Grant Title: LUMINA FOUNDATION

Funding Opportunity Number: N/A

Agency/Department: Lumina Foundation.

Area of Research: The Foundation's overarching goal is to increase the higher education attainment rate of the United States to 60 percent by 2025.

Release and Expiration: N/A

Application Deadline: Applicants are encouraged to submit letters of inquiry.

Amount: For unsolicited inquiries $50,000-$250,000.

Length of Support: One to three years.

Eligible Applicants: Lumina Foundation makes grants to organizations that are classified as tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and as public charities under section 509(a)(1), (2) or (3) of the Code or to public organizations that are designated under section 170(c) of the Code.

Summary: Lumina Foundation believes that education provides the basis for individual opportunity, economic vitality and social stability. With its partners, Lumina strives to meet workforce demands and close gaps in attainment for groups not historically well-served by higher education. Lumina's overarching goal is to increase the higher education attainment rate of the United States to 60 percent by 2025. This will represent an increase of 23 million graduates above current levels of production. While the mission focuses on both student access and success in higher education, the emphasis is on attainment, defined as completing associate and baccalaureate degrees and credentials. A large majority of grants are awarded to partners solicited by the Foundation based on unique capacity or position to leverage large-scale systemic change. A modest amount of grant monies has been allocated for unsolicited inquiries in an effort to encourage innovative ideas that relate to the Foundation's strategic portfolio. The proactive portfolio focuses on: increasing awareness of the benefits of higher education; improving student access to and preparedness for college; improving student success in college; and productivity across the higher education system. Its recommended that all unsolicited inquiries be submitted as formal letters of inquiry (LOI).

Detailed Information: http://www.luminafoundation.org/grants.html