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Simons Foundation	Health	SFARI Bridge to Independence Program	4/12/2021		\$495,000	LOI only; 3-year grant period	This program welcomes LOIs that span the breadth of science that SFARI normally supports, including genetics, molecular mechanisms, circuits and systems, and clinical science. While the organization encourages applications from scientists who are working on autism-related projects, the program is also open to researchers who are not currently working on autism but who are interested in starting research projects in autism and who have expertise that could be brought to bear on the disorder. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.sfari.org/grant/bridge-to-independence-award-request-for-applications/?tab=rfa
Whitehall Foundation	Neuroscience	Grants-in-aid	4/15/2021		\$30,000	LOI only	The Foundation is currently interested in basic research in neurobiology, defined as follows: Invertebrate and vertebrate (excluding clinical) neurobiology, specifically investigations of neural mechanisms involved in sensory, motor, and other complex functions of the whole organism as these relate to behavior. The overall goal should be to better understand behavioral output or brain mechanisms of behavior. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Mailed Application	http://www.whitehall.org/grants/
American Psychological Association	Mental Health	Global Mental Health Fellowship	4/16/2021		\$30,000		Fellows will support research and program activities that address one or more of the following WHO MSD program priorities: mental health Gap Action Programme tools and their implementation; scalable psychological interventions; psychosocial responses to conflict and other emergencies; e-mental health; public health response to dementia; early childhood development; maternal mental health; and suicide prevention.	Online Application	https://www.apa.org/about/awards/mental-health-fellowship?tab=1
Facebook	Computer Science	Sample-efficient sequential Bayesian decision making	4/21/2021		\$50,000		Seeks innovative ideas and applications of Bayesian optimization that further advance the field. Areas of interest include, but are not limited to: Bayesian optimization in high-dimensional and structured search spaces; Scaling Bayesian optimization to high-throughput, high-parallelization settings where hundreds or thousands of evaluations are run in parallel; Novel applications of Bayesian optimization; Preference learning, active learning, and real-time Bayesian optimization; AutoML; and more expressive surrogate models. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://research.fb.com/programs/research-awards/proposals/sample-efficient-sequential-bayesian-decision-making-rfp/F25:J25E25:J25H25G25:J25D25:J25C25:J25H25G25:J25B25:J25H25G25:J25A25:J25+H25+G25:J25
Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research	Health	Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Parkinson's Research	4/21/2021	\$50,000	\$400,000		This RFP supports Parkinson's disease related studies targeting underrepresented populations, specifically around the issues of disease burden, risk and pathology, assessments, clinical course and access to care.	Online Application	https://www.michaeljfox.org/grant/promoting-diversity-equity-and-inclusion-parkinsons-disease-research?pn_cid=pa1b1R000009f2O3
Facebook	Computer Science	2021 Privacy Enhancing Technologies	4/21/2021		\$100,000		Facebook is interested in Privacy-Enhancing Technologies (PETs) and Privacy-Preserving Technologies that minimize data exposure and limit its purpose. Areas of interest include: 1) applied cryptography; 2) data policies and compliance; 3) differential privacy; and 4) privacy in AI. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://research.fb.com/programs/research-awards/proposals/2021-privacy-enhancing-technologies-request-for-proposals/
Cigna	Health	Health and Well-Being: Health Disparities	4/23/2021	\$25,000	\$375,000	Grant funds between \$25K - \$125K per year for a limit of 3 years.	Projects should address one or more of the following areas: (1) Increased access to health care; (2) Increased access to primary care; and (3) Increased health literacy. Projects must meet at least one disparity identified by a local Community Needs Assessment that has been conducted within the past 3 years. Limited submission opportunity. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.cigna.com/about-us/corporate-responsibility/cigna-foundation/health-and-well-being-grants

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Foundation for Women's Wellness	Health	Research Awards	4/26/2021		\$25,000		FWW Research Awards target small, short-term studies with promise for improving medical care in leading women's health concerns including cardiovascular disease, female cancers, the role of hormones in disease and stage-of-life health issues like pregnancy and menopause and diseases disproportionately affecting women. We also fund studies on sex differences where gender or sex has been under examined.	Online Application	http://thefww.org/research-awards/
Donaghue Foundation	Health	Higher Value' Healthcare System	4/26/2021		\$400,000	Up to 2-year grant period; LOI only with full-proposal due 7/30/2021	Through this RFP, grants will be awarded in support of promising approaches aimed at creating a higher value healthcare system. The proposed research should be focused on developing actionable solutions to one or more of the symptoms of low-value health care: high and rising costs; unwarranted variation in prices and/or quality; unaffordable cost-of-care burden on patients and families; and/or lack of transparency in both price and outcomes.	Online Application	https://donaghue.org/grant-opportunities/greater-value-portfolio/
J.M. Kaplan Fund	Various	2021 J.M.K. Innovation Prize	4/30/2021		\$175,000	First-round application, with a second round in late spring; 3-year grant period	The J.M.K. Innovation Prize seeks to identify, support, and elevate innovators who are spearheading transformative early-stage projects in the fields of social justice, the environment, and heritage conservation.	Online Application	https://www.jmkfund.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/JMK-InnovationPrize-2021.pdf
Pardee Foundation	Health	Cancer Research Grants	4/30/2021	\$50,000	\$200,000	1-year grant period	The foundation encourages proposals from new cancer researchers to enable them to establish their capabilities and from established researchers innovating their approach to cancer research. The foundation anticipates that this early-stage funding may lead to subsequent and expanded support from a government agency or other source. The relevance of the project to cancer detection, treatment, or cure should be clearly identified.	Online Application	https://pardeefoundation.org/how-to-apply/
Alternatives Research and Development Foundation	Various	Annual Open Grant Program	4/30/2021		\$40,000		ARDF's Annual Open grant program was established to fund research projects that develop alternative methods to advance science and replace or reduce animal use. Expert reviewers evaluate proposals based on scientific merit and feasibility, and the potential to reduce or replace the use of animals in the near future.	Online Application	https://ardf-online.org/ardf-grants.html
Lalor Foundation	Health	Anna Lalor Burdick Program	5/1/2021	\$10,000	\$35,000	Concept paper only; selected applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal	The program supports organizations that offer comprehensive, innovative, and unbiased sexual and reproductive health education to young women. The foundation is particularly interested in programs serving young women who are disadvantaged by poverty, discrimination, geographic isolation, lack of comprehensive sex education, hostile public policy, or other factors with potential to lead to inadequate sexual and reproductive health.	Online Application	https://lalorfound.org/anna-lalor-burdick-program/application-guidelines/
Russell Sage Foundation	Social Science	Social, Political and Economic Inequality	5/4/2021	\$35,000	\$175,000	LOI only	The Russell Sage Foundation seeks innovative investigator-initiated research that will expand our understanding of social, political, and economic inequalities and the mechanisms by which they influence the lives of individuals and families. We welcome projects that explore the relevance of economic, racial, ethnic, age, gender, immigration, residence, or other statuses for the distribution of social, political and economic outcomes within and across these groups. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.russellsage.org/funding/immigration-and-immigrant-integration

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Russell Sage Foundation	Social Science	Racial Inequality	5/4/2021	\$35,000	\$50,000	LOI only	Research focused on systemic racial inequality and/or the recent mass protests in the U.S. Specifically, research that investigates the prevalence of racial disparities in policing and criminal justice and their social, political, economic, and psychological causes and consequences; the effects of the current social protest movement and mass mobilization against systemic discrimination; the nature of public attitudes and public policies regarding policing, criminal justice, and social welfare; and the effects of those attitudes in the current political environment. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.russellsage.org/research/funding/race-ethnicity-immigration
William T Grant Foundation	Various	Research Grants	5/5/2021		\$1,000,000	LOI only	The foundation's mission is to support research to improve the lives of young people ages 5-25 in the United States. One way that we pursue this mission is by investing in high-quality field-initiated studies on improving the use of research evidence in ways that benefit youth. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants
Simons Foundation	Health	Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative (SAFRI)	5/6/2021		\$300,000	LOI only with a full proposal due 8/12/2021; Up to 2-year grant period	Through this RFP, grants will be awarded in support of exploratory ideas in the field of autism research, particularly those with a novel hypothesis. Eligible projects include those considered higher risk but with the potential for transformative results. In particular, SFARI encourages applications that propose research with the potential to link genetic or other ASD risk factors to molecular, cellular, circuit, or behavioral mechanisms, setting the stage for the development of novel interventions. Investigators new to the field of autism are encouraged to apply.	Online Application	https://www.sfari.org/grant/pilot-awards-request-for-applications/
Spencer Foundation	Social Science	Conference Grants	5/6/2021		\$50,000		The Conference Grant Program provides support to scholars to organize small research conferences, focused symposia, or other forms of convenings around important issues in education research. This program is intended to bring together researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and other important collaborators whose expertise, substantive knowledge and practice, theoretical insight, or methodological expertise can be engaged in ways that help to build upon and advance education research. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.spencer.org/grant_types/conference-grants
Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation	Health	Clinical Quality Measures to Improve Diagnosis	5/10/2021	\$250,000	\$500,000		The purpose of this funding opportunity is to provide assistance in the form of grants for the development of innovative clinical quality measures that promote excellence in diagnosis of three categories of disease – acute vascular events, infections and cancer.	Online Application	https://moore-patientcare.smapply.io/pr og/request_for_proposals/
Ethel and James Flinn Foundation	Mental Health	Evidence-Based Practices -- Adults	5/15/2021	\$50,000	\$100,000	2-year grant period	Supports the implementation of new best practice models that integrate behavioral health and primary care services, coordinate models for people with complex behavioral health and physical health needs, new best practice psychotherapy and psychosocial treatment programs for adults, programs to improve Veterans' mental health, and models that divert people from the criminal justice system into behavioral health treatment. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.flinnfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/2019-RFP-Adult-Mental-Health.pdf

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Ethel and James Flinn Foundation	Mental Health	Evidence-Based Practices -- Children and Young People	5/15/2021	\$50,000	\$150,000	2-year grant period	Supports the implementation of infant mental health models (zero to three) targeted to at-risk parents; the screening, assessment and mental health treatment models in early childhood settings for children (four to six); pediatric screening, assessment, diagnosis and behavioral health treatment models in school-based clinics and primary care settings; screening, assessment and behavioral health treatment models in the child welfare and foster care systems; diversion programs intended to divert children and young people with mental health disorders or co-occurring mental health/substance abuse disorders from the juvenile justice system into treatment and mental health services; psychotherapy and psychosocial treatment programs including, but not limited to: cognitive behavioral therapy, dialectical behavioral therapy, family psychoeducation, trauma informed care, applied behavior therapy, etc. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.flinnfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/2019-RFP-Childrens-Mental-Health-1.pdf
Ethel and James Flinn Foundation	Mental Health	Capacity Building	5/15/2021	\$25,000	\$60,000	One-year grant	The foundation recognizes the importance for organizations to build capacity to maintain quality services. This RFP is aimed at strengthening resources in mental health provider organizations. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.flinnfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/2019-RFP-Capacity-Building-Opportunities-1.pdf
Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation	Health	Diagnostic Excellence Initiative	5/17/2021		\$500,000	18-month grant period	Through this opportunity, grants will be awarded to support the development of innovative clinical quality measures that promote excellence in diagnosis of three categories of disease that comprise the most common and most harmful diagnostic errors, acute vascular events (such as stroke and myocardial infarction), infections (such as sepsis and pneumonia), and cancer (such as lung and colorectal cancer). The expected work requires two interlinked activities: 1) development of the rationale for a measure; and 2) operationalizing the measure into an algorithm. Proposals should include teams and partnerships that include a multidisciplinary group of experts, including clinicians with content expertise, individuals with appropriate analytic expertise (data science, statistics, measure development), and persons with experience using relevant data sources.	Online Application	https://moore-patientcare.smapply.io/prog/request_for_proposals/
Oncology Nursing Society	Health	Addressing Cancer Health Disparities Through Evidence-Based Cancer Nursing Research (RE42)	5/17/2021		\$100,000	LOI only; invited full proposal due 7/15/2021	The purpose of the grant is to support oncology nursing research addressing cancer health disparities, including in the topic areas of breast, colorectal, lung or prostate cancer.	Online Application	http://www.onsfoundation.org/funding-for-nurses/research/research-grant
John Templeton Foundation	Various	Character Virtue Development	6/1/2021	\$200,000	\$2,000,000		The Character Virtue Development department at the John Templeton Foundation invites proposals from organizations that seek to strengthen their understanding and practice of character development through communities of practice. For the purposes of this funding competition, applicants should be connected to a pre-existing community or network (e.g., school or school network, summer camp network, out-of-school program, faith-based network) and should be able to demonstrate interest in virtue and character development. The Foundation is most interested in communities that impact at least 1,000 individuals. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.templeton.org/internal-competition-fund/character-through-community
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Systems and Services Research	6/9/2021	\$100,000	\$400,000	Optional LOI due 4/30/2021	Achieving racial equity and health equity in American communities requires effective solutions to the "wrong-pocket problem": investments in systems that are designed to improve social and economic conditions, but whose financial benefits often flow elsewhere in the form of reduced costs for medical care from diseases and injuries prevented. To address the problem, the foundation has issued a call for proposals for new research focused on rigorously testing and evaluating innovative solutions to the wrong-pocket problem. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2021/systems-for-action-systems-and-services-research-to-build-a-culture-of-health.html?rid=0032S000029g9CQOAY&et_cid=2393832
Transformational Partnership Fund	Higher Ed	Higher Ed Partnership and Collaboration Grants	Rolling		\$100,000		Catalytic grants (up to \$100,000 per exploration) will be available to help schools engage technical assistance providers knowledgeable in law, finance, governance, fundraising, human resources, and/or other related fields. TPF also will provide free access to relevant resources collected from its advisors, its network, and other third-parties.	Online Application	https://www.higheredpartnerships.org/challenge-opportunity/

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Internet Society Foundation	Various	Future and Sustainability of the Internet	Rolling		\$200,000	2-year grant period	Supports research on the internet's environmental footprint or past or present ecosystems which yield insights into the future of the Internet and its dependent market(s).	Online Application	https://www.isocfoundation.org/grant-programme/research-grant-programme/
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health	Rolling		\$300,000	The average Pioneer grant in 2019 was \$315,031. Proposals will be accepted throughout the year on a rolling admission.	Pioneering Ideas: Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health seeks proposals that are primed to influence health equity in the future. We are interested in ideas that address any of these four areas of focus: Future of Evidence; Future of Social Interaction; Future of Food; Future of Work. Additionally, we welcome ideas that might fall outside of these four focus areas, but which offer unique approaches to advancing health equity and our progress toward a Culture of Health. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2020/pioneering-ideas-2020-exploring-the-future-to-build-a-culture-of-health.html?rid=003250000271F4VQAW&et_cid=2046258
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health	Rolling	\$185,000	\$440,000	Grant period is up to 36 months.	Supports rigorous, high-impact, creative research projects to build and disseminate information for evidence-based approaches to building a Culture of Health. The program will also support efforts to assess outcomes and set priorities for action by encouraging and supporting creative, rigorous research on the impact of innovative programs, policies and partnerships on health and well-being, and on novel approaches to measuring health determinants and outcomes. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://anr.rwjf.org/viewCfp.do?cfpld=1224&cfpOverviewId=
Thrasher Research Foundation	Health	E.W. Al Thrasher Award	Rolling	\$100,000	\$500,000	Awards grants two times per year, with no fixed number of awards given in each funding cycle or in each year.	Funds to improve children's health through medical research, with an emphasis on projects that have the potential to translate into clinically meaningful results within a few years. Open to applications that address a variety of significant pediatric problems. Both incidence and severity are considered when determining the significance of the proposed topic.	Email LOI	https://www.thrasherresearch.org/SitePages/al-thrasher-award.aspx
Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research	Health	Rapid Response Innovation Awards	Rolling		\$75,000		Supports innovative, high-risk, high-reward projects tackling critical scientific and therapeutic roadblocks that, if successful, open new avenues for PD therapy development. The program is well suited to projects with little-to-no existing preliminary data, but where hypothetical rationale is highly compelling and study results can make the case for continuing (or discontinuing) a line of research. Applicants may submit on any PD-relevant area of basic, preclinical and/or clinical research with a clear, achievable one-year goal.	Online Application	https://www.michaeljfox.org/research/grant-detail.php?id=3
Wish You Well Foundation	Education	Grant Program	Rolling	\$200	\$10,000		Supporting family literacy in the United States by fostering and promoting the development and expansion of new and existing literacy and educational programs.	Online or Mail Application	http://www.wishyouwellfoundation.org/apply-for-funding/
The Nathan Cummings Foundation	Science	Climate Program	Rolling	\$3,000	\$950,000		Supports promising work that addresses climate change by increasing access to modern energy for the world's poor; stabilizing greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere at a low level; and improving resilience for those most vulnerable to the negative consequences of climate variability and change.	Online Application	http://ncf.org/what-we-fund/our-focus/climate
The Commonwealth Fund	Health	Grant Program	Rolling		\$200,000	Strictly LOI submission. Proposals are invitation only. Award amount based on previous grants.	To promote a high performing healthcare system that achieves better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency, particularly for society's most vulnerable, including low-income people, the uninsured, minority Americans, young children, and elderly adults. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	http://www.commonwealthfund.org/grants-and-fellowships/applicant-resources

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Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	Arts	Monuments Project	Rolling for five years				The Monuments Project is a five-year, \$250 million commitment to reimagine and rebuild commemorative spaces and transform the way history is told in the United States. The project is one of Mellon's signature initiatives under its President, Elizabeth Alexander. Grants made under the Monuments Project will fall under the following areas of activity: fund new monuments, memorials, or historic storytelling spaces; contextualize existing monuments or memorials through installations, research, and education; and relocate existing monuments or memorials. This is a five-year program, but Foundation Relations encourages early submissions. Additionally, this is a centrally-coordinated foundation and interested parties need to work with Foundation Relations on submissions. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online application	https://mellon.org/topics/monuments/