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America Hearing Research Foundation	Health	Meniere's Disease Grant Program	8/14/2020		\$25,000		Through the program, grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded in support of basic and clinical research on the causes, diagnosis, or treatment of disease relating to the hearing or balance functions of the ear. Proposals should investigate aspects of the auditory and vestibular systems, including but not limited to genetics, neurotology, anatomy, auditory processing, molecular and cellular biology, therapeutic studies, and investigations of current or experimental devices (i.e., cochlear implants).	Online Application	https://www.american-hearing.org/research-grants/grant-process/
Foundation Fighting Blindness	Health	Translational Research Acceleration Program (TRAP)	8/15/2020		\$1,500,000	LOI only with full application due Oct 30th, 2020; 3-year grant period	The foundation is accepting applications for retinal degeneration treatment approaches, including but not limited to: genetic therapies, regenerative treatments, and novel medical therapies.	Online Application	https://www.fightingblindness.org/translational-research-acceleration-program
Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation	Health	Damon Runyon Fellowship Award	8/17/2020	\$55,000	\$220,000	Fellowships are granted for a four-year term, with second-, third-, and fourth-year funding contingent on satisfactory progress reports	Awards will be made to institutions in support of a fellow under direct supervision of a scientist sponsor (tenured, tenure-track, or equivalent) capable of providing mentorship to the fellow. In addition to aiding in the planning, execution, and supervision of the proposed research, the sponsor's role is to foster the development of the fellow's overall knowledge, technical and analytical skills, and capacity for scientific inquiry.	Online Application	https://www.damonrunyon.org/for-scientists/application-guidelines/fellowship
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	Education/Social Justice	Future of Higher Learning in Prisons	8/28/2020	\$250,000	\$1,000,000	2-year grant period; Webinar Tuesday, August 11, 2020 @ 3-4p.m. Eastern Time; Applicants notified October 16	This RFP invites proposals from organizations and programs in the United States and its territories that focus on the future of higher learning for incarcerated students. Support is available to both providers of college-in-prison programs and to those affiliated with or providing research, curricular, or other support to such programs, possibly including transfer pathway support, career advising, and general counseling support for those leaving incarceration and matriculating to another college or university, or who require other forms of re-entry support. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://mellon.org/programs/higher-learning/call-proposals-future-higher-learning-prison/?ref=home
Merck KGa	Science	2020 Research Grants	8/31/2020		\$540,000	Drug Discovery: up to 500,000 euros for 2-3 years; Cultured Meat: 250,000 euros for 3 years; Next Gen Machine Learning: up to 250,000 euros for 3 years	Merck offers grants to stimulate innovative research in the following challenging areas of future importance: (1) Drug Discovery: game-changing technology or molecule to cure cancer or autoimmune disease; (2) Bioreactor Design for Cultured Meat: Next generation scalable bioreactors for industrial scale meat or seafood production; and (3) Next Generation Machine Learning: algorithms inspired by neurosciences and advances in brain research to overcome current limitations in AI. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.emdgroup.com/en/research/open-innovation/2020-research-grants.html
Amgen Foundation	Health	Competitive Grant Program in Migraine Research	8/31/2020	\$50,000	\$150,000		Through the program, grants of between \$50,000 and \$150,000 will be awarded to early-career investigators in support of novel research proposals that seek to advance the medical knowledge of migraine. Eligible research includes non-interventional clinical research with a focus on early diagnosis and treatment, epidemiology, and Patient Reported Outcomes (PRO)/Quality of Life (QoL) measures; biomarkers for diagnosis and prognosis; and preclinical research focused on mechanism of disease (non-calcitonin gene-related peptide [CGRP]- and non-pituitary adenylate cyclase-activating polypeptide [PACAP]-related).	Online Application	https://www.amgenscientificgrants.com/migraine/index.html
Kress Foundation	Arts and Culture	History of Art Grant	9/1/2020	\$5,000	\$50,000	LOI due 9/1	Grants will be awarded to projects that create and disseminate specialized knowledge, including archival projects, the development and dissemination of scholarly databases, documentation projects, museum exhibitions and publications, photographic campaigns, scholarly catalogs and publications, and technical and scientific studies. The program also supports activities that permit art historians to share their expertise through international exchanges, professional meetings, conferences, symposia, consultations, the presentation of research, and other professional events.	Online Application	http://www.kressfoundation.org/grants/history_of_art/
MLB / MLBPA	Social Work	Healthy Relationships Community Grant	9/1/2020		\$50,000		The Healthy Relationships Community Grants initiative addresses positive relationship health with yourself and others. The grants focus on three distinct areas: supporting programs that build and improve mental health resiliency among vulnerable populations, improving relationship skills of the next generation, as well as programs designed to strengthen and provide critical services to survivors of domestic violence today. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.mlb.com/mlb-community/healthy-relationships-community-grants
Procter and Gamble Fund	Education	Higher Education Grants	9/1/2020	\$10,000	\$20,000		P&G Fund supports programs to better prepare students for success by improving curriculum to be at the cutting edge in relevance and effectiveness; fostering and enabling leadership opportunities and learning; creating a learning environment to encourage innovation and creativity; and strengthening diversity in thought, participation & ongoing interaction. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://app.box.com/s/tv4g4cqybkgvfuhez91cqvxdg7ii3mw

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Pfizer / Eli Lilly	Health	Global Awards for Advancing Chronic Pain Research (ADVANCE)	9/15/2020	\$50,000	\$200,000		Grant will support innovative, novel research proposals that seek to advance the understanding and management of chronic pain related to osteoarthritis (OA) and chronic pain associated with OA. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.advanceresearchawards-chronicpain.com/
Pivotal Ventures		Equality Can't Wait Challenge	9/22/2020	\$100,000	\$1,000,000	Must register by September 1, applications due September 22	Pivotal Ventures, Melinda Gates' investment and incubation company, with additional support from MacKenzie Scott and the Charles and Lynn Schusterman Family Foundation, is launching the Equality Can't Wait Challenge, which will award \$40 million to help expand women's power and influence in the United States by 2030. Grants will be awarded to the organizations or coalitions of organizations with the most compelling proposals. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online application	https://www.equalitycantwaitchallenge.org/
Constellation Energy	Environment/Technology	E2 Energy to Educate Grants	10/1/2020		\$50,000		Grant supports projects designed to enhance college students' understanding of science and technology, and inspire them to think differently about energy. Projects should encourage 100 or more students to problem-solve today's and tomorrow's energy challenges along the following innovation themes: 1) smart home; 2) electrification; and clean energy & zero waste. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://www.constellation.com/community/e2-energy-to-educate.html
IBM Center for the Business of Government	Business	Research Report Stipends	11/2/2020		\$20,000		IBM seeks reports on rigorous public management research and analytic techniques that can help public sector executives and managers improve the effectiveness of government. The IBM Center seeks practical findings and actionable recommendations—not just theory or concepts—to assist executives and managers to more effectively respond to mission and management challenges. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	http://www.businessofgovernment.org/node/2688
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
Omidyar	COVID-19	Economic Response Advocacy Fund	Rolling			Between now and the end of the year, Omidyar Network plans to award \$1.5 million to groups working to realign the nation's economic policies and systems so that they work better for everyone.	COVID-19 Economic Response Advocacy Fund will infuse 501(c)(4) funding into national, state, and local advocacy and organizing efforts aimed at passing economic stimulus to address the immediate toll of the COVID-19 pandemic on working people while reshaping economic structures to ensure they are less vulnerable in the future. Omidyar Network will continue to review applications and award 501(c)(4) funding to support advocacy response work on a rolling basis through the rest of the year, with a focus on direct advocacy efforts aimed at achieving policy or regulatory solutions at the national, state, or local level that protect and assist working people and small businesses now and establish new precedents that improve worker power and well-being in the future; digital organizing that reconfigures campaigns that can no longer be carried out in person due to the virus; and/or strategic communications, coordination, and narrative development efforts that bring like-minded organizations together to create a more unified voice calling for policy and regulatory changes at the national, state, or local level that result in a stronger economy. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.omidyar.com/spotlight/omidyar-network%E2%80%99s-covid-19-economic-response-advocacy-fund-aims-help-working-families-now
Cisco Research Center	COVID-19	Pandemic/COVID19 Science, Technology and Social Impact	Rolling	\$50,000	\$100,000		Funding areas of interest include, but are not limited to: mathematical models for spread and the impact of pandemics, scalable simulation techniques, biomedical/Nano sensor devices for detecting symptoms and agents, algorithms and systems for contact tracing, improved identity and security techniques, pandemic data science. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://research.cisco.com/research#rfp-202004
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=

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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