



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

Subject: Limited Competitions: U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Women Veteran Entrepreneurship Training Program (WVETP)

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UNM Researchers,

The Office of the Vice President for Research is requesting e-mails of interest for either the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Women Veteran Entrepreneurship Training Program (WVETP) funding opportunity. Eligible organizations may submit only one (1) proposal in response to this Announcement. Please refer to the solicitation which can be found at <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=324678>.

The WVETP provides entrepreneurship training to women veterans, women service members as well as women spouses of service members and veterans interested in starting, growing and diversifying **new** and established small business concerns. Eligible organizations and institutions of higher learning may apply to SBA for an award of financial assistance **to market and deliver an existing veteran entrepreneurial training program** (WVETP) to women service members and veterans as well as women military spouses who aspire to be small business owners or currently own a small business.

In order to be eligible for this funding opportunity an applicant must demonstrate a history of providing quality entrepreneurship and/or business management training for women who are aspiring or existing small business owners and members of one the following populations: veterans, service-disabled veterans, members of the National Guard or Reserve Component, active duty service members, or women spouses of service members or veterans. The quality of a program can be demonstrated by resultant **new** business starts, business expansions or diversifications, as well as jobs created and/or retained and connection to other resources such as SBA resource partners.

A total of \$300,000 in funding is available for the program in FY 2020. SBA Expects to make up to six (6) awards; minimum award of \$25,000, maximum award of \$300,000. Awards will be made for a base project period of 12 month plus two option periods of 12 months each.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal, please send a statement of interest including a tentative title, your name, department, proposed team (if applicable), short (200 word maximum) description of your proposed project idea, and a copy of the curriculum and/or program itinerary/agenda for your existing program via e-mail to [limited@unm.edu](mailto:limited@unm.edu) by **noon, Monday, March 2, 2020**. Based on the e-mail responses received, the Limited Competition Management Team may announce a call for preproposals.

Full proposals are due to the agency March 19, 2020.

For further details and the internal competition requirements, please see the limited competitions website: [frdo.unm.edu/limited\\_competition](http://frdo.unm.edu/limited_competition).

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