



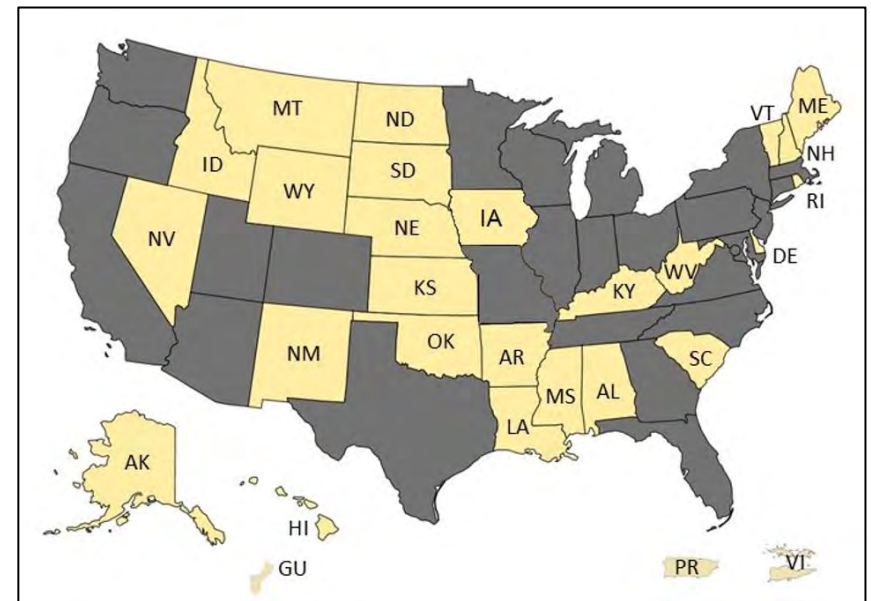
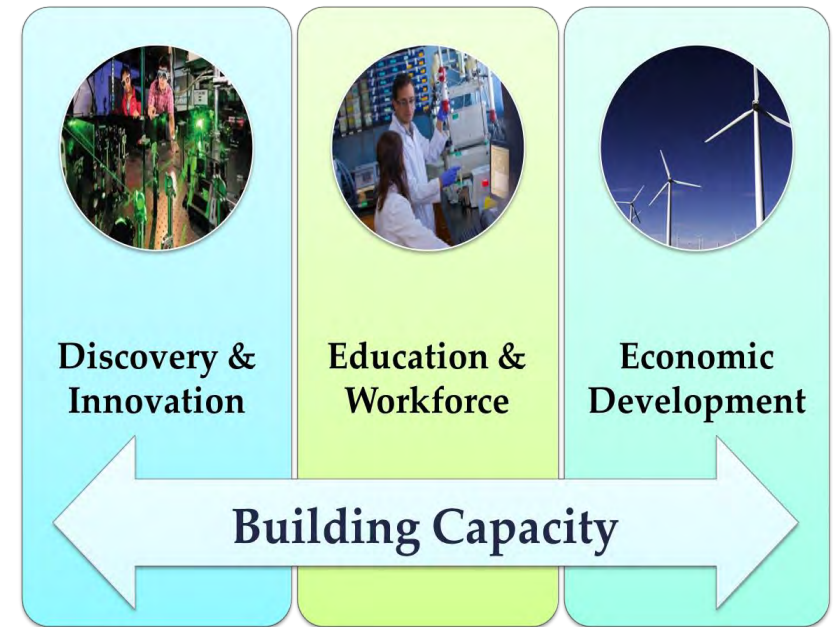
NSF Opportunities

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EPSCoR in Context

- Established by NSB Resolution in 1978
- Congressionally mandated in 1980
- Purpose: To enhance research competitiveness of targeted jurisdictions (states, territories, commonwealth) by strengthening STEM capacity and capability.
- EPSCoR Investment Strategies (RII-Track-1, RII-Track-2, RII-Track-4, RII-BEC)
- See EPSCoR website: <https://www.nsf.gov/od/oia/programs/epscor>



EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Program: Bridging EPSCoR Communities (RII-BEC)

- Solicitation: NSF [22-536](#)
- Enables institutions to set up bridge programs to facilitate the transitions of Affected Groups (e.g., women, underrepresented groups, research trainees, and graduate fellows) from one stage of STEM training to the next.
- Two virtual zoom webinar opportunities on
 - Monday, February 14, 2022, 2-3pm, EST ([registration link](#))
 - Thursday, February 17, 2022, 2-3pm, EST ([registration link](#))
- Up to \$1,000,000 / 5 years
- Deadline is April 4, 2022, 5:00 pm (submitter's local time).
- Points of contact:
 - Andrea Johnson, andjohns@nsf.gov
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EPSCoR Research Fellows

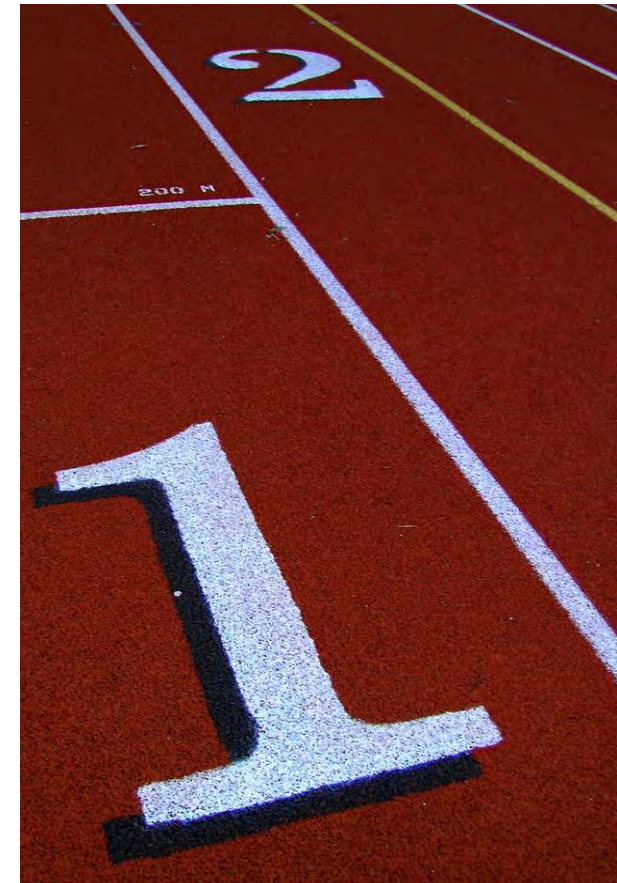
- Opportunities for early career investigators to make extended collaborative visits to private, governmental, or academic hosts
- Budget requests may be up to \$300,000 for 6 months spread over 2 years
- Fellows will be able to:
 - learn new techniques
 - benefit from access to state-of-the-art equipment and facilities
 - strengthen collaborative partnerships
 - extend their research toward transformative directions
- Fellowship experiences are intended benefit the recipient's career and in turn enhance the research capacities of their home institution and jurisdiction
- PIs may bring one trainee-level researcher





EPSCoR Research Fellows Now Features Two Tracks

- RII Track-4:NSF
 - Any research institution within the United States
 - Any topic that NSF funds is eligible
- RII Track-4:Fellows Advancing Science and Technology (FAST)
 - Specific topics are eligible based on specific NASA Research Centers (see solicitation)
 - Specific Institution types are eligible
 - Institutions Serving Individuals with Disabilities
 - Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs)
 - Primarily Undergraduate Institutions (PUIs)
 - Two-Year Colleges
 - Women's Colleges
- The Proposal Deadline is Early May 2022



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Stay Tuned for Office Hours and additional Outreach events
regarding this opportunity!



Participate!

- Receive NSF funding priorities and opportunities with RSS feeds
- Search recent awards, Speak to successful PIs, Communicate with NSF program officers and jurisdictional EPSCoR leadership
- Participate in grant-writing workshops, NSF days, Grant Conferences
- APPLY!!! and resubmit if necessary
- Serve as a reviewer, send your CV to a Program Officer near the deadline
- Serve as an NSF Rotating Program Officer
<https://www.nsf.gov/careers/>



We're Hiring!

--How to Apply

email a single PDF document that includes:

- 1) a cover letter explaining the reasons you are interested in the position,
- 2) a curriculum vitae (CV), and
- 3) a Citizen Affidavit, if applicable.

The cover letter should describe how your experiences fit with the position (referencing the CV). It is preferred that application materials and questions be sent to the Office of Integrative Activities via email to OIA@nsf.gov with **"EPSCoR Program Director"** in the subject line.



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