155116151611/161		
APPLICATION/LOI	Highlighted Funding Opportunities	
<u>DEADLINE</u>	Week of 09/19/2023	HYPERLINK
(SPONSOR)	SPONSORING AGENCY & AWARD SYNOPSIS	TO SPONSOR SITE
	Dominion Energy – Environmental Education and Stewardship Grants	
Proposals Due September 30, 2023	Through this program, nonprofit organizations are invited to apply for grants up to \$50,000 to support specific projects that promise measurable results to improve the environment Grant requests from eligible organizations that focus on one or more of the following priorities will be considered: • Educating K-12 students and the public about environmental science • Protecting and preserving natural habitats • Improving open spaces and making nature accessible	<u>Link</u>
Winter/Spring Proposals Due October 13, 2023	CRPA – Center for Rural Pennsylvania – Student Micro Grant Program	
Summer Proposals Due March 1, 2024	The Center for Rural PA is accepting applications for their 2024 Student Micro Grant Program. In addition to grants of up to \$2,500 for winter or spring term research, a new summer grant is available at an increased level of funding. Students may now apply for a summer award of up to \$5,000; the funding may be used as a student summer stipend. A research project must have a faculty supervisor to be eligible.	<u>Link</u>
	DEP – Department of Environmental Protection –	
Proposals Due November 15, 2023	Environmental Education Grants Funding priority is given to environmental education projects that engage people living, working and/or attending school within Environmental Justice areas in topics related to Climate Change and/or Water. Projects may engage a wide range of audiences (Preschool through adults), using education methods and strategies that are appropriate to the audience. Projects may be delivered in a variety of settings such as classrooms,	<u>Link</u>

	community centers, field sites, etc. Projects may introduce new environmental concepts or build upon the audience's existing knowledge and interests related to Climate Change and/or Water. Award Range - \$5,001 - \$65k for General Grants, \$0 - \$5,000 for mini-grants; Duration — 12 months	
Proposal Due November 15th	NSF – National Sciences Foundation – MRI – Major Research Instrumentation Program The Major Research Instrumentation (MRI) Program (MRI Program Website) serves to increase access to multi-user scientific and engineering instrumentation for research and research training in our Nation's institutions of higher education and not-for-profit scientific/engineering research organizations. An MRI award supports the acquisition of a multi-user research instrument that is commercially available through direct purchase from a vendor, or for the personnel costs and equipment that are required for the development of an instrument with new capabilities, thereby advancing instrumentation capabilities and enhancing expertise for instrument design and fabrication at academic institutions. MRI instruments are, in general, too costly and/or not appropriate for support through other NSF programs. Award Amounts: • Track 1: Track 1 MRI proposals are those that request funds from NSF greater than \$100,000[1] and less than \$1,400,000. • Track 2: Track 2 MRI proposals are those that request funds from NSF greater than or equal to \$1,400,000 up to and including \$4,000,000. • Track 3: Track 3 MRI proposals are those that	Link to Program Page Link to NOFO PDF
	request funds from NSF greater than or equal to \$100,000[1] and less than or equal to \$4,000,000 that include the purchase, installation, operation, and maintenance of equipment and instrumentation to conserve or reduce the	

	consumption of helium. Institutions may submit no more than one Track 3 proposal. Submission of a Track 3 proposal does not impact limits that apply for Track 1 and Track 2 proposals.	
	NSF – National Sciences Foundation – EMBRACE – Empowering Broader Academic Capacity and Education	
Proposal Due Dates November 20, 2023 & May 15, 2024	The NSF Directorate for Geosciences (GEO) EMpowering BRoader Academic Capacity and Education (EMBRACE) program seeks to support research and educational efforts at "non-R1" institutions, including non-R1 minority serving institutions (MSIs), two-year colleges (2YCs), primarily undergraduate institutions (PUIs), and emerging research and masters level institutions (see Carnegie Classification and Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System). With this solicitation, the EMBRACE program aims to mitigate multiple barriers faced by faculty members in geosciences and related fields at non-R1 institutions in submitting and obtaining federal funding (e.g., high teaching loads, increased expectations for teaching and mentoring, low or no start-up packages, and limited institutional infrastructure and research support personnel). The EMBRACE program supports two categories of proposals: Seed and Growth. Seed proposals can request up to two years of funding for faculty members in GEO-related disciplines at non-R1 institutions to (1) initiate research and/or education programs at their own institutions; and/or (2) build or catalyze research collaborations or partnerships: • within the same institution; or • across peer institutions; or	Link to Program Page Link to NOFO PDF

	 with research-intensive institutions; or 	
	 with industry or other non-academic entities; or 	
	 any combination mentioned above. 	
	Seed Awards: up to \$200; Duration: 24 mos	
	Growth proposals can request up to four years of funding to enable faculty members at non-R1 institutions to establish independent GEO-related disciplinary research programs. In addition to research, funding may be used to support undergraduate and/or graduate students, post-doctoral scholars, salary (summer, course buyout, sabbatical) and other research related expenses.	
	Growth Awards: up to \$400k; Duration: 48 mos	
	USDA – FS – US Department of Agriculture Forest	
	Service – Landscape Scale Restoration Grant	
	Program 2024- Northeast and Midwest	
Proposal Due November 30, 2023	The State, Private, and Tribal Forestry (SPTF) Landscape Scale Restoration (LSR) Program purpose is: "To encourage collaborative, science-based restoration of priority forest landscapes." Landscape Scale Restoration Manual (FSM 3800), this competitive grant program supports "high impact projects that lead to measurable outcomes on the landscape, leverage public and private resources, and further priorities identified in each State Forest Action Plan or equivalent restoration strategy."	<u>Link</u>
	Award Information — \$25k — \$600k; Duration: 36 months.	

	USDA – FS – US Department of Agriculture Forest Service- Community Forest and Open Space Conservation Program	
Proposal Due January 12, 2024	The purpose of the program is to establish community forests by protecting forestland from conversion to nonforest uses and provide community benefits including public recreation, environmental and economic benefits, and forest-based educational programs. Public access is required for all projects.	<u>Link</u>
	Award Information - \$600k max; Duration: 24 months	