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## Funding Opportunities Weekly Digest— April 30, 2024

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**To notify the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) of your intent to apply for any of these or other grant opportunities, please submit a [Proposal Intake Questionnaire](#) to provide OSP with preliminary information.**

**Check out the [Office of Sponsored Programs website](#) to view more [funding opportunities](#) to consider.**

### Spring 2024 NSF Grants Conference

Registration for the US National Science Foundation's Spring 2024 Grants Conference has opened! NSF will host the hybrid conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on June 3-5, 2024.

[More Information](#)

## Federal



### Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs - Tick-Borne Disease Research

Applicants are encouraged to submit applications focused on persistent Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases and conditions endemic to the US. The proposed research must be focused on directly impacting human health and

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### **Agricultural Genome to Phenome Initiative**

The National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Agricultural Genome to Phenome Initiative focuses on collaborative science engagement that intends to develop a community of researchers across both crops and animals that will lay the foundation for expanding knowledge concerning genomes and phenomes of importance to the agriculture sector of the United States. Success of the initiative will inform approaches to understanding how variable weather, environments, and production systems interact with genetic diversity present in crops and animals to impact growth and productivity.

Application Deadline: 5/30/24 | [View Opportunity](#)

### **Conservation Reserve Program - Monitoring, Assessment, and Evaluation Opportunity**

Conservation Reserve Program is a federally funded voluntary program that provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers to convert marginal or environmentally sensitive cropland to a perennial cover of grass, forbs, shrubs, and/or trees, or to safeguard high value grazing land from conversion to other uses. Contracts generally last ten to fifteen years, and program participants receive annual payments, cost-share assistance, and sometimes additional incentives.

Application Deadline: 5/31/24 | [View Opportunity](#)

### **New Beginning for Tribal Students Program**

New Beginning for Tribal Students makes competitive grants to land-grant colleges and universities to provide identifiable support specifically targeted for Tribal students. A land-grant college or university that receives this grant shall use funds for, but not limited to, recruiting; tuition and related fees; experiential learning; student services, including tutoring; counseling; academic advising; and other student services that would increase the retention and graduation rate of Tribal students enrolled at the land-grant college or university.

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## Systems

Applications to the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Sustainable Agricultural Systems request for applications must focus on approaches that promote transformational changes in the US food and agriculture system. NIFA seeks creative and visionary applications that take a systems approach for projects are expected to significantly improve the supply of affordable, safe, nutritious, and accessible agricultural products, while fostering economic development and rural prosperity in America.

Application Deadline: 6/6/24 | [View Opportunity](#)

## Wild Cervid Management and Response Activities

This funding opportunity is provided to control and prevent chronic wasting disease in wild cervids, including the development and/or implementation of chronic wasting disease surveillance, testing, management, prevention, and response activities.

Application Deadline: 6/10/24 | [View Opportunity](#)

## Emerging Markets Program

The US Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agriculture Service, Global Programs, announces this funding opportunity to support the Emerging Markets Program by issuing new awards. This opportunity is available to US entities to develop, maintain, or expand markets for exports of United States agricultural commodities and to promote cooperation and exchange of information between agricultural institutions and agribusinesses in the United States and emerging markets.

Application Deadline: 6/14/24 | [View Opportunity](#)

## Technical Assistance for Specialty Crops Program

The UD Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Service, Global Programs, announces this funding opportunity to support the Technical Assistance for Specialty Crops program by issuing new awards. This opportunity is available to US entities to provide funding for projects that seek to remove, resolve, or mitigate existing or potential sanitary, phytosanitary, or technical barriers that prohibit or threaten the export of US specialty crops.

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## Application Deadlines:

- **May 2:** [Alfalfa Seed and Alfalfa Forage System Program](#)

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- **May 14:** [The Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program - Nutrition Incentive Program](#)
- **June 6:** [Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Sustainable Agricultural Systems](#)

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### Plant Genome Research Program

The Plant Genome Research Program supports genome-scale research that addresses challenging questions of biological, societal, and economic importance. This program encourages the development of innovative tools, technologies, and resources that empower a broad plant research community to answer scientific questions on a genome-wide scale

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## Foundations and Nonprofits



### Equid Health

Proposals should advance the health and overall welfare of domesticated horses, ponies, donkeys, and/or mules. Please note that for racehorses and wild equids, we fund research focused on health and quality of life only where outcomes are likely to be of universal equine/equid benefit. The universal outcomes must be clearly outlined in the animal health impact section of your



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### Early Career Investigator Request for Proposals

The American Kennel Club Canine Health Foundation is pleased to announce a call for proposals to support outstanding early career investigators focused on patient-oriented canine research. The purpose of this award is to support translational and clinical research advancing the care and health of canine patients while investing in clinical researchers who have the potential to advance the future of veterinary medicine.

Application Deadline: 12/31/24 | [View Opportunity](#)

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### Equine Cushing's and Insulin Resistance

Applications for funding should be limited to topics relevant to Equine Metabolic Syndrome and Pituitary Pars Intermedia Dysfunction, especially those within the group philosophy and broad topics of diagnosis, diet, trim, exercise, and prevention of laminitis. Proposals that meet these general guidelines will all be considered.

Application Deadline: 5/31/24 | [View Opportunity](#)

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### Harvest for Health Breakthrough Crop Challenge

The Harvest for Health challenge is accelerating the development of underutilized crops to increase the diversity of foods in the marketplace. The initiative focuses on crops that are nutritious and have properties of interest to

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## Additional Opportunities:

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[Hanover Higher Education Research Grant Alerts](#) (Funding Opportunities)

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As a reminder, UT AgResearch and UT College of Veterinary Medicine faculty can work directly with Hanover grant consultants for assistance on grant proposal preparation. If you're interested in consultation services for a specific proposal, please visit our [website](#) and fill out a [project request submission form](#).

If you have any questions or you would like to learn more about our work with these programs, please [contact senior grants advisor Clinton Doggett](#) for a brief conversation.

[Grants Calendar: Early Career Research](#)

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*Please send suggestions and additional funding opportunities to [aggrant@tennessee.edu](mailto:aggrant@tennessee.edu).*

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