



**National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior**

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

This Funding Announcement is not a request for applications. This announcement is to provide public notice of the National Park Service (NPS)'s intention to fund a Task Agreement against an existing Master Agreement.

ABSTRACT	
Funding Announcement	P16AS00317
Project Title	National Park Service- For Discovering African-American, Women and Immigrant Histories, Stories, and Knowledge at the C&O Canal
Recipient	University of Maryland
Total Anticipated Award Amount	\$46,083
Cost Share	<i>None Required</i>
Anticipated Length of Agreement	Through September 1, 2017
Anticipated Period of Performance	Through September 1, 2017
Award Instrument	Cooperative Agreement (task award)
Statutory Authority	<i>54 U.S.C. §100703, Cooperative Study Units</i>
CFDA # and Title	<i>15.945, Cooperative Research & Training Programs</i>
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OVERVIEW, RECIPIENT AND NPS SUBSTANTIAL INVOLVEMENT

The University of Maryland will collaborate with the National Park Service (NPS) to undertake a two semester approach to research African-American, women, and immigrant histories, stories and knowledge current absence from the interpretive stories told at C&O Canal National Historical Park, gather records from newspapers, court records, county archives, the National Archives, historical societies and other similar venues, and organize, analyze format and share the data with the park.

Substantial involvement on the part the National Park Service (NPS) is anticipated for the successful completion of the objectives to be funded by this award. NPS staff will be involved with the recipient in describing the goals, jointly developing the scope and the activities to be accomplished, assist the

recipient in selecting projects and by providing orientation to park resources, and providing technical assistance, provide cultural/environmental programs to the team members including park tours, educational programs, talks on the history of the park, and other similar programs in a variety of media, if requested, provide the programmatic structure of the project, and provide the services of a Program Coordinator to serve as liaison to (the recipient) for the work under this agreement.

NPS did not solicit full and open competition for this award based the following criteria:

The cooperator is a member of an established Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit (CESU) network, and was awarded a Cooperative Agreement (P11AC30805) allowing the University to participate in specific tasks, and can provide the necessary activities involved in this particular task while providing an effective outcome for the National Park Service and the research and/or education project. This is a continuation of the Master Agreement.