## 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: Community Anchor Awards for TEAM II August 15, 2023 and Full Awards for TEAM II September 12, 2023.

The NASA Office of STEM Engagement, through its <u>Next Gen STEM (NGS) Project</u>, invites proposals from museums, science centers, planetariums, NASA Visitor Centers, youth-serving organizations, libraries, and other eligible nonprofit institutions via the Appendix 14 TEAMIIANCHR and Appendix 15 TEAMIIFULL of Engagement Opportunities in NASA STEM FY2023 (EONS-2023) Notice of Funding Opportunity, NNH23ZHA001N. 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. Through TEAM II, NASA seeks to enhance the ability of informal education institutions and partners to deliver and participate in NASA-based activities, and to increase the capacity of institutions to utilize NASA resources and to provide students with the opportunity to contribute to NASA's mission using innovative tools and platforms.

TEAM II targets a limited number of topics of specific interest to NASA, places emphasis on recipients' partnering and networking in order to increase the impact of awards in the informal education community, and supports the strengthening of informal education institutions as local community resources. TEAM II also places significant emphasis on reaching students from communities that are underserved and underrepresented in STEM fields. Beginning in 2021, TEAM II implemented a two-tier award structure, adding smaller Community Anchor awards to encourage participation by significantly more institutions and to create a cohort of Community Anchors to partner with NGS and NASA in advancing diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility (DEIA) in STEM. Proposers receiving awards under either Appendix 14 and Appendix 15 will receive the designation of "NASA Informal Education Community Anchor," 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 grantee-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 Appendices 13-15 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 links are 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 (TEAMIIANCHR) (EONS-2023 Appendix 14)

Pre-proposal webinar (optional): June 29, 2023

Proposals due: August 15, 2023 Individual award range: \$35K – \$40K Period of Performance: 1 – 2 years

For more information about this opportunity, visit the Community Anchor Awards for TEAM II landing page on NSPIRES:

https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/summary.do?solId={EC2CBCD2-5CBB-8530-1024-BCE94F571A7D}&path=&method=init

## Full Awards for TEAM II (TEAMIIFULL) (EONS-2023 Appendix 15)

Pre-proposal webinar (optional): June 29, 2023

Notices of Intent Due (optional but strongly encouraged): July 10, 2023

Proposals due: September 12, 2023 Individual award range: \$500K – \$800K Period of Performance: 2 – 4 years

For more information about this opportunity, visit the Full Awards for TEAM II landing page on NSPIRES: <a href="https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/summary.do?solId={FEFF1E9D-3608-A4F2-04FF-74273CAD3F68}&path=&method=init">https://nspires.nasaprs.com/external/solicitations/summary.do?solId={FEFF1E9D-3608-A4F2-04FF-74273CAD3F68}&path=&method=init</a>

If you have any questions about this opportunity, please direct your questions to the Points of Contact listed within Appendix 13: TEAM II Policy and Guidance.