Increased Funding for Small Business Development Centers

The Small Business Administration is awarding grants to increase the effectiveness of Small Business Development Centers. Awardees are required to partner with SBA District Offices and other Federal, state, local and tribal government small business development programs and activities; SBA resource partners such as SCORE, Women’s Business Centers (WBCs), Veterans Business Outreach Centers (VBOCs), 7(j) Technical Assistance providers, Small Business Investment Companies (SBICs), U.S. Export Assistance Centers (USEACs), Certified Development Companies (CDCs), and SBA lenders; universities, colleges, and other institutions of higher education; and private organizations such as chambers of commerce and trade and industry groups and associations, in order to maximize their effects.

The full information can be found at https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=294035

The grant provides a variable amount of funding, from $199,999-$7.3 million. This is available to any existing SBDC Lead Center, currently funded by SBA and meeting the accreditation requirement for SBDC Program renewal. This particular award is geared towards Higher Institutions of Education.

The deadline is August 25th 2017.

Please contact uaf-ogca@alaska.edu with questions.