

Grant Opportunities and Updates



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GRANT AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

For Faculty and Staff

FORECASTED OPPORTUNITY

Governor's School for the Arts



The Governor's School for the Arts (GSA) is a transformative, free-of-charge program for sophomore students interested in expanding their artistic talents and experiences. GSA provides students a unique opportunity to enhance and build artistic skills in creative writing, dance, digital literacy, instrumental music, painting and drawing, theater, and vocal performance. The program provides an inclusive community for all artists. Auditions and portfolios are reviewed by GSA faculty to determine program admittance.

The 2025 GSA was held June 22 to July 12 at West Virginia Wesleyan College. Applications to host the 2026 GSA are forecasted for release in January 2026. If interested, contact OSP to receive the Request for Proposals once it becomes available.

To learn more about this forecasted opportunity, [click here](#).

Want to improve your grant writing?

Consider attending the Essentials of Grant Writing Microcredential Course through the WV Grant Resource Center. The course will run from October 20 through December 14, 2025.



This course requires a one-time \$250 registration fee and purchase of the course textbook/ebook *The Only Grant-Writing Book You'll Ever Need* by Ellen Karsh and Arlen Sue Fox. Course topics include the following:

- Analyzing funding opportunities
- Creating grant checklists
- Writing project narratives
- Developing budgets and budget narratives
- Filling out application forms
- Developing complete application packages for submission

Participants who successfully complete the course will receive a certificate of completion and a digital badge. Registration will open soon, so follow WV Grant Resource Center's [Facebook](#) for updates.

NEW NOTICES

Community Collaboration

Giant Steps Foundation: Foundation Grants

Posted: September 11, 2025

Giant Steps Foundation (GSF) seeks to create a kinder, gentler, and healthier world for all living beings where humans treat animals and each other with respect, compassion, and love. This program emphasizes collaboration and compromise with all stakeholders that join GSF in taking risks, pushing for new solutions, and harnessing the transformative power of kindness, understanding, and cooperation. Focus areas include Helping Humans, Helping Animals; Protecting Rescued Animals; Defending Wild Animals; and Saving Farmed Animals.

Proposals Due: November 1, 2025

Funding Range: Unspecified

[Click here](#) for more information on application guidelines.

Health & Nursing

National Institutes of Health: NIA Expanding Research in AD/ADRD (ERA) Summer Research Education Program

Posted: September 11, 2025

The program invites applications to support the development and implementation of summer research education programs for high school students, undergraduates, or science teachers from all backgrounds, including those from groups underrepresented in the biomedical and behavioral sciences. It is essential to expand and broaden the skilled Alzheimer's Disease (AD) and Alzheimer's Disease Related Dementias (ADRD) research workforce and provide exposure to AD/ADRD research to individuals early in their careers. The proposed research education programs will support intensive summer research experiences in the AD/ADRD field with the goal of exposing participants to AD/ADRD research and encourage further study or participation in biomedical or behavioral research.

Proposals Due: May 26, 2027

Funding Range: Up to \$200,000

[Click here](#) for more information on application guidelines.

Humanities

National Endowment for the Humanities: National Digital Newspaper Program

Posted: September 11, 2025

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 jurisdictions. The Library of Congress maintains this freely accessible, searchable online database.

Proposals Due: January 15, 2026

Funding Range: Up to \$325,000

[Click here](#) for more information on application guidelines.

Justice

Department of Justice: OVW Fiscal Year 2025 Restorative Practices Pilot Sites Program

Posted: September 11, 2025

The Restorative Practices Pilot Sites Program is a 48-month funding opportunity seeking to support, strengthen, enhance, and expand existing restorative practice programs that prevent or address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. These practices should be community-based and unaffiliated with any civil or legal criminal processes, and meet the other requirements of restorative practices as defined in 34 U.S.C. § 12514(a)(3).

Proposals Due: October 14, 2025

Funding Range: \$900,000 to \$1M

[Click here](#) for more information on application guidelines.

Research

National Science Foundation: Smart Health and Biomedical Research in the Era of Artificial Intelligence and Advanced Data Science

Posted: September 11, 2025

The purpose of this program is to support the development of transformative high-risk, high-reward advances in computer and information science, engineering, mathematics, statistics, behavioral and/or cognitive research to address pressing questions in the biomedical and public health communities. Transformations hinge on scientific and engineering innovations by interdisciplinary teams that develop novel methods to intuitively and intelligently collect, sense, connect, analyze, and

interpret data from individuals, devices and systems to enable discovery and optimize health. Solutions to these complex biomedical or public health problems demand the formation of interdisciplinary teams that are ready to address these issues, while advancing fundamental science and engineering.

Proposals Due: October 3, 2025

Funding Range: Up to \$1.2M

[Click here](#) for more information on application guidelines.

STEM

National Science Foundation: Research Experiences for Teachers (RET) in Engineering and Computer Science

Posted: September 11, 2025

The RET program encourages the active participation of K-14 educators in ongoing engineering and/or computer science research activities through Site awards and Supplements. RET Sites and Supplements should focus on a reciprocal exchange of expertise between K-14 STEM educators and research faculty and/or industry mentors. K-14 STEM educators will enhance their scientific disciplinary knowledge in engineering or computer science. At the same time, the hosting research faculty will deepen their understanding of classroom practices, current curricula, pedagogy, and K-14 educational environments.

Proposals Due: October 8, 2025

Funding Range: \$5.8M

[Click here](#) for more information on application guidelines.

National Science Foundation: TestBed: Toward a Network of Programmable Cloud Laboratories (PCL Test Bed)

Posted: September 11, 2025

This program aims to address gaps in the ability of laboratories to explore artificial intelligence (AI) and to realize the potential of autonomous experimentation. PCL Test Bed seeks to establish and facilitate the operation of distributed autonomous laboratory facilities that combine technological and human capacity to enable integration, testing, evaluation, validation, and translation of cutting-edge technology solutions in automated science and engineering. This program will facilitate access to advanced scientific equipment, accelerate translation and scaling of basic research into industry applications, enhance reproducibility and the exchange of experimental data, and assist in training the next generation of scientists and engineers in state-of-the-art methodologies. This program will also support the development of automated laboratory methods, including self-driving autonomous experiment workflows.

Proposals Due: November 20, 2025

Funding Range: At least \$2M

[Click here](#) for more information on application guidelines.

National Science Foundation: Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Directorate for STEM Education (IUSE: EDU)

Posted: September 11, 2025

This program supports projects designed to contribute to a future in which all undergraduate students are fully engaged with their STEM learning. The IUSE: EDU program promotes (1) Engaged Student Learning, such as the development, testing, and use of teaching practices and curricular innovations that will engage students and improve learning, persistence, and retention in STEM, and (2) Institutional and Community Transformation, such as the transformation of colleges and universities to implement and sustain highly effective STEM teaching and learning.

Proposals Due: January 21, 2026

Funding Range: Varies

[Click here](#) for more information on application guidelines.

REMINDER NOTICES

Community Development

Appalachian Regional Commission: Partnerships for Opportunity and Workforce Economic Revitalization Initiative (POWER)

Posted: August 28, 2025

This program targets federal resources to expand economic opportunities for communities and regions affected by...[Read more](#)

Letters of Intent Due: September 12, 2025

Funding Range: Up to \$10M

Toyota: Toyota Effect Grants

Posted: August 28, 2025

Toyota seeks to expand access to opportunities that improve people's lives and create a culture of inclusion--strengthening the...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: October 1, 2025

Funding Range: Unspecified

West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture, and History: Survey and Planning Grants

Posted: August 28, 2025

This program is for conducting architectural/archaeological surveys, National Register nominations, predevelopment plans...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: December 1, 2025

Funding Range: Up to \$300,000

Appalachian Regional Commission: Appalachian Regional Initiative for Stronger Economies (ARISE)

Posted: August 28, 2025

This program is a multi-state initiative that aims to drive large-scale, regional economic transformation through collaborative...[Read more](#)

Pre-applications Due: December 5, 2025

Funding Range: Up to \$10M

The Kroger Co. Zero Hunger Zero Waste Foundation: Innovation Fund

Posted: August 28, 2025

This program is designed to provide strategic grant funding for solutions to end hunger and waste at national and local...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: Rolling

Funding Range: Unspecified

Humanities

The Teagle Foundation: Cornerstone: Learning for Living

Posted: August 28, 2025

This program aims to revitalize the role of the humanities...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: December 1, 2025

Funding Range: Up to \$300,000

Social & Behavioral Sciences

American Psychological Foundation: Division 56 CHANGE Grant

Posted: August 28, 2025

The Division 56 Cultivating Healing, Advocacy, Nonviolence, Growth, and Equity (CHANGE) Grant supports early graduate...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: October 9, 2025

Funding Range: \$20,000

American Psychological Foundation: John and Polly Sparks Grant for Rural First-Responders Mental Health Interventions

Posted: August 28, 2025

This program will fund evidence-based psychologist research and intervention in providing mental health training to...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: October 23, 2025

Funding Range: \$34,000

STEM

WV Research - STaR Division: Instrumentation Grant

Posted: August 14, 2025

This program provides for the purchase of modern instruments for advanced undergraduate laboratories and encourage...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: October 1, 2025

Funding Range: \$20,000

WV Research - STaR Division: Innovation Grant

Posted: August 14, 2025

This program provides for the purchase of modern instruments and supplies, and minor renovations of advanced undergraduate...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: October 1, 2025

Funding Range: \$40,000

Simons Foundation: Simons Collaborations in Mathematics and the Physical Sciences (MPS)

Posted: August 28, 2025

The aim of the Simons Collaborations in MPS program is to stimulate progress on fundamental scientific questions of major...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: October 29, 2025
Funding Range: Up to \$2M

Simons Foundation: Targeted Grants in Mathematics and Physical Sciences

Posted: August 28, 2025

This program is intended to support high-risk theoretical mathematics, physics, and computer science projects of exceptional...[Read more](#)

Proposals Due: Rolling
Funding Range: Unspecified

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