

# Finding Funding

*Locating Sponsors for Your Research*

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# Some Helpful Resources...

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- VT Resources: [www.research.vt.edu](http://www.research.vt.edu)

\*Faculty Shortcut Page\*Limited Submissions\*Opportunity Update\*Grant Writing Workshops

- OSP Awards Database: [www.osp.vt.edu](http://www.osp.vt.edu)

\*Awards Statistics Web site\*Sign in\*Search Summary of Awards by Year: Dept/Sponsor/PI

- Community of Science: [www.COS.com](http://www.COS.com)

\*Funding Opportunities\*Search COS Funding Opportunities\*Main Search

\*COS Expertise                    \*COS Workbench\*Log on to COS Workbench\*Join



- Federal Sources: [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov)

(Will become the standard portal for electronic submission of proposals to all federal agencies)

- Private Foundations: [www.fconline.fdncenter.org/ip\\_login.pl](http://www.fconline.fdncenter.org/ip_login.pl)

Remote: [www.vt.edu](http://www.vt.edu) \*Libraries\*Find (enter "Foundation Directory Online," then click on link)

*\*links to follow*



# Key NSF web pages:

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- <http://nsf.gov/funding/> Funding opportunities by Directorate, with an alphabetical index of grant programs
- [http://nsf.gov/funding/pgm\\_list.jsp?org=NSF&ord=rcn](http://nsf.gov/funding/pgm_list.jsp?org=NSF&ord=rcn) Active funding opportunities, recently announced. Often reflect current NSF priorities
- <http://nsf.gov/awardsearch/> Awards database, searchable by research theme, PI's, or institution
- <http://nsf.gov/funding/> Grant Proposal Guide. Detailed instruction on writing and submitting your proposal
- <http://nsf.gov/funding/preparing/faq/index.jsp?org=NSF> FAQ's on the Grant Proposal Guide





# Best NIH Web Portal:

[www.grants.nih.gov/grants/oer.htm](http://www.grants.nih.gov/grants/oer.htm)

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services [www.hhs.gov](http://www.hhs.gov)

Office of Extramural Research  
National Institutes of Health

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- [Types of Grant Programs](#)
- [How to Apply](#)
- [Peer Review Process](#)
- [Award Management](#)
- [NIH Financial Operations \(w/Funding Strategies\)](#)
- [Award Information & Data](#)

**Electronic Grants**

- [Electronic Research Admin \(eRA Commons\)](#)
- [Applying Electronically](#)

### Grants Policy

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- [Intellectual Property](#)
- [Invention Reporting \(iEdison\)](#)

### Funding

**Funding Opportunities**

Search Funding Opportunities:  
*NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts*

- [Funding Opportunities \(RFAs, PAs\) & Notices](#)
- [Unsolicited Applications \(Parent Announcements\)](#)

- [Research Training & Career Development](#)
- [Small Business \(SBIR/STTR\)](#)
- [Contract Opportunities](#)

### Forms & Deadlines

- [Forms & Applications](#)
- [Submission Dates / Deadlines](#)
- [Submitting Your Application](#)

**NIH-Wide Initiatives**

- [New Investigators Program](#)
- [Multiple Principal Investigators](#)
- [Genome-Wide Association Studies \(GWAS\)](#)
- [NIH Roadmap for Medical Research](#)
- [NIH Blueprint for Neuroscience Research](#)

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### News & Events

**News Flashes**

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[OER Grants Web Site Redesign](#) to provide a new look and feel with new and updated content.

[More News...](#)

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**Get Connected**

- [NIH Extramural Nexus](#)
- [NIH Guide LISTSERV](#)
- [SBIR/STTR LISTSERV](#)
- [Animal Welfare \(OLAW\) LISTSERV](#)
- [eSubmission News](#)

### Workshops & Seminars

[NIH Regional Seminar on Program Funding and Grants Administration](#)

- San Antonio, TX (3/08)
- Chicago, IL (6/08)

[More Workshop Info...](#)

### Selected Policy Notices

[Policy for Sharing of Data Obtained in NIH Supported or Conducted Genome-Wide Association Studies \(GWAS\)](#)  
08/28/2007

[More Policy Notices...](#)

# Grants info websites:



## Federal

*Note: [www.Grants.gov](http://www.Grants.gov) is a new clearing house for federal agencies*

- National Science Foundation (NSF)  
[www.nsf.gov/home/grants.htm](http://www.nsf.gov/home/grants.htm)
- National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
<http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/oer.htm>
- US Department of Education  
<http://www.ed.gov/topics/topics.jsp?&top=Grants+%26+Contracts>
- US Department of Agriculture [www.ars.usda.gov/](http://www.ars.usda.gov/)  
[www.reeusda.gov/](http://www.reeusda.gov/) [www.ers.usda.gov/](http://www.ers.usda.gov/)
- Environmental Protection Agency  
[www.epa.gov/ebtpages/resereseearchgrants.html](http://www.epa.gov/ebtpages/resereseearchgrants.html)

## State

- VA Foundation for the Humanities  
<http://www.virginia.edu/vfh/>
- VA Commission for the Arts  
<http://www.arts.state.va.us/>
- VA Dept. of Education <http://www.pen.k12.va.us/>
- VA Business-Education Partnership  
<http://www.vbep.state.va.us/>
- VA Center for Innovative Technology  
<http://www.cit.org/>
- VA Dept. of Health & Human Resources  
<http://www.hhr.state.va.us/>

## Private Foundations

- The Foundation Center <http://fdncenter.org/>
- The Grantsmanship Center <http://www.tgci.com/>
- McGlothlin Foundation, Bristol VA
- Corning Foundation, Elmira NY



# Search strategies...

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- Too many results? *Narrow*  
Ex: “secondary education” → “teacher training”
- Too few? *Broaden* “methane generation” → “alternative energy”
- Synonyms: “spatiotemporal” → “time/space”
- Related issues: “child labor” → “human rights” → “global economy”  
“substance abuse prevention” → “at risk youth”
- Related disciplines: “mental health” → “behavioral sciences”  
“counselor training” → “family therapy”
- Root spelling: “nano\*” → “nanoscience” + “nanotechnology”  
+ “nanoscale” + “nanostructured” + “nanomaterials”  
+ “nanomanufacturing,” etc. Other roots: *econ\**, *psych\**, *soc\**

