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Dear friend,

Listed below are several new federal funding opportunities that you may be eligible to apply for. Don't see an opportunity that fits your needs? Check back next month for new opportunities from funding agencies or feel free to contact my office at (470) 773-6330 to request assistance.

I'm always interested in helping you with your grant application. To request a letter of support from my office, please visit [mcbath.house.gov/grant-applications](https://mcbath.house.gov/grant-applications).

Thank you for taking the time to read these updates. **It is an honor to represent you in Washington.**

Sincerely,



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# Rep. McBath's March 2026

## Federal Grants Newsletter

### AmeriCorps

#### Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP Competition

- Closing Date: **March 26, 2026**
- Description: AmeriCorps improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering. AmeriCorps brings people together to tackle some of the country's most pressing challenges through national service and volunteers. AmeriCorps members and AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers serve with organizations dedicated to the improvement of communities and those serving. AmeriCorps helps make service a cornerstone of our national culture. This funding announcement is an opportunity for communities to apply for funding to engage adults ages 55 and older in tackling the community's most pressing needs through the AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP program. This is an open competition across all states and territories.
- Eligibility: State governments; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; county governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments); private institutions of higher education (only non-profit institutions); city or township governments; special district governments; State Service Commission and/or States and US Territories.

#### Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 AmeriCorps State and National Competitive Grants

- Closing Date: **March 31, 2026**
- Description: AmeriCorps improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering. AmeriCorps brings people together to tackle some of the country's most pressing challenges through national service and volunteerism. AmeriCorps members serve with organizations dedicated to the improvement of communities and those serving. AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations that engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions to strengthen communities.

An AmeriCorps member is a person who does community service through AmeriCorps. Members may receive a living allowance and other benefits. After successful completion of their service, members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award they can use to pay for higher education expenses or apply to qualified student loans.

- Eligibility: Special district governments; county governments; private institutions of higher education; Native American tribal organizations (federally recognized); Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments); State governments; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; city or township governments; State Service Commission and/or States and US Territories.

## **Department of Education**

### **Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS): Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA): Braille Training Program, Assistance Listing No. 84.235E**

- Closing Date: **March 27, 2026**
- Description: The Braille Training program offers financial assistance to projects that will (1) provide training in the use of braille for personnel providing vocational rehabilitation (VR) services or educational services to youth and adults who are blind; (2) develop braille training materials; (3) develop methods used to teach braille; and (4) develop activities used to promote the knowledge and use of braille and nonvisual access technology for youth and adults who are blind.
- Eligibility: States, public agencies and organizations, nonprofit agencies and organizations, and public or nonprofit institutions of higher education are eligible to apply.

## Department of Health and Human Services

### Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services: Nursing Home Staffing Campaign

- Closing Date: **March 27, 2026**
- Description: The Nursing Home Staffing Campaign (NHSC) is aimed at increasing the availability of nurses to work in the nursing home environment, such as in qualifying nursing homes or in an oversight capacity for a state inspection agency. This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is focused on helping to recruit registered nurses (RNs) and licensed practical nurses or licensed vocational nurses (LPNs) to work in nursing homes by offering financial incentives. Through this NOFO, CMS is accepting applications for cooperative agreements to entities that will administer financial incentives, such as loan repayment and stipends to RNs and LPNs, to work for three years in a qualifying nursing home or in an oversight role with a state agency.
- Eligibility: Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; private institutions of higher education; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS; small nonprofit businesses; faith-based organizations that meet eligibility requirements; national associations for nursing schools; national associations for nurses; national associations for nursing students.

### Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 National Technical Assistance Programs (NTAP) Cooperative Agreements

- Closing Date: **March 31, 2026**
- Description: The FY 2026 National Technical Assistance Programs (NTAP) cooperative agreement supports three national organizations to develop and deliver technical assistance (TA) to existing and potential health centers with a focus on: Supporting the delivery of comprehensive, high-quality primary health care; improving chronic disease management, nutrition, and preventive services; improving operational effectiveness, efficiency, and quality; addressing emergent public health needs and priorities; complying with and exceeding Health Center Program and supplemental funding requirements.
- Eligibility: State governments; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; special district governments; for profit organizations other than small businesses; Native

American tribal governments (federally recognized); Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments); Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; city or township governments; private institutions of higher education; county governments; small businesses.

### [Tobacco Regulatory Science Small Grant Program for New Investigators | R03 Clinical Trial Optional](#)

- Closing Date: **July 14, 2026**
- Description: This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) aims to support new biomedical, behavioral, and social science investigators who are in the early stages of establishing independent careers in tobacco regulatory research. The R03 grant mechanism supports different types of projects, including pilot and feasibility studies, secondary analysis of existing data, small, self-contained research projects, development of research methodology, and development of new research technology. Applicants are encouraged to conduct projects that ultimately have the potential to inform regulations on tobacco product manufacturing, distribution, and marketing. Research projects must address one or more High-Priority Research Topic(s) related to the regulatory authority of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Center for Tobacco Products (CTP) as mandated by the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act (FSPTCA), Public Law 111-31. The awards under this NOFO will be administered by NIH using funds made available through FDA CTP and the FSPTCA. Research results from this NOFO are expected to generate findings and data directly relevant to informing the FDA's regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and marketing of tobacco products to protect public health.
- Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, State governments, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments), Independent school districts, Private institutions of higher education, For profit organizations other than small businesses, Small businesses, County governments, Special district governments, Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, City or township governments, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education.

## Department of Housing and Urban Development

### Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants for Fiscal Year 2025

- Closing Date: **March 9, 2026**
- Description: Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants support the implementation of a comprehensive plan that focuses on the revitalization of a severely distressed public housing and/or HUD-assisted housing project, while also improving the surrounding neighborhood and providing supportive services to improve quality of life outcomes for residents of the target housing project.
- Eligibility: City or township governments; public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; county governments.

## Department of Justice

### Office for Victims of Crime: FY25 Enhanced Collaborative Model (ECM) Task Force to Combat Human Trafficking

- Closing Date: **March 11, 2026**
- Description: This Notice of Funding Opportunity will support jurisdictions to develop and expand a multidisciplinary, collaborative task force approach to better respond to human trafficking through increased victim identification, service provision, and case investigations. Each lead applicant is required to submit their entity's application separately into JustGrants (one application submitted by an eligible lead law enforcement agency and one application submitted by an eligible lead victim service organization).
- Eligibility: County governments; State governments; city or township governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); nonprofits having 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized governments); Others (see full Notice of Funding Opportunity for additional information).

### Office for Victims of Crime: FY25 Services for Victims of Human Trafficking

- Closing Date: **March 11, 2026**
- Description: This Notice of Funding Opportunity will develop, expand, and strengthen victim service programs for victims of all forms of human trafficking

throughout the United States and its territories. This program provides funding for comprehensive and specialized services for all victims of human trafficking and is intended for victim services programs serving adults or a combination of adults and minors/youth.

- Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; county governments; state governments, city or township governments; Native American tribal organizations; special district governments; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; Others (see full Notice of Funding Opportunity for additional information).

#### **Bureau of Justice Assistance: FY25 Smart Reentry Demonstration Program**

- Closing Date: **March 19, 2026**
- Description: This NOFO supports state, local, and Tribal governments to implement comprehensive and collaborative reentry strategies to increase the likelihood of successful reentry for adults leaving prison, jail, or supervision, and to establish or expand a program or service (“intervention”) to reduce recidivism. Interventions may address a variety of needs related to reentry as outlined in section 101, subsection (B) of the Second Chance Act (34 USC§10631-Adult and juvenile offender state and local reentry demonstration projects).
- Eligibility: State governments; City or township governments; county governments; special district governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments); other units of local government.

#### **Bureau of Justice Assistance: FY25 Strengthening Community Supervision Agency Operations Program**

- Closing Date: **March 19, 2026**
- Description: This NOFO will support state, local, and tribal community supervision agencies to develop more effective probation and parole programs and improve supervision outcomes by strengthening operations to prevent recidivism and reduce violent crime.
- Eligibility: State governments; City or township governments; county governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); units of local government; organizing body or association of supervision agencies.

## Bureau of Justice Assistance: FY25 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative

- Closing Date: **March 30, 2026**
- Description: This funding opportunity seeks to address firearm-related crime through the establishment and expansion of Crime Gun Intelligence Centers (CGICs). This initiative is a partnership with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) to assist local law enforcement in utilizing intelligence and technology, swiftly identifying crime guns and their sources, and effectively prosecuting perpetrators.
- Eligibility: State governments; City or township governments; county governments; special district governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments); other units of local governments; State, local, and Tribal law enforcement agencies, including prosecutors' offices.

## Bureau of Justice Assistance: FY25 Public Safety and Mental Health Initiative

- Closing Date: **March 30, 2026**
- Description: This NOFO supports comprehensive service networks addressing untreated mental illness and substance use at the intersection of mental health, substance use, and justice systems. This program responds to the growing burden of endemic vagrancy, disorderly behavior and public safety threats faced by law enforcement agencies. These agencies are often positioned as first responders to situations better addressed by health and social service systems. Law enforcement and justice agencies nationwide need actionable alternatives that prioritize both public order and appropriate treatment settings for those experiencing mental illness or substance use disorders. Specifically, this initiative provides funding to support activities through four core areas: (1) crisis stabilization centers; (2) treatment services; (3) housing access; and (4) electronic health record (EHR) systems and technology modernization.
- Eligibility: State governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); other units of local government; agencies with different legal status (e.g. nonprofit or for-profit mental health agencies) are eligible to apply only if they meet two requirements: (1) The applicant is designated by the state mental health authority to provide services as a unit of the state or local government. (2) The applicant must attach documentation to support this designation.

### Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention: FY25 Second Chance Act Addressing the Needs of Incarcerated Parents and Their Minor Children

- Closing Date: **March 30, 2026**
- Description: This NOFO will provide funding to develop or expand programs in juvenile and adult detention or correctional facilities to respond to the needs of incarcerated parents and their children to reduce the likelihood of antisocial behaviors, future involvement in the juvenile justice system, and recidivism; and support responsible parenting that leads to healthy child development, resiliency, and improved interactions among incarcerated parents and their minor children, family, and community members.
- Eligibility: State governments; City or township governments; county governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); units of local government.

### Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention: FY25 Second Chance Act Youth Reentry Program

- Closing Date: **March 30, 2026**
- Description: This NOFO will provide funding to support states, units of local government, and federally recognized Native American Tribal governments in partnership with interested persons (including federal corrections and supervision agencies), service providers, and community-based organizations to provide (1) comprehensive reentry services for moderate- to high-risk youth before, during, and after release from confinement, and (2) support transitional services to assist youth to successfully reenter the community.
- Eligibility: State governments; City or township governments; county governments; Native American tribal governments (federally recognized); nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; units of local government.

[Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention: FY25 Victims of Child Abuse Act Training and Technical Assistance for Child Abuse Prosecutors](#)

- Closing Date: **March 30, 2026**
- Description: This NOFO will support attorneys who improve the quality of investigation and criminal prosecution of child abuse cases, including child physical abuse, child sexual abuse, technology-facilitated child exploitation, and child fatalities.
- Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

**Department of Labor**

[Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program \(HVRP\), Incarcerated Veterans' Transition Program \(IVTP\), and the Homeless Women Veterans' and Homeless Veterans' with Children Reintegration Grant Program \(HWVHVWC\)](#)

- Closing Date: **March 6, 2026**
- Description: HVRP is an employment-focused, competitive federal grant program intended to enable veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness reach their full employment potential and obtain high-quality career outcomes. To help address the number of veterans who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, DOL/VETS requires HVRP grant recipients to provide services tailored to each veteran's needs using a case management approach. Grant recipients **must** help connect veterans to supportive services available in their local communities. In addition, grant recipients **must** also help veterans successfully return to work by providing job training services that support their needs. This can be done by providing direct help or by creating a strong referral system that includes tools, resources, and partnerships that identify, find, prepare, and support veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness so they can reach their full employment potential.
- Eligibility: Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; for profit organizations other than small businesses; state governments; public and state controlled institutions of higher education; Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments); county governments; private institutions of higher

education; public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; small businesses.

### [Employment and Training Administration: Pay-for-Performance \(PfP\) Incentive Pay Program](#)

- Closing Date: **April 3, 2026**
- Description: The Program will focus on incentivizing the expansion and growth of the National Apprenticeship System, specifically in industries with a firmly established program infrastructure that will make a significant contribution to this Administration's goal of exceeding 1 million active apprentices. The designated industries are Shipbuilding and Defense Industrial Base; Artificial Intelligence (AI); Semiconductor and Nuclear Energy Infrastructure; Information Technology; Healthcare; Transportation; and Telecommunication.
- Eligibility: State governments; nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; small businesses; for profit organizations other than small businesses; Public and State controlled institutions of higher education; private institutions of higher education; others (see the Funding Opportunity for specific eligibility requirements).

### [Announcement of Stand Down Grants - Veterans Employment and Training Service](#)

- Closing Date: **September 30, 2026**
- Description: The U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) supports local Stand Down events that assist veterans experiencing homelessness by providing a wide range of employment, social, and health services. Stand Down is a military term referring to an opportunity to achieve a brief respite from combat. Troops assemble in a base camp to receive new clothing, hot food, support services, and a relative degree of safety before returning to combat action. A DOL VETS-funded Stand Down event serves a similar purpose; however, it is intended for veterans experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. The critical services provided at these events are often the catalyst that enables those individuals to reenter the workforce. VETS awards these noncompetitive grants on a first-come, first-served basis to support one-day or multi-day events at up to \$7,000 or \$10,000, respectively. They are collaborative events coordinated between VA, DOL, other federal, state, and local government

agencies and community-based organizations providing services and supplies to veterans experiencing and at risk of homelessness.

- Eligibility: Nonprofit and for-profit entities; institutions of higher education; state and local workforce boards; public and tribal housing authorities; state, territory, county, city, local, and special districts; and tribal governments and agencies.

## **Institute of Museum and Library Services**

### **Inspire Grants for Small Museums (2026)**

- Closing Date: **March 13, 2026**
- Description: Inspire Grants for Small Museums (Inspire) is a special initiative of the Museums for America grant program designed to support small museums of all disciplines in project-based efforts to serve the public through educational programs and exhibits, community partnerships, and collections stewardship activities.
- Eligibility: See the Notice of Funding Opportunity for eligibility requirements.

### **Museums for America (2026)**

- Closing Date: **March 13, 2026**
- Description: The Museums for America (MFA) program invests in museums of all sizes and disciplines in project-based efforts to serve the public through educational programs and exhibits, community partnerships, and collections stewardship activities.
- Eligibility: See the Notice of Funding Opportunity for eligibility requirements.

### **Museum Grants for African American History and Culture (2026)**

- Closing Date: **March 13, 2026**
- Description: The Museum Grants for African American History and Culture (AAHC) program builds the capacity of African American museums and supports the growth and development of museum professionals at African American museums. The program supports projects that nurture museum professionals, build institutional capacity, and increase access to museum and archival collections at African American museums and Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).
- Eligibility: See the Notice of Funding Opportunity for eligibility requirements.

### [National Leadership Grants for Libraries \(2026\)](#)

- Closing Date: **March 13, 2026**
- Description: The National Leadership Grants for Libraries Program (NLG-L) supports projects that develop, enhance, or adapt replicable practices, programs, models, or tools to strengthen library and archival services for the American public. The program supports projects that serve the learning needs of the public through libraries and archives; improve community prosperity through libraries and archives; provide broad access to and preservation of information and collections through libraries and archives; or provide service to affected communities in the event of an emergency or disaster.
- Eligibility: See the Notice of Funding Opportunity for eligibility requirements.

### [National Leadership Grants for Museums \(2026\)](#)

- Closing Date: **March 13, 2026**
- Description: The National Leadership Grants for Museums program (NLG-M) invests in projects that address critical needs of the museum field. NLG-M projects have the potential to advance practice in the profession to strengthen museum services for the public through the development and replication of model practices, tools, research findings, and collaborations.
- Eligibility: See the Notice of Funding Opportunity for eligibility requirements.

## **National Science Foundation**

### [Innovations in Graduate Education \(IGE\) Program](#)

- Closing Date: **March 25, 2026**
- Description: The Innovations in Graduate Education (IGE) Program is designed to encourage development and implementation of bold, new, and potentially transformative approaches to STEM graduate education training. This program seeks proposals that a) explore ways for graduate students in STEM Master's and Doctoral degree programs to develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers, or b) support research on the graduate education system and outcomes of systemic interventions and policies. The project addresses both workforce development, emphasizing broad participation, and institutional capacity-building needs in graduate education. Strategic collaborations with the private sector, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), government agencies, national laboratories, field stations, teaching and

learning centers, informal science organizations, and academic partners are encouraged.

- Eligibility: Proposals may only be submitted by the following: Non-profit, non-academic organizations (independent museums, observatories, research laboratories, professional societies and similar organizations in the U.S. that are directly associated with educational or research activities); institutions of higher education (please see eligibility information for specific requirements); tribal nations.

### [NSF's Eddie Bernice Johnson Inclusion across the Nation of Communities of Learners of Underrepresented Discoverers in Engineering and Science \(INCLUDES\) Initiative](#)

- Closing Date: **May 12, 2026**
- Description: The INCLUDES initiative is a comprehensive, national effort to enhance U.S. leadership in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) discovery and innovation, focused on NSF's commitment to ensuring accessibility and inclusivity in STEM fields, as communicated in the NSF Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years (FY) 2022-2026. The vision of the INCLUDES Initiative is to catalyze the STEM enterprise to work collaboratively for inclusive change, resulting in a STEM workforce that reflects the Nation's population. More specifically, the INCLUDES Initiative seeks to motivate and accelerate collaborative infrastructure building to sustain systemic change to broaden participation in STEM fields at scale. Significant advancement of the INCLUDES Initiative's goals will result in a new generation of STEM talent and leadership to secure the Nation's future and long-term economic competitiveness.
- Eligibility: For-profit organizations: U.S.-based commercial organizations, including small businesses, with strong capabilities in scientific or engineering research or education and a passion for innovation; Non-profit, non-academic organizations: independent museums, observatories, research laboratories, professional societies and similar organizations located in the U.S. that are directly associated with educational or research activities; State and local governments-Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs): two- and four-year IHEs (including community colleges) accredited in, and having a campus located in the U.S., acting on behalf of their faculty members; Tribal nations: An American Indian or Alaska Native tribe, band, nation, pueblo, village, or community that the Secretary of the Interior acknowledges as a federally recognized tribe pursuant to the Federally Recognized Indian Tribe List Act of 1994, 25 U.S.C. §§ 5130-5131.