Opportunities included in this e-mail:

1. 2015 RSVP Competition Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)

Due Date: September 9, 2014

Funding Amount: TBD

Overview: Established in 1971 and now one of the largest senior volunteer programs in the nation, RSVP offers a diverse range of volunteer activities that serve communities to create measurable impact, benefit volunteers through the service experience, and create community capacity. RSVP volunteers serve with commitments ranging from a few hours to 40 hours per week. Through this competition CNCS seeks to increase the impact of national service in 341 specific communities across the country. CNCS intends to fund RSVP grants that support volunteers 55 years and older serving in a diverse range of activities that meet specific community needs and that respond to National Performance Measures. RSVP grant applications must: • Serve the entire geographic service area associated with the funding opportunities listed in Appendix A; • Support the minimum number of volunteers listed in Appendix A; • Meet the National Performance Measure requirements and other criteria established in this Notice; and • Minimize, to the extent possible, disruptions to the current volunteers associated with any incumbent project. Please see Appendix C for more information on how new and incumbent applicants must describe how they plan to minimize the disruption of volunteers if they propose graduating volunteer stations that are included in an incumbent project.

Eligible Applicants: Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
County governments
Private institutions of higher education
City or township governments
State governments
2. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Compass Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Department of Housing and Urban Development

Due Date: July 23, 2014

Funding Amount: Estimated Total Program Funding: $51,000,000 Award Floor: $50,000

Overview: HUD’s Community Compass program (Community Compass) funds technical assistance and capacity building activities for HUD’s customers, including grantees, public housing authorities, and tribes. Community Compass builds on the previous OneCPD Plus program and is an outcomes-focused, cross-Departmental approach to HUD’s technical assistance and capacity building activities. A complete list of the programs, objectives, and funding included can be found in Section I. Funding Opportunity Description of the NOFA.

Eligible Applicants: For profit organizations other than small businesses
County governments
Private institutions of higher education
Special district governments
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
State governments
Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility" for clarification)
Small businesses
Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
City or township governments
Public and State controlled institutions of higher education

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3. U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Utilities Programs Distance Learning

Date: July 7, 2014
Funding Amount: Estimated Total Program Funding $19,300,000 Award Floor: $50,000

Overview: This grant is a competitive program which provides grant funding for distance learning and tele-medical equipment and related software to applicants that submit project proposals well planned to improve and increase quality educational and medical services in rural communities. The grant-funded technology must create multimedia interfaces so that video endpoints at different (distant) locations can facilitate educational and training courses between rural student(s) and teacher(s) and facilitate medical care between rural patient(s) and medical or health specialist(s).

Eligible Applicants: Private institutions of higher education
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
City or township governments
Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
County governments
Small businesses
State governments
Special district governments
Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments)
Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
Independent school districts
Public and State controlled institutions of higher education

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4. U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Utilities Programs Community Connect

Date: July 7, 2014

Funding Amount: Estimated Total Funding $13,000,000 Award Ceiling $3,000,000

Overview: The purpose of the Community Connect Grant Program is to provide financial assistance in the form of grants to eligible applicants that will provide currently unserved areas, on a “community-oriented connectivity” basis, with broadband service that fosters economic growth and delivers enhanced educational, health care, and public safety services. Rural Utilities Service will give priority to rural areas that have the greatest need for broadband services, based on the criteria contained herein.

Eligible Applicants: Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities
Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Overview: The mission of the Administration for Community Living (ACL) is to maximize the independence, well-being, and health of older adults, people with disabilities across the lifespan, and their families and caregivers. To further this mission, the agency is seeking to fund one project related to supported decision-making. The purpose of the project is to create a training and technical assistance/resource center on supported decision making. The Center will collect and disseminate materials on supported decision-making, including the experiences of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in making informed decisions with the use of supports. The final products will include a review of existing literature and resources; a compilation of success stories and existing models; and innovative research on the mechanics of supported decision-making, including identifying key elements, current gaps and needed limits and protections, to ensure the choices individuals make are recognized and implemented by the respective institutions and authorities. The compiled information will be collected, organized and made available to the general public on the world wide web. The project will also include a proposal to develop measures to compare outcomes for people with I/DD and older Americans who use supported decision-making methods and practices to exert control and choice in their own lives compared with outcomes for individuals under substituted decision-making arrangements.

Eligible Applicants: County governments
Public and State controlled institutions of higher education
State governments
Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education
Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized)
Private institutions of higher education
City or township governments
6. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Community Living Evidence-Based Falls Prevention Programs

Due Date: July 8, 2014

Funding Amount: Estimated Total Funding $4,440,000

Overview: Through this funding opportunity, the Administration on Aging (AoA), part of the Administration for Community Living (ACL), plans to award two different types of falls prevention grants financed solely by 2014 Prevention and Public Health Funds (PPHF-2014). The Option 1 state grant awards will support approximately 8-10 grants to domestic public or private non-profit entities averaging about $400,000 per award, for a two-year forward funded project period. The Option 2 tribal grant awards will support approximately five grants to Federally Recognized Tribes and Tribal Organizations up to $100,000 per award for a two-year forward funded project period. An entity may apply for only one Option and must clearly identify this Option in their application. This funding opportunity is designed to increase the number of older adults, American Indian, Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiian elders, and adults with disabilities at risk for falls who participate in evidence-based community programs to reduce falls and falls risk, while concurrently increasing the sustainability of these programs through innovative financing arrangements. The awards will be made in the form of cooperative agreements because AoA will be substantially involved. These cooperative agreements have an anticipated start date of September 1, 2014

Eligible Applicants: An entity may apply for only one Option and must clearly identify this Option in their application. Eligible applicants for the Option 1 state grants are domestic public or private non-profit entities including state and local governments, Indian tribal governments and organizations (American Indian/Alaskan Native/Native American), faith-based organizations, community-based organizations, hospitals, and institutions of higher education. Federally Recognized Tribes and Tribal organizations representing Federally Recognized Tribes are eligible to apply for the Option 2 tribal grants. Individuals, foreign entities, and sole proprietorship organizations are not eligible to compete for, or receive, awards made under this announcement.

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