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From: Faculty Research Development Office (FRDO) Office of the Vice President for Research

- Subject: Limited Competition: Department of Defense (DoD) Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Educational Outreach Programs
- Date: April 15, 2020

UNM Researchers,

The Office of the Vice President for Research is requesting e-mails of interest for the Department of Defense (DoD) – Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Educational Outreach Programs funding opportunity. This FOA is seeking application packages from Applicants capable of engaging and improving Grades K-12 Plus (to include colleges, universities, and vocational schools) STEM skills through in person, on-site, outreach programs and support services on a national level. An award made as a result of this FOA shall be for the following: (1) identifying actions which the Department of Defense may take to improve education in the scientific, mathematics, and engineering skills necessary to meet the long-term national defense needs of the United States for personnel proficient in such skills and (2) establishing and conducting programs to carry out such actions.

U.S. Institutions of Higher Education and U.S. Nonprofit Organization applicants are <u>limited to one</u> <u>application</u> submitted in response to this FOA. Cost sharing is not required; however, Applicants are encouraged to share as much of the costs of the award as possible. The full solicitation can be found here, <u>https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=325992</u>.

Through this FOA, the Government intends to execute the following types of STEM activities:

- a) STEM K-12 Plus events, such as activities, scholastic competitions, academic contests, in person educator training workshops, evaluation projects, in person training at various national locations, and other STEM activities;
- b) STEM faculty events, such as activities, in person educator training workshops, evaluation projects, in person training at various national locations, etc.
- c) Materials, supplies, equipment for local curricular and extracurricular outreach STEM activities;
- d) Logistical support for sponsored local STEM events, such as workshops, training, and follow-up activities (to include the conduct of surveys, interviews, etc. on the local STEM events); and
- e) Recognition of participation/achievement to include monetary awards, certificates, and/or prizes for faculty/students who participate in or facilitate STEM events.
- f) Stipends for faculty, staff, and interns to facilitate the STEM events.

The Government desires to issue one \$25,000,000 new federal award in the form of a Grant for a period of performance not to exceed five (5) years. **Proposals are due to the Army Contracting Command -** New Jersey by 2pm MT, May 18, 2020.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal, please send a brief statement of interest with your name, department, proposed team, and short (200 word maximum) description of your proposed project idea via e-mail to <u>limited@unm.edu</u> by **NOON**, Wednesday, April 22, 2020.

Please distribute this notice to departments and individuals whom you believe would be interested.

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