

CALS Funding Opportunities August 7, 2017

USDA NIFA Announces I-FAST Prize Competition

The USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture announced a \$400,000 prize competition to identify valuable product opportunities that can emerge from NIFA supported academic research. Selected USDA NIFA I-FAST project teams will have the opportunity to concurrently participate in the educational programs with NSF I-Corps awardees. Pre-applications are due Sept. 8. [More](#)

EPA Nutrient Sensor Action Challenge

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and partners seek demonstrations of the effective use of low-cost sensors and innovative partnerships to pilot the sensors and data management, and show how collected data and information can be used in state and local decision-making. In Stage 1 of the competition, teams submit action plans describing an approach for sensor deployment and use and how they will meet challenge goals. The top Stage 1 entries receive cash prizes totaling \$50,000 and will be invited to participate in Stage 2. Stage 1 applications are due by Sept. 20. [More](#)

USDA NIFA Virtual Listening Session for Capacity Building Grants

The USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture is seeking stakeholder input regarding capacity building grants for the following programs: Non-Land-Grant Colleges of Agriculture; Secondary Education, Two-Year Postsecondary Education and Agriculture in the K-12 Classroom Challenge Grants; Women and Minorities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Fields; and Higher Education Challenge Grants. NIFA is particularly interested in achieving the most impact and identifying suggested priorities in these programs. A virtual listening session will be held on Aug. 15 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Central time. Written comments will be accepted until 4 p.m. [More](#)

Funding Information, Opportunities and Deadline Reminders

Dates listed are application deadlines. Contact: Roxanne Clemens, rclemens@iastate.edu

Additional information is posted at [CALs Pre-Award Resources](#).

Aug. 28 (internal pre-proposals): NSF Innovations in Graduate Education Program, two proposals per institution, contact Sue Shipitalo (sueship@iastate.edu) for submission guidelines. [More](#)

Aug. 28 (limited submission): USAID GDL Center for Digital Development; \$75 million, increase use of and access to digital financial services and use of data for strategic planning and adaptive programming within USAID, one submission per institution, contact Sue Shipitalo (sueship@iastate.edu) to express interest. [More](#)

Sept. 15: IBM World Community Grid Climate-Change Related Projects; in-kind grants of crowdsourced computing power, weather data and cloud storage valued up to \$40 million per project. [More](#)

Oct. 16, Feb. 16: NIH Ethical, Legal and Social Implications of Genomics Research Small Research Grant Program (R03). [More](#)

Oct. 16, Feb. 16: NIH Small Grants on Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases (R03). [More](#)

✓ Oct. 19 (pre-proposals): NCR-SARE Research and Education Program. [More](#)

✓ Oct. 26: NCR-SARE Partnership Grant Program; \$30,000. [More](#)

Nov. 1: NSF SBE Postdoctoral Research Fellowships. [More](#)