

Dear friend,

In 2026, I look forward to continuing to identify the emerging opportunities that could benefit our community. I am optimistic about what the new year may have in store for us, and my office remains available to assist with pursuing federal funding and corresponding with federal agencies. As opportunities become available, please do not hesitate to reach out for the support my office can provide.

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 <a href="mailto:mcbath.house.gov/grant-applications">mcbath.house.gov/grant-applications</a>.

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 January 2026 Federal Grants Newsletter

### **Department of Health and Human Services**

### **Modules for Enhancing Biomedical Research Workforce Training**

- Closing Date: January 27, 2026
- Description: The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research
  education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The overarching goal of this
  R25 program is to support educational activities that complement and/or
  enhance the training of a workforce to meet the nation's biomedical, behavioral
  and clinical research needs. Specifically, this FOA will support the development of
  exportable training modules designed to enhance training of the biomedical
  research workforce.
- 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; private institutions of higher education; for-profit organizations other than small businesses; small businesses; independent school districts; special district governments; city or township governments; county governments; state governments; tribal organizations and governments; and public and tribal housing authorities.

<u>Dynamic and Adaptable Infrastructure for Drug Development and Outreach to Aid the Research Community in Advancing Medication Repurposing and Repositioning Efforts for Substance Use Disorders (SUDs)</u>

- Closing Date: January 28, 2026
- Description: This Notice of Funding Opportunity seeks applications to establish and operate a dynamic and adaptable drug development infrastructure to support the research community. The aim is to strengthen and expand the substance use disorder (SUD) drug development pipeline by accelerating the evaluation and validation of repurposed and repositioned drugs. The Center and its team of subject matter experts will provide comprehensive drug development services to academic and biotech researchers at all stages of product development. By supporting various projects that address different SUD indications, the Center will contribute to reducing the burden of SUDs on

individuals and communities. The services offered will include assistance in creating Target Product Profiles, Freedom-to-Operate analysis, intellectual property consultations, regulatory guidance, and technical pipeline support. Additionally, the Center will engage in outreach efforts to connect with the research community, solicit proposals, and implement processes to evaluate, select, and advance the projects focused on repurposing and repositioning medications for SUD treatment.

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; private institutions of higher education; for-profit organizations other than small businesses; small businesses; independent school districts; special district governments; city or township governments; county governments; state governments; tribal organizations and governments; and public and tribal housing authorities.

# NINDS Research Education Programs for Residents and Fellows in Neurological Disorders and Strokes

- Closing Date: January 28, 2026
- Description: The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The overarching goal of this National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke R25 program is to support educational activities that complement and/or enhance the training of a workforce to meet the nation's biomedical, behavioral and clinical research needs. To accomplish the stated overarching goal, this FOA will support creative educational activities with a primary focus on research experiences, designed to foster the development of physicians as research scientists in areas relevant to the NINDS mission. The research experiences will prepare clinicians to successfully compete for individual NIH mentored career development awards, or where appropriate, independent research awards. This FOA will also support educational activities such that participants of the R25 are expected to attend and participate in an annual workshop specific to this FOA to present their work, discuss progress and plans towards transitioning to the next career stage and to network with other researchers and leaders in their fields. Such success will facilitate their transition from resident/fellow to physician-scientist, and will thus foster retention of a cadre of physician-scientists who will conduct research into the mechanisms of, etiology, and treatment of neurological diseases.

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; private institutions of higher education; for-profit organizations other than small businesses; small businesses; independent school districts; special district governments; city or township governments; county governments; state governments; tribal organizations and governments; and public and tribal housing authorities.

### **NIDDK Education Program Grants**

- Closing Date: January 30, 2026
- Description: The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The overarching goal of this R25 program is to support educational activities that complement and/or enhance the training of a workforce to meet the nation's biomedical, behavioral and clinical research needs. To accomplish the stated overarching goal, this NOFO will support educational activities with a primary focus on: Courses for Skills Development Research Experiences These courses for skill development and research experiences must fall within NIDDK's mission areas. NIDDK supports research training, skill development, and research experiences on diabetes and other endocrine and metabolic diseases; digestive diseases, nutritional disorders, and obesity; and kidney, urologic, and hematologic diseases.
- 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; private institutions of higher education; for-profit organizations other than small businesses; small businesses; independent school districts; special district governments; city or township governments; county governments; state governments; tribal organizations and governments; and public and tribal housing authorities.

# <u>Tobacco Regulatory Science Small Grant Program for New Investigators | R03 Clinical Trial Optional</u>

- 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 RO3 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**

<u>Fiscal Year 2025 Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Service Coordinator</u> (ROSS-SC) <u>Program</u>

- Closing Date: January 12, 2026
- Description: The Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency Service Coordinator (ROSS-SC) program is designed to assist residents of public and Indian housing make progress towards economic and housing self-sufficiency by addressing the educational, professional and health barriers they face. Self-sufficiency is defined as an individual's ability to support their household by maintaining financial, housing, and personal/family stability. To achieve self-sufficiency, an individual moves along a continuum towards economic independence and stability; such

movement is facilitated by the achievement of individual educational, professional, and health-related goals. To help residents make progress towards self-sufficiency, HUD provides ROSS-SC grant funding to eligible applicants to hire a Service Coordinator who assesses the needs of public and Indian housing residents and links them to local training and supportive services that will enable participants to move along the self-sufficiency continuum. In the case of elderly/residents with disabilities, the Service Coordinator also links them to congregate and other supportive services which enable them to age/remain in place in addition to providing other desired training and supportive services which are made available to other residents. In addition, with the ROSS-SC grant, HUD provides funding for grantees to provide direct services to further support the work of the ROSS-SC and ultimately, the goals of the ROSS program.

• Eligibility: Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities; Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized); nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; and nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education.

# **Department of Labor**

#### **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.

# **Department of Transportation**

# <u>Fiscal Year 2026 Notice of Funding Opportunity: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act</u> (IIJA) <u>Airport Terminal Program (ATP) Grants</u>

- Closing Date: January 15, 2026
- Description: The Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Aviation
   Administration (FAA) announces the opportunity to apply for approximately \$1
   billion in FY 2026 competitive funds for the Airport Terminal Program (ATP), made
   available under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA). The
   purpose of the ATP is to make annual grants available to eligible airports for
   airport terminal and airport-owned Airport Traffic Control Tower development
   projects that address the aging infrastructure of our nation's airports.
- Eligibility: City or township governments, Special district governments, County governments, State governments, others. Eligible applicants are those airport sponsors normally eligible for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) competitive grants as defined in 49 U.S.C. § 47115.

#### **FY 2026 National Infrastructure Investments**

- Closing Date: **February 24, 2026**
- Description: The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications for the fiscal year (FY) 2026 Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant program. The goal of the program is to fund projects that will have a significant local or regional impact and improve transportation infrastructure. BUILD grants will be awarded on a competitive basis, per statute, for planning or constructing surface transportation infrastructure projects that will improve safety; environmental sustainability; quality of life; mobility and community connectivity; economic competitiveness and opportunity including tourism; state of good repair; partnership and collaboration; and innovation.
- Eligibility: States and the District of Columbia, any territory or possession of the United States, a unit of local government, a public agency or publicly chartered

authority established by one or more States, a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function (including a port authority), A Federally recognized Indian Tribe or a consortium of such Indian Tribes, a transit agency, or a multi-State or multijurisdictional group of entities that are separately eligible.

### **Environmental Protection Agency**

### Fiscal Year 2026 Guidelines for Brownfield Cleanup Grants

- Closing Date: January 28, 2026
- Description: The Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization is announcing the availability of \$107 million dollars for approximately 36 cleanup grants. Cleanup Grants provide funding to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites owned by the applicant. The goal of the grant program is to clean up contaminated properties with the aim of facilitating their sustainable reuse.
- Eligibility: Local governments (county, borough, municipality, city, town, township, parish, local public authority (including any public housing agency)); school district, special district, intrastate district, council of governments, and any other agency or instrumentality of a multi-, regional, or intra-State or local government; nonprofit organization described in section 501(c)(3) of title 26 IRC and exempt from taxation under 501(a) of that title; limited liability corporation in which all managing members are 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations exempt from taxation under 501(a) of the IRC or limited liability corporations whose sole members are 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations exempt from taxation under 501(a) of the IRC; other nonprofit organizations; federally recognized Indian Tribes other than in Alaska; and redevelopment agency that is chartered or otherwise sanctioned by a State Regional Council established under governmental authority or another quasi-governmental entity.
- See Also: Fiscal Year 2026 Guidelines for Brownfield Multipurpose (MP) Grants;
   Fiscal Year 2026 Guidelines for Brownfield Assessments Grants (Assessment Coalition Grants);
   Fiscal Year 2026 Guidelines for Brownfield Assessment Grants
   (Community-wide Assessment Grants)

# **National Endowment for the Arts**

#### Fiscal Year 2027 NEA Grants for Arts Projects 1

- Closing Date: February 12, 2026
- Description: Grants for Arts Projects (GAP) provides project-based funding for organizations in the areas of Arts Education, Challenge America, Dance, Design & Our Town, Folk & Traditional Arts, Literary Arts, Local Arts Agencies, Museums, Music, Opera, Presenting & Multidisciplinary Works, Theater & Musical Theater, and Visual and Media Arts. Funded activities may include a wide range of arts projects described in the application guidelines. Awards require a 1:1 cost share. Applications are welcomed from first-time and returning applicants; from organizations serving rural, urban, suburban, and tribal communities of all sizes; and from organizations with a range of operating budgets.
- Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than
  institutions of higher education; public and state controlled institutions of higher
  education; independent school districts; state governments; special district
  governments; county governments; city or township governments; tribal
  organizations and governments. Funding is not available for individuals, fiscally
  sponsored entities, commercial/for-profit enterprises, state arts agencies (SAA),
  or regional arts organizations (RAO).

# **National Endowment for the Humanities**

### **National Digital Newspaper Program**

- Closing Date: January 15, 2026
- Description: The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Preservation and Access is accepting applications for the National Digital Newspaper Program. This program creates a national digital resource of historically significant newspapers published between 1690 and 1963 from all 56 states and U.S. jurisdictions. The Library of Congress (LOC) maintains this freely accessible, searchable online database.
- Eligibility: State 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; special district governments; private institutions of higher education; public and state controlled institutions of higher education; and city or township governments.

### **Rediscovering Our Revolutionary Tradition**

- Closing Date: January 15, 2026
- Description: The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) Division of Preservation and Access is accepting applications for the Rediscovering Our Revolutionary Tradition program. The purpose of this program is to preserve and improve access to primary source materials that document the history of America's founding era and of American government in federal, state, and local contexts. Supported activities include conservation treatment and rehousing, digitization and description, transcription and translation, and updating existing digital resources to ensure long-term public availability. This program is offered in honor of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 2026.
- Eligibility: State 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; special district governments; private institutions of higher education; public and state controlled institutions of higher education; and city or township governments.

### Fiscal Year 2026 Mayors' Institute on City Design (MICD)

- Closing Date: January 22, 2026
- Description: A partnership of the National Endowment for the Arts and the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the Mayors' Institute on City Design (MICD) convenes mayors and design experts to solve the most critical planning and design challenges facing their cities.
- Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; private institutions of higher education; public and state controlled institutions of higher education; independent school districts; state governments; county governments; special district governments; city or township governments; tribal organizations and governments.