

## Resources to Support Occupational Health and Safety in Wyoming

This handout is intended for state and local government agencies, non-governmental organizations, academic institutions, employers and others seeking funding or staffing to address worker health and safety concerns in Wyoming. The opportunities described below are recurrently available through various agencies, but may not be available every year. **Please follow the links provided to confirm availability, eligibility, application deadlines, and more.**

This is by no means an exhaustive list of funding and fellowship opportunities; others may be available. Many of these opportunities can be attained in partnership between two or more different entities, where one entity is eligible to apply for funding but another can be sub-contracted to implement all or part of the funded project or program. If your organization has a project in mind but is not eligible to apply for a particular opportunity, consider the potential for a partnership.

### Apply to Host an Occupational Health Fellow or Scholar

- **Association of Occupational and Environmental Clinics (AOEC) Occupational Health Internship Program (OHIP):** This program funds two graduate or undergraduate students for summer internships in occupational health. The two students work together on the same project and must interact with workers to conduct surveys, training, or education outreach. Projects often involve collaborative activity with state and local government, unions and community-based organizations. Examples of previous projects are available online. Host-site applications open in fall. [www.aoec.org/ohip](http://www.aoec.org/ohip)
- **CDC Public Health Associate Program (PHAP):** This program funds and places entry-level public health professionals in health agencies and non-governmental organizations for two-year, full-time assignments. The intent is to train the next generation of professionals with hands-on experience in public health program development and operation. Host-site applications open in January. [www.cdc.gov/phap/](http://www.cdc.gov/phap/)
- **Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologist (CSTE) Applied Epidemiology Fellowship:** This program funds and places graduate level, early career professionals in state and local health agencies for two-year, full-time assignments that support public health initiatives and programs. Applicant agencies dedicate time of two experienced mentors. Host-site applications open in September. [www.cste.org/?page=Fellowship](http://www.cste.org/?page=Fellowship)

### Apply for a Local or State Grant

- **Wyoming Department of Workforce Services, Safety Improvement Fund:** These grants help businesses implement health and safety training programs, or assist with the purchase of health and safety equipment. Equipment must be an upgrade or beyond regulatory requirements for the industry or occupation. Wyoming employers can apply for up to \$10,000 per year. Applications are reviewed throughout the year. <http://wyomingworkforce.org/businesses/workerscomp/sif/>
- **Top Giving Foundations in Wyoming:** The following foundations offer community improvement grants and have funded health and human service and education projects in the past. [www.tgci.com/funding-sources/WY/top](http://www.tgci.com/funding-sources/WY/top)
  - Community Foundation of Jackson Hole. Application deadlines are typically in April and October. [www.cfjacksonhole.org](http://www.cfjacksonhole.org)
  - Wyoming Community Foundations. Application deadlines typically June 15 and December 15. [www.wycf.org](http://www.wycf.org)
  - Homer A. and Mildred S. Scott Foundation. Proposals typically reviewed in April, July, October, and January. <http://www.scottfoundation.org/>

## Apply for a Western Region Grant

- **High Plains Center for Agricultural Health and Safety (HICAHS) Community-Initiated Grants:** This program funds small agricultural organizations to augment their existing health and safety programs for preventing occupational-related injuries and illnesses among the agricultural workers. Applications are accepted and reviewed throughout the year. Awards are up to \$10,000. <http://csu-cvmb.colostate.edu/academics/erhs/agricultural-health-and-safety/Pages/community-initiated-grants.aspx>
- **High Plains Center for Agricultural Health and Safety (HICAHS) Pilot Project Grants:** This program funds research projects that promote or improve worker health and safety in agriculture, forestry, or fishing. The maximum award is \$24,000. Applications are solicited annually every summer. <http://csu-cvmb.colostate.edu/academics/erhs/agricultural-health-and-safety/Pages/pilot-grants.aspx>
- **Mountain and Plains Education and Research Center (MAP ERC) Pilot Project Grants:** This program supports innovative projects that enhance our scientific knowledge about OESH topics, ranging from air sampling techniques to agricultural injuries, or projects that apply scientific knowledge to real world problems. The maximum award is \$15,000. Applications are typically due in February each year. <http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/PublicHealth/research/centers/maperc/research/Pages/pilotprojects.aspx>

## Apply for a National or Federal Grant

- **Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Susan Harwood Training Grant Program:** Awards grants to nonprofit organizations on a competitive basis. The goal is to provide training and education for workers and employers on the recognition, avoidance, and prevention of safety and health hazards in their workplaces, and to inform workers of their rights and employers of their responsibilities under the OSH Act. Awards vary depending on scope, but most are in the range of \$100,000 to \$150,000. Applications are typically solicited annually in the spring or summer. [www.osha.gov/dte/sharwood/index.html](http://www.osha.gov/dte/sharwood/index.html)
- **Center for Construction Research and Training (CPWR):** Funds up to \$30,000 per study to investigate construction safety and health hazards and barriers, and find solutions to eliminate or reduce them. Also funds novel dissemination methods aimed at vulnerable or hard-to-reach workers or contractors. A study may be proposed at any time. However, researchers are limited to two small study submissions per calendar year. [www.cpw.com/research/small-studies-program](http://www.cpw.com/research/small-studies-program)
- **National Institute of Health (NIH), Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Programs:** Funds early-stage, health and life science companies that are creating innovative technologies that align with NIH's mission to improve health and save lives. A key objective of this work is translating promising technologies to the private sector through strategic public and private partnerships, so that life-saving innovations reach consumer markets. <https://sbir.nih.gov/#sol> and <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/oep/smbusiness.html>
- **National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Conference Grants:** Supports meetings that are relevant to the mission of preventing injury, illness, and deaths caused by hazards in the workplace. Awards range from about \$10,000 to \$30,000. <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/oep/conference.html>