

# Funding Opportunity Announcement

<b>Funding Organization</b>	CPWR—The Center for Construction Research and Training, <a href="http://cpwr.com">cpwr.com</a>
<b>About the Funder</b>	Founded in the early 1990s, CPWR is America's leading nonprofit focused on reducing injuries, illnesses, and fatalities among construction workers. Its work includes testing methods and procedures to reduce or eliminate the hazards workers face. CPWR serves as the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health's (NIOSH) National Construction Center through a five-year cooperative agreement.
<b>Funding Opportunity</b>	CPWR Small Study Program
<b>Purpose of Funding</b>	The Small Study Program provides up to \$30,000 to investigate promising new research initiatives and topics. It supports studies that are generally preliminary and short-term, and awards are not renewable. The proposed research must be related to CPWR's mission and priority research interests.
<b>Source of Funding</b>	Funding for awarded studies is provided by CPWR through a combination of federal support (NIOSH) and a charitable contribution from the McElhattan Foundation. Allocation of funding sources is determined by CPWR.
<b>Areas of Emphasis</b>	<p>CPWR's Small Study Program is committed to advancing construction safety and health by supporting promising research and practical initiatives. We prioritize funding for initiatives that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Reach high-risk groups</b>, including small employers (those with 19 or fewer employees) and those in residential and light commercial construction.</li> <li>• <b>Apply actionable interventions</b> that can be immediately applied on the job.</li> <li>• <b>Engage stakeholders</b> through partnerships to identify and overcome barriers to adopting good practices.</li> <li>• <b>Tackle persistent or emerging issues</b> and leverage new technologies to enhance worker safety, health, and well-being.</li> <li>• <b>Translate research into practice</b> and promote widespread dissemination.</li> <li>• <b>Promote proven safety practices</b> and evidence-based solutions to small employers for quick adoption.</li> </ul>
<b>Review Process</b>	All submissions are reviewed by a panel of experts that may include members of CPWR's Technical Advisory Board, CPWR research directors, and subject matter experts selected based on their experience and knowledge of the proposal's field of study.
<b>Application Deadline</b>	The program is currently open for applications, which are accepted on a rolling basis—a study can be proposed at any time.
<b>Start Date</b>	Start date is determined when the proposal is awarded.

## Application Requirements

Applicants must read and follow the guidance found in the Small Study Guidelines, available on [cpwr.com](http://cpwr.com). Applications that do not comply with these guidelines will not be reviewed.

Projects must address a goal within NIOSH's National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) Construction Sector Council's research objectives for the next of the U.S. construction industry.

## Program Impacts

Papers from Small Studies have been published in a range of peer-reviewed journals, including American Journal of Industrial Medicine, Applied Ergonomics, Construction Management and Economics, Epidemiologic Reviews, Journal of Construction Engineering and Management, Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, Professional Safety, and Safety Science.

Findings from these studies have been covered in trade, industry, and media outlets, including Architectural Digest, Dallas Morning News, EHS Today, Engineering News Record (ENR), ISHN, Univision, and The Wall Street Journal.

Presentations on findings have been delivered at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, CPWR Webinar Series, the International Symposium of the ISSA Construction Section on Occupational Safety and Health in the Construction Industry, and federal, state, regional, national, and international conferences.

## More Information

CPWR Small Study Program Information: [cpwr.com/smallstudy](http://cpwr.com/smallstudy)

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