

BIOAg Planning Grants –FY2016

Planning grants are designed to support appropriate direct costs associated with preparing a project proposal for extramural funding consideration. Planning grant proposals must designate the specific extramural program that the PIs intend to apply to and why the PIs expect to be competitive in that program.

Planning Grants are intended to provide funding support for established teams with multiple PIs to prepare a large, national grant proposal for a collaborative project.

Planning Grants should be used to get significant work accomplished over a multi-day meeting including: defining team goals (both on the grant writing team and on the project team after the large grant is funded); meeting face to face with the whole team and possibly someone from office of major grants development (for budget and logic model help); and completing drafts of primary proposal documents ***required by the funder*** such as outline, timeline, communication plan, organizational chart, logic model, reference list, project objectives, or other supporting documents relevant to the targeted RFA. Draft documents are required reporting documentation for Planning Grants.

Successful Planning Grant funding proposals will include: 1) all team members (PIs and co-PIs, and their specific roles in the project); 2) clear details about the preparation process proposed (where, when and who will participate, what will be accomplished, etc.); 3) specifically identified national funding program to which the proposal will be submitted, the RFA timeline, and why you expect to be competitive for this funding source; and 4) main objectives of the national proposal in preparation.

Planning Grant Funding: approx. \$5,000-\$8,000

[Planning Grant Application Form and Instructions](#) – Rolling deadline until designated funds are expended.

The [BIOAg FY16 Request for Proposals](#) includes a description of the BIOAg program and priorities. Please refer to the [RFP](#) for overall BIOAg program and priorities information, and use the [Planning Grant Application Form](#) to apply for funds.