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Campus wide

[State Farm Companies Foundation Invites Applications for 2018 Grants Program](#)

POSTED: August 29, 2017

DEADLINE: October 31, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The State Farm Companies Foundation values inclusiveness and diversity. To that end, its charitable funding is intended to advance access, equity, and inclusiveness while discouraging harmful discrimination based on age, political affiliation, race, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, sexual orientation or gender identity, or religious beliefs. To advance this mission, the foundation is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations for its Good Neighbor Citizenship Company Grants program, which supports safety, education, and community-development programs around the country.

1) Safety: Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to programs that promote auto and roadway safety, teen driver education, home safety and fire prevention, and disaster preparedness and recovery. 2) Education: Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to programs that advance teacher development, service-learning, and education reform/systemic improvement. 3) Community Development: Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to programs related to affordable housing, job training, neighborhood revitalization, small business development, financial literacy, and first-time home ownership.

Humanities

[Lighthouse Works Accepting Applications for Artist Fellowships](#)

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Funding Instrument Type: Fellowship

Lighthouse Works, a nonprofit arts organization, is devoted to encouraging the development of artists through a fellowship program and to the enrichment of the year-round cultural and economic vitality of Fishers Island, New York. To that end, the organization is accepting applications for its fellowship program. Fellowships are six weeks in length and occur year-round. Fellows are provided with housing, food, studio space, a \$250 travel allowance and a stipend of \$1,500 to help defray the cost of shipping materials, the purchase of art supplies, and other expenses incurred in making artwork in a remote location. The organization's belief is that no artist should have to spend money to accept the opportunity of a fellowship. While fellows' primary obligation is the solitary pursuit of their creative projects, every artist is expected to participate in a single studio tour, reading, or performance for the public at the conclusion of their fellowship. In addition, fellows have the chance (though they are not required) to teach workshops, mentor students, or invite them for studio visits. While the program accepts artists working in a wide range of disciplines, it is best able to accommodate visual artists, writers, and musicians. Artistic excellence is the primary criterion for acceptance as a Lighthouse Works fellow.

[The Center for Craft, Creativity, and Design \(CCCD\): Craft Research Fund - Exhibition Research Grant](#)

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Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The purpose of The Craft Research Fund is to advance, expand and support research about craft in the United States. Goals: (1) To support innovative research on critical issues in craft theory and history; (2) To explore the inter-relationship among craft, art, design and contemporary culture; (3) To foster new cross-disciplinary approaches to scholarship in the craft field in the United States; and (4) To advance investigation of neglected questions on craft history and criticism in the United States. For museum, non-profit gallery, and independent curators. Institutional applicants must be charitable or educational organizations as defined under the appropriate provisions of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code (501c3). Grants up to \$15,000 to support research activities for future exhibitions, including; travel for research, commissioning essays for contributors, documentation such as images or rights to use images or text.

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[Cal Humanities Invites Applications for California Documentary Project](#)

POSTED: September 1, 2017

DEADLINE: November 1, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

Cal Humanities is accepting applications for the California Documentary Project, a competitive grants program that supports documentary film, radio, and new media productions designed to enhance an understanding of California and its cultures, peoples, and histories. Projects must use the humanities to provide context, depth, and perspective and be suitable for California and national audiences through broadcast and/or distribution. CDP grants support projects at the research and development,

production, and public engagement stages. 1) Research and Development: Grants of up to \$10,000 are awarded to strengthen the humanities content and approach of documentary media productions in their earliest stages. Projects must actively involve at least three humanities advisors to help frame and contextualize subject matter throughout the research and development phase. 2) Production: Grants of up to \$50,000 are awarded to strengthen the humanities content and approach of documentary media productions and help propel projects toward completion. Projects must be in the production stage, be a work in progress, and actively involve at least two humanities advisors in the production process. Grant requests must be matched by (at least) a one-to-one amount of cash or in-kind contributions from non-federal sources.

[Kurt Weill Foundation Opens 2018-19 Grant Program](#)

POSTED: August 26, 2017

DEADLINE: November 1, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

Founded in 1962, the Kurt Weill Foundation for Music is dedicated to promoting understanding of the life and works of composers Kurt Weill (1900-1950) and Marc Blitzstein (1905-1963) and preserving the legacies of Weill and his wife, actress-singer Lotte Lenya (1898-1981). Since 1984, the foundation has awarded more than five hundred grants totaling \$3 million to organizations and scholars worldwide in support of excellence in the presentation and study of Kurt Weill's compositions. In 2013, the Blitzstein catalogue joined the list of works eligible for support. The foundation awards grants to individuals and nonprofit organizations for performances of musical works by Weill and Blitzstein, for scholarly research pertaining to Weill, Lenya, Marc Blitzstein, and for relevant educational initiatives. To that end, the foundation is accepting applications for projects and performances taking place on or after January 1, 2018, and before June 30, 2019.

[National Park Service: Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant Program](#)

POSTED: September 1, 2017

DEADLINE: November 1, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant Program provides financial assistance to organizations and entities working to preserve historic Japanese American confinement sites and their history, including: private nonprofit organizations; educational institutions; state, local, and tribal governments; and other public entities, for the preservation and interpretation of U.S. confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II. The authorizing legislation for the Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant Program identifies up to \$38 million for the entire life of the grant program for projects to identify, research, evaluate, interpret, protect, restore, repair, and acquire historic confinement sites in order that present and future generations may learn and gain inspiration from these sites and that these sites will demonstrate the Nation's commitment to equal justice under the law. Projects funded through the Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant Program must benefit one or more historic Japanese American confinement sites.

[National Endowment for the Humanities: Dialogues on the Experience of War](#)

POSTED: September 1, 2017

DEADLINE: November 2, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The National Endowment for the Humanities offers the Dialogues on the Experience of War program as part of its current initiative, Standing Together: The Humanities and the Experience of War. The program supports the study and discussion of important humanities sources about war, in the belief that these sources can help U.S. military veterans and others think more deeply about the issues raised by war and military service. Although the program is primarily designed to reach military veterans, men and women in active service, military families, and interested members of the public may also participate. The program awards grants of up to \$100,000 that will support the convening of at least two discussion programs for no fewer than fifteen participants and the creation of a preparatory program to recruit and train program discussion leaders (NEH Discussion Leaders). Discussion programs may take place on college and university campuses, in veterans' centers, at public libraries and museums, and at other community venues.

Social Sciences

[Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Seeks Applications for Translational Research](#)

POSTED: August 30, 2017

DEADLINE: Letters of Intent must be received no later than September 29, 2017. Upon review selected applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal by November 15, 2017.

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is the world's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to funding blood cancer research, education, and patient services. Its mission is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. To advance these goals, the society's Translational Research Program was developed to encourage and provide early support for clinical research in leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma focused on innovative approaches to treatment, diagnosis, and prevention. The program is designed to support new and innovative research that demonstrates high promise for translating basic biomedical knowledge to clinical application. Projects should be based on molecular, cellular, or integrated systems findings and be conceptually innovative. Grants are limited to a maximum of \$600,000 over three years. To be eligible, applicants must hold an MD, PhD, or equivalent degree and work in a domestic or foreign nonprofit organizations such as a university, college, hospital, or laboratory.

[Department of State, Political-Military Weapons Removal and Abatement: Political-Military Affairs, Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement \(PMWRA\).Colombia.HMA.Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#)

POSTED: August 31, 2017

DEADLINE: October 8, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Office of Weapons Removal and Abatement (PM/WRA) is pleased to invite eligible organizations to submit grant applications for humanitarian demining in Colombia during fiscal year 2017. Specific goals, objectives, and technical requirements for application packages are detailed below. PM/WRA anticipates providing multiple awards totaling, at most, a cumulative amount of \$11 million under this grant opportunity. The specific locations have already been tasked to specific operators, so proposals will be evaluated against other submissions. PM/WRA will most heavily weigh the cost effectiveness of the applications when making funding decisions.

[National Institutes of Health: Understanding and Modifying Temporal Dynamics of Coordinated Neural Activity \(R21\)](#)

POSTED: August 31, 2017

DEADLINE: Upcoming funding cycle deadlines are October 16, 2017; February 16, 2018; June 16, 2018

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

This funding opportunity supports projects that test whether modifying electrophysiological patterns during behavior can improve cognitive, affective, or social processing. Applications should use experimental designs that incorporate active manipulations to address at least one, and ideally more, of the following topics: (1) in animals or humans, determine which parameters of neural coordination, when manipulated in isolation, improve particular aspects of cognitive, affective, or social processing; (2) in animals or humans, determine how particular abnormalities at the genomic, molecular, or cellular levels affect the systems-level coordination of electrophysiological patterns during behavior; (3) determine whether in vivo, systems-level electrophysiological changes in behaving animals predict analogous electrophysiological and cognitive improvements in healthy persons or clinical populations; and (4) use biologically-realistic computational models that include systems-level aspects to understand the function and mechanisms by which oscillatory and other electrophysiological patterns unfold across the brain to impact cognitive, affective, or social processing. This FOA uses the R21 grant mechanism, encouraging shorter, higher-risk applications, whereas its companion funding opportunity seeks R01 grant applications.

[Spencer Foundation Invites Proposals for Education Research Projects](#)

POSTED: September 1, 2017

DEADLINE: November 1, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

Established in 1962, the Spencer Foundation is dedicated to the belief that research is necessary to the improvement of education. To that end, the foundation supports high-quality investigations of education through its research programs and to the strengthening and renewal of the educational research community through its fellowship/training programs and related activities. To that end, the foundation is accepting proposals through its Small Research Grants Program from education research projects. In keeping with the foundation's mission, the program aims to fund academic work that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived.

The program awards grants of up to \$50,000. To be eligible, principal investigators and co-PIs must have an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or professional field, or appropriate experience in an education research-related profession.

[Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation Seeks Applications for Mental Health Research](#)

POSTED: September 1, 2017

DEADLINE: November 1, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation is accepting applications from behavioral or psychological research studies based in the United States or Canada. Through its Faculty/Post-Doctoral Fellows program, the fund will award grants of up to \$20,000 in support of studies aimed at developing, refining, evaluating, or disseminating innovative interventions designed to prevent or ameliorate major social, psychological, behavioral, or public health problems affecting children, adults, couples, families, or communities. The fund will also consider studies that have the potential for adding significantly to knowledge about such problems. Projects must be focused on the United States or Canada or on a comparison between the U.S. or Canada and one (or more) other country. To be eligible, the principal investigator must have an earned doctorate in a relevant discipline and relevant experience.

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[National Institutes of Health: Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems \(ENDS\): Population, Clinical and Applied Prevention Research \(R21\)](#)

POSTED: September 1, 2017

DEADLINE: November 27, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to support studies on electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS) that examine population-based, clinical and

applied prevention of disease, including etiology of use, epidemiology of use, potential risks, benefits and impacts on other tobacco use behavior among different populations.

[National Institutes of Health: Reducing Stigma to Improve HIV/AIDS Prevention, Treatment and Care in Low and Middle- Income Countries \(R21\)](#)

POSTED: September 1, 2017

DEADLINE: December 11, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The purpose of this FOA is to stimulate research on interventions to reduce HIV/AIDS-associated stigma and its impact on the prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS and on the quality of life of People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLWH). Specifically, this initiative will support research on 1) novel stigma reduction interventions that link to increase in care-seeking behavior and/or decrease in transmission; 2) reducing the impact of stigma on adolescent and/or youth health; 3) strategies to cope with the complex burden of stigmatization due to HIV and one or more comorbidities/coinfections; 4) reducing effects of stigma on and/or by family members or caregivers of PLWH; and 5) innovative and improved stigma measurement in the context of implementation of an intervention. The overall goals are to understand how to reduce stigma as a factor in HIV transmission, to eliminate or mitigate the aspects of stigma that limit beneficial health outcomes for the infected and at-risk individuals and communities, and to initiate exploratory studies to determine the feasibility of stigma interventions related to HIV prevention, treatment and/or care in Low and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs).

[National Institutes of Health: Approaches to Identify and Care for Individuals with Inherited Cancer Syndromes \(U01\)](#)

POSTED: September 1, 2017

DEADLINE: January 9, 2018

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is associated with the Beau Biden Cancer Moonshot Initiative that is intended to accelerate cancer research. The purpose of this FOA is to increase case ascertainment and optimize delivery of evidence-based healthcare for individuals at high risk of cancer due to an inherited genetic susceptibility. Specifically, this FOA targets the following area designated as a scientific priority by the Blue Ribbon Panel (BRP) Recommendation E: "To realize the potential of cancer prevention and early detection in our nation, the National Cancer Institute (NCI) should sponsor an initiative to improve the current state of early detection, genetic testing, genetic counseling, and knowledge landscape of the mechanisms and biomarkers associated with cancer development. This initiative should include demonstration projects that will show how cancer screening programs can simultaneously save lives, improve quality of life, and reduce healthcare costs.

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[Fish and Wildlife Service: Determination of Delta Smelt spawning behavior and Microhabita](#)

POSTED: August 31, 2017

DEADLINE: November 1, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

Determination of Delta Smelt spawning behavior and microhabitat. Laboratory experiments will be performed to investigate the spawning behavior and microhabitat of Delta Smelt (*Hypomesus transpacificus*).

[National Science Foundation: Small Business Technology Transfer Program Phase I \(STTR\)](#)

POSTED: September 6, 2017

DEADLINE: December 4, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Fixed Award Amount

The NSF STTR program focuses on transforming scientific discovery into products and services with commercial potential and/or societal benefit. Unlike fundamental research, the NSF STTR program supports startups and small businesses in the creation of innovative, disruptive technologies, getting discoveries out of the lab and into the market. Different from most other investors, the NSF STTR Program funds early or "seed" stage research and development. The STTR program is Congressionally mandated and intended to support scientific excellence and technological innovation through the investment of federal research funds to build a strong national economy by stimulating technological innovation in the private sector; strengthening the role of small business in meeting federal research and development needs; increasing the commercial application of federally supported research results; and fostering and encouraging participation by socially and economically disadvantaged and women-owned small businesses. Because the program has no topical or procurement focus, the NSF offers very broad solicitation topics that are intended to permit as many eligible science- and technology-based small businesses as possible to compete for funding.

Limited Submission Note: An organization may submit no more than ONE Phase I proposal to this SBIR/STTR cycle (where SBIR/STTR cycle is defined to include the SBIR Phase I solicitation and the STTR Phase I solicitation with a December 2017 deadline). If interested in responding to this funding opportunity, please contact Chief Research Officer Ed Katz to discuss.

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