

National Girls Collaborative Project

Request for Proposals for the NASA Girls STEAM Ahead Initiative with the Space Telescope Science Institute

Project History

[Girls STEAM Ahead with NASA](#) is an initiative of the NASA-funded informal science learning program the “[NASA’s Universe of Learning](#)”. The initiative started as the 2012 “Astro4Girls” collaboration of NASA-funded Astrophysics education and public outreach programs and the American Library Association.

Scope and Core Objectives

To create and disseminate informal learning products, programs, and professional development experiences that use NASA Astrophysics science, technology, and subject matter experts to advance Science Mission Directorate education objectives on a national scale.

To engage girls and young women, and empower their success in science.

To support informal learning venues and programs with resources that contribute to authentic STEM experiences and increased understanding of the process of science

Target Audience

Youths and their families, with a particular focus on girls and other under-represented youth in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education (Latinx, African American, Native American).

Budget

Applicants can request up to \$200 in funding and must supply a short description of their program activities and what the funding will be used for.

Proposal Guidelines and Requirements

- Prior recipients of Girls STEAM Ahead grant funding are ineligible.
- Only organizations may apply.
- Applying organizations must have existing summer 2018 programming which will integrate the Girls STEAM Ahead resources.
- All activities in which Girls STEAM Ahead resources are to be used will be communicated to Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI) staff at least three weeks prior so that applicable evaluation materials can be mailed.
- Applications are due by Friday, April 27, 2018 at 5:00PM Pacific.
- Recipients must attend or watch the recorded awardee webinar (May 7, 2018 at 1:00PM Pacific/4:00PM Eastern).
- Recipients must utilize Girls STEAM Ahead resources May through September.
- Recipients are required to participate in the national NGCP webinar in October (Date TBD).

Evaluation Requirements

Recipients are expected to supply impact numbers to NGCP staff, collect youth participant surveys and complete an event cover sheet and return them in the pre-paid envelope, and respond to other survey requests.

Contact Information

Please contact Erin Hogeboom (ehogeboom@ngcproject.org) with any questions.