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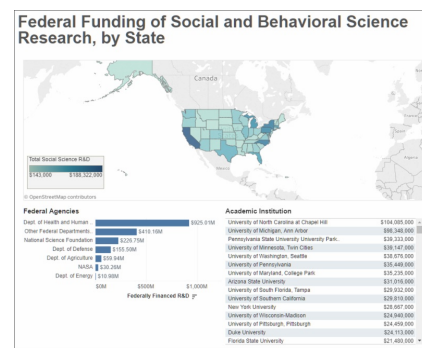
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FEATURED NEWS

COSSA Releases 2018 Edition of State Fact Sheets, New Federal Funding Dashboard

COSSA has released the 2018 edition of its [state funding fact sheets](#), a set of one-pagers that highlight the amount of federal social science research funding that goes to each state, as well as the top recipient institutions and sources of federal funding. Accompanying this year's fact sheets is a brand-new [federal funding dashboard](#) with an interactive map so you can easily compare states and see how funding is distributed across all the universities within a state. These resources are produced using the most recent available data (fiscal year 2016) from the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics' [Higher Education Research and Development \(HERD\) Survey](#).



COSSA IN ACTION

Read COSSA's 2017 Annual Report

COSSA's [2017 Annual Report](#) is out now. Check it out to learn more about COSSA's activities and successes over the past year. Find out how your organization can become a member of COSSA on [our website](#).

Webinar Highlights Graduate Training in the Social and Behavioral Sciences

On March 6, COSSA hosted a webinar to discuss a recent workshop on [Graduate Training in the Social and Behavioral Sciences](#) convened by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NAEM). The webinar featured Robert Kaplan (Workshop Planning Committee Chair) and Amy Stephens (NAEM), who discussed findings from the workshop (the workshop summary is available [here](#)) and potential next steps. Slides are posted on [COSSA's website](#). COSSA is [collecting contact information](#) for those who wish to stay involved in ongoing efforts in this area.

Letters & Statements

- 3/12/2018: [Coalition for International Education Letter on FY 2018 and FY 2019 Funding for HEA-Title VI and Fulbright-Hays](#)

CONGRESSIONAL NEWS

FY 2018 Nearing Completion; House Members Join Together to Support NSF in FY 2019

More than five months into fiscal year (FY) 2018, Congress is finally close to a resolution on the annual appropriations bills. The government is currently operating under a stop-gap spending resolution that will end on March 23 and Congressional leaders are confident that funding for the remainder of the fiscal year will be finalized before that deadline. Much of the remaining negotiations are still uncertain and exact timing is unclear. Read COSSA's complete coverage of FY 2018 appropriations [here](#).

Looking ahead to next fiscal year, 161 members of the House of Representatives joined Representatives G.K. Butterfield (D-NC) and David McKinley (R-WV) [in a letter](#) to the House Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations Subcommittee to support a budget of \$8.45 billion for the National Science Foundation (NSF) in FY 2019. The letter highlights scientific and technological breakthroughs that have been made possible through NSF funding.

House Science Committee Holds Hearing on NSF Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Request

On March 15, the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology held a hearing to discuss the National Science Foundation (NSF) budget request for fiscal year (FY) 2019. Witnesses included NSF Director France Córdoba, National Science Board Chair Maria Zuber, and NSF Chief Operating Officer Joan Ferrini-Mundy.

Science Committee Chairman Lamar Smith (R-TX) presided over the hearing and used his [opening statement](#) to express concern about several grants NSF has supported in the past that he does not consider to be addressing issues of national importance, a concern echoed by many other Republican members of the committee. Smith also expressed concern, shared by committee members on both sides of the aisle, that the U.S. is falling behind its international competitors in investment in research and development.

Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX), the top-ranking Democrat on the committee, used her [opening statement](#) to share her concern with NSF's budget request being flat compared with the agency's FY 2017 appropriation, and NSF's proposed disproportionate cuts to education programs and the Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences (SBE) Directorate. Other members of the committee, including Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) and Paul Tonko (D-NY), expressed concern about the proposed cuts to the SBE Directorate. While not in attendance at the hearing, Dan Lipinski (D-IL) issued a [statement for the record](#) that expressed disappointment in the disproportionate cut to SBE.

Drs. Córdoba and Zuber defended the agency's support for the SBE sciences. Córdoba shared that spectrum auctions, life-saving markets for kidney donations, and research in risk and resilience to natural disasters are all contributions of SBE-directorate supported research. Zuber added that the SBE directorate has supported research to understand what draws people to join violent extremist groups and that SBE-supported research in facial recognition aided in the capture of the Boston Marathon bombers.

Drs. Córdoba, Zuber, and Ferrini-Mundy answered questions about NSF's merit review process, U.S. international competitiveness in research, sexual harassment in science, STEM education, and other topics. Their full written testimony and a webcast of the hearing is available [here](#).

Read COSSA's full analysis of NSF's FY19 budget request [here](#).

FEDERAL AGENCY & ADMINISTRATION NEWS

OSTP Publishes Report on "Science & Technology Highlights" in the Trump Administration

Earlier this month, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) published a [12-page report](#) detailing the "tremendous" science and technology achievements made during the first year of the Trump Administration. According to the report, OSTP "has built a robust team of over 50 staff members," although the size of the office is less than 40 percent of what it was under the previous Administration, and the President has yet to nominate an OSTP Director or a science advisor. The report describes accomplishments, such as the awarding of Nobel prizes to National Science Foundation-funded scientists whose research was supported during previous administrations, in the categories of Artificial Intelligence & Autonomy, Biomedical Innovation, Connectivity, Cybersecurity & Government IT Services, Digital Economy, Energy Dominance, Homeland Defense & National Security, Opioid Epidemic Response, Scientific Discovery, Space Exploration, and STEM Education.

Nomination Opportunities

- **NEW:** NSF: [Request for Recommendations for Membership on Directorate and Office Advisory Committees](#)
- **NEW:** CDC: [Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control](#) (Closes: June 1, 2018)
- AHRQ: [U.S. Preventive Services Task Force](#) (Closes: May 15, 2018)
- **NEW:** HHS Assistant Secretary for Health: [Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria](#) (Closes: April 30, 2018)

Funding Opportunities

- NIH/NIGMS: [Training Modules to Enhance the Rigor and Reproducibility of Biomedical Research](#) (Closes: June 29, 2018)
- **NEW:** Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences: [Broad Agency Announcement for Basic Scientific Research](#) (W911NF-18-S-0001) (Closes: June 15, 2018)
- **NEW:** NSF: [Dear Colleague Letter: Achieving New Insights through Replicability and Reproducibility](#) (Closes: June 11, 2018)
- **NEW:** NIJ: [Investigator-Initiated Research and Evaluation on Firearms Violence](#) (Closes: May 14, 2018)
- NIJ: [FY 2018 Comprehensive School Safety Initiative](#) (Closes: May 7, 2018)
- **NEW:** NIJ: [Research and Evaluation on Decision-Making](#) (Closes: May 7, 2018)
- NIJ: [Research and Evaluation on Hate Crimes](#) (Closes: May 3, 2018)
- NIJ: [W.E.B. Du Bois Program of Research on Crime FY 2018](#) (Closes: April 30, 2018)
- NIJ: [Research and Evaluation on Gangs and Gang Violence](#) (Closes: April 24, 2018)
- NIJ: [Research and Evaluation in Corrections](#) (Closes: April 23, 2018)
- **NEW:** NSF: [Future of Work at the Human - Technology Frontier: Advancing Cognitive and Physical Capabilities](#) (LOI due: April 16, 2018; Closes: June 4, 2018)
- NIJ: [Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Sexual Violence, Intimate Partner Violence, Stalking, and Teen Dating Violence](#) (Closes: April 12, 2018)
- CDC: [Research Grants for Preventing Violence and Violence Related Injury \(R01\)](#) (Closes: March 26, 2018)

Notices & Requests for Comment

- NSF: [Request for Public Comment on New Reporting Requirements Regarding Findings of Sexual Harassment, Other Forms of Harassment, or Sexual Assault](#) (Closes: May 4, 2018)
- NIH: [Request for Information: Soliciting Input for the National Institutes of Health Strategic Plan for Data Science](#) (Closes: April 12, 2018)

Recent Reports

- **NEW:** NIFA: [2017 Annual Report: User Inspired Science Transforming Lives](#)
- **NEW:** OSTP: [Science & Technology Highlights in the First Year of the Trump Administration](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS & REPORTS

Recent Reports

- **NEW:** NASEM: [The Safety and Quality of Abortion Care in the United States](#)
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Nomination Opportunities

- ASA: [Links Lecture Award](#) (Closes: May 1, 2018)
- CASBS: [Nominations Open for 2018 SAGE-CASBS Award](#) (Closes: May 7, 2018)

Recent Reports

- NEW: LSA: [The State of Linguistics in Higher Education Annual Report 2017](#)

Fellowships & Professional Development

- NEW: Duke: [Science Policy Summer Institute](#) (Closes March 31, 2018)

EVENTS CALENDAR

- [AAPSS & AERA: In The Age of Inequality, Does Public Schooling Make a Difference?](#) March 22, 2018, Washington, DC
- [Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting](#), March 22-25, 2018, Minneapolis, MN
- [National Prevention Science Coalition: Congressional Briefing: School Violence, Safety, and Well-Being: A Comprehensive Approach](#), March 23, 2018, Washington, DC
- [NASEM: Indicators for Monitoring Undergraduate STEM Education](#), March 26, 2018, Washington, DC
- [The Lab @ DC The Co-City: Mapping the New Urban Commons](#), March 29, 2018, Washington, DC
- [NASEM: Workshop on the Criminal Justice System and Social Exclusion: Race, Ethnicity, and Gender](#), April 3-4, 2018, Washington, DC ([register](#))
- [Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting](#), April 4-7, 2018, New Orleans, LA
- [Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference](#), April 5-8, 2018, Chicago, IL
- [American Psychological Association Conference on Technology, Mind, and Society](#), April 5-7, 2018, Washington, DC
- [Grave Consequences: Why Some Americans Are No Longer Living Longer](#), April 9, 2018, Washington, DC
- [American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting](#), April 10-14, 2018, New Orleans, LA
- [Society of Behavioral Medicine Annual Meeting](#), April 11-14, 2018, New Orleans, LA
- [Society for Research on Adolescence Annual Meeting](#), April 12-14, 2018, Minneapolis, MN
- [American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting](#), April 13-17, 2018, New York, NY
- [Population Association of America Annual Meeting](#), April 26-28, 2018, Denver, CO
- [American Council of Learned Societies Annual Meeting](#), April 26-28, 2018, Philadelphia, PA
- [COSSA Science Policy Conference & Social Science Advocacy Day, April 30-May 1, 2018, Washington, DC](#)
- [NIH/OBSSR: Screening and Referral for Social Determinants of Health: Innovative Health Care Applications and Future Directions](#), May 3, 2018, Bethesda, MD
- [CNSF Exhibition & Reception](#), May 9, 2019, Washington, DC
- [American Association for Public Opinion Research Annual Conference](#), May 16-19, 2018, Denver, CO
- [Society for Prevention Research Annual Meeting](#), May 29-June 1, 2018, Washington, DC

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Rural Sociological Society
Social Science History Association
Society for Prevention Research
Society for Research on Adolescence

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