

Upcoming Opportunities - December 2020

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Foundation for a Smoke Free World	Health	Research at Nexus of COVID-19, Smoking	12/15/2020	\$150,000	\$500,000	Recommended duration of the grant funding is up to 3 months for scoping/pre-clinical studies, three to 6 months for epidemiological studies, and up to 12 months for clinical studies	Selected organization(s) will be expected to implement a range of projects relevant to the global pandemic, including well-designed and comprehensive pre-clinical, clinical, and epidemiological studies, to better understand the associations between smoking and/or nicotine use, and COVID-19 infection and outcomes.	Online Application	https://www.smokefreeworld.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/RFP-COVID-19_Smoking_Nicotine-Research-1.pdf
American Federation for Aging Research	Health	Glenn Foundation for Medical Research Breakthroughs in Gerontology (BIG) Award	12/15/2020		\$300,000	3-year grant period; LOI only with full proposal due 4/2021	Sponsored by the Glenn Foundation for Medical Research, in collaboration with the American Federation for Aging Research (AFAR), the "Breakthroughs in Gerontology (BIG)" initiative provides timely support to a small number of research projects which if successful offer significant promise of yielding transforming discoveries in the fundamental biology of aging. Projects which build on early discoveries that show translational potential for clinically relevant strategies, treatments and therapeutics, addressing human aging and health span are also considered.	Online Application	https://www.afar.org/grants/big
American Educational Research Association	Education	Research Grants Program	12/15/2020	\$25,000	\$35,000	1- to 2-year grant period	The program supports highly competitive studies using rigorous quantitative methods to examine large-scale, education-related data. This research and training program is designed to advance knowledge and build research capacity in education and STEM education and learning.	Online Application	https://www.aera.net/Professional-Opportunities-Funding/AERA-Funding-Opportunities/Grants-Program/Research-Grants
ALDI Supermarkets	Various	Smart Kids program	12/15/2020		\$5,000		Supports local community organizations that encourage kids to actively participate in the areas of education, physical activity, nutrition, healthy socializing, and/or the arts.	Online Application	https://corporate.aldi.us/en/corporate-responsibility/aldi-smart-kids/
Spencer Foundation	Social Science	Racial Equity Special Research Grants	12/15/2020		\$75,000	Grant period from 1 to 5 years	In honor of the Spencer Foundation's 50th Anniversary, the Foundation has launched The Racial Equity Special Research Grants program to support education research projects that will contribute to understanding and ameliorating racial inequality in education. We are interested in funding studies that aim to understand and disrupt the reproduction and deepening of educational inequality in education, and which seek to remake and imagine a new forms of equitable education. Thus, we are also interested in research projects that are working to reimagine educational opportunities in a multiplicity of education systems, levels, settings, and developmental ranges and that reach beyond documenting conditions and paradigms that contribute to persistent racial inequalities. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.spencer.org/grant_types/racial-equity-special-research-grants
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation	Humanities	Digital Extension Grants	12/15/2020		\$150,000	12- to 18-month grant period	Supports humanistic scholarship by enhancing established digital projects, extending their reach to new communities of users, and supporting teams of scholars at all stages of their careers as they participate in such projects. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.acls.org/Competitions-and-Deadlines/ACLS-Digital-Extension-Grants

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Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Health Data for Action	12/17/2020		\$100,000		The program will support innovative research that uses available data to answer important research questions. Applicants under this call will be asked to write a proposal for a research study using data from one of the following anticipated data providers: athenahealth; CareJourney VRDC T-MSIS Research Collaborative; the Center for Improving Value in Health Care (CIVHC); Geisinger; the Health Care Cost Institute (HCCI); HealthShare Exchange (HSX); OCHIN ADVANCE Collaborative; and TransUnion. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2020/health-data-for-action-data-access-award.html
American Association for Cancer Research	Health	Midcareer Female Investigator Grant	12/17/2020		\$225,000	Up to 3-year grant period	Supports mid-career female physician-scientists and researchers conducting immunology research and foster their career advancement on the road to becoming a senior investigator.	Online Application	https://www.aacr.org/grants/aacr-bms-midcareer-female-investigator-grant/
Foundation Fighting Blindness	Health	Translational Research Acceleration Program for Sight-Saving Therapies	12/20/2020		\$1,500,000	Up to 3-year grant period	Supports proposals for retinal degeneration treatment approaches, including but not limited to gene therapies, regenerative treatments, and novel medical therapies	Online Application	https://www.fightingblindness.org/news/foundation-fighting-blindness-launches-translational-research-acceleration-program-for-sight-saving-therapies-126
IBSA Foundation for Scientific Research	Health	2020 Fellowships	12/31/2020		\$35,000	Awards are 30,000 euros (approx. \$35,000)	Awards young researchers under the age of 40, from universities who have distinguished themselves for their skills and have ongoing projects of relevance in the following research areas: dermatology, endocrinology, fertility/urology, orthopedics/pain medicine/rheumatology, and coronavirus infections (systemic & tissue-specific effects, novel targets for potential therapies). Applicants must have a degree in medicine, biology, pharmacy, bio-technology, or bioengineering.	Online Application	https://www.ibsafoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/ibsa-foundation-fellowships_2020-call_en.pdf
Elsa U. Pardee Foundation	Health	Cancer Research Grants	12/31/2020		\$150,000	1-year grant period	Supports research to investigators in United States non-profit institutions proposing research directed toward identifying new treatments or cures for cancer. The Foundation funds projects for a one year period which will allow establishment of capabilities of new cancer researchers, or new cancer approaches by established cancer researchers. It is anticipated that this early stage funding by the Foundation may lead to subsequent and expanded support using government agency funding. Project relevance to cancer detection, treatment, or cure should be clearly identified.	Online Application	https://pardeefoundation.org/how-to-apply/
Children's Tumor Foundation	Health	Young Investigator Awards	1/1/2021	\$32,000	\$174,000	LOI only; up to 3-year grant period	Supports research on manifestations of all types of NF1, NF2, schwannomatosis, including neurofibromas, schwannomas, malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumors, and other brain and nervous system tumors; bone abnormalities; cardiovascular abnormalities; learning disorders; and pain.	Online Application	https://www.ctf.org/research/young-investigator-award-via#

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McKnight Foundation	Health	Neuroscience Scholar Awards	1/4/2021	\$75,000	\$225,000		Supports innovative research designed to bring science closer to the day when diseases of the brain and behavior can be accurately diagnosed, prevented, and treated. To that end, the program seeks to support promising young investigators in the early stages of an independent research career working on a critical problem in brain science. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.mcknight.org/programs/the-mcknight-endowment-fund-for-neuroscience-scholar-awards/
Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan	Various	Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Legacy Funds	1/8/2021	\$20,000	\$50,000		Caregivers Fund: support for projects within southeast Michigan that assist caregivers of persons who are unable to fully care for themselves and are part of an underserved community, with a preference for requests to provide support to caregivers of older adults. Design & Access Fund: support for projects in southeast Michigan that serve to increase the walkability and bikeability of local communities and/or increasing outdoor recreational activities within the region. Youth Sports Fund: support for projects in southeast Michigan that bring high-quality sports programs to youth. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://cfsem.org/special-opportunities/ralph-c-wilson-jr-legacy-funds/
Klingenstein Third Generation Foundation	Health	Projects That Increase Access to Mental Health Care for Children	1/10/2021	\$50,000	\$100,000	Up to 2-year grant period	Supports investigator-initiated projects that demonstrate the benefits of new healthcare delivery methods or prevention approaches. In particular, KTGF is most interested in improving access to mental health care for children through the use of novel models or approaches, including but not limited to digital technology (e.g., Internet, cellphone apps), expanding the number of professional and paraprofessional treatment personnel who are trained to deliver mental health services, and delivering care in non-psychiatric settings (e.g., primary care, schools, home, or other novel settings). KTGF is particularly interested in funding applications that build on promising pilot work and that aim to develop larger demonstration projects.	Online Application	https://klingenstein.org/klingenstein-third-generation-foundation/other-grants/applying/
Research to Prevent Blindness	Health	Unrestricted Grants	1/11/2021	\$115,000	\$575,000	Up to 5-year grant period	Unrestricted Grants provide opportunities for creative planning and maximum flexibility in developing and expanding eye research programs. Funds automatically renew for five years unless the ophthalmology Chair steps down or RPB requires the department to re-apply earlier.	Emailed Application	https://www.rpbusa.org/rpb/grants-and-research/grants/rpb-unrestricted-grants/rpb-unrestricted-grants/
National Endowment for Democracy	Various	Grants to Strengthen Democratic Institutions	1/11/2021		\$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.	Online Application	https://www.ned.org/apply-for-grant/en/
JAMS Foundation	Various	Pre-K-12 Conflict Resolution and Training	1/11/2021	\$40,000	\$60,000	2-year maximum grant period; LOI only with full proposals due 5/21/2021	The initiative seeks to support conflict resolution education and training (CRE) for pre-K-12 students and youth. Grants may support both pre-K-12 youth as well as adults working with these populations in ways that directly transfer CRE skills to youth populations. Projects may take place in community, schools, alternative education settings (online education, charter schools, afterschool programs), government sites (juvenile justice facilities, courts), and NGO settings. While some proposals may be able to secure and guarantee access to or cooperation from traditional K-12 school districts/schools, this funding opportunity is intended to provide potential financial support for CRE work in other contexts as well.	Online Application	https://www.jamsadr.com/files/uploads/documents/jams-foundation/nofa-2021.pdf

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NetGain Partnership	Social Science	Digital Misinformation	1/11/2021	\$25,000	\$100,000	1-year grant period; concept notes only; full proposal invitation only	Supports projects that investigate, reveal and/or explain the extent and impact of mis/disinformation facilitated by the platforms, or other projects that advance knowledge on societal harms caused by platform companies; or projects that provide policy, legal, public education or technological interventions as counterweights to growing platform power. Activities eligible for support may include research, collaborative projects and/or campaigns, virtual convenings, and creative interventions (i.e., tech tools, art, or cultural projects).	Online Application	https://www.netgainpartnership.org/smallgrantsrfp
W. T. Grant Foundation	Social Science	Research Grants on Improving the Use of Research Evidence	1/13/2021	\$100,000	\$1,000,000	LOI only; 2- to 4-year grant period	Supports investigations from social scientists across a range of disciplines and fields around research use in various systems, including justice, child welfare, mental health, and education. Critical perspectives that inform studies' research questions, methods, and interpretation of findings are also welcome. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations	Online Application	http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/research-grants-improving-use-research-evidence
National Psoriasis Foundation	Mental Health	'More Than Skin Deep' Grant Program	1/13/2021		\$100,000	1-year grant period	Supports projects focused on the effects of psoriatic disease on mental health, as well as interventions for addressing this comorbidity, inflammatory processes, stigma, psychosocial impact of psoriasis, barriers to care, financial burden of chronic disease, or other related areas.	Online Application	https://npf-website.cdn.prismic.io/npf-website/51348ff1-b1b8-4047-9541-6c7bb44d39ea_2021_MoreThanSkinDeep_MentalHealth_RFA.pdf
Whitehall Foundation	Health	Grants In-Aid	1/15/2021		\$30,000	1-year grant period; LOOI only	Supports 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/
Johnson & Johnson	Health	Nurses Innovate QuickFire Challenge on Mental Health	1/15/2021		\$100,000		Johnson & Johnson invites nurses and nursing students worldwide to submit nurse-led novel concepts, education programs, protocols, prevention or treatment approaches, screening tools, and consumer product ideas with the power to potentially transform mental health care and well-being for healthcare professionals or the patients they serve. Ideas may include potential solutions for practice in any setting, including inpatient, outpatient, education, private practice, community, military and VA settings and can address health and wellness promotion, prevention of mental health conditions, and care & treatment considerations for persons with psychiatric and/or substance use disorders. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	https://jilabs.jjinnovation.com/quickfire-challenges/nurses-innovate-quickfire-challenge-mental-health
Spencer Foundation	Education	Large Grants	1/15/2021	\$125,000	\$500,000	LOI due 1/15/21. Full proposals due Feb. 5	The Large Research Grants on Education Program supports education research projects that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived, with budgets ranging from \$125,000 to \$500,000 for projects ranging from one to five years. This program is "field-initiated" in that proposal submissions are not in response to a specific request for a particular research topic, discipline, design, method, or location. Our goal for this program is to support rigorous, intellectually ambitious and technically sound research that is relevant to the most pressing questions and compelling opportunities in education. Must coordinate Foundation Relations.	online application	https://www.spencer.org/grant_types/large-research-grant
Pfizer	Health	Rheumatology Competitive Grant Program	1/27/2021		\$150,000		The intent of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to support both clinical and basic science research on the pathogenesis and treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA), Psoriatic Arthritis (PsA), and/or Ankylosing Spondylarthritis (AS) with a specific focus on projects that are most relevant to improving patient care.	Online Application	https://www.pfizer.com/purpose/independent-grants/competitive-grants

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Arts Midwest	Education	Big Read 2020-21	1/27/2021		\$20,000		Supports community-wide reading programs (virtual and/or in-person) that take place between September 2021 and June 2022. Organizations can choose one of six available books — An American Sunrise, by Joy Harjo; Beloved, by Toni Morrison; The Best We Could Do: An Illustrated Memoir, by Thi Bui; The Call of the Wild, White Fang, and Other Stories, by Jack London; The Grapes of Wrath, by John Steinbeck; and The House on Mango Street, by Sandra Cisneros — and can also tie in thematically-related books of their choice to expand the program's potential and reach a wider audience.	Online Application	Community-wide reading programs (virtual and/or in-person) that take place between September 2021 and June 2022. Organizations can choose one of six available books — An American Sunrise, by Joy Harjo; Beloved, by Toni Morrison; The Best We Could Do: An Illustrated Memoir, by Thi Bui; The Call of the Wild, White
W.K. Kellogg Foundation	Various	Racial Equity 2030	1/28/2021	\$1,000,000	\$20,000,000	Required registration date is 1/28/2021; first-round application due 2/25/2021	Racial Equity 2030 is a call for bold solutions to drive an equitable future for children, their families and communities. This \$90 million challenge seeks ideas from anywhere in the world and will scale them over the next decade to transform the systems and institutions that uphold inequity. Solutions may tackle the social, economic, political or institutional inequities we see today. Teams of visionaries, change agents and community leaders from every sector are invited to join. Up to ten Finalists will be identified and receive \$1 million planning grants along with nine months of capacity-building support to further develop their project and strengthen their applications. Final Awardees will be selected from the pool of Finalists. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.racialequity2030.org/#Answer
Simons Foundation	Mathematics	Collaboration Grants for Mathematicians	1/28/2021		\$42,000	Up to 5-year grant period	The Simons Foundation's Mathematics and Physical Sciences division invites applications for Collaboration Grants for Mathematicians to stimulate collaboration in the field primarily through the funding of travel and related expenditures. The goal of the program is to substantially increase collaborative contacts between accomplished, active mathematicians in the United States who do not otherwise have access to funding that could provide support for travel and visitors.	Online Application	https://www.simonsfoundation.org/grant/collaboration-grants-for-mathematicians/
Center for Retirement Research	Various	Steven H. Sandell Grant Program	1/31/2021		\$45,000		This program provides opportunities for junior or non-tenured scholars (within seven years of receiving their PhD) from all academic disciplines to pursue cutting-edge projects on retirement or disability issues. Research focus areas include trends in disability; determining disability; requirements of work in the modern economy; informing long-term projections and models; improving communication and outreach; state and local pensions for non-covered workers; modernizing totalization agreements; economic security of SSA beneficiaries; work-activity retention of disabled beneficiaries with overpayments; and improving service delivery.	Online Application	https://crr.bc.edu/about-us/grant-programs/steven-h-sandell-grant-program-2/
Scripps Howard Foundation	Journalism	Scripps Howard Awards	2/5/2021	\$10,000	\$20,000		The Scripps Howard Awards honor work from television stations, networks, radio and podcasts, visual media, online media outlets, independent producers, newspapers and print publications.	Online Application	https://scripps.com/foundation/journalism/scripps-howard-awards/

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Burroughs Wellcome Fund	Health	Innovation in Regulatory Science	2/12/2021		\$500,000	5-year grant period	This initiative is designed to provide financial support to stimulate research efforts in area of regulatory science. The program's focus is on providing support for academic researchers developing new methodologies or innovative approaches in regulatory science that will ultimately inform the regulatory decisions FDA and others make. This would necessarily draw upon the talents of individuals trained in mathematics, computer science, applied physics, medicine, engineering, toxicology, epidemiology, biostatistics, and systems pharmacology, to name a few.	Online Application	https://www.bwfund.org/grant-programs/regulatory-science/innovation-regulatory-science
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/
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/
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=003250000271F4VOAW&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
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?cfpld=1224&cfpOverviewId=
Thrasher Research Foundation	Health	E.W. Al Thrasher Award	Rolling	\$100,000	\$500,000	Awards grants two times per year, with no fixed number of awards given in each funding cycle or in each year.	Funds to improve children's health through medical research, with an emphasis on projects that have the potential to translate into clinically meaningful results within a few years. Open to applications that address a variety of significant pediatric problems. Both incidence and severity are considered when determining the significance of the proposed topic.	Email LOI	https://www.thrasherresearch.org/SitePages/al-thrasher-award.aspx

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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