

CPWR Small Study Funding Opportunity Announcement

Funding Organization	CPWR - The Center for Construction Research and Training, www.cpwr.com
Mission of Funding Organization	CPWR is a nonprofit research institution founded in 1990 to investigate the causes of illnesses, injuries and fatalities among U.S. construction workers and to test methods and procedures for reducing or eliminating the hazards. The organization is funded through a five-year cooperative agreement with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (CDC/NIOSH). CPWR serves as NIOSH's National Construction Center.
Funding Opportunity Title	CPWR Small Study Program
Funding Opportunity Purpose	CPWR provides funding up to \$30,000 to investigate promising new research initiatives. The Small Study Program provides flexibility for initiating studies that are generally for preliminary, short-term projects and are non-renewable. The research plan proposed by the applicant must be related to the mission and priority research interests of CPWR.
Special Emphasis Areas	<p>CPWR has an interest in studies addressing innovative approaches to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in the construction industry through ventilation, distancing, and respirators.</p> <p>CPWR also has an interest in studies addressing the high fatality burden among small employers in the U.S. construction industry, defined by CPWR as employers with 1-19 employees. Proposed research projects aimed at innovative ways in which to research small employers are considered a high priority, especially with an emphasis on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement of stakeholders through partnerships and other means to understand the barriers and motivators for intervention adoption by small employers • Assessing communications channels in reaching small employers • Evaluation of promising translation products and dissemination strategies targeting small employers
Additional Program Information	Review the CPWR Small Study Program (www.cpwr.com/research/small-studies-program/)
Program Years Funded	September 1, 2019 – August 31, 2024
Application Deadline	Rolling submissions cycle: a study can be proposed at any time.
Scientific Merit Review	All submissions are reviewed by a panel of experts comprised of members of CPWR's Technical Advisory Board (TAB), CPWR research directors, and other Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) identified based on their experience and knowledge of the applicant's field of study.

Start Date	Start date is determined when proposal is awarded.
Required Application Instructions	<p>First: It is crucial that an applicant must read and follow information found in the CPWR Small Study Guidelines, posted on www.cpwr.com. Applications that do not comply with these guidelines will not be accepted for review.</p> <p>Second: For consideration, a project must address a goal within NIOSH's National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) Construction Sector Council's research objectives for the next decade of research for the U.S. construction industry.</p>
Achievements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Papers from Small Studies are published in peer-reviewed journals, such as <i>American Journal of Industrial Medicine</i>, <i>Journal of Construction Engineering and Management</i>, <i>Construction Management and Economics</i>, <i>Epidemiologic Reviews</i>, <i>Professional Safety</i>, <i>Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine</i>, <i>Safety Science</i>, <i>Applied Ergonomics</i>, and others. • Findings from these studies have been covered in trade, industry and consumer publications, including <i>The Wall Street Journal</i>, <i>Univision</i>, <i>Engineering News Record (ENR)</i>, <i>Architectural Digest</i>, <i>EHS Today</i>, <i>ISHN</i>, <i>Dallas Morning News</i>, and many more. • Presentations on findings have been delivered at the International Symposium of the ISSA Construction Section on Occupational Safety and Health in the Construction Industry, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, and state, regional, national and international conferences.
More Information	CPWR Small Study Program Information: http://www.cpwr.com/research/small-studies-program
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