

## Grant Opportunities and Updates



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## GRANT AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

**For Faculty and Staff**

## FEATURED OPPORTUNITY



*Milan Puskar*  
— FOUNDATION —

## Milan Puskar Foundation: Foundation Grants

The Milan Puskar Foundation seeks to improve the quality of life in the State of West Virginia. Funding is available for organizations that exhibit one or more of the following characteristics:

- Provide health, training, and educational benefits to improve the quality of life within the state of West Virginia;
- Provide care for the homeless;
- Provide prevention, treatment, counseling and care services for those struggling with addiction;
- Support efforts to improve the current lives and future outlook for the youth in West Virginia.

A recent Fairmont State project funded by Milan Puskar Foundation was the College of Nursing's *Caring for Our Neighbors and Beyond--The Underserved Population* project, which enabled nursing faculty and students to provide health care services, such as screenings, referrals, educational resources, community-based health fairs, and hygiene and health promotion kits, to community members in need.

**Proposals Due:** September 30, 2025

**Funding Amount:** Up to \$200,000

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

## Free Summer Webinar Series

### **Making the Case for OER: Affordability, Access, and Impact**

Learn how to effectively advocate for OER at your institution, using key data points and framing open education as a tool for inclusion, student success, and pedagogical innovation.

**June 18, 2025**

Register to attend this free webinar [here](#).

### **Open Pedagogy Basics**

Discover how to involve students as co-creators of course content through open pedagogy. This session offers practical examples of student-created OER, non-disposable assignments, and collaborative learning projects.

**July 16, 2025**

Register to attend this free webinar [here](#).

## NEW NOTICES

# Community Development

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## **Teshinsky Family Foundation: Career Pathways Training Grant**

Posted: June 12, 2025

This program is dedicated to helping people develop skills to enter sustainable careers, leading to successful lives and personal liberty. The Career Pathways Training Grant aims to support direct service training programs for post-secondary career pathways that provide direct training aligned with career opportunities at no cost to participants, an employment pipeline in high-wage sustainable careers with growth potential, and support services to overcome hurdles known to impede job applicants. Career training areas include manufacturing such as fabrication, mechatronics, and robotics; building trades such as carpentry, masonry, and painting; and other fields in high demand industries.

**Letters of Inquiry Due:** June 23, 2025

**Funding Range:** \$25,000 to \$100,000

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

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## **Centene Foundation: Foundation Grants**

Posted: June 12, 2025

Centene Foundation is committed to the needs of those who rely on government-sponsored healthcare and to addressing drivers of health and health equity. Funding preference will be given to initiatives in three distinct areas of focus: healthcare, social services, and education.

**Proposals Due:** September 1, 2025

**Funding Range:** Up to \$500,000

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

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# Education

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## **Organization for Autism Research: Peer Education Grant**

Posted: June 12, 2025

This program provides support for projects that use the Organization for Autism Research's peer education materials to increase autism awareness and acceptance. Example projects include awareness campaigns, workshops, and presentations. Teachers, administrators, parents, youth group organizers, and autism professionals interested in organizing an autism awareness initiative at a school or other community-based organization may apply.

**Proposals Due:** June 30, 2025  
**Funding Range:** Up to \$10,000

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

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## Humanities

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### **National Endowment for the Humanities: Public Impact Projects Celebrating America's 250th Anniversary**

Posted: June 12, 2025

This program supports cultural organizations in creating and developing scholarship-based public programs that celebrate the people, events, ideas, and legacies related to the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

**Proposals Due:** July 9, 2025  
**Funding Range:** Up to \$200,000

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### **Department of State: U.S. Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation Grants Program**

Posted: June 12, 2025

This program helps protect historic buildings, archaeological sites, museum collections, and traditional cultural expressions like indigenous languages and crafts around the world. Program availability and application deadlines vary from country to country.

**Proposals Due:** September 30, 2025  
**Funding Range:** \$25,000 to \$500,000

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

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## International Opportunity

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### **Department of State: Cross Border University Partnerships**

Posted: June 12, 2025

This program invites proposals that strengthen the cultural ties between the U.S. and Côte d'Ivoire through cultural and exchange programming that highlights common values and promotes bilateral cooperation. All programs must include an American cultural element or connection with American

experts, organizations, or institutions in a specific field that will promote increased understanding of U.S. policy and perspectives.

**Proposals Due:** July 4, 2025

**Funding Range:** \$25,000 to \$75,000

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### **Department of State: U.S. Embassy Burkina Faso PDS Annual Program Statement**

Posted: June 12, 2025

This program invites proposals that strengthen the cultural ties between the U.S. and Burkina Faso through cultural and exchange programming that highlights common values and promotes bilateral cooperation. All programs must include an American cultural element or connection with American experts, organizations, or institutions in a specific field that will promote increased understanding of U.S. policy and perspectives.

**Proposals Due:** July 25, 2025

**Funding Range:** \$1,000 to \$25,000

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## **Justice**

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### **Department of State: OVW FY25 Grants to Reduce Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking on Campus Program**

Posted: June 12, 2025

This program provides funding to institutions of higher education to develop and strengthen effective security and investigation strategies to (1) combat domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking on campus, (2) develop and strengthen victim services in cases involving such crimes on campus, and (3) develop and strengthen prevention education and awareness programs.

**Proposals Due:** July 8, 2025

**Funding Range:** \$375,000 to \$400,000

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

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## **STEM**

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### **National Science Foundation: Centers of Research Excellence in**

## Science and Technology - Research Infrastructure for Science and Engineering (CREST-RISE)

Posted: June 12, 2025

This CREST-RISE program supports the expansion of institutional research capacity by increasing the strength of institutional graduate programs and the successful production of research doctoral students, especially those from groups underrepresented in STEM. Proposals in all NSF supported areas as well as areas of national interest, such as artificial intelligence, data science and analytics, and cybersecurity, are encouraged. The goals of CREST-RISE are to increase: 1) the number of STEM research doctoral programs at Minority-Serving Institutions (MSIs), 2) the number of STEM research doctoral students graduating from MSIs, and 3) institutional research capacity to increase doctoral students' graduation rates. To achieve these goals, the CREST-RISE program includes three tracks:

- Doctoral Programs Support Initiative
- Research Advancement and Development
- Equipment & Instrumentation

**Proposals Due:** August 1, 2025

**Funding Range:** \$100,000 to \$2M

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

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## Veterans

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### Department of Veterans Affairs: Legal Services for Homeless Veterans and Veterans At-Risk for Homelessness (LSV-H) Grant Program

Posted: June 12, 2025

This program's purpose is to award legal services grants to eligible public or non-profit private entities who will provide legal services to eligible veterans who are homeless or at risk for homelessness. Proposed projects should address needs including legal services related to housing; family law; income support; access to healthcare; requests to upgrade military discharge or dismissal; employment law; and consumer law, such as financial services, debt collection, garnishments, usury, fraud, and financial exploitation.

**Proposals Due:** July 4, 2025

**Funding Range:** Up to \$500,000

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## REMINDER NOTICES

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# Education

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## **Believe in Reading: Funding for Reading and Literacy Programs**

Posted: March 27, 2025

Believe in Reading funds programs dedicated to the teaching and encouragement of reading for all ages...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** Rolling  
**Funding Range:** Up to \$3,000

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# Health & Nursing

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## **National Institutes of Health: Cutting-Edge Basic Research Awards (CEBRA)**

Posted: April 10, 2025

This award is designed to foster highly innovative or conceptually creative research related to...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** August 11, 2027  
**Funding Range:** Up to \$150,000

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# Humanities

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## **Andrew W. Mellon Foundation: Higher Learning**

Posted: April 24, 2025

Mellon makes grants through its Higher Learning program that broaden our understanding of American history and culture; develop the...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** Rolling  
**Funding Range:** Up to \$1M

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# International Opportunity

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## **Department of State: U.S. Embassy KL PAS 2025 Annual Program Statement**

Posted: April 24, 2025

This program seeks proposals for projects that strengthen the ties between the U.S. and Malaysia through programming that promotes...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** August 31, 2025  
**Funding Range:** \$5,000 to \$99,000

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## Research

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### **National Science Foundation: Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER)**

Posted: May 15, 2025

This program is in support of early-career faculty who have the potential to serve as academic role models in research and education and...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** July 23, 2025  
**Funding Range:** \$400,000

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### **Angelman Syndrome Foundation: Foundation Grants**

Posted: April 10, 2025

This Angelman Syndrome Foundation aims to advance the awareness and treatment of Angelman syndrome (AS) through education and information, research, and...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** August 15, 2025  
**Funding Range:** Up to \$100,000

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### **Department of Defense: FY26 Multidisciplinary Research Program of University Research Initiative (MURI)**

Posted: April 24, 2025

The Defense Department's MURI program addresses high-risk basic research and attempts to understand or achieve something...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** September 5, 2025  
**Funding Range:** Up to \$7.5M

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### **National Science Foundation: The Research on Research Security Program**

Posted: April 24, 2025

This program seeks projects that will foster a broad community that builds collaborations between the STEM research community...[Read more](#)



**Proposals Due:** Rolling  
**Funding Range:** Unspecified

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## **Social & Behavioral Sciences**

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### **American Psychological Foundation: Psychology of Antisemitism Grant**

Posted: April 24, 2025

The Psychology of Antisemitism Grant supports annual grants to applicants who design, develop, or implement programs or research...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** September 4, 2025

**Funding Range:** \$7,000

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## **STEM**

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### **Department of Defense: FY25 Department of the Navy STEM Education and Workforce Program**

Posted: March 6, 2025

This funding supports STEM education and program activities vital to the Department of the Navy including STEM education activities...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** August 29, 2025

**Funding Range:** \$50,000 to \$600,000

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### **National Science Foundation: Education and Broadening Participation in Earth Sciences**

Posted: April 24, 2025

This program facilitates activities that engage a wide range of audiences in Earth Sciences research efforts including...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** Rolling

**Funding Range:** Unspecified

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### **National Science Foundation: Mind, Machine, and Motor Nexus**

Posted: April 24, 2025

The Mind, Machine, and Motor Nexus (M3X) program supports fundamental research that enables intelligent engineering...[Read more](#)

**Proposals Due:** Rolling

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