Call for Proposals -- Notice of Funding Opportunity for NASA Teams Engaging Affiliated Museums and Informal Institutions (TEAM II)

Audience: Informal Education Institutions
Proposal Due Dates: TEAM II CAAT June 17, 2021 and TEAM II STAT July 19, 2021

The NASA Office of STEM Engagement invites proposals from museums, science centers, planetariums, NASA Visitor Centers, youth-serving organizations, libraries, and other eligible nonprofit institutions via this 2021 NASA Teams Engaging Affiliated Museums and Informal Institutions (TEAM II) Notice of Funding Opportunity, NH21ZHA002N. Proposals must be submitted electronically via the NASA proposal data system NSPIRES.

NASA TEAM II is a competitive, high-quality, national program that supports NASA-themed science, technology, engineering or mathematics education, including exhibits, within NASA’s congressionally directed topics of space exploration, aeronautics, space science, earth science, or microgravity. This 2021 NASA TEAM II opportunity introduces Community Anchor Awards for TEAM II (CAAT), to support institutions in establishing themselves as a new or emerging local NASA STEM informal education community resource.

The basic goal of the TEAM II solicitation is to further NASA Strategic Objective 3.3: “Inspire, engage, educate, and employ the next generation of explorers through NASA-unique Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics learning opportunities.”

With this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), a new designation as “NASA Informal Education Community Anchor” is being offered to awarded institutions, which recognizes the institution as a local community resource that addresses identified community needs related to STEM engagement, shares knowledge of NASA STEM Engagement learning resources and opportunities that can help meet that need, and holds programs/activities that utilize and grow that knowledge and impact the audience’s need. The awarded institution benefits from specific use of the NASA Insignia (Logo) and participation in a NASA Informal Education Learning Cohort.

Eligible institutions do not need to have the words "museum," "visitor center," "science," "planetarium," "youth," or “library” in their official name, but they must be located in the United States or its Territories. See the NOFO for full eligibility requirements and other limitations. Check the NSPIRES website once a week to learn if amendments or frequently asked questions have been added. (The direct NSPIRES link is listed at the end of this message.) Amendments and FAQs also will be announced via the NASA Education EXPRESS listserv. To subscribe to NASA Express, go to: https://www.nasa.gov/stem/express.

Community Anchor Awards for TEAM II (CAAT)
2021 TEAM II NOFO pre-proposal webinar (optional overview): May 4, 2021
2021 TEAM II CAAT pre-proposal webinar (optional in-depth walk-through): May 5, 2021
Full proposals are due: June 17, 2021
Individual award range: $20K – $25K
Period of Performance: 1 – 2 years

Standard Awards for TEAM II (STAT)
2021 TEAM II NOFO pre-proposal webinar (optional overview): May 4, 2021
Notices of Intent Due (optional but strongly encouraged): May 26, 2021
Full proposals are due: July 19, 2021
Individual award range: $500K – $800K
Period of Performance: 2 – 4 years

For more information about this opportunity, visit the 2021 TEAM II NOFO NSPIRES Landing Page:
https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/summary.do?solId={796E2FCA-FAC7-B98F-9A5B-DC31BFDA752B}&path=&method=init

If you have any questions about this opportunity, please direct your questions to the Points of Contact listed within the NOFO.