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AstraZeneca	Various	ACT on Health Equity Community Solutions Challenge	7/16/2021		\$25,000	LOI only; Full proposal invited in August 2021	Grants will be awarded in support of programming within two categories: Community Health and Well-being — Community-based programs designed to improve conditions that affect health and well-being (e.g., housing, education, environmental/ neighborhood safety, nutrition, access to care) as well as programs that prioritize the social, cultural, and linguistic needs of underserved patients, caregivers, and families. Youth STEM Education and Career Readiness — Programs that build knowledge and skills in the fields of science, technology, engineering and math among K-12 or undergraduate students.	Online Application	https://www.astrazeneca-us.com/sustainability/health-and-science-innovation.html
Burroughs Wellcome Fund (BWF)	Health	Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease (PATH)	7/16/2021	\$100,000	\$500,000	Pre-application only with full proposals due 11/15/2021; up to 5-year grant period	The Investigators in the Pathogenesis of Infectious Disease (PATH) award provides support over five years to accomplished investigators at the assistant professor level to study pathogenesis, with a focus on the interplay between human and microbial biology, shedding light on how human and microbial systems are affected by their encounters.	Online Application	https://www.bwfund.org/funding-opportunities/infectious-diseases/investigators-in-the-pathogenesis-of-infectious-disease/
Thermo Fisher Scientific	Health	Oncomine Clinical Research Grant Program	7/16/2021		\$200,000		The Oncomine Clinical Research Grant Program supports investigator-initiated studies (HS) and education projects, on molecular testing in oncology and reproductive health, with the goal to increase high quality molecular profiling for patients and to improve clinical outcomes in the future.	Online Application	https://www.oncomine.com/grants
Foundation for Opioid Response Efforts (FORE)	Health	2021 RFP	7/19/2021	\$300,000	\$600,000	Up to 2-year grant period	This RFP will focus on innovative new approaches to educating professionals on the stigma of addiction and addressing this within professional medical settings; integrating new and untapped data sources across different sectors to generate a more in-depth understanding of the opioid crisis, as well as applying new emerging technologies; and novel uses of technology, such as digital and mobile apps, as well as other innovative ways to support those.	Online Application	https://forefdn.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Innovation_RFP_FINAL.pdf
Thrasher Research Foundation	Health	E.W. "Al" Thrasher Awards	7/20/2021	\$100,000	\$550,000	Concept paper only with full proposal invited 8/20/2021; up to 3-year grant period	The purpose of the E.W. "Al" Thrasher Awards is 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. The Thrasher Research Fund is 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.	Online Application	https://www.thrasherresearch.org/al-thrasher-award?lang=eng
Ethel & James Flinn Foundation	Mental Health	Children and Young People Mental Health	7/22/2021	\$50,000	\$150,000	Two-year grant period	The Foundation awards grants to governmental agencies and non-profit organizations that provide behavioral health care and services in southeast Michigan (Wayne, Macomb, Oakland or Washtenaw) to implement and evaluate proven practices and programs that improve both the delivery of behavioral health services and treatment outcomes for adults 21 years and older. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.flinnfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Childrens-Mental-Health-2021-RFP.pdf

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Ethel & James Flinn Foundation	Mental Health	Capacity Building Opportunities	7/22/2021		\$50,000		The Foundation awards grants for the improvement or enhancement of existing behavioral health treatment model that increases access to or quality of care; use of technology to improve access to or quality of behavioral health care (i.e. telemedicine, electronic health records); organizational capacity improvement; or staff or clinical training and workforce development. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.flinnfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Capacity-Building-2021-RFP.pdf
Russell Sage Foundation	Social Science	Social, Political and Economic Inequality	7/28/2021		\$175,000	LOI only with full proposals due 11/17/2012	The Russell Sage Foundation's program on Social, Political, and Economic Inequality supports innovative research on the factors that contribute to social, political and economic inequalities in the U.S., and the extent to which those inequalities affect social, psychological, political, and economic outcomes, including educational access, job opportunities, social mobility, civic participation and representation, and the transmission of advantage and disadvantage within and across generations. Concepts involving inequities caused by the COVID-19 pandemic are encouraged. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.russellsage.org/how-to-apply/application-deadlines#project
Russell Sage Foundation	Social Science	Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration	7/28/2021		\$175,000	LOI only with full proposals due 11/17/2012	The Russell Sage Foundation's program on Race, Ethnicity & Immigration supports innovative investigator-initiated research on the social, economic, and political effects of the changing racial and ethnic composition of the U.S. population, including the transformation of communities and ideas about what it means to be American. We are especially interested in research that examines the roles of race, ethnicity, nativity, gender and legal status in outcomes for immigrants, U.S.-born racial and ethnic minorities, and native-born whites. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.russellsage.org/how-to-apply/application-deadlines#project
Russell Sage Foundation	Social Science	Immigration and Immigrant Integration	7/28/2021		\$175,000	LOI only with full proposals due 11/17/2012	The Russell Sage Foundation/Carnegie Corporation Initiative on Immigration and Immigrant Integration seeks to support innovative research on the effects of race, citizenship, legal status and politics, political culture and public policy on outcomes for immigrants and for the native-born of different racial and ethnic groups and generations. This initiative falls under RSF's Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration Program and represents a special area of interest within the core program, which continues to encourage proposals on a broader set of issues. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.russellsage.org/how-to-apply/application-deadlines#project
BrightFocus Foundation	Health	New Investigator Grant	7/29/2021		\$450,000	LOI only with full proposal invited in December 2021; 3-year grant period	This research grant program is restricted to new and early investigators who have received their MD, PhD or equivalent degree within the past 10 years at the time of application. Applicant must serve as the Principal Investigator on the project and have independent laboratory space.	Online LOI	https://www.brightfocus.org/grants/types-grants
BrightFocus Foundation	Health	Innovative Research Grants	7/29/2021		\$600,000	LOI only with full proposal invited in December 2021; 3-year grant period	Grants will be awarded in support of high-risk/high-gain age-related macular degeneration research. The foundation hopes to attract established investigators to apply for this support, but also aims for outside-the-box ideas that are novel in the field.	Online LOI	https://www.brightfocus.org/grants/types-grants

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IBM	Computer Science	IBM Call for Code Global Challenge	7/31/2021	\$10,000	\$200,000		Call for Code is a tech-for-good challenge that asks innovators to create practical, effective, and high-quality open-source applications based on one or more IBM Cloud services (for example, web, mobile, data, analytics, artificial intelligence, Internet of Things, or weather) that can have an immediate and lasting impact on humanitarian issues. Given the far-reaching and devastating effects of climate change, the 2021 Global Challenge is divided into three sub-themes: clean water and sanitation, zero hunger, and responsible production and green consumption.	Online Application	https://callforcode.org/global-challenge/
John S. and James L. Knight Foundation	Arts	Knight Arts Challenge	7/31/2021	\$25,000	\$100,000	150-word LOI only; full proposal is invite only; matching funds required	This year's Knight Arts Challenge will focus on highlighting artists and art organizations finding new ways to attract audiences, enhance in-person experiences, document creation and/or amplify reach to people who would not otherwise experience the art. Audio, video, websites, mobile apps, augmented reality and virtual reality are all potential tools. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online LOI	https://knightfoundation.org/challenges/2021-knight-arts-challenge/
Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation	Social Science	Research Grants	8/1/2021	\$15,000	\$45,000	Up to 2-year grant period	The Foundation welcomes proposals from any of the natural and social sciences and aligned disciplines that promise to increase understanding of the causes, manifestations, and control of violence and aggression. Highest priority is given to research that addresses urgent, present-day problems of violence—what produces it, how it operates, and what prevents or reduces it.	Online Application	https://www.hfg.org/distinguished-scholars
Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research	Social Science	Engaged Research Grant	8/1/2021		\$25,000		Engaged Research Grants support research partnerships that empower those who have historically been among those researched in anthropology, rather than researchers themselves. Designed in alliance with individuals who have born the impact of various kinds of marginalization, these partnerships bring together scholars and their interlocutors in the mutual production of anthropological knowledge aimed at combatting inequality and promoting the flourishing of human and more than human worlds. The program supports projects that promise to make a significant contribution to anthropological conversations through collaborations in which engagement is a central feature of a project from the very start.	Online Application	http://www.wennergren.org/programs/engaged-research-grants
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)	Mental Health	Focus Grants: Reaching 20% by 2025	8/1/2021	\$500,000	\$1,500,000	LOI only with full proposal due 12/7/2021; Up to 3-year grant period	AFSP has set a goal to reduce our nation's suicide rate 20% by 2025. We believe that by targeting areas known to contribute to suicide burden we can reach this goal. This Focus Grant RFA seeks applications that address potential biological, psychological, social and/or environmental pathways and interventions that can significantly reduce the national suicide rate if ultimately implemented on a large scale. This grant's goal is universal, selective or indicated interventions that target suicide prevention in healthcare systems, emergency departments, corrections settings, or among the gun owning community, that, if implemented on a large scale, would reduce the annual U.S. suicide rate.	Online Application	https://afsp.org/research-focus-grants
Brady Education Foundation	Education	Evaluation Grants Program	8/1/2021	\$100,000	\$200,000	Stage 1 proposal only, with Stage 2 invited in December 2021; up to 3-year grant period	The primary aim of the proposal must concern the evaluation of programs designed to promote positive cognitive and/or achievement outcomes for children (birth through 18 years of age) from underserved groups and/or low-resourced communities. Secondary aims may also focus on one or more of the following: variations in program effects; mechanisms through which these effects occur; and cost-benefit analyses of the program (start-up and ongoing operational costs) with its estimated monetary benefits to determine the net cost or benefit associated with the program.	Online Application	http://bradyeducationfoundation.org/application-guidelines/

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Beckman Foundation	Science	Young Investigator Program	8/2/2021	\$150,000	\$600,000	LOI only with full proposal due 1/10/2022; Up to 4-year grant period	The Beckman Young Investigator (BYI) Program provides research support to the most promising young faculty members in the early stages of their academic careers in the chemical and life sciences, particularly to foster the invention of methods, instruments and materials that will open up new avenues of research in science.	Online LOI	https://www.beckman-foundation.org/programs/beckman-young-investigator/
Pfizer	Health	Pfizer Innovation Challenge: Patient Preference Database Blueprint	8/2/2021		\$50,000		This Innovation Challenge RFP seeks to solicit proposals to develop a blueprint for collating, organizing, and storing publicly available results from multiple patient preference studies such as may be found in publications or study reports in a single database, organizing results by disease, treatment class, patient type, etc. or any other categorization scheme and propose a method for extracting and synthesizing available data so that the existing quantitative preference estimates can be used as weights in decision-analytic models as an alternative to de novo primary data collection. The preference results in the database can be the result of any stated preference method that provides quantitative estimates of marginal utility or relative importance of multiple disease and treatment attributes.	Online Application	https://cdn.pfizer.com/pfizercom/2021-06/2021%20GMG%20-%20Patient%20Preference%20Database%20Blueprint.pdf?31CE6hDvNNZIERgs5Es07GriHvde2_WI
Pfizer	Health	Equitable Care of Metastatic Breast Cancer (mBC) Patients: A Phased Approach to Understanding and Addressing Healthcare Disparities for People of Color	8/4/2021		\$150,000		The research areas of interest for this RFP are understanding racial disparities in the access to and delivery of treatment and supportive care, including psychosocial and palliative care, for patients with metastatic breast cancer; the understanding of racial disparities in the outcomes for patients with metastatic breast cancer; and systematic analyses of disparities within care delivery systems and communities.	Online Application	https://cdn.pfizer.com/pfizercom/2021-06/GMG_2021-Oncology_EquitableCare_MetastaticBreastCancerPatients.pdf?.bsk9Z10K57JG377Uo59WtzWdMsRh5Hk
William T. Grant Foundation	Social Science	Research Grants	8/4/2021	\$100,000	\$1,000,000	Grants over \$100k must be for projects lasting from 2-4 years	Supports studies that aim to build, test, or increase understanding of programs, policies, or practices to reduce inequality in the academic, social, behavioral, or economic outcomes of young people (5-25). Prioritize studies about reducing inequality on the basis of race, ethnicity, economic standing, language minority status, or immigrant origins. Also supports studies that identify, build, and test strategies to enhance the use of research evidence in ways that benefit youth. Particular interest in research on improving the use of research evidence by state and local decision makers, mid-level managers, and intermediaries. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation	Health	Investigator Initiated Research Program	8/11/2021		\$75,000		This program supports doctoral-level researchers who focus on applied projects designed to improve the quality, cost and accessibility of health care. It's our hope that projects funded under this program will result in the creation of a manuscript suitable for submission to a peer-reviewed journal. The BCBSM Foundation is interested in innovative and evidence-based research grants that address urgent health issues, health inequities, social determinants of health and healthcare access, quality and cost.	Online Application	https://www.bcbsm.com/foundation/grant-programs/investigator-initiated-research.html

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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation	Health	Community Health Matching Program	8/11/2021		\$50,000	Matching funds are required	This program supports nonprofit community organizations that develop, implement and evaluate new approaches to health care issues.	Online Application	https://www.bcbsm.com/foundation/grant-programs/community-health-matching.html
National Multiple Sclerosis Society	Health	Harry Weaver Neuroscience Scholar Awards	8/11/2021	\$75,000	\$375,000	Pre-application only with full proposals due 8/18/2021; up to 5-year grant period	National MS Society offers a limited number of Harry Weaver awards to highly qualified candidates who have concluded their research training and begun academic careers as independent investigators in an area related to multiple sclerosis. The awards are designed to provide salary and grant support for a five year period, thus permitting the awardee to establish competence in his/her chosen research area. Application must be made jointly by a candidate and the institution in which an appointment is held.	Online Application	https://www.nationalmssociety.org/For-Professionals/Researchers/Society-Funding/Training-Grants-and-Fellowships/Harry-Weaver-Neuroscience-Scholar-Awards
Women's Sports Foundation	Health	Wellness for All	8/13/2021		\$10,000		Grants will be awarded in support of women of color entrepreneurs and organizations committed to making wellness and fitness more accessible and inclusive to female BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, people of color) communities. Funds may be used for, but are not limited to, the purchase of new software, hardware, website, and email tools to implement their project vision; leasing of physical space for events, program operations, community gatherings; and marketing, communications, public relations, operational, and business expenses.	Online Application	https://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/wsf_programs/wellness-for-all/
W.M. Keck Foundation	Science	Research Program	8/15/2021	\$500,000	\$5,000,000	Up to 5-year grant period; Pre-application only; Phase one application due 11/1/2021	The program awards grants for projects that are focused on important and emerging areas of medical, engineering, or scientific research, including those that have the potential to develop a breakthrough technology, instrumentation, or methodology; are innovative, distinctive, and interdisciplinary; demonstrate a high level of risk due to an unconventional approach or by challenging a prevailing paradigm; and have the potential for transformative impact. The program aims to fund high-risk/high-impact work that lays the groundwork for new paradigms, technologies, and discoveries that save lives and add to our collective understanding of the world. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	http://www.wmkeck.org/grant-programs/research
Sociological Initiatives Foundation	Social Science	Community-Based Participatory Research Projects	8/16/2021	\$10,000	\$20,000	LOI only; Full proposal invited in Fall 2021; up to 2-year grant	The Sociological Initiatives Foundation (SIF) invites concept proposals for community-led projects that link an explicit research design to a concrete social action strategy. Projects should have specifically stated social change goals. The Foundation will continue to give priority to projects that explicitly promote racial justice and fairer and more equitable laws, policies and practices, and expects applicants from academic institutions to apply with a community partner.	Online Application	http://www.sifoundation.org/call-for-concept-applications-2015/
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=00325000027IF4VQAW&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?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 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/