

NASA Kansas Space Grant Consortium

Celebrate NASA's 60th and 50th Anniversaries



Proposals Due: Anytime prior to March 29, 2019

Background

NASA is celebrating two significant events in its history:

- Their 60th anniversary
- The 50th anniversary of the Apollo program and the moon landing

The Kansas Space Grant Consortium (KSGC) is interested in sponsoring exciting activities that commemorate one or both of these highpoints. Up to \$60,000 is available to competitively fund 2-4 proposals. Proposers are required to provide matching funds that total to at least \$0.50 for each dollar requested (from non-federal sources). Matching funds can be real-dollar, in-kind, or waived indirect costs provided by an institution, industry, or private sponsors.

Proposals & Selection

Consortium members are invited to submit proposals for exciting and relevant anniversary activities that:

- Engage a significant and diverse population of students, faculty, educators, and the general public
- Offer exciting learning experiences and relevant NASA insight
- Focus on Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM)

Activities should occur in the same time frame as celebrations taking place nationally during 2019. <u>Some example ideas</u> include, but are not limited to:

- **Events** or **reunions** that bring Kansas scientist, engineers, and others who worked on NASA spacecraft, programs, or science together to publically celebrate, reflect, and discuss their contributions
- **Conferences** that allow participants to present and learn about anniversary related topics (e.g., significant long-term outcomes, spinoffs, etc.)
- **Essay contests** where participants, reflecting on NASA's historical impact, predict or plan the future of space travel (e.g., exploration, science, and commercial opportunities) the next giant leap
- **Reenactments** or transcript readings of the moon landing (e.g., NASA's mission control radio transmission to Neal Armstrong right after the landing "*roger Tranquility*, *you got a bunch guys about to turn blue here we are breathing again*")
- **Teacher Workshops** with anniversary themes that inform and equip teachers to inspire and educate their students
- **Others** be creative!

There are lots of potential activities, please feel free to be creative.

Proposals should comply with the following guidelines:

- A six (6) page limit (excluding cover sheet, budget, and related institutional pages)
- Utilize one-inch margins and a 12-point Times New Roman font
- The cover sheet should include the proposal title, all critical contact information, and a signature from the proposer's financial authority (showing a commitment for matching funds)

• Participants, including students and faculty, receiving direct support must be U.S. citizens

The KSGC Executive Committee will review proposals for:

- Responsiveness to NASA and Kansas STEM interests
- Goals and expected results (be sure to identify particular metrics that demonstrate achievements)
- Number of participants, including general public, students, teachers, and faculty (especially women and underrepresented minorities)
- Budget clarity and appropriateness

Feel free to contact your institution's Affiliate Representative or the KSGC Director, L. Scott Miller (scott.miller@wichita.edu), with any questions.

Reporting

Grant recipients must submit progress and final reports addressing KSGC program objectives outlined in this document and detailed in their proposals.

Submissions & Awards

Submit proposals to L. Scott Miller, KSGC Director (scott.miller@wichita.edu), as a single PDF document of less than 1 MB size, via email anytime prior to the above noted deadline. Proposals will be reviewed and awards announced as quickly as possible.

Availability of Funds and Period of Performance

KSGC's ability to make awards is obviously contingent upon the availability of NASA appropriated funds from which payment can be made. The award period of performance is for approximately 12-months.