Some thoughts and suggestions for grant writing:

- 1. Ask program managers to let you serve as a reviewer
- 2. How well do the ideas fit the call?
- 3. Who is the audience?
- 4. First 2 pages matter the most: What is the gap in knowledge? What is your testable hypothesis about that gap? If you fill it, what is the impact? Why hasn't it been filled?
- 5. Potential flaws: Why could your approach fail? Do you recognize this and present alternative approaches?
- 6. Embrace feedback: No one likes a rejection, and we all disagree, but try to learn from the feedback to improve.