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Subject: Limited Competition: DOS, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor (DRL) WHA Program Learning Series, (SFOP0008543)

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Dear UNM Researchers,

The Department of State (DOS) Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor has announced funding for its WHA Program Learning Series. The purpose of this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is to first assess the extent to which practitioners in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) are applying evidence-based approaches in advocacy campaigns and then to connect them with tools and resources that address any gaps identified in the application of key research findings. The expected deliverables of this project are (i) a data collection effort (survey, interviews, and/or document review) of practitioner evidence use and needs, and (ii) the creation of a suite of practitioner-oriented learning resources drawn from an aggregation of relevant literature and evidence. The expected outcomes of this project are (i) increased practitioner access to, and use of, evidence-based approaches in advocacy to advance democracy and human rights in LAC, and (ii) strengthened networks and collaboration among practitioners and researchers in the design and evaluation of civil society led advocacy efforts. Applicants should have existing, or the capacity to develop, active partnerships with thematic or incountry partners, entities, and relevant stakeholders, including private sector partners and NGOs, and have demonstrable experience in administering successful and preferably similar projects.

Projects funded under this cooperative agreement or grant are expected to last one year with an award amount of \$250,000. There is no cost share requirement for this award. More details can be found in the NOFO: <u>https://www.state.gov/drl-wha-program-learning-series/</u>. The deadline for full proposals to the agency is **May 23, 2022.**

This is a limited competition. **Each institution is limited to ONE proposal.** Please submit your 200word statement of interest by <u>NOON on Tuesday, April 19, 2022</u> via UNM's <u>InfoReady Review</u> <u>portal</u>. This is *a required step* and no late submissions will be considered. Should there be interest from more than one PI, we will request a preproposal and will run a limited competition.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact us at limited@unm.edu.

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