

Limited Submissions

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Tufts University

LIMITED SUBMISSION: NEA Citizens Institute on Rural Design (CIRD)

******PLEASE NOTE: ONE (1) PROPOSAL FROM TUFTS MAY BE NOMINATED******

DEADLINES:

Tufts Internal Email of Intent Deadline: July 17 by noon

Sponsor Deadline: August 8, 2018

For those interested, please send an **email of intent** (EOI) to the Limited Submissions Team at limitedsubmissions@tufts.edu informing us of an intention to apply. EOIs received after the deadline will not be considered. The email of intent must include:

1. *The name of the solicitation*
2. *The name of the Principal Investigator, and any co-PI's*
3. *Confirmation that the PI will obtain all approvals for the 50% cost share*
4. *A 2-3 sentence description of the proposed project.*

Should the number of interested applicants exceed the number allowed by the funder, an internal selection process will be conducted by the Office of the Vice Provost for Research, and candidates will be notified to submit internal application materials. All candidates will be notified of results. NB: Successful applications must include official notification from the Limited Submissions Team in order to submit. For more information, please see

<http://viceprovost.tufts.edu/resources/funding/limited-submissions/>

PROGRAM PURPOSE:

- To enhance the quality of life, economic viability, and aesthetic appearance of rural communities with populations below 50,000 through workshops, training programs, or peer exchanges focused on planning, design, and creative placemaking through planning and administering the Citizens Institute on Rural Design

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicants should develop a proposal that achieves these goals while addressing the following areas of special interest:
 - Building capacity in rural communities to plan comprehensive revitalization strategies
 - Introducing creative placemaking, arts, culture, and design strategies as drivers of economic development in rural America
 - Facilitating a network of rural communities for idea exchanges and peer learning
 - Preparing communities to be ready and competitive for state and federal funding opportunities
- The scope of work (found in detail at the link below includes: 1) administering the Citizens Institute on Rural Design (CIRD), 2) prepare and issue a request for proposals to select rural communities to host or participate in CIRD activities, 3) select program activity hosts/participants and provide operational support, 4) implement a comprehensive communications strategy, including hosting the CIRD website, and 5) provide guidance to CIRD communities and individuals throughout the performance period.

ELIGIBILITY: No agency restrictions; please follow [Tufts PI eligibility policies](#).

AWARD INFORMATION: A single award will be funded up to \$350,000 for a period of up to two years as a cooperative agreement. This requires a nonfederal cost share of at least 50% of the funded amount. Matching funds cannot include funds from any NEA or other federal sources.

FURTHER INFORMATION: <https://www.arts.gov/sites/default/files/CIRD-Program-Solicitation-with-Instructions-6.26.18.pdf>

NOTE: Program announcement instructions supersede instructions delivered in this document.