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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
MGM Resorts International	Various	Workforce Development and Education	6/4/2021		\$20,000		Potential projects may include those focused on access to quality education, STEAM, curriculum development, educational assistance, employment, vocational training, or economic growth.	Online Application	https://apply.yourcausegrants.com/apply/auth/signin
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=0032S000029g9CQAY&et_cid=2393832
Pfizer	Health	Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Menopause	6/10/2021		\$100,000		Grants will be awarded in support of projects focused on increasing awareness and understanding among health care providers of racial and ethnic differences in patients' menopause experiences. Clinical research projects will not be supported and projects evaluating the efficacy of therapeutic or diagnostic agents will not be considered.	Online Application	https://cdn.pfizer.com/pfizercom/2021-04/GMG_2021-IM-L_RacialEthnicDisparitiesMenopauseExperience.pdf?VersionId=l_E9Tcr7NnVRIWvodpGJANpSmlA1Cb85
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Health Equity Scholars for Action	6/16/2021		\$250,000	Two-year grant period	This opportunity supports the career development and academic advancement of researchers from historically underrepresented backgrounds who conduct health equity research. Grants will be awarded to address the challenges that underrepresented researchers experience; help them overcome obstacles to earning tenure; and make progress toward acquiring independent research funding. Grants will support three aspects of career development: research, mentorship, and connection with a community of support. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2021/health-equity-scholars-for-action.html
Smith Richardson Foundation	Social Science	Strategy and Policy Fellows	6/18/2021		\$60,000		Supports research by young scholars and policy thinkers working in the area(s) of American foreign policy, international relations, international security, military policy, and diplomatic and military history that leads to the writing of a book.	Emailed Application	https://www.srf.org/programs/international-security-foreign-policy/strategy-policy-fellows-program/
MIT University	Health	Horizon Prize	6/18/2021		\$150,000	Finalists will be invited to pitch their solutions to a panel of distinguished judges in September 2021	The Horizon Prize seeks technology-based solutions that use data to help rare disease patients get the right care faster and more accurately. The prize challenge seeks solutions that: leverage big data and analytics to improve the detection and diagnosis of rare diseases; address the disproportionate burden of rare diseases faced by disinvested communities and historically underrepresented groups; promote community and connection among rare disease patients and their advocates; and unlock collaboration among patients, scientists, and healthcare providers to improve patient outcomes.	Online Application	https://solve.mit.edu/challenges/horizonprize

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Johnson & Johnson Innovation	Health	Advancing Joint Replacement Surgery Quick-fire Challenge	6/18/2021		\$50,000		Support of concepts, prototypes, and developed technologies that could potentially address current technology limitations in orthopedic joint replacement surgery, including reducing cost, increasing efficiency and improving usability, and simplifying procedures. In addition, recipients will receive access to the global Johnson & Johnson Innovation - JLABS network and mentorship from experts at the Johnson & Johnson family of companies.	Online Application	https://jlabs.jninnovation.com/quickfire-challenges/advancing-joint-replacement-surgery-quickfire-challenge
Alex's Lemonade Stand	Health	A' Award Grant	6/18/2021	\$200,000	\$800,000	Up to 4-year grant period	The purpose of the 'A' Award Grant is to advance ALSF's mission to find cures and better treatments for childhood cancers by providing support to early-career scientists who want to establish a career in pediatric oncology research. The ideal applicant has an original project that is not currently being funded. Demonstration of a future commitment to pediatric cancer investigation as well as institutional support for the career development of the investigator are critical components of a successful application.	Online Application	https://www.alexslomonade.org/sites/default/files/images/2020/2021_a_aaward_grant_guidelines_v2.pdf
Cigna Foundation	Health	Education and Workforce Development	6/18/2021	\$25,000	\$100,000		The foundation is looking for qualified nonprofits with pre-K programs focused on improving the cognitive and social development of children and boosting their language, literacy, and math and science abilities; K-8 programs focused on helping students excel in language, literacy, and STEM subjects; high school programs focused on introducing students to careers in health care, supporting them through successful graduation, and helping them further their education in preparation for a job in health care; and postsecondary and adult education programs that support adults in health-related jobs. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.cigna.com/about-us/corporate-responsibility/cigna-foundation
Bank of America	Various	Community Needs	6/25/2021	\$10,000	\$50,000		Supports community programming that that address economic mobility in a community context, with a focus on affordable housing, small business, and neighborhood revitalization. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations	Online Application	https://about.bankofamerica.com/en/making-an-impact/charitable-foundation-funding
Little Giraffe Foundation	Health	Neonatal Research	6/25/2021	\$5,000	\$10,000		Supports scientists, doctors, and nurses at universities, hospitals, and nonprofit institutions in research that addresses both the immediate and long-term health needs caused by premature birth. Possible research subjects identified by the foundation include basic biological processes governing development, genetics, clinical studies, studies of reproductive health, environmental toxicology, and social and behavioral studies. Studies related to development of educational interventions or to address quality improvement initiatives will not be considered for funding.	Emailed Application	http://www.littlegiraffefoundation.org/Neonatal-Research-Initiative-Request-For-Proposals
JP Morgan Chase	Various	Advancing Cities Challenge	6/28/2021		\$5,000,000	Up to 3-year grant period	The Advancing Cities Challenge seeks to incentivize cross-sector partnerships that promote equal access or address systemic barriers to opportunity, or complex issues at the root of economic inequality, for low- and moderate-income Black and Latina women, focusing on altering entrenched policies, practices and systems in cities. The challenge encourages business, government, philanthropic, nonprofit, anchor institution, and other community leaders to coordinate and deploy their unique resources, expertise, and decision-making authority to drive systemic change – focused on altering, aligning, or influencing jobs and skills, financial health, or small business and neighborhood development in addition to at least one other mission critical system described in the Wealth Creation Framework in the Request for Proposal. Described in the Wealth Creation Framework in the Request for Proposal. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.jpmorganchase.com/content/dam/jpmc/jpmorgan-chase-and-co/documents/advancing-cities-challenge-faq.pdf

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Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Transforming Health and Health Care Systems	6/28/2021	\$150,000	\$350,000	LOI only with a full proposal due 11/1/2021	The purpose of this 2021 RTHS call for proposals is to fund research studies that evaluate or predict how enrollees are affected by Medicaid policy changes enacted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Given the disproportionate impact of the pandemic on communities of color, we are requesting studies that examine the impact of Medicaid policies on communities of color and/or explore how current or proposed policies may alleviate or exacerbate racial inequity and structural racism in the context of Medicaid. The goal of this funding opportunity is to generate rigorous evidence on the effects of recent Medicaid policy changes on enrollees, states, and others, and to inform and advance equitable policies and racial equity in Medicaid. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2021/research-in-transforming-health-and-health-care-systems.html?rid=00325000029g9CQQAY&et_cid=2453106
Georgia Pacific	Various	Open Call	6/30/2021	\$10,000	\$20,000		Supports community-based programs, service projects and disaster relief efforts, focused on STEM education, environment, enrichment and entrepreneurship.	Online Application	https://www.gp.com/community
Needmor Foundation	Various	Core Grants Program	6/30/2021	\$10,000	\$40,000		The Needmor Fund provides grants in support of grassroots, membership-based community organizations that are democratically led, engaged in direct action campaigns, and committed to leadership development.	Online Application	http://www.needmorfund.org/forms/needmor-application/
National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM) Foundation	Health	Research Grants	6/30/2021	\$10,000	\$60,000	LOI only with a full proposal due 9/2021	NIHCM Foundation supports innovative investigator-initiated research with high potential to inform improvements to the U.S. health care system. Projects must advance the existing knowledge base in the areas of health care financing, delivery, management and/or policy.	Online Application	https://nihcm.org/grants/research-grants
National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM) Foundation	Health	Health Journalism Grants	6/30/2021	\$10,000	\$60,000	LOI only with a full proposal due 9/2021	NIHCM Foundation supports timely health care journalism that informs efforts to improve the health of Americans and that examines emerging health issues and their implications for cost, quality and access. Grants provide funding for health reporting, educational opportunities for health care reporters and support for documentary films and their public engagement campaigns.	Online Application	https://nihcm.org/grants/journalism-grants
Health and Environmental Science Institute	Health	2021 Innovation Prize	6/30/2021		\$80,000	Unrestricted funding	The HESI Innovation Prize recognizes exceptional scientists who share HESI's commitment to synthesizing ideas, resources, and collaborators across scientific disciplines and sectors — and who have demonstrated particular creativity and impact in doing so. Awardees will have applied this approach to catalyze progress against the specified thematic focus in relation to one or more of the following areas that are central to HESI's core operations: safe and effective medicines; food safety and security; chemical and consumer product safety; and/or environmental quality and sustainability. The prize recognizes impact achieved via research, training/education, and/or programmatic approaches.	Online Application	https://hesiglobal.org/hesi-innovation-prize/

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American Psychological Foundation	Mental Health	Marian R. Stuart Grant	7/1/2021		\$20,000		This RFP supports research, practice, or education of an early-career psychologist exploring the connection between mental and physical health, with a focus on work that contributes to public health. Examples include but are not limited to research-based programs that teach medical doctors counseling skills; research-based programs on the effect of behavior on health; and research-based programs on psychologists' role in medical settings for the benefit of patients.	Online Application	https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/stuart-grant?tab=2
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	Humanities	Community-Based Archives	7/2/2021	\$50,000	\$100,000	Two-year grant period	Grants awarded through the call will provide support to archives in one or more of the following areas of need: operational costs, including staff, space, and utilities; collections care, including the acquisition of new materials, physical and digital storage fees, and access and preservation efforts; programming activities, including events, exhibitions, and publications; and activation and advocacy efforts, including resident community activist/archivist positions, ethical preservation of social media, and increased community use. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://mellon.org/news-blog/articles/announcing-2021-call-proposals-community-based-archives/
Simons Foundation	Health	Autism Research Initiative (SFARI)	7/6/2021	\$200,000	\$400,000	Inclusive of 20 percent indirect costs, will be awarded for a period of 2 or 3 years	SFARI seeks proposals in three broad areas of ASD genomics: 1) risk gene discovery and systems biology; 2) functional analysis of variants associated with ASD risk genes; and 3) gene-targeted therapies. Successful proposals with a focus on the first two areas will likely involve large-scale analyses.	Online Application	https://www.sfari.org/grant/2021-genomics-of-asd-pathways-to-genetic-therapies-request-for-applications/?tab=faq
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
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
Ethel & James Flinn Foundation	Mental Health	Adult Mental Health	7/22/2021	\$50,000	\$200,000	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/Adult-Mental-Health-2021-RFP.pdf
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

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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/
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/view/Cfp.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

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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-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/