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Please email Ali Mitchell (Executive Director, Association of Northeast Extension Directors) <u>amitchell@northeastextension.org</u> - to initiate (1) a virtual meeting to explore a regional response to an opportunity below OR (2) a regionally coordinated meeting with the grant program's administrator.

Farm to School Grant Program – Due January 10th

"Establishes 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 USDA Food and Nutrition (FNS) Child Nutrition Programs." <u>Learn more and apply.</u> USDA-FNS-2022-F2S

NOAA Climate Program Office Regional Integrated Sciences and Assessments (RISA) – Due January 11th

Notice of Funding Opportunity The RISA Program expands regional capacity to adapt to climate change. RISA's Regional Teams build sustained relationships between decision makers and researchers that support collaborative and equitable adaptation to climate risks. Prior to submitting applications, investigators are highly encouraged to learn more about the RISA program. To learn more about the RISA program visit <u>https://cpo.noaa.gov/RISA/About-RISA</u>

FY22 BLM Bureau-Wide National Landscape Conservation System – Due January 14th

"The National Conservation Lands financially supports studies aimed at increasing our understanding of the resources present on BLM lands and the effectiveness of BLM's resource management decisions. The program seeks to develop and maintain strong partnerships with State, local, university, and non-profit stakeholders in shared conservation stewardship by engaging partners in conducting management-focused research on the National Conservation Lands." Learn more and apply. Max award is \$40,000, no match required. L22AS00071

Forest Service Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy RFA 2022 – Due January 14th

"The U.S. Forest Service supports Moving Toward Shared Stewardship Across Landscapes as part of a conceptual framework for making strategic investments across landscapes to co-manage wildfire risk and achieve positive outcomes at the most appropriate scale...Eastern Region Cohesive Fire Strategy Competitive Request for Applications is designed to support and carry out the goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy (NCS)." Learn more and apply. USDA-FS-2022-COHESIVE-STRATEGY

Community Wood Energy and Wood Innovation Program – Due January 22nd

"The intent of the Community Wood Energy and Wood Innovation Grant Program is to support forest health and stimulate local economies by expanding renewable wood energy use and innovative wood products manufacturing capacity." Max award \$1M. Learn more.

NAE4-HYDP 1-Time Funding Opportunity for Access Equity and Belonging – Due January 25th

"State 4-H program leaders who are members of our national association can apply for funding up to \$10,000 to provide training for their staff." Read the <u>press release</u>. Download the <u>Report</u>, proposal <u>Rubric</u>, and the <u>Grant application</u>.

FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Good Jobs Challenge – January 26th

"This ARPA Good Jobs Challenge NOFO is designed to help get Americans back to work by developing and strengthening regional systems to develop and execute sectoral partnerships that will lead to wellpaying jobs...Regional workforce training systems and sectoral partnerships funded under this NOFO should connect employers in an industry with key regional stakeholders, including state and local

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governmental entities, economic development organizations, workforce development boards, employer-facing organizations, education and training providers, community-based organizations (CBOs), worker-serving organizations (WSOs), and/or labor unions." <u>Learn more and apply.</u> EDA-HDQ-ARPGJ-2021-2006964

Food and Agriculture Service Learning Program – Due January 31st

"The purpose of the Food and Agriculture Service Learning Program is to increase the knowledge of agricultural science and improve the nutritional health of children. The program's goal is to increase the capacity for food, garden, and nutrition education within host organizations or entities, such as school cafeterias and classrooms, while fostering higher levels of community engagement between farms and school systems by bringing together stakeholders from distinct parts of the food system." Learn more and apply. USDA-NIFA-FASLP-008741

Dairy Food Safety & Certification Grant – Due February 3rd

The Dairy Food Safety & Certification Grant program will provide grants for dairy businesses to take actionable steps to increase production safety standards with the goal of accessing new markets... This application is open to dairy producers, processors, and producer associations based in the Northeast. Grants will range from \$10,000 - \$40,000 with a 25% cash or in-kind match requirement."

Technical Assistance Grants to Preserve Affordable Rural Rental Housing – Due February 8th

For more information, visit.<u>https://www.rd.usda.gov/priority-points.</u>The deadline to submit applications is 11:59 p.m., EDT on Feb. 8, 2022. For additional information, see page 70433 of the Dec 10, 2021, <u>Federal Register. https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-12-10/pdf/2021-26757.pdf</u>

Research to Reduce Consumer Food Waste in the United States – Due February 9th

"The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as part of its Science to Achieve Results (STAR) program, is seeking applications proposing research to develop, apply, and test innovative and creative community-engaged approaches to reduce household food waste in the United States." For information on eligibility, project specifications, or how to apply, visit: <u>Research to Reduce Consumer Food Waste in the United States Request for Applications (RFA)</u>

Learn more about EPA Research Grants.

• Informational Webinar for Applicants: Thursday, January 6, 2022; 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Institutes for Higher Education Faculty (National Endowment for the Humanities) – Due February 22nd

"NEH Institutes are professional development programs that convene higher education faculty from across the nation in order to deepen and enrich their understanding of significant topics in the humanities and enrich their capacity for effective scholarship and teaching. <u>Apply through grants.gov</u>. <u>Learn more.</u> **20220222-EH**

Rural eConnectivity Program – Due February 22nd

"The Rural eConnectivity Program (ReConnect) Program provides loans, grants, and loan/grant combinations to facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas. In facilitating the expansion of broadband services and infrastructure, the program will fuel long-term economic development and opportunities in rural America." Learn more and apply. RUS-REC-2022

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<u>Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program (FRTEP) (formerly Extension Indian Reservation</u> <u>Program) – Due February 25th</u>

The purpose of this program is to establish an Extension presence and support Extension outreach on Federally Recognized Indian Reservations and Tribal jurisdictions of Federally-Recognized Tribes. <u>Learn</u> more. Apply through <u>grants.gov</u>. **USDA-NIFA-SLBCD-008721**

FY22 Rural Business Development Grant program – Due February 28th

"The Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG) is a competitive grant designed to support targeted technical assistance, training, and other activities leading to the development or expansion of small and emerging private businesses in rural areas that have fewer than 50 employees and less than \$1 Million in revenues. Programmatic activities are separated into enterprise or opportunity type grant activities."

- FY22 NOSA.pdf
- RBDG Information.pdf
- Application materials are located at: USDA RBDG link.

Rural Public Health Workforce Training Network Program – Due March 18th

"Rural Public Health Workforce Training Network Program awardees will establish community health networks...These networks will work to establish sustainable placement opportunities and integrate newly trained public health professionals into quality organizations and care teams to support the provision of health care services in rural communities." FORHP will hold a <u>webinar</u> for applicants on **Wednesday, January 5, 2022 from 1 – 2 p.m. ET.** Learn more and apply. <u>HRSA-22-117</u>

FY 2021 American Rescue Plan Act Indigenous Communities Notice of Funding Opportunity – March 22nd

"EDA's American Rescue Plan Indigenous Communities NOFO is designed to support indigenous communities as they respond to, and recover from, the economic impacts of the coronavirus pandemic...these projects can include foundational economic infrastructure projects... non-construction projects to provide technical assistance to support business development, entrepreneurship assistance, economic development planning, rural prosperity, and workforce training in indigenous communities." Learn more and apply.

Rural Innovation Stronger Economy (RISE) Grant Program – Due April 19th

"The primary objective of the RISE program is to support jobs accelerator partnerships to improve the ability of distressed rural and energy communities to create high wage jobs, accelerate the formation of new businesses, and help rural communities identify and maximize local assets." Funds can be used for many things including "costs directly associated with support programs to be carried out at or in direct partnership with job accelerators". Learn more and apply. **RD-RBS-22-01-RISE**

Artificial Intelligence (AI) Research Institutes – May 13th

"Al Research Institutes that simultaneously advance foundational AI research and agriculture and food systems might address a wide range of research foci, build new multidisciplinary communities, and create the workforce needed for an AI-powered revolution in agriculture." <u>Apply here. Download the</u> <u>RFA.</u> NSF 22-502

Innovations in Nutrition Programs and Services – Replication – Due May 31st

"The purpose of this funding opportunity is to support projects which replicate successful models developed by Innovations in Nutrition Programs and Services grantees that have the potential that

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enhance the quality, effectiveness and proven outcomes of nutrition services programs within the aging services network which are located here: <u>https://acl.gov/senior-nutrition/network-experience</u>." <u>Learn</u> <u>more and apply.</u> **HHS-2022-ACL-AOA-INNU-0040**

Authority to Accept Unsolicited Proposals for Research Partnerships (Department of Housing and Urban Development) – Due June 2022

"HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) has the authority to accept unsolicited research proposals that address current research priorities. In accordance with statutory requirements, the research proposals must be submitted by eligible applicants and provide cost sharing at least 50 percent of total project cost." Award ceiling \$500,000. Learn more and apply. FR-6500-N-USP

<u>US Fish and Wildlife Service Youth Engagement, Education, and Employment – Due September 15th</u>

Funding provided pursuant to the Public Land Corps Act (PLC) of 1973. "The purpose of the PLC is to provide work and educational opportunities for youth in the areas of natural and cultural resource conservation, development, and scientific research. Youth perform work on our nation's public lands that cannot be carried out by Federal agencies at existing personnel levels. The PLC allows the Service to enter into partnerships using a financial assistance/cooperative with partner organizations to employ youth in PLC projects and internships." Learn more and apply. **F22AS00090**

<u>US Fish and Wildlife Service Coastal Program 2022 – Due September 30th (rolling)</u>

"The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) Coastal Program is a voluntary, community-based program that provides technical and financial assistance through cooperative agreements to coastal communities, conservation partners, and landowners to restore and protect fish and wildlife habitat on public and private lands." Learn more and apply. **F22AS00110**

Partners for Fish and Wildlife 2022 – Due September 30th (rolling)

"The Partners for Fish and Wildlife (PFW) Program is a voluntary, incentive-based program that provides direct technical assistance and financial assistance in the form of cooperative and grant agreements to private landowners to restore and conserve fish and wildlife habitat for the benefit of federal trust resources." Learn more and apply. **F22AS00095**