



UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN  
**HENRY CUELLAR**  
REPRESENTING THE 28TH DISTRICT OF TEXAS



## Grants Newsletter

March 11, 2024

To better serve you, I would like to provide this week's Grants Newsletter. Enclosed you will find several open grant applications that provide the opportunity to procure federal funding for a variety of projects.

Attracting more federal funds to our district and region has been a top priority during my tenure in Congress. By providing this document, I hope we can secure additional federal funds and assistance to our area that will improve life in Texas's 28<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

For more information on the federal grant process, please visit my [grants webpage](#) or contact my Grants Coordinator, Randy Aguilar, at [Randy.Aguilar@mail.house.gov](mailto:Randy.Aguilar@mail.house.gov). To stay informed about recent legislative activity and how it impacts your family and your community, please visit my [congressional website](#) or follow me on Twitter at [@RepCuellar](https://twitter.com/RepCuellar).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Henry Cuellar".

Henry Cuellar  
Member of Congress  
28<sup>th</sup> District of Texas

*Note: This newsletter provides information on current federal grant solicitations. This is not a comprehensive list of all grant opportunities. For more information on federal grants, please contact the office at (202) 225-1640 or email [randy.aguilar@mail.house.gov](mailto:randy.aguilar@mail.house.gov).*

# Firefighters

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## Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, Fire Prevention and Safety Grants

**Project description:** The purpose of the AFG Program is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire-related hazards. The Grants Programs Directorate administers the Fire Prevention and Safety (FP&S) grants as part of the AFG Program. FP&S offers grants to support activities in two categories: (1) activities designed to reach high-risk target groups and mitigate incidences of death and injuries caused by fire and fire-related hazards ("Fire Prevention and Safety Activity") and (2) research and development activities aimed at improving firefighter safety ("Firefighter Safety Research and Development Activity"). The program guidance document provides potential applicants with the details of the requirements, processing, and evaluation of an application for financial assistance for both of these activity areas.

### **Eligibility:**

- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- City or township governments
- Nonprofit entities
- County governments
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- Fire Departments
- Private institutions of higher education

**Application due date:** April 12, 2024

## Fiscal Year 2023 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant

**Project description:** The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Grant Programs Directorate implements and administers the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grants. SAFER grants provide financial assistance to help fire departments increase frontline firefighters. SAFER offers grants to support activities in two activities:

1. Hiring of Firefighters
2. Recruitment and Retention of Volunteer Firefighters

### **Eligibility:**

- City or township governments
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- Nonprofit entities
- County governments
- Fire Departments, National, state, and local, organizations representing the interests of volunteer firefighters.

**Application due date:** April 12, 2024

## **Transportation**

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### [FY24 Commercial Motor Vehicle Operator Safety Training Program](#)

**Project description:** This Notice of Funding Opportunity is to solicit applications from organizations that provide commercial motor vehicle operator training, including accredited public or private colleges, universities, vocational-technical schools, post-secondary educational institutions, truck driver training schools, associations, and State and local governments, including Federally recognized Native American Tribal governments.

**Eligibility:**

- County governments
- Special district governments
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- State governments
- City or township governments
- For profit organizations other than small businesses
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Nonprofit entities
- Private institutions of higher education
- Vocational technical schools and truck training schools

**Application due date:** April 19, 2024

## **Health and Nutrition**

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### [Capacity Building Assistance \(CBA\) for HIV Prevention Programs to End the HIV Epidemic in the United States](#)

**Project description:** This program will constitute a national CBA Provider Network to deliver CBA services to an interdisciplinary HIV prevention workforce (e.g., professional, technical, clinical, and managerial staff) within CDC-funded state and local health departments and Community-based Organizations.

**Eligibility:**

- Anyone can apply.

**Application due date:** April 30, 2024

### [Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking Act Grants](#)

**Project description:** The purpose of this program is to prevent and reduce alcohol use among youth and young adults ages 12 to 20 in communities throughout the United States. Award recipients will be expected to implement activities that support capacity building such as implementing evidence-based community approaches, enhancing collaboration, cooperation and

coordination among communities, federal, state, and local and tribal governments, and convening Town Halls.

**Eligibility:**

- Domestic public and private non-profit entities that are current or former Drug Free Communities (DFC) Support Program recipients.

**Application due date:** May 3, 2024

[Rural Communities Opioid Response Program \(RCORP\) - Impact](#)

**Project description:** The purpose of RCORP – Impact is to improve access to integrated and coordinated treatment and recovery services for substance use disorders, including opioid use disorder, in rural areas.

**Eligibility:**

- County governments
- Private institutions of higher education
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Nonprofit entities
- Small businesses
- State governments
- Independent school districts
- For profit entities other than small businesses
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- City or townships governments

**Application due date:** May 6, 2024

[Opioid-Impacted Family Support Program](#)

**Project description:** This program’s purpose is to support training programs that enhance and expand paraprofessionals knowledge and expertise, and to increase the number of peer support specialists and other behavioral health-related paraprofessionals who work on integrated, interprofessional teams in providing services to families impacted by opioid use disorder and other substance abuse disorder.

**Eligibility:**

- State governments
- Nonprofit entities
- Special district governments
- Independent school districts
- Private institutions of higher education
- Others (see posting for additional information)
- County governments
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- For profit organizations other than small businesses

- Small businesses
- City or township governments

**Application due date:** May 6, 2024

## Veterans

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### [Veterans Legacy Grants Program](#)

**Project description:** The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) National Cemetery Administration is awarding grants for a maximum of \$400,000 per awardee through the Veterans Legacy Grants Program to provide funding to educational institutions and other eligible entities to conduct cemetery research and produce educational tools for the public to use and learn about the histories of Veterans interred in VA national cemeteries and VA grant-funded State and Tribal Veterans' cemeteries.

**Eligibility:**

- Nonprofit entities
- Private institution of higher education
- Independent school districts
- Public and state controlled institutions of higher education
- Veteran Service Organization

**Application due date:** April 1, 2024

## Criminal Justice

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### [FY24 Second Chance Act Youth Reentry Program](#)

**Project description:** This program seeks to address and improve the reentry and recidivism challenges encountered by youth returning to their communities from juvenile residential or correctional facilities.

**Eligibility:**

- City or township governments
- County governments
- Nonprofit entities
- State governments

**Application due date:** April 15, 2024

### [FY24 Second Chance Act Community-based Reentry Program](#)

**Project description:** The Second Chance Act Community-based Reentry Program supports organizations and tribal governments providing comprehensive reentry services to individuals who have been incarcerated. With this solicitation, the Bureau of Justice Assistance seeks applications for funding from community-based non-profit organizations and federally

recognized tribal governments to enhance or implement evidence-based responses to improve reentry, reduce recidivism, and support successful transitional planning for individuals who are currently, or were formerly, involved in the criminal justice system.

**Eligibility:**

- Nonprofit entities

**Application due date:** April 29, 2024

## Science and Technology

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### [Computer Science for All](#)

**Project description:** This program aims to provide all U.S. students with the opportunity to participate in computer science and computational thinking education in their schools at the preK-12 levels.

**Eligibility:**

- Nonprofit entities
- Institutions of higher education

**Application due date:** June 4, 2024

## Grant Resources

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[Grants.gov Community Blog](#) This website provides information on how to apply for grants, open solicitations, and other helpful grant resources.

[Grants.gov Training Videos](#) This webpage provides videos and webinars to assist you in your application process. Video topics include registering with grants.gov, how to search for federal grants, and other topics of interest for applicants.