



Outreach & Education Funding Opportunity

Funding Opportunity:

WCAHS is dedicated to improving the health and safety of those working in Western agriculture through multidisciplinary research, education, and community trainings. Agriculture is one of the most dangerous occupations in the U.S. and represents one of the largest industrial sectors in California.

WCAHS is seeking **outreach and education** proposals that address agricultural health and safety in Arizona, California, Hawaii, and/or Nevada. **WCAHS welcomes applications on subjects spanning core agricultural health and safety topics (e.g. heat illness prevention, sexual harassment, pesticides, ag equipment and operation) to those that are emerging or underserved (e.g. COVID-19, ag worker mental health issues and resources, ATV safety, wildfire remediation risks and best practices).** Although examples are provided, we welcome all ideas that are relevant to agricultural health and safety.

Projects with strong connections to agricultural stakeholders are preferred. Such connections are best demonstrated by inclusion of a cooperative extension specialist or farm advisor as part of the project team or partnership with an agricultural employer, farmworker advocacy group, or commodity board. Examples of successful proposals include, but are not limited to, educational safety materials, new training courses, needs assessments, and health fairs or events.

WCAHS Outreach Funding Objective:

The overarching goal of this WCAHS Outreach funding opportunity is to expand and enhance the topical and regional reach of WCAHS and facilitate stronger collaboration between Cooperative Extension personnel, academic and private educators, and WCAHS.

Award: Funding length: 3–9 months
Funding requests up to \$10,000, most awards will be \$5,000–\$7,500

Eligibility: Faculty with PI eligibility in the Western region (AZ, CA, HI, NV)
PhD students or postdoctoral scholars in the Western region
Cooperative extension specialists and farm advisors
Non-profit organizations
Applicants from AZ, HI, and NV are encouraged to apply

Key Dates:

Proposals Due	September 25, 2020, 5 p.m. PT
Earliest Funding Start Date	November 2, 2020
Progress Report Due	April 2, 2021
Final Report Due	September 29, 2021

Required Proposal Items:

Abstract written for lay audience	<150 words
Project narrative: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Background- Project goals- Significance- Approach- Evaluation plan- Plan to engage WCAHS- Potential for sustainability	3 pages
Budget: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Personnel, supplies, and domestic travel allowed- Award limit is for total costs (direct + indirect)- UC Davis does not have an indirect limit	1 page
Budget justification	1 page
Resume or CV for project lead	3 page limit
Statement on project feasibility should public health officials mandate quarantine or continued social distancing related to COVID-19	<1 page
If applicable: letter of support from a Cooperative Extension Specialist or Farm Advisor in targeted outreach region	
Graduate student projects only: faculty letter of support	

Review Criteria:

The review process emphasizes outreach impact, which includes identification of a significant health- and/or safety-related problem that may be related to agricultural sources; magnitude of health and/or safety problem; innovation and use of appropriate tools and methodologies to address the question; and fit with WCAHS' goals. An evaluation or assessment plan that, at minimum, tracks attendance/viewership, solicits stakeholder feedback on content clarity, and, if possible, gauges audience understanding before and after the outreach effort.

All awardees will be expected to **engage WCAHS in at least two meetings during the project period to discuss approach and material development**. All materials developed during the project (e.g. radio clips, videos, training materials) must be **reviewed and approved** by WCAHS, include the WCAHS logo, and be provided for inclusion on the WCAHS website. Awardees will be expected to participate in WCAHS events and seminars and acknowledge WCAHS in publications and presentations by National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) grant title and number.

Submission Instructions:

Proposals are due on or before the due date: **September 25, 2020, 5 p.m. PT**. Send all materials in one pdf to: aghealth@ucdavis.edu

More information about WCAHS can be found here: <https://aghealth.ucdavis.edu/>

Previously funded projects can be found here: <https://aghealth.ucdavis.edu/funding/outreach-education/projects>

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