



From: Faculty Research Development Office
Office of the Vice President for Research

Subject: Limited Competition: IMLS CARES Act Grants for Museums and Libraries

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IMLS recognizes the challenges facing museums and libraries at this time, including the adaptations and adjustments that will be necessary to rebuild staffing, reopen facilities, and address the needs of communities affected by the impact of a global crisis.

The goal of this grant program is to support the role of museums and libraries in responding to the coronavirus pandemic in ways that meet the immediate and future COVID-19 needs of the communities and audiences they serve.

The IMLS CARES Act grant provides awards ranging from \$25,000 to \$500,000, with an anticipated average award of \$150,000. Projects must begin on September 1, 2020, and project activities may be carried out for up to two years. No cost share is required. Complete program details can be found at: <https://www.imls.gov/sites/default/files/fy20-cag-ml-nofo.pdf>. *Please read the Eligibility Information section carefully to ensure you are eligible.*

The sponsor deadline for full proposals is June 12, 2020.

This is a limited competition. UNM may submit only one application under this announcement.

Therefore, we are conducting an internal competition, and are requesting a **2-page pre-proposal with a draft budget, an abbreviated CV, and a list of key project staff and consultants** (all documents in a SINGLE PDF file, 11 point font) by **12:00 pm on Friday, May 22, 2020** to limited@unm.edu with the subject line indicating: IMLS CARES - your name. No late submissions will be considered.

For the two-page pre-proposal, **please address the following questions:**

1. Project Justification

- What COVID-19-related community need, problem, or challenge will your project address, and how was it identified?
- Who or what will benefit from your project?

2. Project Work Plan

- What specific activities will you carry out, and who will manage the project?
- How will you track progress toward achieving your intended results?

3. Project Results

- What are your project's intended results and/or products, and how will your target audience benefit in addressing needs related to the COVID-19 public health emergency?
- What data will you collect and report to measure your project's success?
- How will you sustain the benefit(s) of your project?

If you plan to submit a pre-proposal for this limited competition, please send a statement of interest by 12:00 pm on Wednesday, May 20, 2020.

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