

NIH SuRE PROGRAM & SUPPORT VIA THE UK SuRE RESOURCE CENTER

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NIH SuRE PROGRAM

- The [SuRE Program](#) is in place to support research capacity building at eligible institutions of higher education through funding investigator-initiated research in the biomedical, clinical *, behavioral, and social sciences that falls in the mission areas of the NIH.

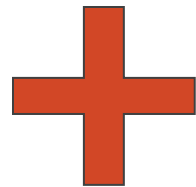
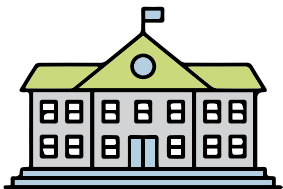
* *Human Subjects research is allowed on R16s, but true [Clinical Trials](#) are not allowed on either R16 type.*

- 1 Provide research grant support for faculty investigators to establish and/or continue research programs at R16-eligible institutions.
- 2 Provide students with opportunities to engage in research experiences / encourages their matriculation into biomedical science careers.
- 3 Catalyze institutional research and enrich the research environment at R16-eligible institutions.

R16 INSTITUTIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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Be an **academic institution of higher education** that offers 4 year Bachelor and / or graduate degrees in the biomedical sciences (broadly defined as topics of NIH interest)

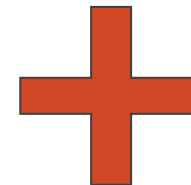


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25% or more Pell grant aid recipients in either the *All undergraduate students*, **or** the *Full-time, first-time, degree-seeking UG students* population, in the last 2yrs



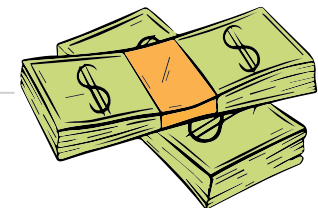
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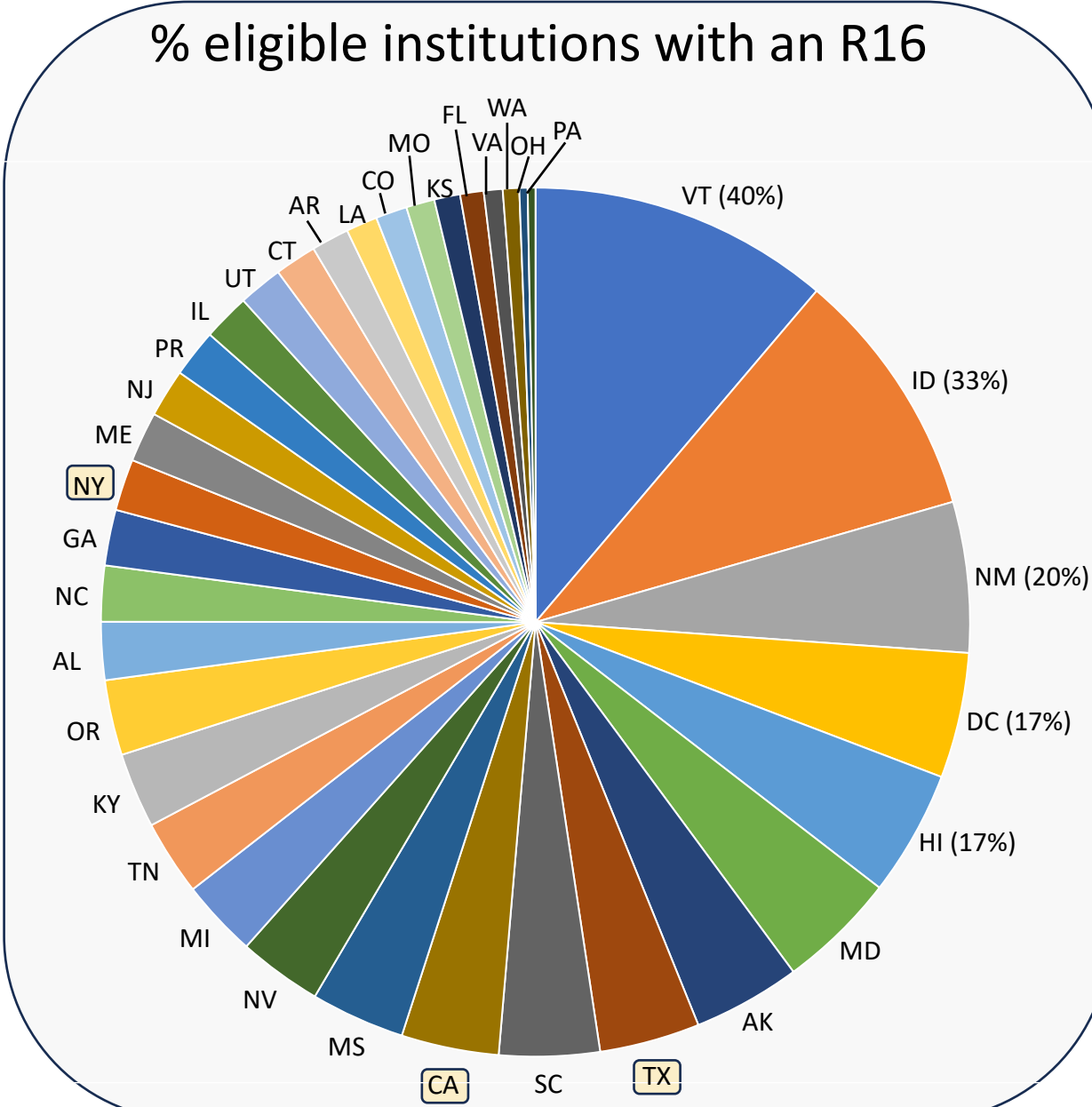
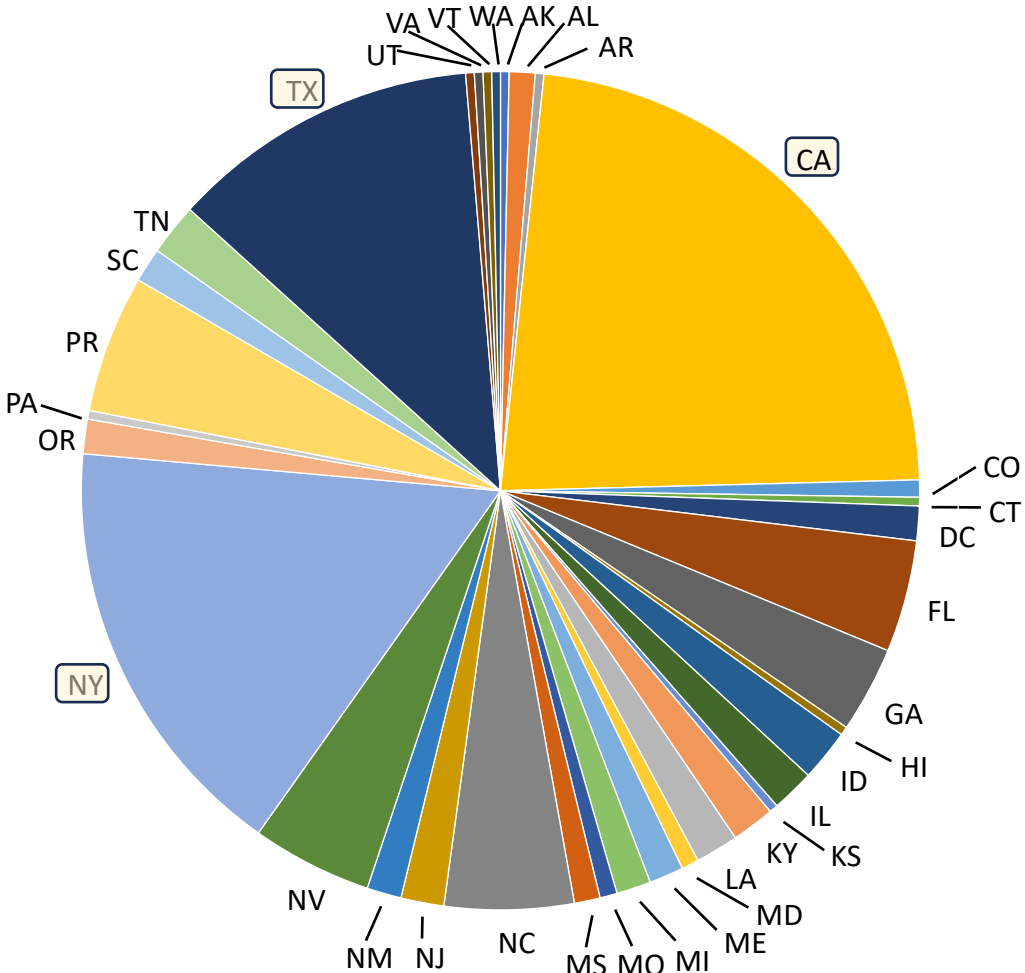
Have been awarded **less than \$6 million in NIH research project grant (RPG) funding** in *each* of the last two federal fiscal years

*20 active SC1, SC3 &/or R16 awards maximum



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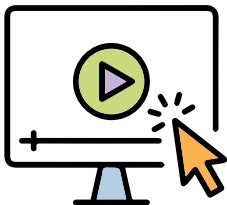
Distribution of 301 current R16 grants by state (35/53 represented)



SuRE RESOURCE CENTER SUPPORT OPTIONS

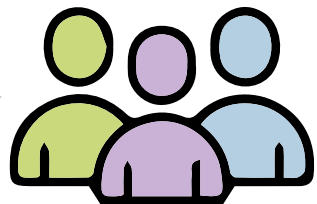
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CONSULTATION

Connect with a member of the SuRE Resource Center for personalized consultation as you seek to understand R16 eligibility requirements, prepare for an NIH grant application, etc.



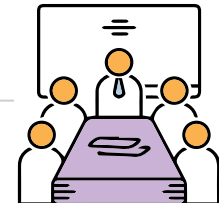
SEED GRANTS

If your institution is looking to establish a new, or to grow an existing Office of Sponsored Projects (or equivalent), consider applying for *OSP Seed Grant* funding via our Center.



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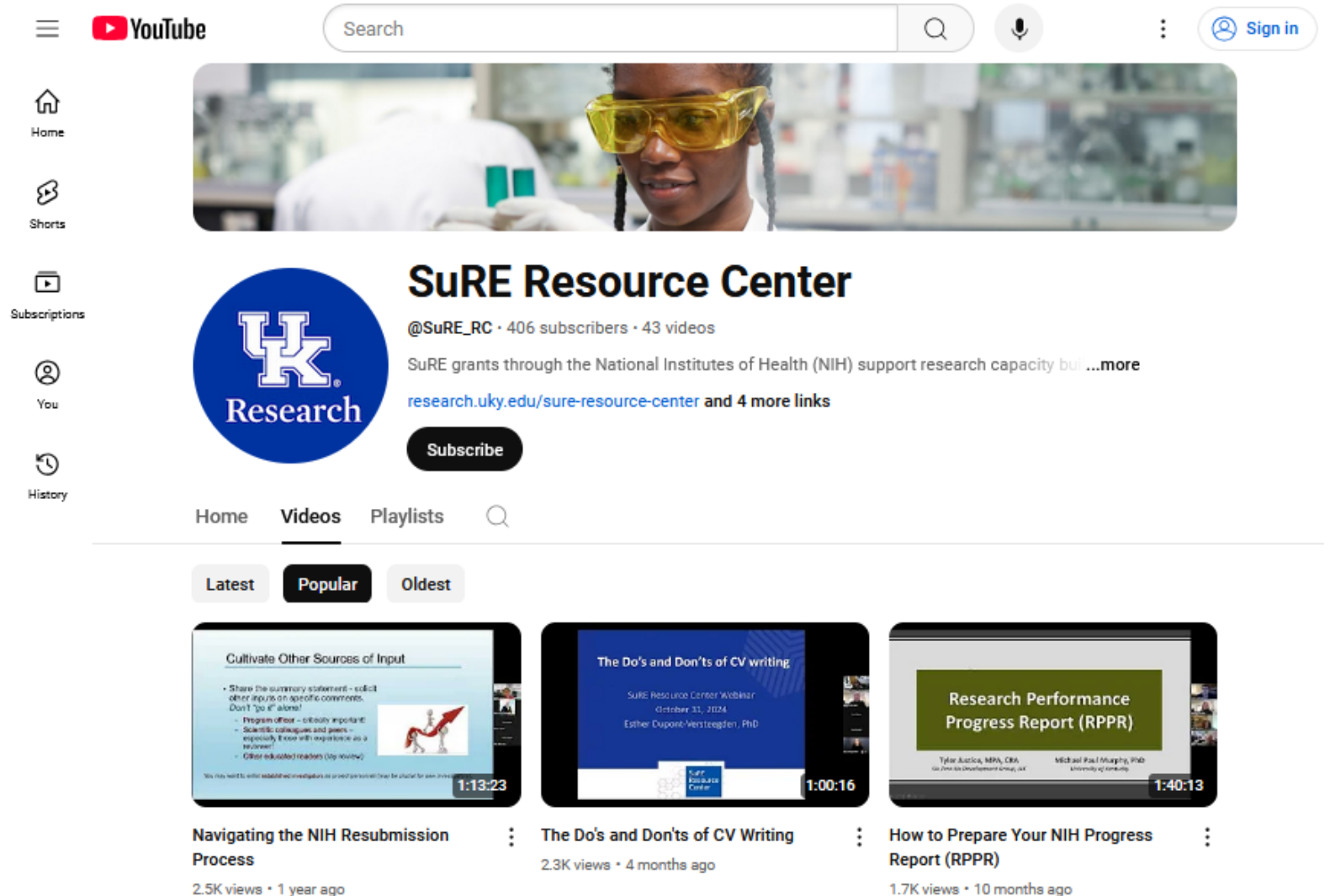
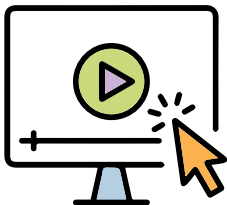
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- Navigating the NIH Resubmission Process** (2.5K views • 1 year ago)
- The Do's and Don'ts of CV Writing** (2.3K views • 4 months ago)
- How to Prepare Your NIH Progress Report (RPPR)** (1.7K views • 10 months ago)

MAILING LIST

Opt into the Center's mailing list communications to receive...

- notification of Center opportunities
- important NIH announcements

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Funded by the NIH, the SuRE Resource Center is located at the University of Kentucky. Our program provides national outreach and training to faculty, administrators, and OSP professionals as they work to build their institution's research infrastructure, curriculum, and grant opportunities.

We invite individuals at SuRE-eligible institutions to join our list to receive notifications about our training, workshops, conferences and mentoring.

You can learn more about NIH SuRE initiatives [here](#).



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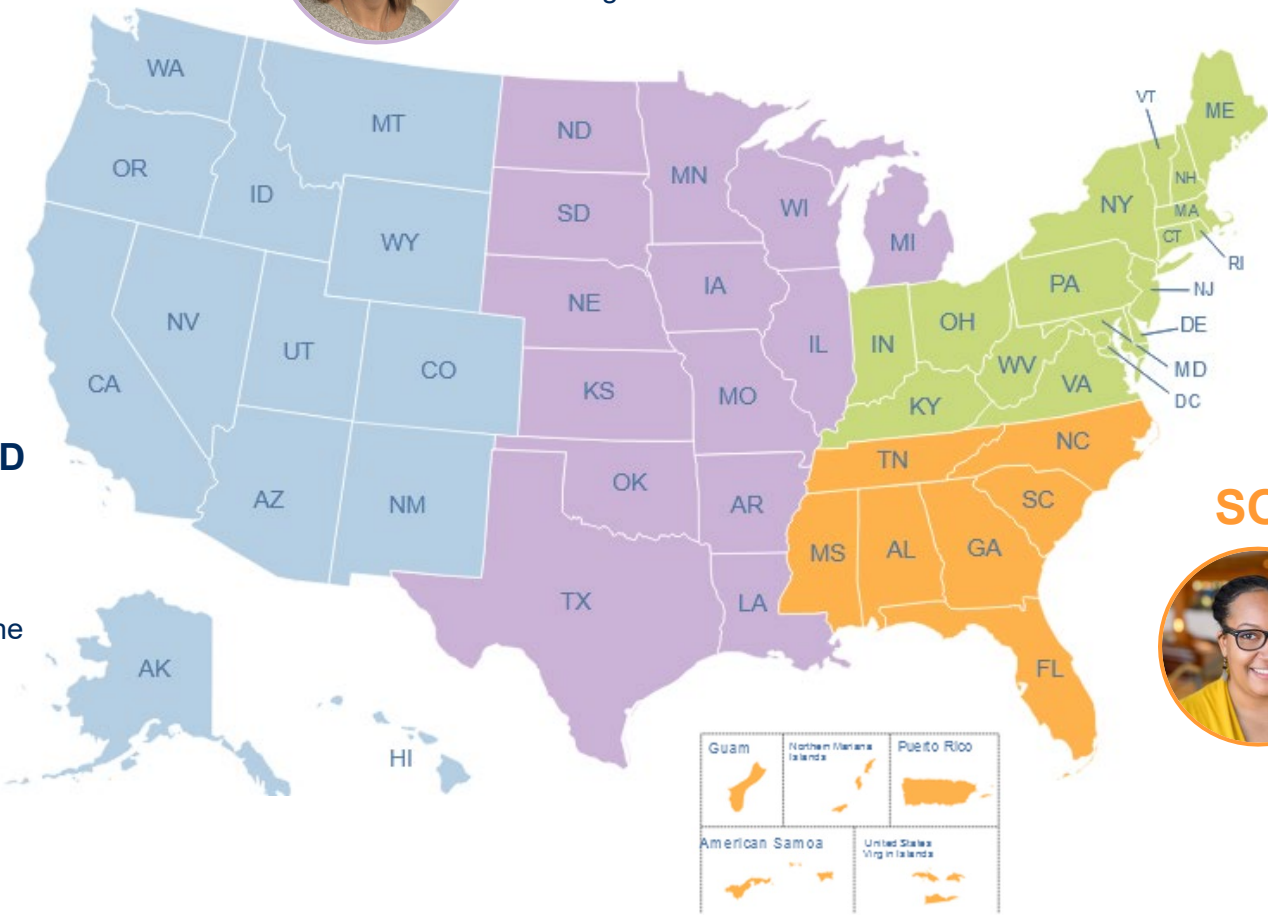
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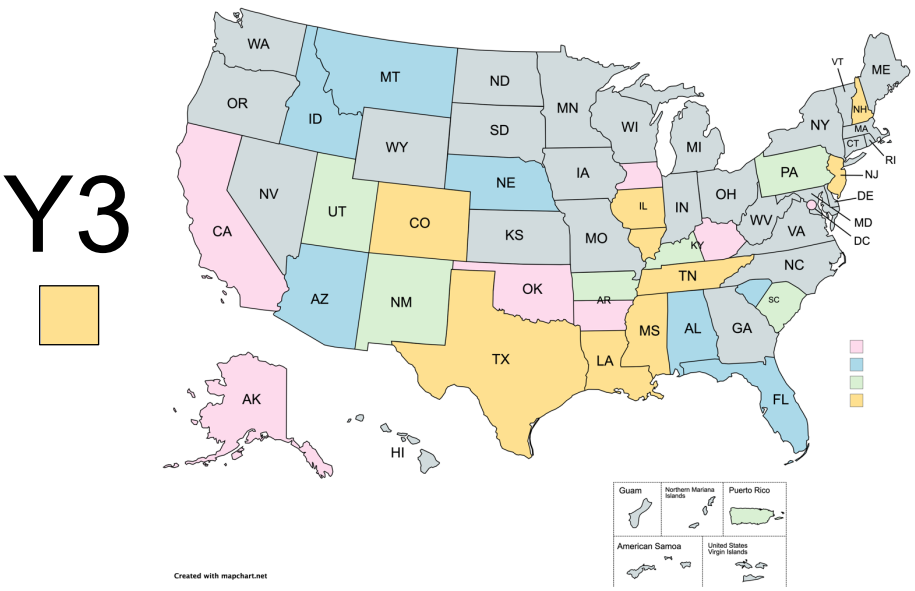
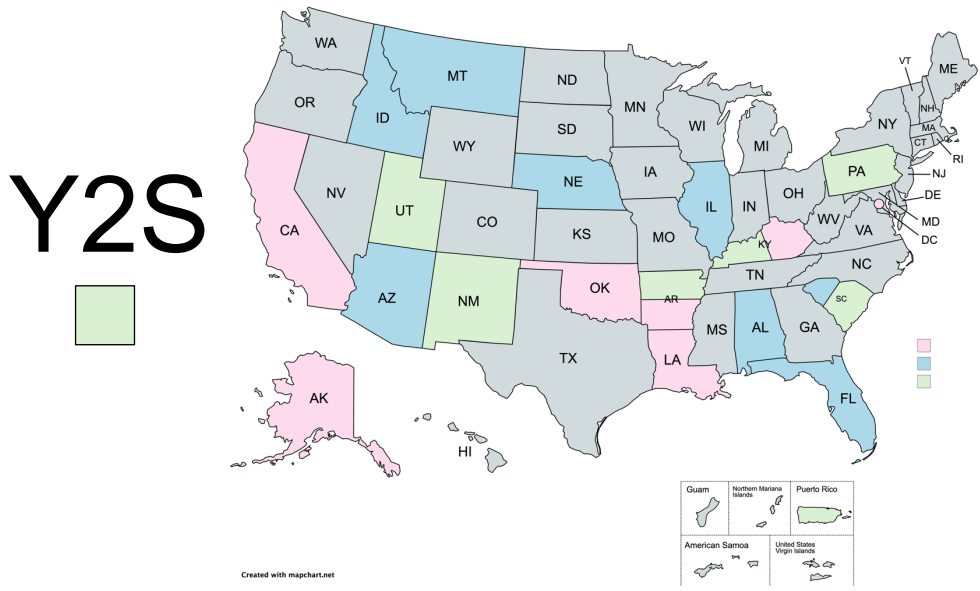
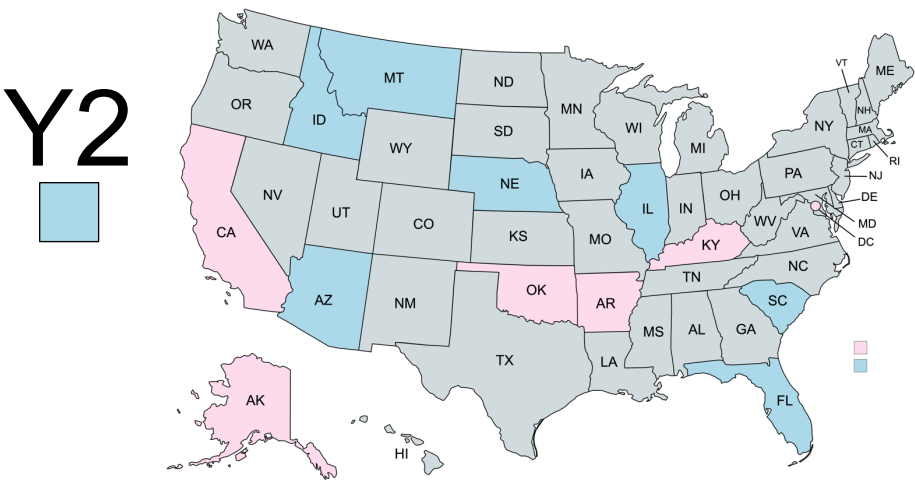
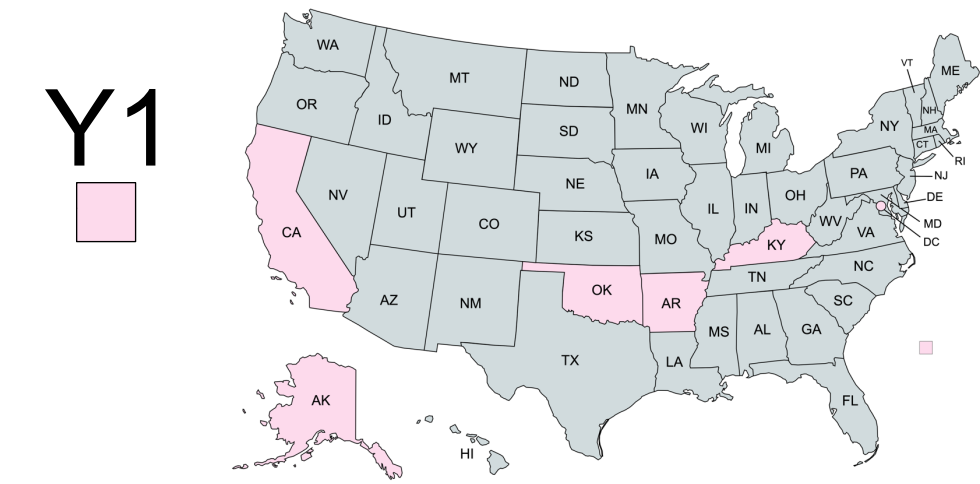


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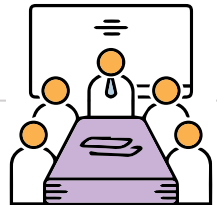
Growth of OSP Seed Grant Program



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