



DEPARTMENT OF  
CAREER SERVICES

# Workforce Issuance

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**To:** Chief Elected Officials  
MassHire Workforce Board Chairs  
MassHire Workforce Board Directors  
MassHire Career Center Directors  
MassHire Fiscal Officers  
MDCS Operations Managers

**cc:** WIOA State Partners

**From:** Alice Sweeney, Director  
MassHire Department of Career Services

**Date:** May 18, 2021

**Subject:** **Office of Post-Secondary Education Higher Education Programs - Funding Opportunities**

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**Purpose:** To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and other local workforce partners of 3 funding opportunities through the Office of Post-Secondary Education (OPE), Higher Education Programs (HEP) announced through Grants.gov.

**Background:** Funds are available for 3 programs – Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP), Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institutions (AANAPISI) and Predominantly Black Institutions (PBI).

**Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP) Assistance Listing Number 84 031A** – to help institutions of higher education (IHE) become self-sufficient and expand their capacity to serve low-income students by providing funds to improve and strengthen the institutions academic quality, institutional management, and fiscal stability.

<b>Funding Opportunity Number:</b>	ED-Grants-051421-001
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	July 13, 2021
<b>Estimated Total Funding:</b>	\$17,182,981
<b>Estimated Awards:</b>	38
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	Public & State controlled institutions of higher education, private institutions of higher education, see FOA for complete list and details

**Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions (AANAPISI) Assistance Listing Number 84 382B** – The AANAPISI Program provides grants to eligible institutions of higher education (IHE) to enable them to improve and expand their capacity to serve Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander students. Institutions may use these grants to plan, develop, or implement activities that strengthen the institution.

<b>Funding Opportunity Number:</b>	ED-Grants-051421-002
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	June 28, 2021
<b>Estimated Total Funding:</b>	\$4,638,703
<b>Estimated Awards:</b>	16
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	At least 10% of the IHE is Asian American or Native American, see FOA for complete list and details

**Predominantly Black Institutions (PBI) Assistance Listing Number 84 382A** – The PBI Program is to strengthen PBIs to carry out programs in: science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM); health education; internationalization or globalization; teacher preparation; or improving educational outcomes of African American males.

<b>Funding Opportunity Number:</b>	ED-Grants-051421-003
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	June 28, 2021
<b>Estimated Total Funding:</b>	\$14,115,000
<b>Estimated Awards:</b>	25
<b>Eligible Applicants:</b>	IHEs that have enrollments of needy students, see FOA for complete list and details

#### **Action**

**Requested:** Please share with managers, staff, and partners as appropriate.

**Effective:** Immediately.