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## Featured News

### White House Announces New Requirements for Public Access to Federally Funded Research

On August 25, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) **announced** new requirements on federal agencies to make peer-reviewed publications resulting from federal funding freely available to the public immediately following publication. Citing longstanding concerns around inequitable access to “the full benefits of scientific research” as well as recent success in the sharing of COVID-19 research and data, the **memorandum** directs federal agencies to eliminate the optional 12-month publication embargo period for federally funded peer reviewed research articles and to make data associated with peer reviewed research articles immediately available upon publication.

Specifically, federal agencies are expected to:

1. Update public access policies as soon as possible and no later than December 31, 2025 to allow for free public release of publications and supporting data resulting

- from federally funded research.
2. Establish transparent procedures to ensure scientific and research integrity is maintained in public access policies.
3. Coordinate with OSTP to ensure equitable delivery of federally funded research results and data.

The OSTP guidance provides a framework for managing this transition; however, many of the specifics will be left to the affected federal agencies to develop in coordination with the reconstituted National Science and Technology Council Subcommittee on Open Science (SOS).

COSSA will continue to follow this issue as it develops.

## New from COSSA

### COSSA Seeking Nominations for At-Large Seat on Board of Directors

The Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA) is soliciting nominations to fill one (1) at-large director seat on the COSSA Board of Directors for the 2023-2025 term. For this year's cycle, COSSA is specifically interested in nominations that would (1) enhance racial/ethnic diversity and representation on the Board, and (2) represent sectors or communities that would bring new perspectives and opportunities to COSSA, such as philanthropy, industry, or other sectors.

The COSSA Board serves as the governing body of the organization and is responsible for setting policy and providing guidance and oversight for COSSA's strategic directions. The Board of Directors is currently comprised of 18 members: 15 representing COSSA's [Governing Member Associations](#) and 3 at-large directors. At-large seats are intended to bring to the table diverse perspectives and voices that may not necessarily be represented through COSSA's association members.

At-large directors serve three-year staggered terms. **The term for the open seat runs from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025.** The COSSA Board of Directors meets quarterly, either virtually or in Washington, DC for one day (phone and video participation is allowed). In addition, each Board member is asked to serve on one of COSSA's standing committees, which each meet separately 1-3 times during the year.

**Please submit your nomination to Wendy Naus at [wnaus@coffa.org](mailto:wnaus@coffa.org) by no later than Wednesday, September 7.** Include the following information with the nomination:

- Cover letter that highlights the candidate's expertise and how their appointment would enhance racial/ethnic representation on the Board and/or represent a sector or community that would provide new perspectives and opportunities to COSSA.
- CV or resume (10-page limit).

Self-nominations are welcome. Thank you for your consideration and, as always, thank you for your support of COSSA!

### COSSA Releases 2021 Annual Report



COSSA's [2021 Annual Report](#) is now available. Check it out to learn more about COSSA's activities and successes over the past year. Find out how your organization can become a member of COSSA on [our website](#).

# “Why Social Science” Examines the Necessary Conditions for Passing Bipartisan Gun Legislation



This month's *Why Social Science?* post comes from [The Conversation](#), where Monica L. McDermott and David R. Jones examine how and why the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act passed now after three decades of unsuccessful attempts to pass gun reform legislation. Read it [here](#) and [subscribe](#).

## Congressional News

### COSSA Releases Analysis of Senate Draft FY 2023 Appropriations Bills

In late July, the Senate Appropriations Committee released drafts of its fiscal year (FY) 2023 appropriations bills. As [previously reported](#), the House introduced its bills in June and passed half of them in July. While the Senate Appropriations Committee is not planning to take up the bills individually through the regular committee process, the release of its bills allows House and Senate appropriators to begin talks and, hopefully, work toward an agreement on final FY 2023 spending in the fall.

Across many of the accounts, the Senate bills seek sizable increases for federal science agencies and programs, in many cases, exceeding the amounts proposed by the House, as illustrated below.

	FY 2022 Enacted	FY 2023 House	FY 2023 Senate	Senate vs. FY 2022
National Institutes of Health	44959.0	47459.0	47959.0	6.7%
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	8457.2	10499.4	10500.8	24.2%
National Science Foundation	8838.0	9631.2	10338.0	17.0%
DOD Basic Research (6.1)	2763.5	2598.8	3361.4	21.6%
National Institute of Food and Agriculture	1636.8	1768.0	1691.0	3.3%
Bureau of the Census	1354.0	1505.5	1485.0	9.7%
Institute of Education Sciences	737.0	844.1	831.4	12.8%
Bureau of Labor Statistics	688.0	658.3	723.5	5.2%
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality	350.4	385.0	385.4	10.0%
National Agricultural Statistics Service	190.2	211.0	213.6	12.3%
Bureau of Economic Analysis	116.0	127.8	128.0	10.3%
Economic Research Service	87.8	90.6	96.1	9.4%
International Education and Foreign Language Studies	81.7	88.7	86.7	6.1%
Bureau of Justice Statistics	40.0	45.0	45.0	12.5%
National Institute of Justice	30.0	35.0	43.0	43.3%

Now that Congress is returning from summer recess, lawmakers will begin to hash out their differences across the 12 appropriations bills. As has become custom, though, enactment of a continuing resolution (CR) will likely be needed to keep the government from shutting down on October 1 when the new fiscal year begins. With the midterm elections looming this November, it is not likely the FY 2023 appropriations bills will be finalized until later this year. The timeline of an agreement largely hinges on the outcome of the elections and which party will hold the majorities next year.

This analysis includes details on the Senate's draft FY 2023 funding bills for federal agencies and programs important to the social and behavioral science research community. The analysis is organized by appropriation bill. [Read on](#) for full details.

## COSSA Analyzes Recently Passed CHIPS and Science Act

As [previously reported](#), Congress passed sweeping innovation legislation in late July that promises to make major new investments in the U.S. scientific enterprise and bolster American leadership in cutting-edge research and technology. The [Chips and Science Act of 2022](#) was signed into law by President Biden on August 9 in a ceremony on the South Lawn of the White House that included Members of Congress, heads of federal science agencies, technology industry CEOs, and representatives of the scientific community. COSSA Executive Director Wendy Naus had the honor of attending the signing on behalf of the social and behavioral science community.

On August 19, COSSA released [an analysis](#) of the *CHIPS and Science Act* discussing the winding road to enactment and the provisions that are of importance to the social and behavioral science research community. COSSA also produced a detailed [section-by-section](#) of the bill.

As its name suggests, the new law is heavily focused on providing incentives to American companies to enhance domestic research, development, and production of semiconductors to allow the U.S. to regain its leadership in this critical technology area. In total, the law will infuse \$52.7 billion into American semiconductor research, development, manufacturing, and workforce development. This includes a dedicated \$13.2 billion in R&D and workforce development to help create the high-tech American workforce of the future.

In addition, though, the *Chips and Science Act* contains other provisions aimed at strengthening the broader U.S. research and science enterprise, including the social and behavioral sciences. Provisions related to strengthening federal science agencies (including the National Science Foundation, among other agencies), broadening participation in science, supporting early career researchers, tightening research security, and combatting sexual harassment in science seek to address longstanding issues confronting the scientific community and provide for new, innovative ways to bolster American innovation and STEM workforce development.

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## Executive Branch News

### OSTP Requests Information on Data for LGBTQI+ Equity

On August 28, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) released a [Request for Information](#) to help develop a [Federal Evidence Agenda on LGBTQI+ Equity](#). This request addresses the June 2022 executive order, “Advancing Equality for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Intersex Individuals” ([E.O. 14075](#)), which tasked a new subcommittee on sexual orientation, gender identity, and sex characteristics (SOGI) within the Interagency Working Group on Equitable Data that will take the lead on developing an agenda to support data collection and aid in informing policy decisions to improve equity for the LGBTQI+ community ([see previous coverage](#)).

The RFI poses several questions regarding Federal data collections as well as privacy, security, and civil rights. For example, OSTP is seeking to better understand disparities faced by the LGBTQI+ community, learning what barriers and risks that limit LGBTQI+ participation in Federal surveys and/or administrative data collections, ways of improving participation, and how best to protect privacy while advancing civil rights for LGBTQI+ populations.

Stakeholder feedback will be accepted through October 3. More information is available in the [Federal Register](#).

### Census Bureau Seeking Public Comment for the Design of 2030 Decennial

The Census Bureau is requesting comments from stakeholders and the public regarding the Design Selection Phase dedicated to improving census records in anticipation of the 2030 Census. The Census Bureau anticipates multiple challenges in collecting efficient and accurate data, citing dynamic changes in the workforce and households, and technology advancements as possible barriers. The Census Bureau is seeking to receive feedback on the following:

1. How the Census Bureau can better motivate communities, especially those who are underrepresented, to participate in the 2030 Census.
2. In what ways the Bureau can make the 2030 Census more user-friendly using technology.
3. Whether there are other data sources the Census could be using.
4. How the Bureau can better contact individuals to take the 2030 Census and what tools and messages would be best received to motivate households to complete the Census.
5. What support services the Bureau can offer to individuals when completing the Census.

For more information on the specific questions being asked, please refer to the [notice](#). Comments are due by November 15, 2022.

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## Science Community News

### National Academies Study Addresses Lack of Diversity in Clinical Trials and Research

The National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM) recently released a report on diversity in clinical trials and research. The consensus study report, [Improving Diversity Across the Clinical Trial and Research Ecosystem](#) examined data from various organizations, including the National Institutes of Health, and found, generally, a significant lack of data on diversity on clinical trials. The report cites the lack of standardization of demographic data collection across organizations as a barrier to accessing this type of information.

The report details the current atmosphere around clinical trials and research, and the lack of diversity within them, which can lead to dangerous generalizations, high failure rates, and lack of equitable access to medical care. It identified several barriers that prevent minorities and underrepresented communities from participating in clinical trials and research, citing that institutional and economic barriers, including research and industry funding, contribute significantly.

The report contains 17 recommendations, including that the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) develop a subcommittee dedicated to improving accessibility and transparency of this data. Further, this subcommittee should produce annual reports on diversity in clinical trials and research for Congress.

The report further recommends creating Federal incentives for clinical trials and research and guidelines on fair compensation to reduce economic barriers and encourages development of a diverse workforce in the clinical trials and research.

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## COSSA Member Spotlight

### SRCD, LSA Seeking Candidates for Senior Staff Positions

The Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD), a COSSA Governing member, is seeking candidates for its next **Director for Policy**. Among the responsibilities of this position are communicating policy-relevant scientific evidence to policymakers and policy



developments to SRCD members, and administering the [SRCD Policy Fellowship Programs](#). Details are available on the [SRCD website](#).

The Linguistic Society of America (LSA), a COSSA founding member, is searching for its next **Membership Director** to serve as the “primary membership liaison, charged with retaining and increasing LSA’s membership and ensuring the delivery of membership benefits and services.” Applications are due September 19. Details are available on the [LSA website](#).

## AAPSS Calls for Nominations for 2023 Moynihan Prize

The [American Academy of Political and Social Science](#) (AAPSS) has announced the opening of nominations for the 2023 Daniel Patrick Moynihan Prize in Social Science and Public Policy. The Moynihan Prize is an annual honor created to recognize social scientists, public officials, and civic leaders who champion the use of informed judgment to advance the public good. The winner is recognized at a public event to be held in 2023 and receives a \$20,000 cash prize. Nominations will be accepted through October 26, 2022 and may be submitted on the [AAPSS website](#).

## Resources & Opportunities

### COSSA Letters & Statements

- 8/26/2022: [Analysis of the Senate Draft FY 2023 Appropriations Bills for Federal Science Agencies](#)
- 8/19/2022: [Analysis of the Chips and Science Act of 2022](#)
- 8/19/2022: [Section-by-Section Analysis of the CHIPS and Science Act of 2022](#)

### Nomination Opportunities

- **NEW:** AAPSS: [Daniel Patrick Moynihan Prize](#) (Closes: October 26, 2022)

### Funding Opportunities

- NIH: [Galvanizing Health Equity Through Novel and Diverse Educational Resources \(GENDER\) Research Education R25 \(R25 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#) (Opens: September 27, 2022) (Closes: October 27, 2022)
- NIH: [Preventive Interventions to Address Cardiometabolic Risk Factors in Populations that Experience Health Disparities](#) (Closes: October 5, 2022)
- NIH: [Stimulating Research to Understand and Address Hunger, Hood and Nutrition Insecurity](#) (Closes: October 5, 2022)
- **NEW:** NSF: [A Science of Science Approach to Analyzing and Innovating the Biomedical Research Enterprise Proposals](#) (Closes: September 9, 2022)
- **NEW:** NSF: [Science of Science: Discovery, Communication, and Impact Proposals](#) (Closes: September 9, 2022)
- NIH/OBSSR: [Research on Addressing Violence to Improve Health Outcomes](#) (Closes: September 7, 2022)
- **NEW:** Research!America; [Civic Engagement Microgrants Initiative](#) (Closes August 31, 2022)

### Requests for Comment & Calls for Papers

- **NEW:** DOC / Census: [Soliciting Input or Suggestions on 2030 Census Preliminary Research](#) (Closes: November 15, 2022)
- **NEW:** OSTP: [RFI Federal Evidence Agenda on LGBTQ+ Equity](#) (Closes: October 3, 2022)
- ED: [Comment Request: Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance](#) (Closes: September 12, 2022)

## Notices, Resources, & Reports

- **NEW:** OSTP: [Ensuring Free, Immediate, and Equitable Access to Federally Funded Research](#)
- **NEW:** NASEM: [Improving Representation in Clinical Trials and Research](#)

## Open Positions, Fellowships, & Professional Development Opportunities

- **NEWS:** LSA: [Membership Director](#) (Closes: September 19, 2022)
- **NEW:** SRCD: [Director for Policy](#) (rolling deadline)
- NASEM: [Director of the Board on Human-Systems Integration](#) (rolling deadline)

## Upcoming Events

- [NASEM Webinar: Review of Federal Policies that Contribute to Racial and Ethnic Health Inequalities](#), September 9, 2022
- [American Political Science Association Annual Meeting & Exhibition](#), September 14-18, 2022, Montreal, Canada
- [NASEM Webinar: The Future is Now: Advancing and Sustaining an Equity-Oriented Science](#), September 20, 2022
- [Webinar on Implementing the NIH Data Management and Sharing Policy, Part 2](#), September 22, 2022
- [Council of Colleges of Arts and Science Annual Meeting](#), November 2-5, 2022, Washington, DC
- [American Evaluation Association Annual Evaluation Conference](#), November 7-13, 2022, New Orleans, LA
- [American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting](#), November 9-13, 2022, Washington, DC
- [American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting](#), November 16-19, 2022, Atlanta, GA
- [National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference](#), November 16-19, 2022, Minneapolis, MN
- [Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference](#), November 17-19, 2022 Washington, DC
- [African Studies Association Annual Meeting](#), November 17-19, 2022, Philadelphia, PA
- [Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies Annual Convention](#), November 17-20, 2022, New York City, NY
- [National Communication Society Annual Convention](#), November 17-20, 2022, New Orleans, LA
- [History of Science Society Annual Meeting](#), November 17-20, Chicago, IL

A list of COSSA members' annual meetings and other events can be found on the COSSA [events page](#). COSSA members who have an upcoming event they would like to see listed in the Events Calendar and on our website should send an email to [bgoodrich@cossa.org](mailto:bgoodrich@cossa.org).

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## COSSA Members

### Governing Associations

American Anthropological Association  
American Association for Public Opinion Research  
American Economic Association  
American Educational Research Association  
American Political Science Association  
American Psychological Association

### Colleges and Universities

Boston University  
Brown University  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Case Western Reserve University  
Columbia University  
Cornell University  
Duke University  
George Mason University

American Society of Criminology  
American Sociological Association  
American Statistical Association  
Law and Society Association  
Linguistic Society of America  
Midwest Political Science Association  
Population Association of America  
Society for Personality and Social  
Psychology  
Society for Research in Child Development

### **Membership Organizations**

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences  
African Studies Association  
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American Council of Learned Societies  
American Evaluation Association  
American Historical Association  
Association for Behavioral and Cognitive  
Therapies  
Association for Public Policy Analysis and  
Management  
Association of Academic Survey Research  
Organizations  
Association of American Law Schools  
Association of Research Libraries  
Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences  
Economic History Association  
History of Science Society  
Midwest Sociological Society  
National Association of Social Workers  
National Communication Association  
National Council on Family Relations  
Rural Sociological Society  
Social Science History Association  
Society for Personality Assessment  
Society for Prevention Research  
Society for Research on Adolescence  
Society for Social Work and Research  
Society for the Psychological Study of  
Social Issues  
Southern Political Science Association  
Southwestern Social Science Association

### **Affiliates**

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### **Centers and Institutes**

American Academy of Political and Social  
Science  
Center for Advanced Study in the  
Behavioral Sciences  
Institute for Social Research, University of  
Michigan  
Institute for Social Science Research,  
University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
NORC at the University of Chicago  
RTI International  
Social Science Research Council

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### **About COSSA**

*The Consortium of Social Science  
Associations (COSSA) is a nonprofit  
advocacy organization working to promote  
sustainable federal funding for and  
widespread use of social and behavioral  
science research and federal policies that  
positively impact the conduct of research.  
COSSA serves as a united voice for a  
broad, diverse network of organizations,  
institutions, communities, and stakeholders  
who care about a successful and vibrant  
social science research enterprise. The*

### **Our Team**

#### **Executive Director**

Wendy A. Naus

#### **Policy & Public Affairs Associate**

Ben Goodrich

#### **Government Relations Associate**

Kenzie Shelstad



*COSSA membership includes professional and disciplinary associations, scientific societies, research centers and institutes, and U.S. colleges and universities.*



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