

Humboldt-Emeritus Retired Faculty and Staff Association

October 13, 2024

Colleagues,

The Humboldt ERFSA Executive Committee is having its biennial **fundraiser**to be able to continue to provide financial support via competitive grants to tenured-track faculty, lecturers, and staff with *less than 5 years* employment to expand their professional qualifications for tenure and promotion.

The Humboldt-ERFSA Grant Program is only possible through your donations and the Humboldt Area Foundation & Wild Rivers Community Foundation investments of the funds.Please make your donation directly to Humboldt Area Foundation & Wild Rivers Community Foundation.*\*You may donate online at [hafoundation.org/our-funds/hsu-emeritus-retired-faculty-association-fund](https://hafoundation.org/our-funds/hsu-emeritus-retired-faculty-association-fund" \t "_blank) or send a check to the Humboldt Area Foundation & Wild Rivers Community Foundation, 363 Indianola Rd, Bayside, CA 95524, (noting the Humboldt Emeritus and Retired Faculty & Staff Association Fund).* Your donation is tax deductible. **Our goal this year is to reach $10,000 in donations.**

We have been incredibly pleased with the success of our past grant recipients. The grant award has been used to support faculty’s research needed for tenure and promotion and staff’s career advancement. These awards have been given for decades, but we do not have a list of them all. For a list of Grant recipients and their projects since 2020, please click on the link [erfsa.humboldt.edu/grant-program](https://erfsa.humboldt.edu/grant-program).

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**Humboldt ERFSA 2024 Grant Award Recipients**

***Justin Luong***: Assistant Professor, Forestry, Fire and Rangeland Management Department. ***Silvia E Pavan***: Assistant professor, Biological Sciences Department. ***Christa L Meingast***: Assistant Professor, Engineering Department. ***Rachael M. Wade***: Assistant Professor, Biological Sciences Department is not in picture.  Picture was taken at the Awards Ceremon**y** by Kellie Brown, University Photographer.

We hope we can count on you to reach ERFSA ‘s 2024-2025 goal of $10,000 for the grant program. A donation of  $50, $100, $500 would be appreciated. A donation of $1,000 would sponsor a junior faculty or staff award. Some of the past awards were more than $1000.

\*If you are having any problems donating, please contact the Humboldt Area Foundation & Wild Rivers Community Foundation. You can reach their front desk at [(707) 442-2993](tel:7074422993) or email them at [info@hafoundation.org](mailto:info@hafoundation.org)  Business Hours: Monday–Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Friday. You may also contact Humboldt-ERFSA President Marshelle Thobaben at [mt1@humboldt.edu](mailto:mt1@humboldt.edu).

Sincerely,

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