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IRP RIDGE CENTER FOR NATIONAL STUDIES 2014–2015 SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

This national small grants program is intended to stimulate innovative research related to food assistance programs. The maximum award is $40,000. The award period is from July 1, 2014, to December 31, 2015. The research theme is: The Impacts of Food Assistance Programs on Food Security, Consumption Patterns, Food Choices, Nutritional Outcomes, and Other Diet-Related Health Outcomes

Request for Proposals
Notice of intent deadline: April 18, 2014
Proposal deadline: May 2, 2014

SRDC-PCRD RIDGE CENTER FOR TARGETED STUDIES 2014–2015 SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

This national small grants program seeks to invest in innovative social sciences-based research that explores the food and nutrition assistance challenges of rural people and places. The maximum award is $35,000. The award period is from August 1, 2014, to December 31, 2015.

Request for Proposals
Proposal deadline: May 8, 2014

SRDC-PCRD RIDGE CENTER FOR TARGETED STUDIES DISSERTATION GRANTS PROGRAM
CALL FOR DISSERTATION RESEARCH PROPOSALS

This grant program is intended to invest in graduate students attending universities in the U.S. who are pursuing doctoral research in areas that closely align with the research priorities of the RIDGE Center for Targeted Studies. The maximum award is $17,500.

Request for Proposals
Proposal deadline: May 15, 2014

2013–2014 IRP RIDGE GRANTS: ABSTRACTS AND PI BIOS

Sanjay Basu, School of Medicine, Stanford Prevention Research Center, Stanford University
The National School Lunch Program: Seasonal Difference in Program Participation and Its Impacts on Food Insufficiency and Food Insecurity: Abstract
Jin Huang, School of Social Work, Saint Louis University

The Summer Food Service Program and Food Insecurity in Low-Income Households with Children: Evidence from California: Abstract
Daniel Miller, School of Social Work, Boston University

A Behavioral Economics Experiment on the Effect of Incentives on Food Choice in the National School Lunch Program: Abstract
Anya Samak, Department of Consumer Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison

The Dynamics of Multiple Program Use and Food Security: Abstract
Christopher Swann, Department of Economics, University of North Carolina–Greensboro

Understanding Patterns of and Factors Associated with Disconnection among SNAP Participants: Abstract
Eunhee Han, School of Social Work, University of Wisconsin–Madison

IRP RIDGE CENTER RESEARCH RESOURCES

Website
Recent additions to the IRP RIDGE Center Website include links to the latest online media coverage of food assistance programs, and research-related IRP publications in the Focus newsletter, Fast Focus research briefs, and discussion papers.

See also our RIDGE News page, which features select recent food-assistance-related news articles.

IRP Discussion Papers
Trends in Poverty with an Anchored Supplemental Poverty Measure, IRP DP No. 1416-13
Christopher Wimer, Liana Fox, Irv Garfinkel, Neeraj Kaushal, and Jane Waldfogel

The Effect of SNAP on Poverty, IRP DP No. 1415-13
Laura Tiehen, Dean Jolliffe, and Timothy Smeeding

Why Are So Many Americans on Food Stamps? The Role of the Economy, Policy, and Demographics, IRP DP No. 1414-13
James P. Ziliak

Podcasts
IRP RIDGE Director Judith Bartfeld discusses “Food Security Trends and an Introduction to the Wisconsin Food Security Project”

IRP RIDGE Principal Investigator Daniel Miller discusses “Family Change, Father Involvement, and Child Food Insecurity”
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IRP RIDGE Center for National Food and Nutrition Assistance Research
In 2010, the U.S. Department of Agriculture established the RIDGE Center for National Food and Nutrition Assistance Research at the Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP) at the University of Wisconsin–Madison following a nationwide competition. The USDA also established a second center, the RIDGE Center for Targeted Studies, at the Southern Rural Development Center at Mississippi State University. The RIDGE Centers provide renewed focus on economic aspects of food and nutrition assistance research; stimulate new and innovative research on food and nutrition assistance issues; and broaden the support of both established and emerging food and nutrition assistance scholars.

Institute for Research on Poverty
The Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP), the nation’s original poverty research center, was established in 1966 at the University of Wisconsin–Madison as a university-based, multidisciplinary research center into the causes and consequences of poverty and social inequality in the United States. IRP is nonpartisan and nonprofit.

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