApplicationInstructions.aspx

$ - Organic Farming Research Foundation (OFRF) - Education and Outreach Projects

Deadline: May 15, 2013

The Organic Farming Research Foundation (OFRF) offers funding for organic seed quality or crop breeding projects only. This funding is available for organic crop breeding and seed quality education and outreach projects thanks to a partnership with Seed Matters. OFRF education and outreach grants are intended to fund development of educational activities and resources on certified organic production. OFRF particularly encourages farmers, ranchers, researchers, and Extension personnel to consider applying for funding. OFRF requests proposals which have objectives that are realistically achievable with a modest level of funding. OFRF will not fund a project for more than $15,000 per year. OFRF is not likely to fund an education/outreach project with a duration of more than one year. Matching funds from
other sources and in-kind contributions from applicants and cooperators are encouraged but not required.


$ - The National Pork Board's Spring Call for Proposals for 2013

Deadline: May 21, 2013

The National Pork Board is soliciting research proposals dealing with:

ANIMAL SCIENCE - Swine Nutrition
ANIMAL WELFARE - Animal Welfare (Priorities will be available April 15th)
HUMAN NUTRITION - Human Nutrition
PORK SAFETY – Pre-Harvest
SWINE HEALTH – PRRS
SWINE HEALTH - Foreign Animal Disease

Please read carefully the individual solicitation descriptions for project proposals. If you have questions related directly to the description of a specific solicitation, contact the staff member listed in charge of the program area. For questions on the submission process, contact Bev Everitt at beveritt@pork.org or 515-223-2750.

http://www.pork.org/filelibrary/RFPs/2013/2013SpringCall.pdf or www.pork.org/Research

$ - USDA, NIFA, AFRI- Foundational Program - Agriculture Economics and Rural Communities

The AFRI Foundational Program is offered to support research grants in the six AFRI priority areas to continue building a foundation of knowledge critical for solving current and future societal challenges. Single-function Research Projects, multi-function Integrated Projects and Food and agricultural Science Enhancement (FASE) Grants are expected to address one of the Program Area priorities (see Foundational Program RFA for details). The Foundational Program RFA focuses on building a foundation of knowledge in fundamental and applied food and agricultural sciences critical for solving current and future societal challenges. Project types supported by AFRI within this area include single-function Research Projects, multi-function Integrated Projects, and Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement (FASE) Grants.

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

**$ - Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) - Healthy Eating Research RFAs**

Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-RWJF New Connections

Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-Round 8

Deadline: Mar 27, 2013 (New Connections grants awarded through HER)

Deadline: **July 10, 2013** (Round 8 grants)

*Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity* is a national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). The 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. Findings are expected to advance RWJF’s efforts to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic by 2015. This call for proposals is for two types of awards aimed at providing advocates, decision-makers, and policy-makers with evidence to reverse the childhood obesity epidemic. The award types are:


**$ - NSF - Water Sustainability and Climate**

The goal of the Water Sustainability and Climate (WSC) solicitation is to understand and predict the interactions between the water system and climate change, land use (including agriculture, managed forest and rangeland systems), the built environment, and ecosystem function and services through place-based research and integrative models. Studies of the water system using models and/or observations at specific sites singly or in combination that allow for spatial and temporal extrapolation to other regions, as well as integration across the different processes in that system are encouraged, especially to the extent that they advance the development of theoretical frameworks and predictive understanding.

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Full Proposal Deadline Date: April 5, 2013 through Feb 18, 2014 (depending on division)

The National Science Foundation's Division of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences (BCS), Division of Social and Economic Sciences (SES), National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES), and the SBE Office of Multidisciplinary Activities (SMA) award grants to doctoral students to improve the quality of dissertation research. These grants provide funds for items not normally available through the student's university. Additionally, these grants allow doctoral students to undertake significant data-gathering projects and to conduct field research in settings away from their campus that would not otherwise be possible. Proposals are judged on the basis of their scientific merit, including the theoretical importance of the research question and the appropriateness of the proposed data and methodology to be used in addressing the question.

$ - NSF - Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP) (NSF 12-568)

Deadline: Full Proposal Accepted Anytime for Planning Grant Proposals, Broadening Participation Research in STEM Education Proposals, and Catalyzing Opportunities for Research and Education Proposals

The Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP) provides awards to Tribal Colleges and Universities, Alaska Native-serving institutions, and Native Hawaiian-serving institutions to promote high quality science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education, research, and outreach. TCUP-eligible institutions are predominantly two-year and community colleges. Support is available to TCUP-eligible institutions (see the Additional Eligibility subsection of Section IV of this solicitation) for Planning Grants, Instructional Capacity Excellence in TCUP Institutions (ICE-TI), Broadening Participation Research in STEM Education (BPR) Projects, Targeted STEM Infusion Projects (TSIP), and Catalyzing Opportunities for Research and Education (CORE). Through these mechanisms, along with collaborations with other National Science Foundation (NSF) units and its work with other organizations, TCUP aims to increase Native individuals' participation in STEM careers and the quality of STEM programs at TCUP-eligible institutions. TCUP strongly encourages the inclusion of activities that will benefit veterans. More information at: [http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5483&WT.mc_id=USNSF_39&WT.mc_ev=click](http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=5483&WT.mc_id=USNSF_39&WT.mc_ev=click)