

## Funding Opportunity Announcements 7.27.16

### Campus wide

#### [Dept. of State, U.S. Mission to India: Five Step Guide to Creating U.S.-Indian Partnerships](#)

POSTED: July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: August 22, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy New Delhi invites program proposals to create a communications campaign and materials based on Education USA's "Five Step Guide" to help connect Indian universities to U.S. accredited universities and colleges. The campaign and materials could reference Education USA's "Five Steps to U.S. Study" and include information for universities to facilitate preparation, infrastructure development, and program awareness for establishing partnerships. The campaign and materials could include an online component, such as a stand-alone website or portal, which would house the materials and include a matchmaking module for universities to find partners and track partnership development.

#### [Corporation for National & Community Service: FY 2016 Social Innovation Fund Pay for Success Administrative Data Pilot](#)

POSTED: Updated July 25, 2016

DEADLINE: August 23, 2016 (optional Notifications of Intent to Apply due on August 1, 2016)

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The 2016 SIF Pay For Success (PFS) Administrative Data Pilot Competition seeks to advance PFS by providing funding for activities related to administrative data in order to develop High-Quality PFS Projects, including those in the pipeline and those already launched. The SIF PFS Administrative Data Pilot Competition will fund up to three entities to facilitate broad access to various sources of administrative data related to PFS projects. The Recipient(s) will function as a conduit and technical assistance provider that all PFS projects could work through to access data. Specifically, CNCS will award funds to a Recipient(s) to support Service Recipients' activities that further their PFS projects.

#### [Dept. of State, U.S. Mission to India: U.S.-India Young Leaders Program \(U.S.-India YLP\)](#)

POSTED: July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: September 22, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy New Delhi invites program proposals for the development of a U.S.-India Young Leaders Program (U.S.-India YLP). The U.S.-India YLP will identify, cultivate and support young leaders in both the United States and India who have the potential of becoming future leaders by providing leadership skills and resources to strengthen their engagement with larger civil society. The cohort of 20 American young leaders will travel to India where they will connect with

20 Indian young leaders and then together meet with policymakers, community leaders, diaspora communities, entrepreneurs, and regional experts. An online forum will facilitate continued idea exchange among participants and with the broader community in India, in the U.S., the region, and the world.

[Dept. of State, U.S. Mission to India: Viral Videos on Climate Change](#)

POSTED: July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: September 22, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

The U.S. Consulate General Public Affairs Section in Hyderabad seeks proposals for a project entitled "Viral Videos on Climate Change." The proposed project will consist of a grantee working in collaboration with a local film director to create a series of short videos on various aspects of environment and climate change. The objective of these 2-3 minute videos is to create and spread awareness on key climate change issues and inspire the viewers to take action to curb climate change.

[Dept. of State, U.S. Mission to India: Effective Communication Strategies to Prevent and Counter Violence Against Women](#)

POSTED: July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: September 22, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

The Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi seeks proposals for a project entitled "Effective Communication Strategies to Prevent and Counter Violence Against Women." Through this program, the grantee would organize 5 communication workshops/training sessions and speaking tours in 5 second-tier cities of India (one each in North India and the four Consular districts of Mumbai, Hyderabad, Chennai and Kolkata). Each program would last for four days, and include both a two-day workshop and two days of consultations and media interviews. Each workshop would have a minimum of 25 participants, which could include policy makers, women and community activists including those from the minority community, social media groups and platforms, youth leaders and representatives from media houses

[Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor: Online Censorship Measurement to Support Internet Freedom](#)

POSTED: July 25, 2016

DEADLINE: September 22, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

The Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor (DRL) announces an open competition for organizations interested in submitting applications for collaborative research efforts to provide real-time measurement of online censorship globally. In support of the U.S. International Strategy for Cyberspace, DRLs goal is to promote fundamental freedoms, human rights, and the free flow of information online by supporting civil society to research online censorship and Internet freedom.

[Levitt Foundation Issues CFA for 2017 Outdoor Music Concert Program](#)

POSTED: July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: October 10, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The Levitt AMP Music Series was created in 2014 by the Levitt Foundation, a pioneer in the creative placemaking movement. Levitt AMP brings the joy of free, live music to people of all ages and backgrounds living in small to mid-sized towns and cities, transforming neglected public spaces into thriving community destinations. To that end, the foundation has issued a Call for Applications for its 2017 Levitt AMP [Your City] Grant Awards program. Grants of up to \$25,000 in matching funding will be awarded to a minimum of ten U.S.-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, or municipalities partnering with a nonprofit, to present the Levitt AMP [Your City] Music Series, a minimum of ten free outdoor concerts presented over ten consecutive weeks between May 1 and November 15, 2017. Applicants must display a successful track record of presenting professional quality concerts or community events, or apply with a partner organization or individual that has done so. Applicants must also demonstrate dollar-for-dollar matching funds from other sources such as foundations, municipalities, 501(c)(3) nonprofits, businesses, etc. The foundation will host an informational webinar on August 3, 2016, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (P.T.).

[National Archives and Records Administration: Access to Historical Records – Archival Projects](#)

POSTED: July 25, 2016

DEADLINE: December 6, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) seeks projects that ensure online public discovery and use of historical records collections. All types of historical records are eligible, including documents, photographs, born-digital records, and analog audio and moving images. Projects may preserve and process historical records to: 1) Create new online Finding Aids to collections; 2) Digitize historical records collections and make them freely available online. The NHPRC encourages organizations to actively engage the public in the work of the project. Award Information: a grant is for one to two years and for up to \$100,000. The Commission expects to make up to 10 grants in this category. Grants begin no earlier than July 1, 2017. Cost Sharing: the total costs of a project are shared between the NHPRC and the applicant organization. The Commission provides no more than 75 per cent of total project costs in the Access to Historical Records – Archival Projects category.

[National Archives and Records Administration: Access to Historical Records - Major Initiatives](#)

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## **Humanities**

### [Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts Invites Applications](#)

POSTED: July 20, 2016

DEADLINE: Letters of inquiry due September 15, 2016; upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a full application.

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts invites grant applications from individuals for projects related to architecture and the designed environment that will contribute to their creative, intellectual, and professional growth at a crucial or potentially transformative stage in their careers; support their efforts to take positions, develop new forms of expression, and engage debate; and help them communicate their work in the public realm and reach new and wider audiences. The foundation is most interested in opportunities that enable it to provide critical support at key points in the development of a project or an individual's career. The Graham Foundation offers two types of grants to individuals: 1) Production and Presentation Grants: Grants of up to \$20,000 will be awarded to assist individuals with the production-related expenses necessary to take a project from conceptualization to realization and public presentation; such projects include but are not limited to publications, exhibitions, installations, films, and new media projects; and 2) Research and Development Grants: Grants of up to \$10,000 will be awarded to assist individuals with seed money for research-related expenses such as travel, documentation, materials, supplies, and other development costs. To be eligible, applicants must be a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.

### [Lewis Center for the Arts Accepting Applications for Princeton Arts Fellowships](#)

POSTED: July 21, 2016

DEADLINE: September 19, 2016

#### Funding Instrument Type: Fellowship

The Lewis Center for the Arts at Princeton University is accepting applications for its 2017-19 Princeton Arts Fellowships. Funded in part by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, fellowships will be awarded to artists whose achievements have been recognized as demonstrating extraordinary promise in any area of artistic practice and teaching. Applicants should be early-career poets, novelists, choreographers, playwrights, designers, performers, directors, filmmakers, composers, and performance artists who would find it beneficial to spend two years teaching and working in an artistically vibrant university community. Fellows will spend two consecutive academic years (September 1-July 1) at Princeton, and formal teaching is expected. The normal work assignment will be to teach one course a semester, but fellows may be asked to take on an artistic assignment in lieu of a class such as directing a play or creating a dance with students. An \$80,000-a-year stipend is provided through the program.

#### [National Endowment for the Arts \(NEA\): NEA Research: Art Works Application, FY 2017](#)

POSTED: July 20, 2016

DEADLINE: October 11, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The National Endowment for the Arts' Office of Research & Analysis makes awards to support research that investigates the value and/or impact of the arts, either as individual components of the U.S. arts ecology or as they interact with each other and/or with other domains of American life. In past years, projects have used quantitative, qualitative, or mixed-methods approaches, and have relied on primary and/or secondary data for analysis. This year, Research: Art Works offers support for projects in two areas: 1) Track One: Value and Impact; these research projects aim to examine the value and/or impact of the arts in any topic area(s) by using data and methods appropriate to the proposed research questions; matching grants range from \$10,000-\$30,000; 2) Track Two: Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Designs; these research projects aim to test the causal or inferred-causal impact of the arts on individual or cohort outcomes by using experimental or quasi-experimental design methods appropriate to the proposed research questions; matching grants range from \$30,000-\$100,000; this Track is only for projects relying primarily on experimental or quasi-experimental research methods.

#### [ACLS Invites Applications for African Humanities Program Fellowships](#)

POSTED: July 16, 2016

DEADLINE: November 2, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Fellowship

The American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) African Humanities Program (AHP) seeks to reinvigorate the humanities in Africa through fellowship competitions and related activities in Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania, and Uganda. In partnership with the Carnegie Corporation of New York, AHP offers African scholars an integrated set of opportunities to develop their individual capacities and to promote the formation of scholarly networks. The program also supports the Carnegie Corporation's efforts to

develop and retain African academics at universities in Africa. The aim of the program is to encourage and enable the production of new knowledge and new directions for research, strengthen the capacity of early-career researchers and faculty at African universities, and build the field of humanities in Africa by establishing networks for scholarly communication across the continent and with Africanists worldwide.

Fellowship stipends give recipients an academic year free from teaching and other duties for the completion of their Ph.D dissertation or to revise it for publication, or in support of the first major research project after the Ph.D. Fellows may also request a residential stay at one of six African institute for advanced study and are invited to submit their manuscripts to the AHP Publications series, a collaboration with UNISA Press in Pretoria, South Africa. In addition, fellows may apply to attend a manuscript-development workshop to discuss their manuscripts with AHP mentors and other fellows in a weeklong, intensive retreat. Many authors use these discussions to guide their final revisions before submitting manuscripts for publication.

#### [AMTA Issues Call for Applications for Arthur Flagler Fultz Award](#)

POSTED: July 17, 2016

DEADLINE: May 5, 2017

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The American Music Therapy Association (AMTA), a professional association dedicated to the progressive development of the therapeutic use of music in rehabilitation, special education and community settings, is accepting applications for the annual Arthur Flagler Fultz Award. The award is designed to encourage, promote, and fund music therapy research and to explore new and innovative music therapy treatments. The fund supports research in the field of music therapy in the areas of clinical research and health services research: 1) Clinical research: Grants in this category support projects that are designed to assess the efficacy of music therapy interventions and help define best practice; 2) Health services research: Grants in this category support projects that are designed to assess the role of music therapy practice in the context of emerging healthcare delivery models. A single grant of \$15,000 will be awarded to a project in either of the above categories. To be eligible, the project's primary investigator must be an AMTA member in good standing.

#### [Nominations Invited for 2017 Diller Teen Tikkun Olam Awards](#)

POSTED: July 19, 2016

DEADLINE: Nominations due December 18, 2016; applications due January 4, 2017

Based on the Jewish concept of tikkun olam, or "repair of the world," the Diller Teen Tikkun Olam Awards seek to recognize Jewish teens who are exceptional role models in their communities and beyond. The awards celebrate teens who have demonstrated remarkable leadership and are actively engaged in projects that embody the values of tikkun olam. Teen projects may benefit either the Jewish or global community. Up to fifteen teens will be acknowledged for their visionary project with an award of \$36,000 to be used to further their project or education. Anyone (other than a member of his or her family) is eligible to nominate a teen. And teens welcome to apply without a nomination. In that case, no nomination form is filled out but an additional recommendation is

required. Anyone (other than the applicant's nominator or a member of the applicant's family) can serve as a reference for a teen. To be eligible, nominees must be between the ages of 13 and 19 at the time of nomination, be working to repair the world in a leadership capacity, be volunteering without compensation, and self-identify as Jewish.

## **Social Sciences**

### [Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation Issues RFP for Patient, Family Engagement Program](#)

POSTED: July 18, 2016

DEADLINE: Letters of Intent due August 1, 2016; upon review selected applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal (due September 30, 2016)

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation has issued a Call for Submissions from early-career investigators to build capacity within the field of patient and family engagement. Through its Patient Care Program, the foundation will award four grants of up to \$150,000 each over three years for projects at every level of care — from community-based safety, chronic disease management, and preference sensitive decision-making to approaches specific to serious illness. The foundation also will consider policy reform efforts and scalable approaches aimed at encouraging and enabling the engagement of patients and their loved ones in their care. To overcome barriers inhibiting adoption of strategies and interventions in patient and family engagement, the foundation sees early-career investigators who are participating in innovative, translational research as catalysts for change. To be eligible, applicants must be conducting work that has the potential to demonstrate the value of patient and family engagement and remove roadblocks in the field. Prospective candidates should identify a project concept that will advance the field and identify a senior mentor to advise them during the duration of the award. Projects varying in scope and area of interest within patient and family engagement will be considered and are not limited to any single healthcare setting.

### [Dept. of State, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affair: Tunisia Amended Criminal Procedure Code Implementation](#)

POSTED: July 20, 2016

DEADLINE: August 19, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

The purpose of this initiative is to support Tunisian efforts to train law enforcement and judicial personnel and implement reforms to the criminal procedure code, especially as this relates to protecting the rights of detainees.

### [U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education \(OCTAE\): Providing High-Quality Career and Technical Education Programs for Underserved, High-Need Youth Through a Pay for Success Model, CFDA Number 84.051](#)

POSTED: July 26, 2016

DEADLINE: August 25, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

The purpose of this program is to support the development of a financing model, High-Quality Pay for Success (PFS), to implement new or scale up existing high-quality career and technical education (CTE) projects for Underserved, High-Need Youth (CTE PFS Project). To this end, the Department will award a grant to an Intermediary to provide technical assistance for the first two of three phases of a PFS financing model. In phase one, the Intermediary will complete Feasibility Studies in four Local CTE Sites. In phase two, the Intermediary will provide or support transaction structuring, based on the limited funding level, for up to three out of the previously identified four local sites to the extent that the local site's CTE PFS project is determined to be feasible. While it is our intent that all of the selected local CTE PFS projects will result in a fully-structured PFS project ready to launch, each program may have different challenges that might result in not all projects completing these first two phases by the end of the grant period. The ultimate aim of the CTE PFS TA Program is to improve outcomes for Underserved, High-Need Youth through fully-structured High-Quality PFS Projects ready to be implemented in the Local CTE Sites using High-Quality CTE programs.

[Dept. of State, International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affair: Tunisia Women's Police Association](#)

POSTED: July 26, 2016

DEADLINE: September 25, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The overall objective of the project is to build the capacity of Tunisia's first ever women's police association to deliver targeted training and professional development opportunities to its members. The audience for this project will be women police officers from the National Police and National Guard. Project goals: This project aims to support recent reforms of the Ministry of Interior to develop an accountable and trustworthy police force responsive to citizen needs by supporting an additional mechanism to enhance the recruitment, capacity, and outreach of female police officers. Specifically, this project will build the capacity of the first professional association for women police in Tunisia, an association who will help enhance recruitment and professionalization of women police.

[AAAS Seeks Nominations for Early Career Award for Public Engagement With Science](#)

POSTED: July 16, 2016

DEADLINE: October 15, 2016

Established by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) in 2010, the annual Early Career Award for Public Engagement with Science recognizes early-career scientists and engineers who demonstrate excellence in their contribution to public engagement with science activities. For the purposes of this award, public engagement activities are defined as an individual's active participation in efforts to engage the public in science- and technology-related issues and promote meaningful dialogue between science and society. Examples of public engagement activities include informal science education, public outreach, public policy, and/or communication activities such as public dialogue, radio, TV and film, science exhibits and fairs, and social and online media. A \$5,000 prize, commemorative plaque,

complimentary registration to the AAAS annual meeting, and reimbursement for reasonable hotel and travel expenses will be awarded to one recipient. To be eligible, nominees must be an early-career scientist or engineer in academia, government, or industry who is actively conducting research in any scientific discipline (including social sciences and medicine). Groups or institutions will not be considered for the award. Nominees must have demonstrated excellence in his/her contribution to public engagement with science activities, with a focus on interactive dialogue between the individual and a non-scientific, public audience(s).

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### [National Institutes of Health \(NIH\): Promoting Organ and Tissue Donation Among Diverse Populations \(R01\)](#)

POSTED: July 20, 2016

DEADLINE: December 5, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) intends to stimulate investigators to search for barriers to organ and tissue donation. This may include studying individual attitudes, beliefs and behaviors towards organ and tissue transplantation, as well as the need for organ transplantation, among diverse and underserved populations and rural communities. The grant will provide support for testing various hypotheses on the barriers, and facilitate development of programs in the diverse and underserved

communities to enhance their understanding of the need, risks and benefits of organ and tissue donation. Successful approaches should ultimately lead to increase in the number of diverse and underserved participating in living and deceased organ donation.

### **Natural Sciences**

[Dept. of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management: BLM WY Plant and Pollinator Species and Habitat Assessment, Inventory and Monitoring CESU](#)

POSTED: Last updated July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: September 2, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

The overall goal of the funding is to increase knowledge and support plant and pollinator conservation on public lands in Wyoming to ensure species survival and ecological community integrity and sustainability.

[Families of SMA Issues RFP for Research Projects on Spinal Muscular Atrophy](#)

POSTED: July 20, 2016

DEADLINE: September 2, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

Families of SMA funds and directs SMA research programs aimed at developing a treatment and cure for spinal muscular atrophy disease, a hereditary disease that causes weakness and wasting of the voluntary muscles in the arms and legs of infants and children. Families of SMA has issued a Request for Proposals for research projects that advance current understanding of Spinal Muscular Atrophy disease. Grants of up to \$150,000 will be awarded for novel research related to SMA disease pathology at the molecular, cellular, and biochemical levels; generates key reagents and tools that facilitate drug development and clinical trials; and identifies new therapeutic strategies for SMA. To be considered, studies should focus on the molecular and biochemical mechanisms regulating SMN expression or mediating SMN function; a greater understanding of the pathophysiology of SMA using well-validated animal or cellular models of the SMA; early proof-of-concept assessments of novel therapeutic approaches for SMA in well-validated animal or cellular models of the disease or on progressing aspects of ongoing preclinical drug programs for SMA towards IND; and work focused on generating research or clinical trial tools for SMA, including new animal models, phenotypic cellular assays, activity assays for SMN function, biomarkers or outcome measures for clinical trials, and newborn screening protocols/technologies.

[Dept. of the Army -- Materiel Command: Proof of Concept Commercialization Pilot Program](#)

POSTED: Last updated July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: September 15, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The Department of Defense (DoD) is soliciting applications from current/recent grant awardees to receive mentoring and funding to accelerate the innovation of the funded research. The I Corps @ DoD program is designed to support the acceleration of innovation by providing Principle Investigators (PIs) with training, mentorship and

funding. The purpose of funding under this Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) is to accelerate the commercialization of basic research innovations from qualifying institutions. The goals of this program are to spur the transition of fundamental research, to encourage collaboration between academia and industry, and to train students to understand innovation and entrepreneurship. The purpose of the I Corps @ DoD program is to identify DoD-funded researchers who will receive additional support - in the form of mentoring and funding – to accelerate the transition of knowledge derived from fundamental research into emerging products and services that can attract subsequent third-party funding.

[U.S. Dept. of Energy, Office of Science: FY 2017 Research Opportunities in High Energy Physics](#)

POSTED: July 25, 2016

DEADLINE: September 20, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

The Office of High Energy Physics (HEP) at the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, hereby invites new and renewal grant applications for support of research programs in High Energy Physics.

[National Institutes of Health \(NIH\): Assay Development and Screening to Discover Therapeutic or Imaging Agents for Diseases of Interest to the NIDDK \(R01\)](#)

POSTED: July 21, 2016

DEADLINE: October 5, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The goal of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to develop, validate, or conduct a screen using a novel assay to identify therapeutic or imaging agents relevant to health related outcomes of interest to the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK). It is expected that state of the art measures of basic cellular processes or molecular events that are key mediators of disease pathogenesis are incorporated into these novel assays. Such assays should be useable in screens for molecules that modulate or monitor these processes or events in an unbiased and efficient manner. In particular, the NIDDK is interested in assays utilizing phenotypic readouts that provide opportunities to measure disease-relevant endpoints and lay the groundwork for future therapeutic and imaging agent discovery and development programs. It is expected that there is significant novelty in the assay approach to be developed or library to be screened and that this is articulated clearly in the application. It is not intended to support research focused on understanding normal biology, disease processes, or performing later-stage optimization of therapeutic or imaging agents. At the end of the project period, a successful project will have either 1) developed and validated a novel assay suitable for identifying prototype therapeutic or imaging agents or 2) utilized a novel assay to identify prototype therapeutic or imaging agents.

[National MS Society Accepting Applications for Pilot Programs](#)

POSTED: July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: October 5, 2016

#### Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society mobilizes people and resources to drive research for a cure and address the challenges of everyone affected by MS. To that end, the society is accepting applications for its Pilot Grant Program, which funds high-risk pilot grants to quickly test novel ideas that may serve to advance its mission of stopping MS progression, restoring function in and improving quality of life for MS sufferers, and preventing MS. The program supports fundamental as well as applied studies, non-clinical or clinical in nature, including projects in patient management, care, and rehabilitation. One-year grants of up to \$44,000 will be awarded to test innovative, cutting-edge ideas or untested methods, and to gather sufficient preliminary data to apply for longer-term funding. Researchers who have completed their postdoctoral training are invited to apply.

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#### [Announcing the FY2016 319 Grant Program RFP #2 Release](#)

POSTED: July 22, 2016

DEADLINE: October 21, 2016

#### Funding Instrument Type: Grant

Proposals are now being solicited for projects that implement a North Carolina Division of Water Resources (DWR)-approved watershed restoration plan to restore the water quality of waters impaired at least in part by nonpoint source (NPS) pollution. Approximately \$650,000 of federal funds are available for water quality restoration projects. Funds are provided by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency pursuant to Section 319(h) of the Clean Water Act. This is the second RFP released in North

Carolina for 2016. State and local governments, interstate agencies, and public and private nonprofit organizations including academic institutions are all eligible to apply. Please visit the Division of Water Resource's 319 grant program web site (<https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/water-resources/planning/nonpoint-source-management/319-grant-program>) for additional information regarding program requirements and project eligibility. An application form to apply for Section 319 Grant funds may be downloaded from the program web site. For questions about the FY 2016 319 RFP or project eligibility for 319 grant funding, please contact Heather Jennings at 919-807-6437 or [heather.b.jennings@ncdenr.gov](mailto:heather.b.jennings@ncdenr.gov).

[National Institutes of Health \(NIH\): Revolutionizing Innovative, Visionary Environmental health Research \(RIVER\) \(R35\)](#)

POSTED: July 21, 2016

DEADLINE: October 24, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

The National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) Revolutionizing Innovative, Visionary Environmental health Research (RIVER) program seeks to provide support for the majority of the independent research program for outstanding investigators in the Environmental Health Sciences, giving them intellectual and administrative freedom, as well as sustained support to pursue their research in novel directions in order to achieve greater impacts. The program seeks to identify individuals, regardless of career stage, with a track record of innovative and impactful research and combine their existing investigator-initiated research into a single seven year award with direct costs of up to \$750,000 based on current NIEHS funding.

[National Institutes of Health \(NIH\): Predictors and Determinants of Age-Related Changes in Resiliencies to Physical Stressors in Humans \(UH2/UH3\)](#)

POSTED: July 21, 2016

DEADLINE: November 3, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Cooperative Agreement

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is a phased innovation initiative to enhance clinical tools to assess resiliencies and advance our understanding of age-related changes in resiliencies to physical stressors in humans. Resilience is defined here as the dynamic ability to maintain or recover appropriate function in response to a physical stressor. For the purposes of this FOA, examples of physical stressors include hip fracture, infections, or surgical procedures. Examples of specific resiliencies include recovery of ambulation after a hip fracture, healing of incisional wounds, maintenance or recovery of hematopoietic function after cancer chemotherapy, or maintenance of cognitive function following general anesthesia.

[National Institutes of Health \(NIH\): Promoting Organ and Tissue Donation Among Diverse Populations \(R01\)](#)

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DEADLINE: December 5, 2016

Funding Instrument Type: Grant

This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) intends to stimulate investigators to search for barriers to organ and tissue donation. This may include studying individual attitudes, beliefs and behaviors towards organ and tissue transplantation, as well as the need for organ transplantation, among diverse and underserved populations and rural communities. The grant will provide support for testing various hypotheses on the barriers, and facilitate development of programs in the diverse and underserved communities to enhance their understanding of the need, risks and benefits of organ and tissue donation. Successful approaches should ultimately lead to increase in the number of diverse and underserved participating in living and deceased organ donation.