

**Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (replaces the National Research Initiative),
CSREES, USDA**

PURPOSE: to make competitive grants for fundamental and applied research, extension and education to address food and agricultural sciences in six priority areas.

The application package is found under CFDA 10.310 in Grants.gov. The program announcement is available at: http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/rfas/afri_rfa.html

Selected program deadline dates for the letter of intent (LOI) or application (APP):

Animal health and well being 4/1/2009 (APP)

Animal health & well being, tools and resources 4/1/2009 (APP)

Bioactive food components for optimal health 4/13/2009 (APP)

Biobased products and bioenergy production research 4/16/2009 (APP)

Biology of weedy and invasive species in agroecosystems 4/20/2009 for LOI and 6/19/2009 (APP)

Biological approaches for food safety 5/6/2009 (APP)

Epidemiological approaches for food safety 5/6/2009 (APP)

Practical approaches for food protection 5/6/2009 (APP)

Improving food quality and value 4/10/2009 (APP)

Integrated solutions for animal agriculture 3/16/2009 for LOI and 6/30/2009 (APP)

Human nutrition and obesity 6/15/2009 (APP)

Managed ecosystems 6/2/2009 (APP)

Plant biology, environmental stress 4/10/2009 (APP)

Plant breeding and education 3/16/2009 for LOI and 6/15/2009 (APP)

Plant biosecurity 4/13/2009 for LOI and 6/26/2009 (APP)

Rapid response food and agricultural science for emergency issues immediately for LOI

Soil processes 4/14/2009 (APP)

Sustainable agroecosystems science and long-term agroecosystem 4/25/2009 (APP)

Water and watersheds 4/15/2009 (APP)