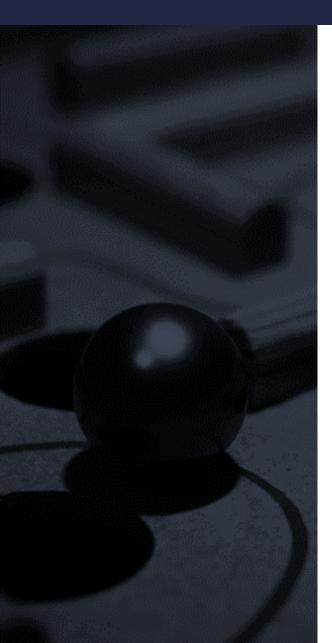


## WEBINAR LOGISTICS



**RUNTIME** 



~45 minutes

Q&A



Feel free to chime in or use the chat.

RECORDING & SLIDES



A copy of the recording, including today's slides will be available after the session.

## YOUR PRESENTER TODAY



### Hanover Role

Provides strategic guidance and project management, and training support to Hanover's higher education grants partners

- > 15 Years in Grants Management
- Joined Hanover in 2012
- BAs in Economics and International Relations from American University

### SPECIALIZES IN

- ✓ Grants prospecting research
- ✓ Proposal support and project management
- ✓ Grants training support

### On a personal note, when not working I'm...



On the field: Playing soccer for 30+ years

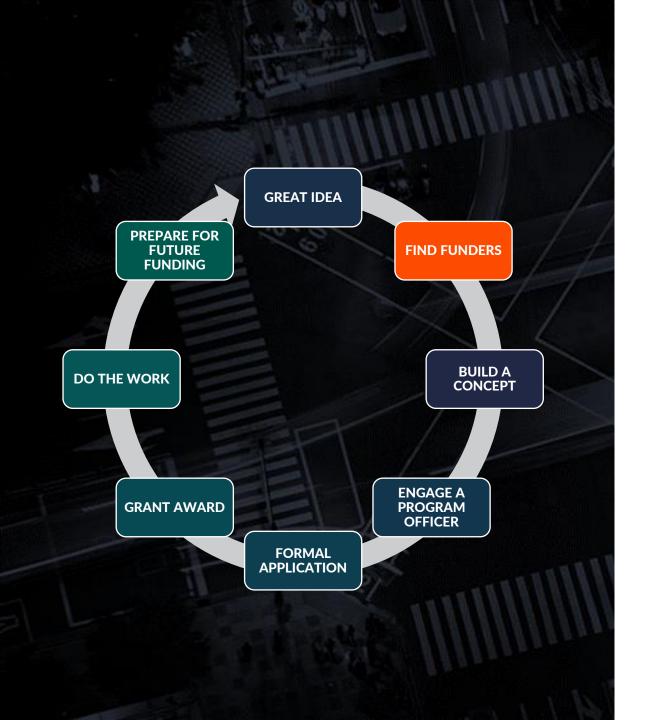


In the kitchen: Aspiring amateur chef



On the mountain: Most likely hiking or skiing





## **HOW GRANTS WORK**



## The grant funding process: from idea to implementation.

- 1. Start with a great idea.
- 2. Find funders who are interested in the idea.
- 3. Build a solid project concept aligned with funder goals.
- 4. Sell the concept to funders.
- 5. Complete the formal application process.
- 6. Receive a grant award.
- 7. Do the work.
- 8. Prepare for future funding.

This process varies across funder types.

## SESSION LEARNING OBJECTIVES



- 1. Learn about the art of prospecting
- Identify different resources to find funding opportunities
- 3. Develop strategies for evaluating opportunities for fit







### WHO WILL FUND YOUR WORK?

#### **GOOD PROSPECTIVE FUNDERS HAVE:**

- ✓ A mission that aligns with your mission
- ✓ A history of funding similar or related projects
- ✓ Stated **priorities** that encompass your project area
- ✓ No restrictions that would preclude funding your project





### WHO IS FUNDING SIMILAR WORK?

- Use multiple databases and search tools.
- Search for keywords that relate to your mission and project.
- Search by funder type, funding type, and funding region.
- Note funding restrictions.
- Note typical funding amounts.
- Note key deadlines and other time constraints.

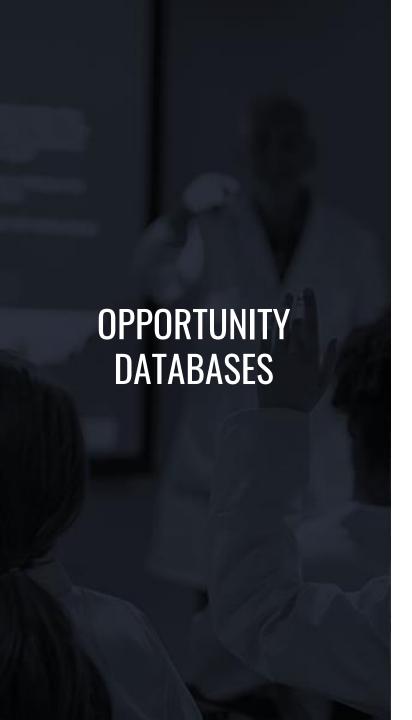
**KEEP A LIST** 

## WHAT KINDS OF PROJECTS ARE FUNDABLE?

- Take note of what types of projects actually get grant funding and at what levels.
  - Different levels of funding for different types and stages of work.
- Some ideas and funding needs are not realistic candidates for external grants. Common challenges:
  - General support
  - Equipment grants with no programmatic tie-in
  - o "Planning"
- Don't waste time searching for prospects that don't exist.







## Government grants databases provide vast datasets on federal giving history and grant competition announcements

TIPS

- Put search terms in "quotes"
- Check off closed and/or expired opportunities in your search (Grants.gov)
- Export the raw data and reduce it to key data points in your own spreadsheet

# **GRANTS.GOV IS A KEY** RESOURCE FOR **LEARNING ABOUT FEDERAL GRANT COMPETITIONS**

**BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:** 

**OPPORTUNITY STATUS:** 

**FUNDING INSTRUMENT TYPE:** 

All Funding Instruments

Cooperative Agreement (98)

Procurement Contract (1)

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Keyword(s):

Opportunity Number:
Assistance Listings:

Forecasted (46)

Archived (2,476)

**ELIGIBILITY:** 

✓ All Eligibilities

Posted (117)

Closed (373)

### OPPORTUNITY DATABASES

### WWW.GRANTS.GOV

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HHS-2025-ACF-OHS- HC-0166	National Center on Parent, Family and Community Engagement	нн	S-ACF-OHS		Forecasted		07/30/2024	
SI-INDUSTRY-DAY	Solomon Islands Threshold Program Industry Day	МС	С		Forecasted		02/10/2021	
F24AS00365	F24AS00365 Wisconsin Headwaters to Coast Initiative	DO	-FWS		Posted		07/02/2024	09/3
24-565	NSF Regional Innovation Engines	NSI			Posted		04/17/2024	02/1
21-595	Tribal Colleges and Universities Program	NSI	=		Posted		06/24/2021	10/
95332419N0001	Partnerships with MCC Program	МС	С		Posted		03/26/2019	03/3
RFI-671-21-YOUTH	USAID/Tanzania Cross-Sectoral Empowerment Activity	USA	AID-TAN		Forecasted		10/04/2021	
EPA-I-OLEM-OBLR-24- 10	FY25 GUIDELINES FOR BROWNFIELD REVOLVING LOAN FUND GRANTS	EPA			Posted		09/03/2024	11/1
PRM-A-NOI-01	Notice of Intent to Publish a Request for Concept Notes Announcement on Capacity Development for the Reception & Placement Program	DO	S-PRM		Forecasted		04/21/2022	
HQ003423NFOEASD07	Legacy Resource Management Program	DO	D-WHS		Posted		06/21/2023	06/2
NANH-FY25	Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services (2025)	IML	S		Posted		08/15/2024	11/:
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## **GRANTS.GOV ALERTS**



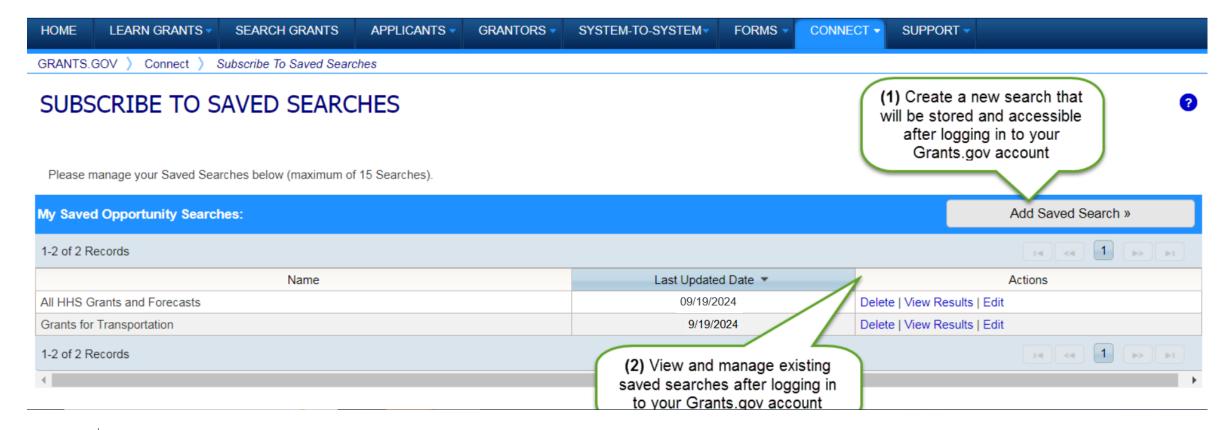


https://www.grants.gov/connect

## FEDERAL TOOLS AND RESOURCES — GRANTS.GOV

### **Subscribe to Saved Searches**

If you would like to subscribe to receive email notifications about grant opportunities associated with specific search criteria, such as funding instrument type, eligibility, and subagency, you may use the **Subscribe to Saved Searches** page. After creating a saved search, you may view the search results or modify the saved search in the **Actions** column.





## SAMHSA GRANTS & GRANTS FORECAST

## Grants Grants Dashboard How to Apply for a SAMHSA Grant Grant Review Process **Grants Oversight Grants Management** Continuation Grants **Block Grants GPRA Measurement Tools** Contact Information **Grants Glossary** Grant Awards Archive Grant Awards By State **Grants Training Materials**

### **Grants**

Reminder: Federal financial assistance award recipients are a crucial part of safeguarding Federal funds and maintaining a secure cyber environment. Check out this <u>Grants.gov blog post</u> C to learn more.

Note: A significant change has been made to the registration process for the System for Award Management (SAM). Please refer to the FAQs on the SAM website.



#### **Grant Announcements**

SAMHSA announces grant funding opportunities through Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs). Each NOFO contains all the information you need to apply for a grant. To apply for a SAMHSA grant, you must register on <u>Grants.gov</u>.

- » View all Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Grant Announcements
- » View FY 2025 NOFO Forecasts
- » View SAMHSA's Grants Dashboard





### **Applying for a New Grant**

These resources will help you find and apply for funding opportunities. <u>Visit "Applying for a New SAMHSA Grant" to learn more</u>.

- » Training Events for Applicants
- » <u>Registration Requirements</u>
- » Submitting Your Application
- » Application Forms and Resources
- » <u>Guidelines for Consumer and Family</u> <u>Participation</u>

#### **Grants Management**



#### **Explore This Section**

- » Block Grants
- » GPRA Measurement Tools
- » Grants Glossary

#### **Grant Awards**

- » Complete List of Grant Awards
- » Grant Awards by State
- » SAMHSA Grant Awards Archive

#### SAMHSA Grant-Related Contact Information

#### Grant Announcement Questions?

Contact the person(s) listed under "Agency Contact" in the Notice of Funding





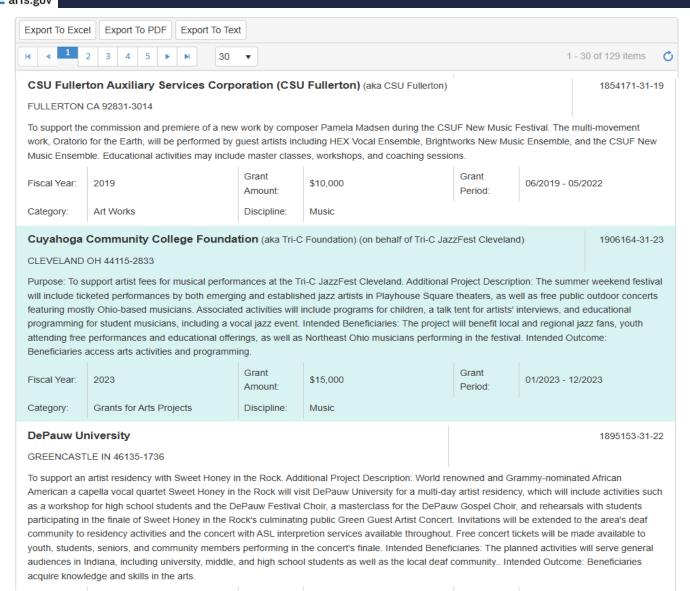
Funder-maintained grant databases are almost always more detailed and current than external sources tracking grants.

TIPS

- Not all federal agencies maintain their own user-friendly databases.
- Review project abstracts to identify approaches taken by successful grantseekers.



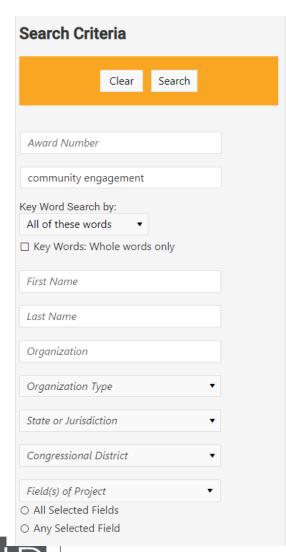
### NEA AWARD SEARCH

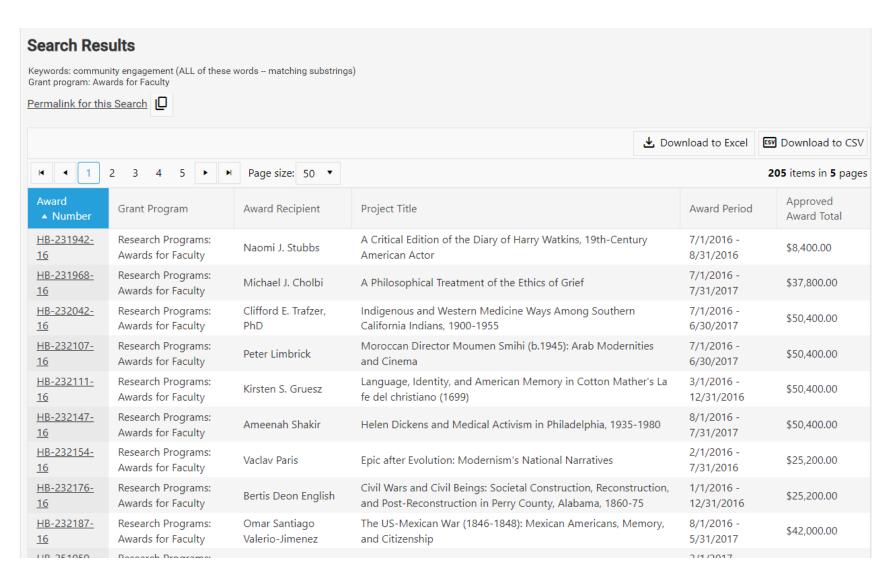






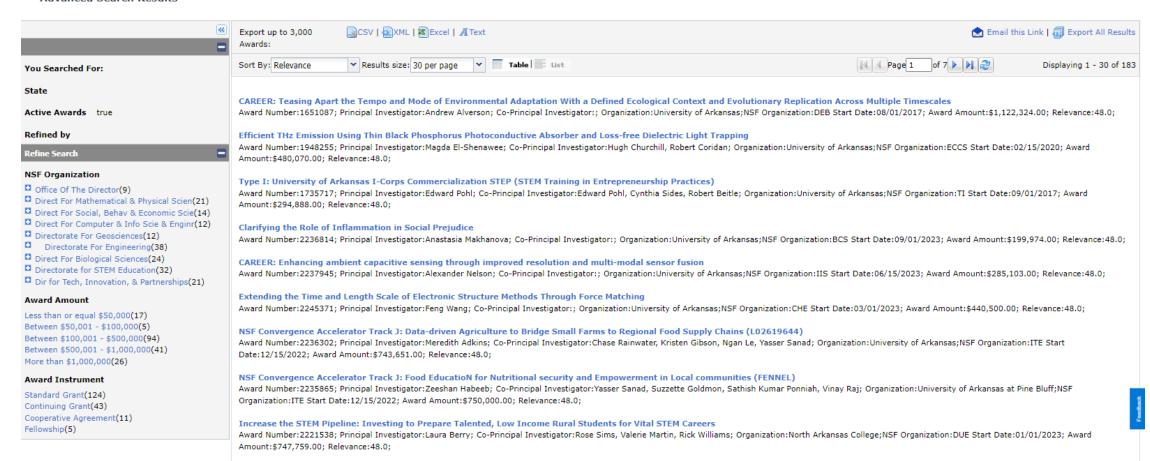
## NEH AWARD SEARCH





### **NSF AWARD SEARCH**

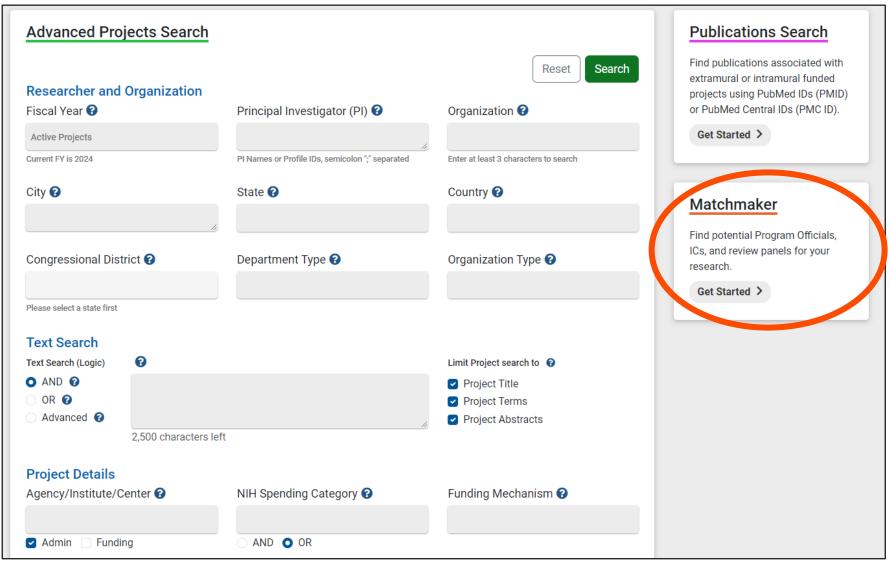
#### **Advanced Search Results**



CAREER: Cold plasma intensified perovskite membrane technology for CO2 utilization



## NIH REPORTER





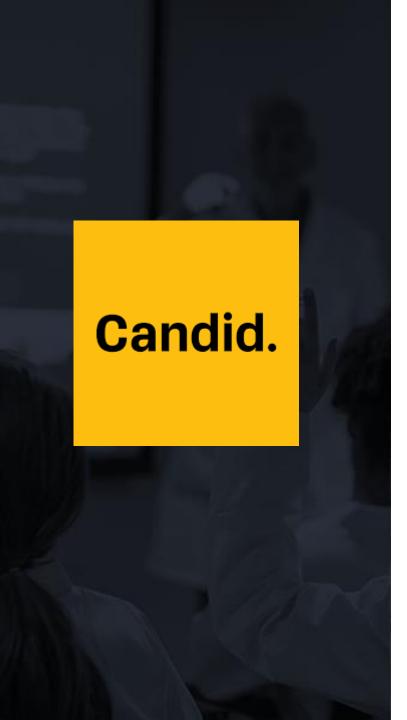
**GRANTS** 

### **NIH MATCHMAKER**

## "Rural telehealth intervention focused on mental health promotion"







### FOUNDATION AND PRIVATE DATABASES

Foundation grant databases catalog the grants awarded by foundations and collect background info on funders.

**TIPS** 

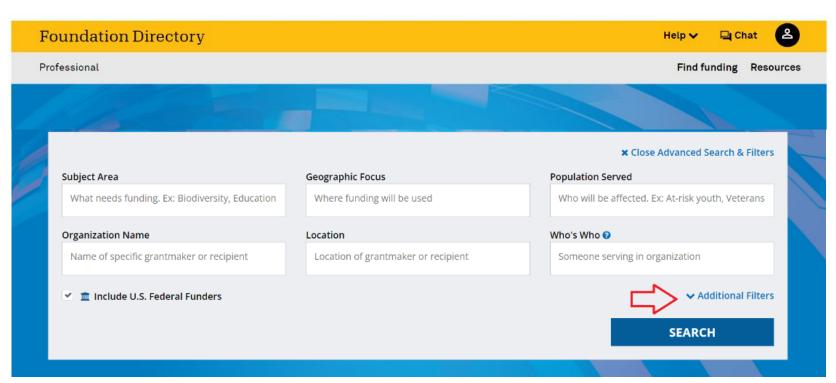
- Large national foundations are more likely to maintain their own giving databases than small foundations.
- Focus first on its grantmaking history.
- Look for as many indicators of strong fit as possible.
- "Recent" award data is not always reflective of current funder priorities.



## FOUNDATION AWARD DATABASES

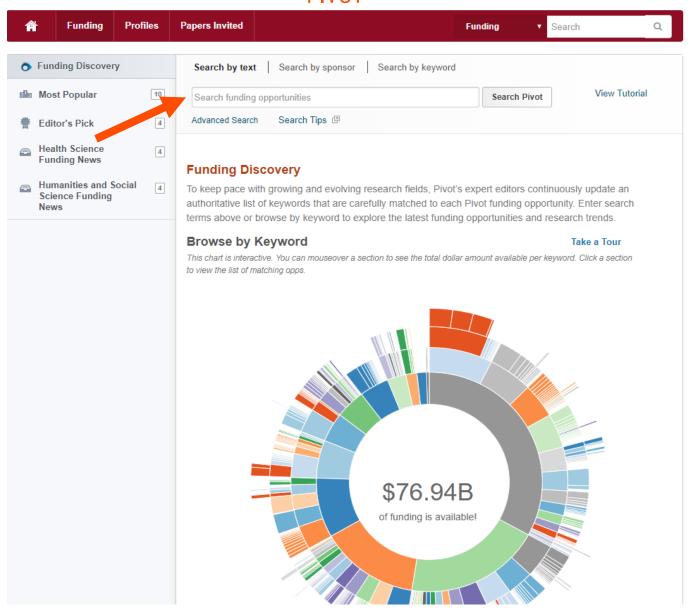
FOUNDATION DIRECTORY

<u>Foundation Directory Online</u> has a flexible and powerful search interface.



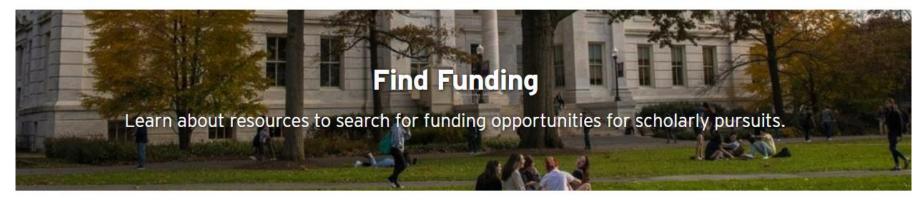
## PIVOT (NOW OWNED BY PROQUEST) OFFERS **THE LARGEST AVAILABLE** INTERNATIONAL **FUNDING DATABASE ACROSS ALL NATIONAL FUNDERS AND MAJOR** INTERNATIONAL **FOUNDATIONS**

## OPPORTUNITY DATABASES



## AMERICAN UNIVERSITY TOOLS AND RESOURCES

Home > Find Funding





#### Who To Contact

Locate who to contact in units and central administration for sponsored programs activities.



#### Log In to Cayuse

Log in to the Cayuse platform.

**Funding Opportunities** 

Possible Funding Opportunities Curated in Pivot

Grants Calendar Early Career Research

CTRL Funding for Research

**Limited Submissions** 

Diversity and Inclusion (Antiracist Curriculum Development Grant Application) **Funding Resources** 

**Locating Funding Opportunities** 

Search Tools

Pivot

Foundation Directory Online

ProFellow



## OTHER TOOLS AND RESOURCES — SEARCH ENGINES

Periodically use search engines (and institutional compilations) to explore other opportunities.

- Grants in the Social Sciences and Humanities (Northeastern)
- Public Health Reference: Funding for Research (George Washington University)
- International Grants and Fellowships in Biomedical and Behavioral Research (Fogarty International Center)
- Sociology Funders/Fellowships (NYU)
- Research Funding in Social and Behavioral Science (Stony Brook)
- Humanities Funding Resources A to Z (William & Mary)



## OTHER TOOLS AND RESOURCES — YOUR NETWORK

## Your network can be another important information source:

- Superiors/Mentors
- Peers
- CVs & Acknowledgements Sections of Papers
- Conferences
- Contacts at peer institutions and other partners





## GATHER PROSPECT INFORMATION

- ✓ Funder type and mission
- ✓ Eligibility restrictions
- ✓ Allowable costs/activities
- ✓ Award information
- Relevant grantmaking history
- ✓ Key contacts, staff and trustee names and profiles

- ✓ Funding process (e.g., eligibility, timing, amounts, requirements)
- ✓ Indicators of competitiveness
- ✓ Opportunities for connection and communication



## **RFPs**

If you keep clicking through prospecting resources, you'll eventually find...

- Request for Proposals (RFP)
- Request for Applications (RFA)
- Notice Inviting Applications (NIA)
- Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
- Program Announcements
- Program Solicitations

These documents detail the parameters of the competition.



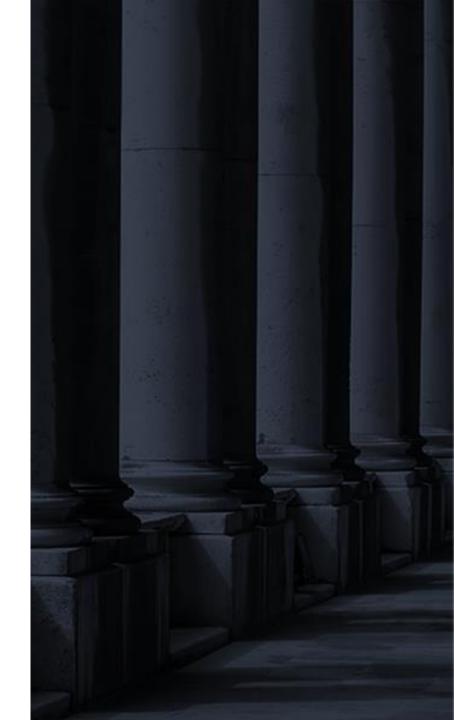
## KEY ELEMENTS OF RFPs

- Eligibility
  - Type of Awardee
  - Geographic Limitations
- Funding Amount
- Project Period
- Program Goals / Metrics
- Submission Instructions
- Narrative Elements / Scoring Rubric
- Review Process / Audience
- Budget Stipulations
- Additional Resources
  - Application Packages
  - Previous Awards Databases
  - References Cited
  - Points of Contact (i.e. Program Officers)



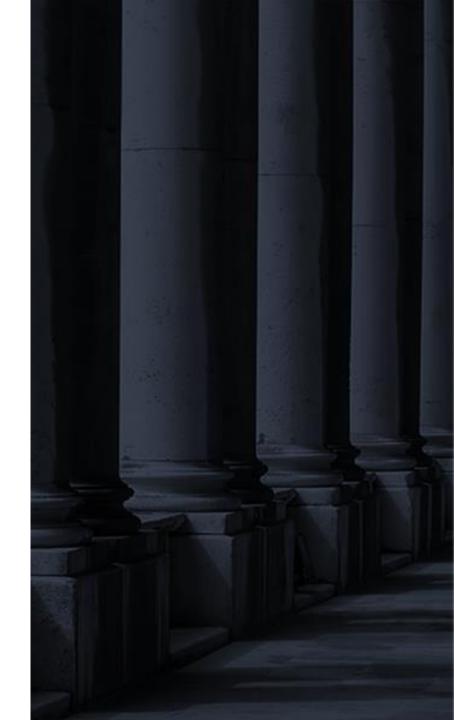
## WHAT MAKES A GOOD GOVERNMENT PROSPECT?

- ☐ Does the program **align with the goals** of my project?
- Does the program support activities I plan to pursue in my project?
- Does the program grant enough funding to support my project?
- ☐ Is there evidence of past support to projects similar to mine?
- ☐ Is the opportunity well-suited to the **stage of my** research?
- ☐ Has the **program officer confirmed alignment** with the program's goals?



## WHAT MAKES A GOOD PRIVATE PROSPECT?

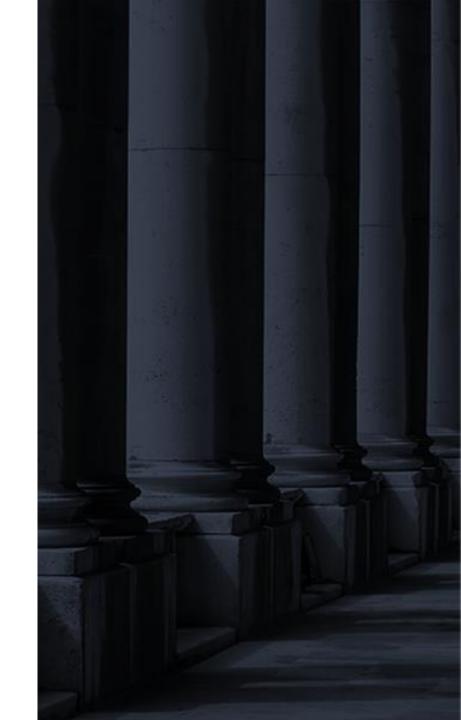
- ☐ Are your mission and the funder's mission well-aligned?
- What is the long-term potential of the relationship?
- ☐ How **challenging** will it be to develop a relationship with the funder?
- Is there evidence of past support of projects like mine?
- Are there **existing connections** I can leverage through my colleagues or through my institution to cultivate a relationship of my own?



## WHO IS THE IDEAL GRANTEE?

Gain an understanding of the ideal grantee from the funder's perspective and do everything you can to match that profile.

- Who is your competition?
- In a perfect world, which organizations does the funder want to support?
- What resources, history, expertise, partnerships, and strategic positioning does the ideal grantee have?
- What distinguishes your organization as an exceptional candidate against the field?

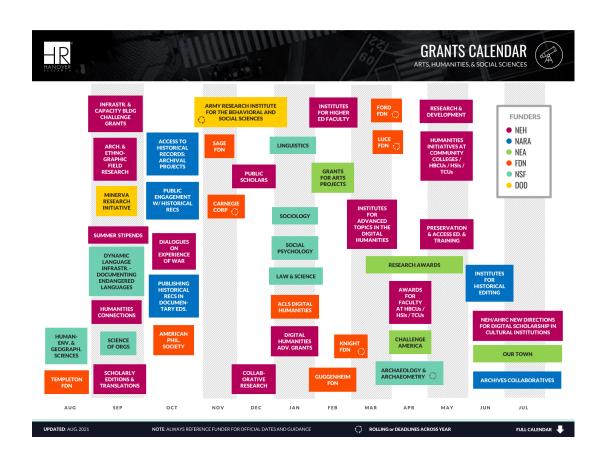


## CAST A WIDE NET

- Understand the different components of your project and how each could be positioned towards different funders.
  - Giving priorities
  - Allowable activities
  - Grant amounts
- Demonstrating wide support for a project is a selling point to prospects.
- Show funders you're already thinking of what to do when they're out of the picture.



## HANOVER'S EMAIL ALERTS





### **GRANTS WEBINARS**

Get notified of upcoming grants webinars to strengthen grantsmanship skills and deepen the knowledge of funding mechanisms.



### **GRANT ALERTS & PROJECTIONS**

Get notifications of new funding opportunities in select areas.



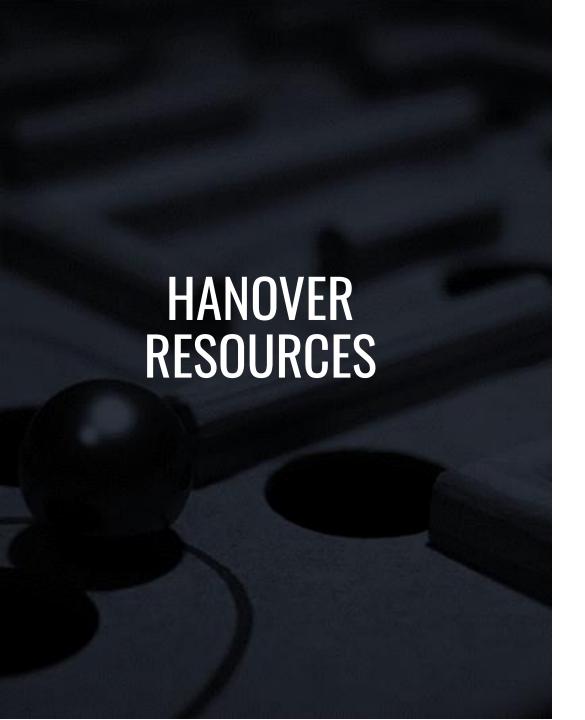
### FUNDING CALENDARS

Receive email updates twice a month on funding calendars on a variety of rotating topics.

### **CLICK** to subscribe:

**Hanover Grant Alerts** 



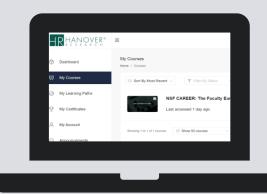


### **Past Hanover Webinars:**

- ✓ Non-Federal Research Funding Landscape
- ✓ Funding Landscape for Early Career Researchers
- ✓ Grant-seeking for Mid-Career Faculty
- ✓ Breaking Into Mission-Driven Funders
- Engaging Collaborators to Enhance Your Proposal
- Building Strong Grant Collaborations
- ✓ <u>Talking to POs: Why, How, and Yes, You</u> Should Do It



## GRANTS LEARNING CENTER



 Build your own grantseeking capacity with flexible training for faculty Hanover's **Grants Learning Center** offers on-demand grantsmanship training designed specifically for higher education professionals. Online training, resources, and tools can be accessed at anytime from anywhere.

**KEY FEATURES** 



**Agency-specific** federal funding support (for NIH R-series mechanisms & NSF CAREER)



**Self-paced** modules with step-by-step guidance to develop compelling proposals



**Interactive** exercises, videos, and resources to navigate the process



Register at https://glc.hanoverresearch.com/register with referral code: Utes

## HANOVER FACULTY PROPOSAL SUPPORT



### PROPOSAL REVIEW ~2 WEEKS

- Review the proposal narrative for alignment with funding opportunity announcement;
- Make specific recommendations using margin comments and/or produce a memo outlining high-level recommendations; and
- Debrief via teleconference.



## PROPOSAL REVISION

- Review the proposal narrative for alignment with funding opportunity announcement;
- Make specific recommendations using margin comments and/or produce a memo outlining high-level recommendations;
- Track changes to suggest revision to the proposal narrative;
- Track changes to focus on achieving clarity and effective use of language, which include addressing punctuation and grammar; and
- Debrief via teleconference.



## STRATEGIC CONSULT

~1 WFFK

- Consultation to ensure alignment with funding mechanism and to evaluate key concerns relating to project competitiveness.
- Hanover support can include concept paper/specific aims review, guidance on fit and competitiveness with funding mechanisms, and consultation call to support proposal planning.





