

# Grants.gov Search Guide

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## Apply Using Workspace

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## Basic Search Tips

### Browsing

- You can browse grants by posted date, category, agency, and eligibility
  - Clicking any of the links within category, agency, or eligibility will take you to the “Search Grants” page with the selected item applied as a filter
  - Once at the “Search Grants” page, listed opportunities can be further narrowed by applying additional filters (see below)

### Reviewing Funding Opportunities

- To view an individual opportunity, click on the funding opportunity number in list on the “Search Grants” page (highlighted blue)

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## SEARCH GRANTS

BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:

Keywords(s):  
Funding Opp #:  
CFDA Number:

SEARCH

OPPORTUNITY STATUS:  
 Open (1,850)  
 Closed (1,598)

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DATE RANGE: All Available

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Funding Opportunity #	Opportunity Title	Agency	Open Date	Close Date
DE-FOA-0001238	Transitional Technology: Development to Enable Highly Efficient Power Systems with Carbon Management	National Energy Technology Laboratory	01/28/2015	03/30/2015
<b>RFA-CE-15-003</b>	Evaluating Structural, Economic, Environmental, or Policy Primary Prevention Strategies for Intimate Partner Violence and Sexual Violence	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	01/28/2015	03/05/2015

- Individual funding opportunity pages include:
  - “Synopsis Details” – Quick summary of information relating to opportunity
  - “Version History” – you can view all previously announcements for this opportunity along with a summary of what was changed from the previous version
  - “Full Announcement” – Link to the complete funding announcement (if available)
  - “Application Package” – link and instructions for how to apply for opportunity through Grants.gov (see Grants.gov Registration and Application Guide for further details)

### Basic Searches

- Click on the “Search Grants” link
  - Alternatively you may access this page by selected a browsed item (above) or by searching for a specific keyword on using the “Search” feature on the homepage

Funding Opportunity Number	Opportunity Title	Agency	Open Date
EPA-OSA-2015-01	Support the National Environmental Monitoring Conference (NEMC) as Part of the Environmental Measurement Symposium	Environmental Protection Agency	02/15/2015
CDC-RFA-DP15-1502	Organized Approaches to Increase Colorectal Cancer Screening	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	02/13/2015
W912DR-15-2-0003	Charles River Natural Valley Storage Area, MA	Dept. of the Army -- Corps of Engineers	02/13/2015
OIA-BTS-2015	Brown Treesnake Program	Department of the Interior	02/13/2015
NDRFP15-02	U.S. Embassy New Delhi Alumni Small Grants Program	U.S. Mission to India	02/13/2015
RFC-OAA-15-000039	Global Labor Program	Agency for International Development	02/13/2015
RFA-520-15-000001	Sustainable Economic Observatory	Guatemala USAID-Guatemala City	02/13/2015
R15AN20003	Delta Smelt Research and Refuge Population Development	Bureau of Reclamation	02/13/2015
OWBO-2015-02	Women's Business Center Renewal Grant	Small Business Administration	02/13/2015
BJA-2015-4091	BJA FY 15 Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) National Training and Technical Assistance Program	Bureau of Justice Assistance	02/13/2015
PAR-15-120	Identification of Genetic and Genomic Variants by Next-Gen in Sequencing Non-human Animal Models (U01)	National Institutes of Health	02/13/2015
RFA-611-15-000004	Various Incentive-based Grant Opportunities and Rewards II	Zambia USAID-Lusaka	02/13/2015
F15AS00101	Population model of wolves on and near Prince of Wales Island, southeastern Alaska	Fish and Wildlife Service	02/13/2015
F15AS00102	Habitat Enhancement by Youth Crews	Fish and Wildlife Service	02/13/2015
F15AS00104	Houston Urban Refuge Partnership Program Support	Fish and Wildlife Service	02/13/2015
RFA-521-15-000009	Retounen Lekòl (RTL): Access to Quality Education for Out-of-School Children and Youth	Haiti USAID-Port Au Prince	02/13/2015
RFA-521-15-000007	Home Ownership and Mortgage Expansion (HOME) Program	Haiti USAID-Port Au Prince	02/13/2015
RFA-HS-15-002	AHRO Health Services Research Projects: Making Health Care Safer in Ambulatory Care Settings and Long Term Care Facilities (R01)	Agency for Health Care Research and Quality	02/13/2015
USDA-NIFA-CFP-004920	Community Foods Program	National Institute of Food and Agriculture	02/13/2015
CDC-RFA-OE15-1502	The National Syndromic Surveillance Program: Enhancing Syndromic Surveillance Capacity and Practice	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	02/12/2015

## Basic Search Criteria

- It is a good idea to begin with a “Keyword(s)” search
  - Start with a broad search (i.e. discipline/field of study)
  - Then use the filters to narrow your search
  - See below for advanced keyword search tips

## Filters

- The fields on the left side of the screen allow you to narrow your search by: **FUNDING INSTRUMENT TYPE, ELIGIBILITY, CATEGORY** (field/subject), and **AGENCY**
  - You can also use the “Opportunity Status” field to view closed and archived funding opportunities for reference to anticipate upcoming funding announcements
- The number of grants fitting a filter criteria is displayed in parentheses next to the filter
  - As new keywords and filters are applied, these numbers will reduce
  - Filters without any applicable grants are not displayed
- Active filters will be displayed above the list of results and sorted by field
  - To remove a filter, click on the “[X]” displayed before it

The screenshot shows the Grants.gov search page. At the top is a navigation bar with links: HOME, ABOUT, SEARCH GRANTS, APPLICANTS, GRANTORS, SYSTEM-TO-SYSTEM, FORMS, OUTREACH, and SUPPORT. Below the navigation bar is the breadcrumb "GRANTS.GOV > Search Grants". The main heading is "SEARCH GRANTS". Under "BASIC SEARCH CRITERIA:", there are input fields for "Keyword(s)", "Funding Opportunity Number", and "CFDA Number", each with a search icon. A "SEARCH" button is located below these fields. To the right, a light blue box displays active filters: "AGENCY: [X] All National Endowment for the Humanities", "CATEGORY: [X] Humanities (see 'Cultural Affairs' in CFDA)", and "FUNDING INSTRUMENT: [X] Grant". A red arrow points to the "[X]" next to the Agency filter. Below the filters, there are "SORT BY:" and "DATE RANGE:" dropdown menus, each with an "Update" button. The "SORT BY:" dropdown is set to "Open Date (Descending)" and the "DATE RANGE:" dropdown is set to "All Available". Below these is a blue bar indicating "1 - 9 OF 9 MATCHING RESULTS:". At the bottom, a table header is visible with columns: "Funding Opportunity Number", "Opportunity Title", "Agency", "Open Date", and "Close Date".

- When filtering by eligibility, be as broad as possible, as potentially relevant grants may be placed into several different filters
  - At a minimum, be sure to always selected the “Unrestricted” filter in addition to any other eligibility filters you apply, as this will capture potentially relevant grants with no specified requirements

## Sort and Filter by Recently Posted Grants

- At the top of the results list are two drop down boxes:
  1. SORT BY – allows you to sort your grants list by a number of criteria
    - By default, “Open Date (Descending)” is selected, but you may also find it useful to sort by “Close Date (Ascending)” to see which grants are due soon
  2. DATE RANGE – allows you to view only grants which have been posted within the selected period
    - This is useful if you only wish to see grants posted since your last visit to the Grants.gov
    - As with the filters (above) the number in parentheses is the number of grants posted within that date range
- After making a selection in either category, be sure to click the button next to the drop down box
  - “Update Sort” for “SORT BY” or “Update Date Range” for “DATE RANGE”

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Keyword(s):

Funding Opportunity Number:

CFDA Number:

OPPORTUNITY STATUS:

Open (1,913)

Closed (1,638)

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**Sort BY:** Funding Opportunity Number (Ascending)

**DATE RANGE:** All Available

Funding Opportunity #	Opportunity Title	Open Date	Close Date
04-563	Collaborations in Plant Genome Research (D	03/22/2004	
07-519	...ing Expertise in Taxonomy	03/04/2009	03/02/2015
08-523	High-Risk Research in Anthropology		
	National Science Foundation	12/21/2007	

## Export Results

- You can export a grants list by clicking “Export Results” in the top right corner above the list
  - This will prompt you to save a .csv file which can be opened with Microsoft Excel
- The resulting spreadsheet will only include the information on each grant displayed on the list page (Funding Opportunity Number, Opportunity Title, Agency, Open Date, and Close Date)
  - The spreadsheet does not link back to any Grants.gov page, but you can search by the funding opportunity number or title to review a grant on your list

## Advanced Search Tips

- Use quotation marks sparingly: It is best to narrow down a broad list using the filters provided first
  - However, when two or more words logically go together in a certain order, using quotation marks may be necessary (e.g., “Latin America”, “South Africa”, etc.)
- If the keyword(s) you are entering match a common search term, you will see a window immediately beneath the search bar with the suggestion(s)
  - Be careful, as these suggestions may not be the same as what you are intending to search for
  - For example, in the case below *economic policy* and *economic policymaking* produce different results, so it may be a good idea to use to wildcard operator (see below) to search multiple potential combinations of these terms at once (i.e., *economy\* policy\**)

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Funding Opportunity #

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- Appropriate use of BOOLEAN operators is the best way to get the most out of your keyword searches
  - To see a full list and descriptions of the operators used by the Grants.gov search click on the “Search Tips” link to the top right above the grants list (next to “Export Results”)