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Russell Sage Foundation	Social Science and Computer Science	Future of Work; Immigration and Immigrant Integration; Ethnicity and Immigration; and Social, Political, and Economic Inequality	11/11/2020		\$50,000		The Russell Sage Foundation will continue to accept letters of inquiry relevant to any of RSF's core programs that address at least one of the following issues: Research on the Covid-19 pandemic and the resulting recession in the U.S. ; and research focused on systemic racial inequality and/or the recent mass protests in the U.S. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.russellsage.org/how-to-apply/application-deadlines
Templeton World Charity Foundation	Various	Grand Challenges for Human Flourishing	11/11/2020	\$100,000	\$2,000,000		The Grand Challenges for Human Flourishing invites researchers across disciplines to participate in an initial phase of idea generation and development, with ideas selected to be used by the foundation to shape its priorities for scientific discovery. Priority will go to interdisciplinary scientific research with the potential to promote physical, mental, social, and spiritual well-being. Ideas that bridge gaps between empirical science and the humanities are welcomed. The foundation is especially interested in capacities that can be enhanced to promote human flourishing and is committed to the use of open-science practices such as the pre-registration of hypotheses, replication studies, and data sharing. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.templetonworldcharity.org/rfi
Doris Duke Charitable Foundation	Health	2021 Clinical Scientist Development Award	11/13/2020	\$165,000	\$495,000	Up to 3-year grant period; pre-proposal only with full application (by invite only) due 3/12/2021	The award is intended to enable physician-scientists at the assistant professor rank to 1) conduct an outstanding clinical research project; 2) enable research time protection to ease the tension between research and clinical responsibilities; and 3) facilitate development of strong mentorship relations. New this year instructors at any qualifying institution are eligible to apply, as are physician-scientists at the assistant professor level. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.ddcf.org/globalassets/medicalresearch/csda/2021-csda/2021-csda-rfa.pdf?id=6657
Gerber Foundation	Health	Pediatric Research Grants	11/15/2020	\$20,000	\$200,000	Concept papers only; full proposals (by invitation only) due 2/12/2021	The foundation's research priorities are pediatric health, pediatric nutrition, and environmental hazards (nutrient Competitors). Major target areas for research include new diagnostic tools that might be more rapid, more specific, more sensitive, or less invasive; treatment regimens that are novel, less stressful or painful, more targeted, have fewer side effects, and/or provide optimal dosing; symptom relief; preventative measures; assessment of deficiencies or excesses (vitamins, minerals, drugs, etc.); and risk assessment tools or measures for environmental hazards, trauma, etc. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.gerberfoundation.org/how-to-apply/
Sanofi Genzyme	Health	Community-Based Health Partnership Grants	11/15/2020	\$10,000	\$50,000		With the goal of creating sustainable partnerships that have a lasting impact, the program provides support for nonprofit organizations focused on science education, access to health care, and other community needs, specifically in areas of the U.S. where Sanofi has a presence.	Online Application	https://www.sanofigenzyme.com/responsibility/contributions-and-giving/applying-for-a-contribution
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention	Mental Health	Pilot Innovation Grants	11/15/2020	\$15,000	\$30,000	Up to a 2-year grant period	Supports research on suicide from a variety of disciplines including psychiatry, medicine, psychology, genetics, epidemiology, neurobiology, sociology, nursing, health services administration, social work, and many others. Grants are not intended to support the development or implementation of prevention programs, educational programs, treatments, or other interventions that do not have a significant research component. The specific purpose of the Pilot Research Grant is to provide seed money for projects that show promise in opening up new areas of suicide research.	Online Application	https://afsp.org/research-grant-information

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Cancer Research Institute	Health	Technology Impact Award	11/15/2020		\$200,000	Up to 2-year grant period	These grants aim to encourage collaboration between technology developers and clinical cancer immunologists and to generate the proof-of-principle of a novel platform technology in bioinformatics, ex vivo or in silico modeling systems, immunological or tumor profiling instrumentation, methods, reagents and assays, or other relevant technologies that can enable clinician scientists to generate deeper insights into the mechanisms of action of effective or ineffective cancer immunotherapies.	Online Application	https://www.cancerresearch.org/scientists/fellowships-grants/technology-impact-award
National Academy for Education	Education	NAEd/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship Program	11/18/2020		\$70,000		Supports non-residential postdoctoral proposals with the potential to advance the field of education. Fellows may elect to take their fellowship full-time over one year or half-time over two years and may conduct their research at their home institution or at another research site that they have arranged. During their fellowship tenure, fellows are required to attend three professional development retreats hosted by NAEd and to make a formal presentation of their research to the academy. NAEd provides additional travel funds for fellows to attend these meetings. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://naeducation.org/naedspencer-postdoctoral-fellowship-guidelines/
The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (MJFF)	Health	Development and Validation of Improved Outcome Measures	11/22/2020		\$750,000	1-2 year grant period; Preliminary proposal only; final proposal due 3/18/2021	This RFA seeks to support research to develop biomarker tools and clinical outcome measures. This could include imaging, clinical outcomes development, non-invasive/physiological, biochemical/'omic' biomarkers, or application of data science or informatics--all of which should ultimately inform clinical trial design and execution and interpretation of results	Online Application	https://www.michaeljfox.org/grant/development-and-validation-improved-outcome-measures?pn_cid=pn-a1b1R00008uUpB
The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (MJFF)	Health	Target Advancement Program	11/22/2020		\$150,000	Grant period from 18-24 months	The Target Advancement Program seeks to build conclusive evidence around early-stage biological targets in Parkinson's Disease (PD) to rationalize the initiation of future pre-clinical therapeutic programs focused on those targets. Funding will support projects to validate early-stage targets previously implicated in PD pathophysiology and/or symptomology but that have not yet been rigorously investigated for their ability to impact disease-relevant outcomes in PD model systems.	Online Application	https://www.michaeljfox.org/grant/target-advancement-program
The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (MJFF)	Health	Therapeutic Pipeline Program	11/22/2020		\$2,000,000	LOI only, full proposal due 3/18/2021; 1 to 3-year grant period	Proposals should focus on strategies with clear impact for people with Parkinson's and well-defined development plans. Programs developing novel approaches as well as those seeking to repurpose or reposition approved or clinically safe therapies from other disease indications are appropriate for this RFA. MJFF will prioritize clinical and pre-clinical approaches built on strong scientific and biological rationale for targeting fundamental processes underlying Parkinson's cause, progression and/or non-motor and motor symptom expression.	Online Application	https://www.michaeljfox.org/grant/therapeutic-pipeline-program-2?pn_cid=pn-a1b1R00008uUpC
Fit for Life Foundation	Health	Healthy Aging Grants	11/23/2020		\$100,000		The mission and activities of the organization or initiative must directly address healthy aging for older (65+ years) or middle-aged people (45+ years). The foundation welcomes solutions related to physical fitness, exercise and sport, mental well-being, mobility, nutrition, at-home care, community support for older people, prevention of non-communicable diseases (NCDs), and/or other forms of preventative health support.	Online Application	https://www.fitforlife.foundation/awards-application
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Health	Policies for Action: Public Policy Research to Advance Racial Equity and Racial Justice	11/24/2020		\$250,000	LOI only, full proposal invited. Grant period up to 24 months. Webinar October 21	Achieving racial equity and justice in the United States requires a sustained, multipronged intersectional policy approach that addresses both the immediate social conditions leading to poor health outcomes, but also the long-standing structures fostering such conditions. The goal of the Policies for Action call for proposals is to build the evidence base about how national, state, and local policies can improve racial equity in health and well-being in the United States. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2020/policies-for-action--public-policy-research-to-advance-racial-equity-and-racial-justice.html

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Michigan Health Endowment Fund	Health	Community Health Impact	12/1/2020*	\$25,000	\$500,000	Concept papers only with a due date in early December, Foundation Relations submits all concepts and proposals; full proposals due in Jan	Proposals should address one of the following eight priority areas: Infant mortality; health services for foster and adopted children; wellness and fitness programs; access to healthy food; behavioral health services; technology enhancements; health-related transportation services; and food-borne illness prevention. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://mihealthfund.org/grantmaking/community-health-impact
American Society of Transplantation	Health	Fellowship Research Grants	12/1/2020	\$50,000	\$100,000	1-2 year grant period	This program supports basic, clinical, or translational science research on any research topic related to solid organ transplant.	Online Application	https://www.myast.org/sites/default/files/research/2021_AST_Research_Grants_Fellowship.pdf
Brady Education Foundation	Education	Program Evaluation Grants	12/1/2020	\$25,000	\$200,000	Stage-1 applications only; upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a stage-two proposal by 4/1/2021	The primary aim of the proposal must concern the evaluation of the effectiveness 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 (such as minoritized ethnic group and low-income families). Secondary aims may also focus on one or more of the following: variations in program effects (i.e., moderation effects that inform whether effects are stronger for certain groups and/or under certain conditions than other groups or conditions); mechanisms through which effects occur (i.e., mediation effects that inform why the program is effective); and total costs of the program (start-up and ongoing operational costs) compared to its estimated monetary benefits to determine the net cost or benefit associated with the program.	Emailed Application	http://bradyeducationfoundation.org/application-guidelines/
Wenner-Gren Foundation	Anthropology	Virtual Anthropological Workshops and Conferences	12/1/2020	\$5,000	\$20,000	Workshops and conferences must be scheduled after September 1, 2021, to be eligible for consideration	This opportunity seeks to foster the creation of an international community of research scholars in anthropology and advance significant and innovative anthropological research. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the foundation is offering support for virtual workshops	Online Application	http://www.wennergren.org/programs/conference-and-workshop-grants
Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation	Health	Damon Runyon Physician-Scientist Training Award	12/1/2020		\$460,000	Up to 4-year grant period	This program provides U.S. Specialty Board eligible physicians with funding of in support of a protected research training experience under the mentorship of a highly qualified mentor. In addition, the foundation will retire up to \$100,000 of any qualifying medical school debt still owed by the awardee	Online Application	https://www.damonrunyon.org/for-scientists/application-guidelines/physician-scientist
IBM Center for the Business of Government	Various	Research Report Stipends	12/1/2020		\$20,000		IBM will provide \$20,000 stipends for 10,000 - 20,000 word reports that provide very practical findings and actionable recommendations to assist executives and managers in more effectively responding to mission and management challenges. Areas of interest include cybersecurity management, data analysis, hiring and retention practices, social media, social justice, citizen-driven engagement, agile principles, and enterprise approaches to government. Must coordinate with Corporate Relations.	Online Application	http://www.businessofgovernment.org/node/2688
American Association of University Women	STEM	Community Action Grants	12/1/2020	\$3,000	\$10,000		Community Action Grants provide funding to individuals, AAUW branches and AAUW state organizations as well as community-based nonprofits for innovative programs that promote education and equity through projects focused on encouraging girls to select, before entering college, the physical sciences or engineering as a career. Since 1972, AAUW has provided support to hundreds of communities across the United States.	Online Application	https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/current-opportunities/community-action/

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McKnight Endowment Fund	Science	Neuroscience Technological Innovations in Neuroscience Award	12/2/2020		\$200,000	LOI only Invited proposals due April 27, 2020	The Award provides up to \$100,000 per year for two years. Each year, up to three awards are given. Funds may be used toward a variety of research activities but not the recipient's salary. The Endowment Fund is especially interested in how technology may be used or adapted to monitor, manipulate, analyze, or model brain function at any level, from the molecular to the entire organism. A goal of the Technological Innovations award is to foster collaboration between the neurosciences and other disciplines; therefore, collaborative and cross-disciplinary applications are explicitly invited. Must coordinate with Foundation Relations.	Online Application	https://www.mcknight.org/programs/the-mcknight-endowment-fund-for-neuroscience/technology-awards/how-to-apply/
American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine (ACLAM) Foundation	Science	Research Grants in Laboratory Animal Science and Medicine	12/3/2020		\$30,000	LOI only; full proposal due 3/4/21	The Mission of the ACLAM Foundation is to expand the body of knowledge in the fields of laboratory Animal Science and Medicine through funding research grants. The Foundation will fund studies in the following five laboratory animal research subjects: Analgesia/anesthesia, Behavior/well-being, Diagnostics/diseases, Husbandry, and Refinement of animal models [Note: Emphasis is on Russell & Birch 3R's - reduction, refinement, replacement - not on new research model development.]	Emailed Application	https://www.aclam.org/foundation
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
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
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/

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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/
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
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

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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?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