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MGM Resorts Foundation	Various	Community Grant Fund	3/2/2021		\$15,000		The MGM Resorts Foundation will give priority to funding for agencies/projects/programs that provide services in affordable housing, economic opportunity, workforce development, K-12 education, family services, food insecurity, health, homelessness, services for seniors, and services for veterans and military families.	Online Application	http://www.mgmresortsfoundation.org/grants/
Autism Speaks	Health	Norma and Malcolm Baker Recreational Programs	3/5/2021	\$100,000	\$500,000		Supports recreational programs reaching individuals on the spectrum. Grants will be awarded in support of a range of programs, including adult services (recreation/respite, health, and community; employment (finding and maintaining meaningful employment and developing skills to succeed in the workplace); physical fitness and sports (athletics and team sports, health, and wellness programs); summer camps (day/overnight programs offering therapeutic activities, sports, arts, and technology); and swimming and water safety specifically for individuals with autism.	Online Application	https://www.autismspeaks.org/autism-grants-service-providers
National Academy of Medicine	Health	Catalyst Award Competition Round 2	3/8/2021		\$50,000		Catalyst Awards will reward bold, new, potentially transformative ideas to improve the physical, mental, or social well-being and health of people as they age, in a measurable and equitable way. The NAM seeks innovative approaches that aim to extend the human healthspan, especially approaches that challenge existing paradigms or propose new methodologies or concepts. High-risk ideas that could potentially yield high rewards and, in turn, dramatically change the field of healthy longevity are encouraged.	Online Application	https://nam.edu/initiatives/grand-challenge-healthy-longevity/u-s-nam-catalyst-award-competition-round-2-2021/?
Microsoft	Various	AI for Accessibility	3/12/2021		\$20,000	Azure credits worth \$10,000, \$15,000, or \$20,000 and costs related to collecting or labeling data, developing models, or other engineering-related work.	Grants support projects that use AI to empower people living with disabilities. For this round, Microsoft seeks projects that use AI technology to address restricted educational opportunities and unmet classroom accommodations that impact students with disabilities.	Online Application	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/ai/ai-for-accessibility-grants
Simons Foundation	Health	SFARI Grants on Maternal COVID-19 as a Risk Factor for Autism	3/12/2021	\$250,000	\$400,000	3-year grant period; include 20% indirect costs	Under this RFP, SFARI invites proposals for funding that will be used to extend biospecimen collection and post-natal family tracking in prospective pregnancy cohort studies. SFARI is offering this request for applications (RFA) because many of the cohorts that SFARI has queried collect maternal blood at only one or two timepoints, and almost none of the cohorts collect stool specimens. A majority of the cohorts lack child follow-up beyond a few months of age, though some are able to ascertain child outcomes through the use of medical registry data. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.sfari.org/grant/maternal-covid-19-as-a-potential-risk-for-autism-supplemental-funding-for-ongoing-pregnancy-cohorts-request-for-applications/?tab=faq
National Association of State Boards of Accountancy	Accounting	Accounting Education Research Grants	3/15/2021		\$25,000		NASBA's Accounting Education Research Grants Program seeks to advance research on educational issues impacting the certified public accountants (CPA), the public accounting profession and state boards' charge to protect the public. Research interest areas include, but are not limited to: integrating data analytics and AI as part of an accounting education, diversity in the CPA profession, CPA Pipeline related topics, and impact of licensing requirements on students' decisions to pursue accounting careers.	Emailed Application	https://nasba.org/education/researchgrants/
American Psychological Foundation	Mental Health	John and Polly Sparks Early Career Grant for Psychologists Investigating Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED)	3/15/2021		\$20,000		This opportunity seeks to support early-career psychologists conducting research in the area of early intervention and treatment for serious emotional disturbance in children.	Online Application	https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/sparks-early-career?tab=3

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Braitmayer Foundation	Education	Innovative K-12 Education Practices	3/15/2021		\$35,000	LOI only; full proposals will be invited by 10/15/2021	Supports innovative practices in K-12 education across the United States. Of particular interest to the foundation are curricular and school reform initiatives and/or those focused on the preparation of and professional development opportunities for teachers, particularly those that encourage people of high ability and diverse background to enter and remain in K-12 teaching.	Online Application	https://www.braitmayerfoundation.org/guidelines/
Carnegie Corporation of New York	Various	CFP: The Domestic-International Connection	3/15/2021	\$200,000	\$500,000	Up to 2-year grant period	Carnegie Corporation of New York seeks projects that provide new and actionable insights on the United States reorienting its foreign and national security policies to better reflect connections between international and domestic concerns. Experts argue that economic, health, education, and social problems cannot be addressed by separating foreign and domestic policies and that greater integration would lead to more effective U.S. policies at home and abroad. Given the heightened interest in these issues, there is a need to explore the key factors underlying the importance of the domestic-international connection and what an integrative policy approach might look like in practice. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.carnegie.org/news/articles/domestic-international-connection-new-ideas-and-practical-solutions-rethinking-us-foreign-and-national-security-policies/
Thrasher Research Fund	Health	Early Career Grants	3/16/2021		\$25,000	Concept paper only; full proposal by invitation only due 5/7/2021	Supports medical research in child health conducted by new researchers with oversight by a mentor. A variety of research topics are eligible for consideration, as the fund does not focus on a particular disease but instead on children's health broadly defined (though the fund is especially interested in applicants that show great potential to impact that field of children's health through medical research).	Online Application	https://www.thrasherresearch.org/early-career-award?lang=eng
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program	3/17/2021		\$420,000	Up to 4-year grant period	The program provides postdoctoral research awards to physicians, dentists, and nurses from historically marginalized backgrounds who are committed to working toward eliminating health disparities by achieving senior rank in academic medicine, dentistry, or nursing. The program provides scholars with funds for the development of their research and academic and leadership skills; ongoing mentoring by a distinguished national advisory committee; a grounding in the social determinants of health, health equity, and the elements of a Culture of Health; and coaching in communications skills to advance the impact of their research and scholarship. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2021/harold-amos-medical-faculty-development-program.html?rid=0032S000029g9CQOAY&et_cid=2387217
The Doctors Company Foundation	Health	Patient Safety Research Grants	3/22/2021	\$10,000	\$100,000	LOI only; full proposals will be invited by 5/14/2021	Through the program, grants will be awarded to projects/activities aimed at developing knowledge, techniques, and tools whose application reduces or eliminates risk of adverse events that cause harm to patients while under care. Must be coordinated with Corporate Relations.	Emailed Application	https://www.tdcfoundation.com/grant-application-process/
National Endowment for Democracy	Various	Strengthening Democratic Institutions	3/26/2021		\$50,000		The organization is interested in proposals from nonpartisan programs that seek to promote and defend human rights and the rule of law; support freedom of information and independent media; strengthen democratic ideas and values; promote accountability and transparency; strengthen civil society organizations; strengthen democratic political processes and institutions; promote civic education; support democratic conflict resolution; promote freedom of association; and strengthen a broad-based market economy.	Emailed Application	https://www.ned.org/application-for-grant/en/
Rita & Alex Hillman Foundation	Health	Hillman Innovations in Care (HIC) Program	3/30/2021		\$600,000	LOI only; 36-month grant period; projects are expected to begin 1/1/2022	This program seeks proposals for bold, nursing-driven interventions that target the health and healthcare needs of groups and communities who have historically struggled against oppression, discrimination and indifference. These populations include Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC), the economically disadvantaged, LGBTQ+ people, people experiencing homelessness, low-income rural populations, and others.	Online Application	http://www.rahf.org/grant-programs/hillman-innovations-in-care-program/rfp
Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation Invites	Mental Health	Mental Health Research Grants	4/1/2021		\$20,000		Areas of interest identified by the fund include studies to develop, refine, evaluate, or disseminate innovative interventions designed to prevent or ameliorate major social, psychological, behavioral, or public health problems affecting children, adults, couples, families, or communities, or studies that have the potential for adding significantly to knowledge about such problems.	Online Application	https://www.fahsbeckfund.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Faculty-Post-Doc-Guidelines-1-26-2021.pdf

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American Cancer Society	Health	Role of Health Policy and Insurance in Improving Cancer Prevention Outcomes	4/1/2021	\$200,000	\$1,000,000	Up to 5-year grant period	Supports rapid-learning research on the effects of health policy changes on patients, providers, and health systems, including but not limited to facilitators and barriers to care, unintended consequences, differential experiences and outcomes of patients seeking or receiving care, best practice models for quality care, and economic impact.	Online Application	https://www.cancer.org/research/we-fund-cancer-research/apply-research-grant/grant-types/rfa-role-healthcare-insurance-cancer.html
American Cancer Society	Health	Clinician Scientist Development Grants	4/1/2021	\$405,000	\$675,000	3 to 5-year grant period	The Clinician Scientist Development Grant (CSDG) fosters the development of clinicians to clinician scientists. Clinician scientists are investigators licensed to provide patient care and trained to conduct research. They pursue research questions across the cancer research continuum of relevance to improving health. The CSDG provides support for protected time to allow junior faculty who see patients to be mentored and participate in research training to aid their development as independent clinician scientists.	Online Application	https://www.cancer.org/research/apply-research-grant/grant-types/clinician-scientist-development-grant.html
American Psychological Foundation	Mental Health	2021 Visionary Grants	4/1/2021		\$20,000		The program seeks to seed innovation in the field through support for research, education, and intervention projects and programs that use psychology to solve social problems in the following priority areas: applying psychology to vulnerable, at-risk populations (e.g., serious mental illness, returning military, those who are incarcerated or economically disadvantaged); preventing violence; understanding the connection between behavior and health (e.g., wellness, diabetes, obesity); and understanding and eliminating stigma and prejudice (e.g., race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, age, disability and socioeconomic status). Preference will be given to pilot projects that, if successful, would be strong candidates for support from major federal and foundation funding agencies and "demonstration projects" that promise to generalize broadly to similar settings in other geographical areas and/or to other settings.	Online Application	https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/visionary?tab=1
IBM Center for the Business of Government	Various	Research Report Stipends	4/1/2021		\$20,000		IBM will provide \$20,000 stipends for 10,000 - 20,000 word reports that provide very practical findings and actionable recommendations to assist executives and managers in more effectively responding to mission and management challenges. Areas of interest include cybersecurity management, data analysis, hiring and retention practices, social media, social justice, citizen-driven engagement, agile principles, and enterprise approaches to government. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	http://www.businessofgovernment.org/node/2688
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.	Mailed Application	http://www.whitehall.org/grants/
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.	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

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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/
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
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
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
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
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/prog/request_for_proposals/

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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
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
Google	COVID-19	COVID-19 Research Grants	Rolling		Google Cloud Credits		They are offering COVID-19 Research Grants to fund companies, government agencies, non-profit organizations and academic institutions working on COVID-19 research. They also have Academic Research Grants for research grants unrelated to COVID-19 limited to faculty and PhD candidates from higher institutions.	Online Application	https://edu.google.com/programs/credits/research/?modal_active=none
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?cfpid=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 lacking 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

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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
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-	Online application	https://mellon.org/topics/monuments/
Cigna	Health	Health and Well-Being: Health Disparities		\$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