Potential Funders for Business

Steps in Pursuing a Potential Funding Opportunity:

1. Find Funding Opportunities
   1) **Look through the table of Potential Funders below.** Click the links to the website of the funder in order to get current information and to better see if that funding source matches your research needs. Be sure to check the other **29 Curated Funding Lists**.
   2) **Other Grant Searching Tools:** Baylor subscribes to two grant search engines (**Pivot** and **GrantForward**) that will send you regular alerts of funding if you supply your research interests. Log in with your Baylor credentials. See instructions for using these effectively: **Search Funding Databases**. Government Funding opportunities can also be searched on **Grants.gov** and **Federal Grants Wire**.
   3) **Pick Funders that match your research most closely.** Go on their website and sign up for their email alerts of funding opportunities (if available).

2. Starting Application Process
   1) **Contact URA:** When you are ready to start applying for a grant, start by contacting your department’s **URA** (University Research Administrator). They will help you with working with **Pre-Award** to set up a Box folder, registrations, understanding Baylor’s procedures, and gathering supplementary documents.
   2) **Check Limited Submissions:** Some funding opportunities limit the number of proposals from an institution. For these opportunities, the OVPR holds an internal competition **eight weeks before the external submission date**. For details and deadlines see: **Limited Submissions**

3. Use Baylor Tools for Writing Competitive Grants:
   1) Research Development’s: **Grant Writing Workshop** & **Writing and Editorial Assistance**
   2) **PowerPoint Courses for Baylor Faculty on Applying for Grants**
   Grant Toolkits for Faculty (includes Excel Grant Planner, Templates for Letters and Facilities pages, links to applications and forms, and Guides for how to write each grant competitively)

**Grant Toolkits Available:**

**NIH**
1) R15 Grant Toolkit
2) R21 Grant Toolkit
3) K01 Career
4) R01 and R01 Multi-PI
5) MIRA

**NSF**
1) CAREER
2) Discovery DRK-12
3) MRI
4) PFI
5) REU
6) Graduate Student Fellowship Program (GRFP)

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Note on Using Funding Tables:
1) Content for each table was taken from the Funder’s website and is intended to give you a brief overview of that funder. Be sure to go to the Funder’s website for up-to-date information and specific current funding opportunities (RFP’s).
2) The index is hyperlinked to lead you to a table with more information. Ctrl+Click blue links on index items to go to the table.
3) Within the table, Ctrl+Click blue links to follow links to funder’s website

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5. **NIH: National Institutes of Health** *Grant Toolkits Available HERE*
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8. **American Marketing Association Foundation:** Research in floral marketing
9. **Association for Consumer Research:** Consumer research and dissertation grants
10. **The Beryl Institute:** Customer service in health sciences, patient experience
11. **The Commonwealth Fund:** Behavioral economics, healthcare policy
12. **Discovery Institute:** Role of science in cultural
13. **(Patrick and Catherine Weldon) Donaghue Medical Research Foundation:** Test tools that improve healthcare
14. **Ford Foundation:** Art Culture and Media, civil society, community and economic development, education and scholarship, environment, global human rights, governance, information and communications, technology, religion and society, sexuality and reproductive health
15. **(William T.) Grant Foundation: (Limited Submission)** Research on policies and practices affecting youth 5-25 inequality
16. **Institute for New Economic Thinking:** Research in thinking differently about economic issues
17. **Kern Family Foundation:** Education, STEM, Entrepreneurship
18. **(Charles) Koch Foundation:** Social progress through policy, economics, corporate welfare reform
19. **Marketing Science Institute:** Research on marketing for member companies
20. **(The Andrew W.) Mellon Foundation:** Arts and culture, communication media, education, environment, graduate and professional education, higher education, Humanities, interdisciplinary studies, libraries, museums, performing arts, university education, visual arts
21. **Middle East Initiative Research Fellowship Program:** Democratizing politics, Building peace, Revitalizing the state, Democratizing financial and labor markets, Digital governance

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22. **NASDAQ Educational Foundation, Inc.**: Grants for furthering financial markets literacy and entrepreneurship.
23. **National Endowment for Financial Education**: Economics, education, finance, marketing, sociology
24. **Open Society Fellowship**: Economic inequality, governance, and entrepreneurship
25. **PCORI: Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute**: Health, Human Performance, and Recreation, Nursing
26. **Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America Foundation, Inc.(PHRMA)**: Best practices in drug development and health industry
27. **Robert J. Dole Institute of Politics Research Fellowship**: Research relating to Congress, politics, and policy
29. **Russell Sage Foundation**: Social science, behavioral economics
30. **(Alfred P). Sloan Foundation; (Limited Submission)** science, technology, engineering, mathematics, economics
31. **Share Our Strength – No Kid Hungry**: International and humanitarian grants
32. **Social Initiatives Foundation**: Projects that investigate laws, policies, institutions, regulations, and practices.
33. **Spencer Foundation**: Education-based projects using: psychology, sociology, economics, history, and anthropology
34. **University Marketing Research Awards Program**: Research in data science and marketing
35. **WNENC: Student Entrepreneur Program**: Female student mentoring, conferences and seed money

* New as of 2019

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**Description:** CDC conducts and supports research that guides our public health programs. **On the cutting edge of health security** – confronting global disease threats through advanced computing and lab analysis of huge amounts of data to quickly find solutions. **Putting science into action** – tracking disease and finding out what is making people sick and the most effective ways to prevent it. **Helping medical care** – bringing new knowledge to individual health care and community health to save more lives and reduce waste. **Fighting diseases before they reach our borders** – detecting and confronting new germs and diseases around the globe to increase our national security. **Nurturing public health** – building on our significant contribution to have strong, well-resourced public health leaders and capabilities at the national, state and local levels to protect Americans from health threats.

[All CDC grant and cooperative agreements opportunities are posted on www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov)

**Applying for a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)**

- Eligibility
- Pre-Award Activities for Applicants
- Key Steps of the Application Process
- Tips for Preparing Grant Applications
- Understanding the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

**Find Funding Opportunities**

- Understand the Review Process
### 2. FDA: Food and Drug Administration

**Website Link:** [https://www.fda.gov/ScienceResearch/AboutScienceResearchatFDA/default.htm](https://www.fda.gov/ScienceResearch/AboutScienceResearchatFDA/default.htm)  
**Deadline(s):** Varies

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**Description:**
- **Animal and Veterinary**
- **Research Areas, Publications**
- **Biologics**
  - Research by FDA Staff to Evaluate and Enhance the Safety of Biologic Products
- **Drugs**
  - Research by FDA Staff to Evaluate and Enhance the Efficacy, Safety, and Quality of Drug Products
- **Food**
  - Biotechnology, laboratory methods and publications, research strategic plan, and research areas such as risk assessment and consumer behavior.
- **Medical Devices**
- **Biology, Physics, Chemistry**
- **Minority Health**
  - Office of Minority Health Research and Collaboration Program
- **Tobacco Products**
  - Research Priorities, Funded Research, Meetings, and Conferences
- **Toxicological Research**
  - Bioinformatics, Biostatistics, Computational Toxicology, Food Protection, Imaging, Nanotechnology
- **Women's Health**
  - Funding available to researchers, Pregnancy initiatives, Outcomes of Science Program efforts

### 3. HHS: Health and Human Services

**Website Link:** [www.hhs.gov](http://www.hhs.gov)  
[https://www.hhs.gov/grants/index.html](https://www.hhs.gov/grants/index.html)

**ACF:** [https://ami.grantsolutions.gov/](https://ami.grantsolutions.gov/)

**ACL:** [https://www.acl.gov/grants](https://www.acl.gov/grants)

**AHRQ:** [https://www.ahrq.gov/funding/index.html](https://www.ahrq.gov/funding/index.html)

**NIDILRR:** National Institute of Disability, Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research: [https://www.acl.gov/node/606](https://www.acl.gov/node/606)

**Deadline(s):** Varies dependent upon project

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**Description:** It is the mission of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) to enhance and protect the health and well-being of all Americans. We fulfill that mission by providing for effective health and human services and fostering advances in medicine, public health, and social services.

**HHS: ACF (Administration for Children and Families) programs aim to:**
- Empower families and individuals to increase their economic independence and productivity
- Encourage strong, healthy, supportive communities that have a positive impact on quality of life and the development of children
- Create partnerships with front-line service providers, states, localities and tribal communities to identify and implement solutions that transcend traditional program boundaries
- Improve access to services through planning, reform, and integration

Address the needs, strengths, and abilities of vulnerable populations including people with developmental disabilities, refugees, and migrants

**HHS: ACL (Agency for Community Living) advocates across the federal government for older adults, people with disabilities, and families and caregivers; funds services and supports provided primarily by states and networks**
of community-based programs; and invests in training, education, research, and innovation. We manage a variety of programs (authorized by several statutes), providing assistance on health and wellness, protecting rights and preventing abuse, supporting consumer control, strengthening the networks of community-based organizations, funding research, and much more.

**Data Collection Projects** - Several programs collect and analyze data to help everyone working on aging and disability issues understand the populations we serve and measure the impact and effectiveness of programs

**HHS: AHRQ: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality** - The AHRQ mission is to produce evidence to make health care safer, higher quality, more accessible, equitable and affordable, and to work with HHS and other partners to make sure that the evidence is understood and used.

*Within the mission, AHRQ's specific priority areas of focus are:*

- Improve health care quality by accelerating the implementation of Patient-Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR).
- Make health care safer.
- Increase accessibility by evaluating expansions of insurance coverage.

Improve health care affordability, efficiency and cost transparency.

### 4. Institute of Education Sciences (IES)

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<td><strong>Support Strategies:</strong> Research, Evaluation, and Statistics <strong>Funding:</strong> $25,000 to $200,000 (total cost) over 1 to 3 years. The size of the award depends on the scope and significance of the project</td>
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**Description:** The Institute’s mission is to expand fundamental knowledge and understanding of education and to provide education leaders and practitioners, parents, researchers, and the public with unbiased, reliable, and useful information about the condition and progress of education in the United States; about education policies, programs, and practices that support learning, improve academic achievement, and increase access to education opportunities for all students; and about the effectiveness of Federal and other education programs.

**Steps to Applying for IES Grants**

1. **Identify** a current funding opportunity that matches your research interests and identify the relevant Letter of Intent and application deadlines.
2. **View** a funding opportunities webinar to learn more about the application process and choosing an appropriate funding opportunity.
3. **Download** the appropriate Request for Applications and application package (Search for CFDA 84.305 or CFDA 84.324).
4. **Submit** your Letter of Intent (optional but strongly encouraged).
5. **Register** (or update) your organization on Grants.gov.
6. **Submit** your application to Grants.gov before the application deadline.
8. If you are interested in the unsolicited proposal opportunity, submit a short prospectus, no more than 6 pages. The Institute recommends that the prospectus (not counting references and budget) be no more than 6 double-spaced, single-sided pages.
9. You must submit the prospectus via email to IESprospectus@ed.gov.

### 5. NIH: National Institutes of Health *

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Support Strategies:
- Research Grants (R series)
- Career Development Awards (K series)
- Research Training and Fellowships (T & F series)
- Program Project/Center Grants (P series)
- Resource Grants (various series)
- Trans-NIH Programs

All NIH Grant Toolkits Available [HERE]
1. R15 Grant Toolkit
2. R21 Grant Toolkit
3. K01 Career Grant Toolkit
4. R01 Grant Toolkit
5. R01 Multi-PI Grant Toolkits
6. MIRA Grant Toolkit (includes Early Career)

**Description:** NIH funded research has led to breakthroughs and new treatments, helping people live longer, healthier lives, and building the research foundation that drives discovery. NIH offers funding for many types of grants, contracts, and even programs that help repay loans for researchers. On occasion, we use the NIH Guide to publish research contract opportunities in addition to grant opportunities, but for a comprehensive listing of contract opportunities, we encourage you to search [FedBizOpps](https://www.fedbiz.gov/), the fed-wide portal that supports searching, monitoring, and retrieving contract opportunity. Or you can visit our contracts page to learn more about the difference between grants and contract, types of contracts, how contracts are evaluated, and more.

**Weekly Table of Contents**
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Forms library: [https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms.htm](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms.htm)

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**6. NSF-National Science Foundation**

**Website Link:** [https://www.nsf.gov/](https://www.nsf.gov/)

**Broader Impacts Website:** [https://www.nsf.gov/od/oia/special/broaderimpacts/](https://www.nsf.gov/od/oia/special/broaderimpacts/)

**Find grants through:**
NSF Area website (see links below)
Grants.gov [https://www.grants.gov/](https://www.grants.gov/)
Pivot: [https://pivot.cos.com/funding_main](https://pivot.cos.com/funding_main)
GrantForward: [https://www.grantforward.com/index](https://www.grantforward.com/index)

**Support Strategies:**
- Research • RAPID & EAGER • RAISE • GOALI • Ideas Lab • FASED • Conferences • Equipment • Travel • Facility / Center • Fellowships

**ALL NSF Grant Toolkits Available [HERE]:**
1) [CAREER](https://www.nsf.gov/)
2) Discovery DRK-12
3) MRI
4) PFI
5) REU
6) Graduate Student Fellowship Program (GRFP)

**Description:** Biological Sciences (BIO)
Computer and Information Science and Engineering (CISE)
Education and Human Resources (EHR)
The Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics (MMS) Program is an interdisciplinary program in the Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences that supports the development of innovative analytical and statistical methods and models for those sciences. MMS seeks proposals that are methodologically innovative, grounded in theory, and have potential utility for multiple fields within the social and behavioral sciences. As part of its larger portfolio, the MMS Program partners with a consortium of federal statistical agencies to support research proposals that further the development of new and innovative approaches to surveys and to the analysis of survey data.

The MMS Program provides support through a number of different funding mechanisms. The following mechanisms are addressed in this solicitation:

- Regular Research Awards
- Awards for conferences, workshops, and community-development activities
- Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement (DDRI) Grants
- Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Supplements

**NSF-Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences (SBE)**

NSF’s Directorate for Social, Behavioral, and Economic (SBE) Sciences supports basic research on people and society. The SBE sciences focus on human behavior and social organizations and how social, economic, political, cultural, and environmental forces affect the lives of people from birth to old age and how people, in turn, shape those forces.

SBE scientists develop and employ rigorous methods to discover fundamental principles of human behavior at levels ranging from cells to society, from neurons to neighborhoods, and across space and time. Such fundamental principles help us understand patterns of stability and change at the individual, group, organizational, and societal levels that can be applied to promote the progress of science and to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare.

Through its various core disciplinary and interdisciplinary programs, as well as contributions to cross-directorate NSF investments, SBE supports approximately 5,000 scientists, educators, and students in a typical year. Understanding human behavior individually and in groups has far-reaching impacts from optimizing child development to safeguarding our troops; from exploring the origins of our species to finding our way with GPS; from understanding the state of the science and engineering enterprise to securing cyberspace.

**Factsheets on the Impact of SBE Research:**

- Research on Cognition and Behavior
- Research on Human Behavior in Time and Space
- Research on Cooperation and Conflict
- Follow SBE’s blog
- Funding Rates

### Non-Government Funders

7. **American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences – Excellence in Extension Grant**

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<td>The AAFCS Excellence in Extension Grant provides seed money for programs designed to enhance the well-being of families, to expand the Cooperative Extension program initiatives and support the work of AAFCS. Creative and innovative Cooperative Extension research, demonstration, or staff development proposals that address both the current and relevant issues in AAFCS or Extension are invited. Proposals must address how the project contributes to increasing public knowledge of family and consumer sciences and its value to society and expanding the body of knowledge related to family and consumer sciences.</td>
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Awards
Grants
Fellowships
Scholarships
Past Recipients

CENTENNIAL SCHOLARS RESEARCH GRANT
Stimulating new and needed research advances the application of family and consumer sciences concepts and the study of the profession itself. For members to carry out the mission of AAFCS, a scientific basis for practice is critical; thus, this grant was created to fund research which will be shared with AAFCS members and used to promote the AAFCS mission.

CHALKLEY FENN PUBLIC POLICY VISITING SCHOLAR GRANT
The 2018 Chalkley-Fenn Public Policy Initiative is designed to:
- Stimulate interest in public policy as it affects the family and consumer sciences profession.
- Educate scholars in various aspects of policymaking.
- Promote interaction with members of Congress and leaders of various family and consumer sciences-related organizations.

New! Updated Guidelines and Instructions

EXCELLENCE IN EXTENSION GRANT
The Excellence in Extension Grant provides seed money for programs designed to enhance the well-being of families, to expand the Cooperative Extension program initiatives and support the work of AAFCS. Creative and innovative Cooperative Extension research, demonstration, or staff development proposals that address both the current and relevant issues in AAFCS or Extension are invited. Proposals must address how the project contributes to increasing public knowledge of family and consumer sciences and its value to society and expanding the body of knowledge related to family and consumer sciences.

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Support Strategies: Research in floral marketing

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<td>- <strong>Investing in the Growth and Use of Nonprofit and Social Marketing Knowledge</strong>&lt;br&gt;Offering marketing capabilities, knowledge, and resources, the AMAF helps make nonprofits more effective in their efforts to build awareness, impact and donor support. The AMAF is building a network of support services include referrals, dissemination of best practices, publications, education and training, peer exchanges, mentoring, as well as electronic tools and resources.</td>
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<td>- <strong>Supporting Appropriate Community Outreach Efforts</strong>&lt;br&gt;Awarding scholarships and grants to AMA chapters, marketing students, and educators from backgrounds and geographies that are currently underrepresented in the marketing profession.</td>
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<td>- <strong>Acknowledging Academic and Practitioner Marketing Excellence</strong>&lt;br&gt;Honoring and communicating the achievements of marketing leaders.</td>
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Uniquely positioned within an industry that touches all others, the AMAF identifies opportunities to leverage excellence in marketing to reach a larger common good. Our work is funded by those who believe that solid business practices and innovative marketing strategies have the power to positively influence issues of importance, both nationally and internationally.

The Floral Marketing Research Fund (FMRF) was established in 2008 by volunteers of the American Floral Endowment Board of Trustees. The purpose of the FMRF is to collect funds from industry sources to be used in support of funding consumer research benefiting the entire floriculture industry. The FMRF has provided more than $400,000 in funding for these research projects to date.

**Got an idea for future research?**
The Floral Marketing Research Fund is always looking for its next project to fund! Projects of particular interest are listed below, but ideas and funding applications can be submitted for any consumer-based research for consideration.

Projects of interest are listed below, but any research that will assist with the reaching of consumers to increase the sales and marketing of floriculture products will be considered.

- Finding traits in floral products that attract more young consumers.
- How to create awareness using social media in all populations (especially young consumers).
- How to define “the experience” (like Starbucks) that consumers would like/require consuming more flowers.
- What kind of advertising must be used to effectively reach consumers (young versus mature)?
- Which activities would relate with flowers (i.e., sports, internet surfing, chatting)?
- Is vase life (guarantee) a factor for buyers?

**The Application Process**
- Research proposals can be submitted to the FMRF at any time during the year. Proposals should be submitted using the FMRF Pre-Proposal Application Form.
- Applicants will be notified of funding after review by the FMRF committee and Board.

All researchers who are approved for funding by the FMRF must submit a final research report on their funded research which becomes the property of the FMRF.

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### 9. Association for Consumer Research

**Website Link:** [http://www.acrwebsite.org/web/acr-grants/call-for-grant-proposals.aspx](http://www.acrwebsite.org/web/acr-grants/call-for-grant-proposals.aspx)  
**Deadline(s):** N/A

**Support Strategies:** Transformative consumer research; Dissertation grants  
**Funding:** $2,000 - $10,000

**Description:** The purpose of these grants is to support the data collection efforts of new dissertations or those in the preliminary stages of development; awards are designed for dissertation projects. Some years the Sheth Foundation has kindly supported this initiative with a matching grant of $10,000, which will be used to fund between two and four doctoral research grants.


**Call for Proposals for TCR Research Funding 2018-19**
Submit proposals for funding for Transformative Consumer Research (TCR) projects, for the 2018-2019 funding cycle. Submission deadline May 30, 2018


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### 10. The Beryl Institute

**Website Link:** [https://www.theberylinstitute.org/](https://www.theberylinstitute.org/)  
[https://www.theberylinstitute.org/page/GrantRecipients](https://www.theberylinstitute.org/page/GrantRecipients)  
**Deadline(s):** July

**Support Strategies:** Research  
**Funding:** $1000

**Description:** The Beryl Institute offers an annual Patient Experience Grant Program to encourage and support research into the:

- Value of focusing on the patient experience before, during and after care
- Impact of customer service efforts on the healthcare experience
- Influence of culture on the patient experience, service, and outcomes
By recognizing these organizations and supporting their ongoing work in their individual areas of focus, the Institute hopes to cultivate ideas and strategies that can be shared across the industry. The Institute will publish a white paper or research brief on the outcomes of each study. Recipients will also present their findings at The Beryl Institute Patient Experience Conference.

### 11. The Commonwealth Fund

**Website Link:** [https://www.commonwealthfund.org/](https://www.commonwealthfund.org/)

**Support Strategies:** Research related to health care policies

**Funding:** $100,000 and up

**Deadline(s):** Rolling deadlines

**Description:** The Commonwealth Fund is a private foundation that aims to promote a high performing health care 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. The Fund carries out this mandate by supporting independent research on health care issues and making grants to improve health care practice and policy. An international program in health policy is designed to stimulate innovative policies and practices in the United States and other industrialized countries.

Attempts to improve health care policy and practice by promoting international research, collaborations, and exchanges through fellowships, meetings of researchers and policymakers, and an annual global health policy survey. *Here is a recent international grant:* [http://www.commonwealthfund.org/grants-and-fellowships/grants/2017/nov/managing-high-need-high-cost-patients-an-international-perspective](http://www.commonwealthfund.org/grants-and-fellowships/grants/2017/nov/managing-high-need-high-cost-patients-an-international-perspective)

**Applying for a Grant**

The Commonwealth Fund requests letters of inquiry to initiate the grant application process and does not wish to review full proposals at this stage. Applicants are encouraged to submit letters of inquiry using our online form. While the Fund will continue to accept letters of inquiry via regular mail and fax, such submissions will take longer to process than those received online. Letters of inquiry are acknowledged when received.

Applicants are typically advised of the results of an initial staff review within two months. Program staff will contact applicants if more detailed information is required. Proposals recommended by Fund staff are reviewed and voted upon by the Board of Directors, which meets three times each year. However, letters of inquiry are accepted on a rolling basis; there are no deadlines.

In addition, the Fund awards grants through its Small Grants Fund, with decisions made monthly. Small grants are closely tied to the Fund’s strategic purposes and enable the foundation to move quickly and flexibly to underwrite targeted work. The letter of inquiry is the starting point for both board-level and small grants. The Fund strongly prefers grant applicants to submit letters of inquiry using the online letter of inquiry. *The Fund makes grants only to tax-exempt organizations and public agencies and does not support:*  
- General planning and ongoing activities or existing deficits  
- Endowment or capital costs, including construction, renovation, or equipment  
- Basic biomedical research

### 12. Discovery Institute

**Website Link:** [https://www.discovery.org/](https://www.discovery.org/)

**Support Strategies:** Role of science in culture

**Funding:** Varies

**Deadline(s):** Varies

**Description:** Discovery Institute promotes thoughtful analysis and effective action on local, regional, national and international issues. The Institute is home to an inter-disciplinary community of scholars and policy advocates dedicated to the reinvigoration of traditional Western principles and institutions and the worldview from which they issued. Discovery Institute has a special concern for the role that science and technology play in our culture and how they can advance free markets, illuminate public policy and support the theistic foundations of the West. The Institute was founded by Bruce Chapman and George Gilder in 1991.

### 13. (Patrick and Catherine Weldon) Donaghue Medical Research Foundation

**Website Link:** [http://donaghue.org/grant-opportunities/](http://donaghue.org/grant-opportunities/)

**Deadline(s):** Varies
**Support Strategies**: Grants for healthcare improvement and for improving the care of elderly

**Funding**: Up to $400,000 for 2 years (most grants are in the $100,000 range)

**Description**:

**Grant Opportunities**

Another Look

Greater Value Portfolio

Another Look

This program provides funding for health-related research projects that can improve the quality of care and the quality of life for the elderly population in nursing homes or other care facilities. Researchers applying for this grant must identify a stakeholder in the care delivery or policy arena with whom they will either consult or collaborate and who is willing to work with the researcher to develop a research product that may be readily used to improve care or quality of life. Existing data must be used for research funded through this program. In 2018, the Foundation will invest approximately $750,000 in this grant program, and we intend to award up to six two-year projects. [Learn More](#)

Greater Value Portfolio

The Donaghue Foundation Greater Value Portfolio grant award program will fund research projects for two years with a maximum amount of $400,000 per award. The goal of the Greater Value Portfolio program is to test approaches and tools that organizations can readily use to improve the value of the health care they provide to their patients and communities. For 2018, the Greater Value Portfolio program will place greater emphasis on research that is closely linked to ongoing improvement initiatives that are geared to achieving greater healthcare value in organizations that deliver healthcare services. [Learn More](#)

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**14. Ford Foundation**

[https://www.fordfoundation.org/work/challenging-inequality/](https://www.fordfoundation.org/work/challenging-inequality/)  

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**Deadline(s):** None

**Description**: We believe in the inherent dignity of all people. But around the world, too many people are excluded from the political, economic, and social institutions that shape their lives. In addressing this reality, we are guided by a vision of social justice—a world in which all individuals, communities, and peoples work toward the protection and full expression of their human rights; are active participants in the decisions that affect them; share equitably in the knowledge, wealth, and resources of society; and are free to achieve their full potential.

Civic Engagement & Government

- Creativity & Free Expression
- Future of Work
- Gender, Racial and Ethnic Justice
- Internet Freedom
- Just Cities and Regions
- Natural Resources and Climate Change

The Ford Foundation is always open to new ideas, and we welcome your input. Please keep in mind that in relation to the large number of worthwhile submissions we receive, our funds are limited: In a typical year, less than one percent of unsolicited grant ideas result in funding.

Across eight decades, our mission has been to reduce poverty and injustice, strengthen democratic values, promote international cooperation, and advance human achievement. Initial approach: After reviewing the Grant Application Guide, submit an inquiry online using the Grant Inquiry Form [http://www.fordfoundation.org/grants/select-country-or-region](http://www.fordfoundation.org/grants/select-country-or-region). Funds are limited. Less than 1% of unsolicited grant ideas result in funding.

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**15. (William T.) Grant Foundation (Limited Submission)**
Website Link: [http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/research-grants](http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants/research-grants)

**Support Strategies:** Economics, Education, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology

**Funding:** Between $100,000 and $600,000 and cover two to three years of support

**Deadline(s):** Internal application deadline May 10

**Description:** While our commitment to research is unwavering, we recognize that the most pressing challenges confronting young people change over time. As independent Grantmakers, we have the flexibility to adjust our areas of focus. Currently, the Foundation funds research that increases our understanding of (1) the programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequality in youth outcomes, and (2) how policymakers and practitioners acquire, interpret and use research evidence. Inequality by race, ethnicity, economic standing, and immigrant origin status is pervasive in the United States, and, in many ways, has become more extreme in recent decades. This inequality is evident across a range of systems, including the education, child welfare, mental health, and justice systems, and in varied settings, such as neighborhoods, schools, families, and communities. Young people from marginalized backgrounds face increasing barriers to achieve their potential in the academic, social, behavioral, and economic realms. The William T. Grant Foundation contends that the research community can play a critical role in reversing this trend. Toward this end, we support research to identify, build, and test responses to inequality in youth outcomes and opportunities.

To propose research on reducing inequality, applicants should:

1. **Clearly identify the dimension(s) of inequality to be studied (e.g., race, ethnicity, economic standing, and/or immigrant origins).**
2. **Make a case for the importance of the dimension(s) of inequality.**
3. **Specify the youth outcome(s) to be studied (e.g., academic, social, behavioral, and/or economic).**
4. **Show that the outcomes are currently unequal.**

Strong proposals will establish a clear link between a particular dimension of inequality and specific youth outcomes. Too frequently, across different types of research proposals we see, dimensions of inequality are referenced only in passing, and are not thoughtfully conceptualized. Sometimes in quantitative studies, they are used as moderators. Sometimes, qualitative studies do not conceptualize how the findings will inform a response to inequality. Proposals for research on reducing inequality should make a compelling case for why the inequality exists, and why the study’s findings will be crucial to informing a policy, program, or practice to reduce it.

We fund research that increases understanding in one of our two focus areas:

- programs, policies, and practices that **reduce inequality** in youth outcomes, and
- strategies to **improve the use of research evidence** in ways that benefit youth.

We seek research that builds stronger theory and empirical evidence in these two areas. We intend for the research we support to inform change. While we do not expect that any one study will create that change, the research should contribute to a body of useful knowledge to improve the lives of young people.

**Awards**

Research grants about reducing inequality typically range between $100,000 and $600,000 and cover two to three years of support. Research grants about improving the use of research initiative will range between $100,000 and $1,000,000 and cover two to four years of support. This shift to a million dollar ceiling reflects our renewed commitment to this focus area and our interest in funding bold, large-scale studies to significantly advance the field. Projects involving secondary data analysis are at the lower end of the budget range, whereas projects involving new data collection and sample recruitment can be at the higher end. Proposals to launch experiments in which settings (e.g., classrooms, schools, youth programs) are randomly assigned to conditions sometimes have higher awards.

For smaller projects, we have a separate funding mechanism, Officers’ Research grants. These awards cover budgets up to $50,000. Some are stand-alone projects that fit our research focus areas; others build off of larger projects. Junior scholars of color are encouraged to apply for these grants to build their research programs.

**Eligibility Requirements**

- Research project advances the Foundation’s interests in understanding programs, policies, and practices that reduce inequality or improving the use of research evidence.
- Research project has compelling relevance for programs, policies, and practices affecting youth ages 5-25 in the U.S.
• Funds primarily support research activities, not intervention or service costs.

Scholar's Program
The William T. Grant Scholars Program supports career development for promising early-career researchers. The program funds five-year research and mentoring plans that significantly expand junior researchers’ expertise in new disciplines, methods, and content areas. We recognize that early-career researchers are rarely given incentives or support to take such risks, so this award includes a mentoring component, as well as an emphasis on community and collaboration.

Scholars Program applicants should have a track record of conducting high-quality research and an interest in pursuing a significant shift in their trajectories as researchers. Proposed research plans must address questions of policy and practice that are relevant to the Foundation’s focus areas.

16. Institute for New Economic Thinking
Website Link: https://www.ineteconomics.org/research/grants/grants-faq
Deadline(s): N/A
Support Strategies: Research in Economics
Funding: $25,000 - $250,000 for 3 years
Description: We focus our efforts on supporting new economic thinking, in all the forms it may take. We are less interested in pure policy applications, institution building, and general program support.

How do I know if I am eligible for a grant?
• Grants will be awarded primarily to individuals or teams of individuals affiliated with academic institutions, think tanks, and other research centers. We are especially interested in funding early-stage research and junior research scholars.
• The Institute’s grant program does not provide funding for students working on their dissertations or theses.
• The Institute is looking to fund research that falls under the broad themes we outline in our calls for proposals. We are certainly open to and encouraging of ideas that fall outside the traditional boundaries of economic thinking.
• The Institute does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender and/or gender identity, pregnancy or parental status, marital or domestic partner status, national origin, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, disability or medical condition, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

How do I apply for a grant?
Applications should include a proposal no longer than four pages in length plus a one-page summary and a budget. There are no specific requirements for format or content of the proposal. Applicants also will be asked to provide a short bio and a CV along with other basic information. Once a call for proposals is announced, an online portal will be opened here on our website for the submission of applications.

How much money is The Institute offering? For how many years?
In general, the Institute awards grants ranging in value from $25,000-$250,000 for projects of one to three years’ duration. Budget proposals are reviewed with great care for their realism and appropriateness. Acceptable expenses include researchers’ salaries (course buyouts, etc.), data gathering, summer salaries or sabbaticals, the hiring of students or young researchers, conferences and mutual visits, and a small amount of auxiliary expenses (assuming they are reasonable). The Institute is less likely to fund administrative salaries.

How does the Institute review applications?
All applications will be reviewed by a research jury composed of leading economists and social scientists. The most promising applicants will be invited to submit a longer, more complete proposal (seven or more pages) that also will be reviewed by a research jury, which will make recommendations to the Institute’s Academic Council. The Academic Council will, in turn, recommend the strongest applications to The Institute’s Governing Board, which will make the final determination of awards.

17. Kern Family Foundation
Website Link: https://www.kffdn.org/
Deadline(s): N/A
### 18. (Charles) Koch Foundation

**Website Link:** [https://www.charleskochfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/requests-for-proposals/](https://www.charleskochfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/requests-for-proposals/)


**Deadline(s):** Ongoing

**Support Strategies:** Research and educational programs

**Funding:** Total grants in 2016 were 44 million

**Description:** The Charles Koch Foundation primarily supports research and educational programs that analyze the impact of free societies, particularly how they advance societal well-being. The best way to find out if your project request is a good match with the goals and vision of the Foundation is to submit an online grant proposal.

Here is an article about the Koch Foundation: [http://time.com/4148838/koch-brothers-colleges-universities/](http://time.com/4148838/koch-brothers-colleges-universities/)

Foundation grants allow students and scholars to explore a diverse array of ideas and perspectives at more than 300 colleges and universities nationwide. Our grantees include top-ranked institutions such as Harvard, UCLA, and Notre Dame, as well as smaller colleges that do critical work in understanding how free and open societies function best.

We also partner with non-profit organizations that help people improve their lives and communities. Our main areas of funding include criminal justice and policing reform, free speech, foreign policy, removing barriers to economic opportunity, and technology and innovation.

**Grant Criteria**

- A one-to-two-page abstract of the project on behalf of your university, college, think tank, or other 501(c) (3) organization. The abstract should provide sufficient detail for reviewers to assess the nature and feasibility of the idea.
- A CV or résumé.
- A brief, itemized budget.
- Final projects should be original and of academic journal quality, and must not have been previously published

**Funding**

Funding levels are commensurate with the requirements of the research and the potential for the research to advance an understanding of critical issues. Accepted proposals may also receive support to disseminate the research findings.

**Review & Notification Process**

Proposals will be accepted and evaluated on a rolling basis.

**Criminal Justice Reform**

We support research that emphasizes human dignity and enhances public safety, particularly focusing on reducing overcriminalization, recidivism, and barriers to second chances for ex-offenders. Learn More

**Toleration & Free Speech**

We support research, educational programs, and dialogue focused on enabling a more tolerant society through modeling civil discourse and protecting press freedom. Learn More

**Foreign Policy**
We support new voices and sound scholarship that speak to America’s enduring interests and policies that will make our country safer. Learn More

**Economic Freedom**
We support research on the barriers that prevent people from working, innovating, and creating value for themselves and their communities. Learn More

**Technology & Innovation**
We support scholars who are examining the barriers to innovation in myriad areas, from transportation and healthcare to online communication. Learn More

**Corporate Welfare Reform**
Corporate welfare takes many forms but typically involves government-granted advantage or privilege over current or future competitors, often with unintended negative consequences. Learn More

**Foundations of Well-Being**
Well-being is a critical topic with broad implications for how individuals and societies organize to maximize human fulfillment and welfare.

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### 19. Marketing Science Institute

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<td><strong>Funding:</strong> Varies</td>
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**Description:** MSI funds high-quality research that deals with topics of importance to member companies. Results of MSI-supported studies may appear first as MSI working papers and/or as conference presentations, and subsequently as articles in refereed journals. The pre-proposal itself is a short document (max 1,200 words) that outlines the topics to be studied and the researchers’ preliminary research questions and approach. It is intended to elicit MSI’s reaction to the topic and research concept before the researcher invests substantial time in writing a full proposal. Nevertheless, the more complete the thinking in the pre-proposal, the more likely it is to receive encouragement and constructive comments. Pre-proposals are evaluated on a rolling basis; we meet to evaluate funding requests approximately every six weeks. You can expect to hear back from MSI within about eight weeks of initial submission.

- Apply For Free Academic Access
- Apply for Research Support or Submit a Working Paper
- Calls for Initiatives and Competitions
- Learn About MSI's Research Priorities
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### 20. The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation

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<td><strong>Description:</strong> The Foundation endeavors to strengthen, promote, and, where necessary, defend the contributions of the humanities and the arts to human flourishing and to the well-being of diverse and democratic societies. Information regarding the Foundation’s program areas and grantmaking priorities can be found in the program area descriptions—Higher Education and Scholarship in the Humanities; Arts and Cultural Heritage; Scholarly Communications; Diversity; and International Higher Education and Strategic Projects—and in the Foundation’s annual report</td>
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The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation endeavors to strengthen, promote, and, where necessary, defend the contributions of the humanities and the arts to human flourishing and to the well-being of diverse and democratic societies. To this end, it supports exemplary institutions of higher education and culture as they renew and provide access to an invaluable heritage of ambitious, path-breaking work. Through the program in Higher Education and Scholarship in the Humanities, the Foundation assists select colleges, universities, and research institutes in the work of training scholars and producing scholarship in the humanities broadly conceived, and thereby contributing to culture and society. In practical terms, this means helping institutions and professional organizations respond to the economic, demographic, financial, and technological challenges affecting higher education, supporting initiatives designed to enhance the learning experience of both undergraduate and graduate students in the humanities, and fostering collaborations within and among institutions that support disciplinary innovation, foster practices of diversity and inclusion, and promote the social value of the humanities.

New areas, as well as strengthened emphases, include:

- Capacious and innovative curricula in the arts, humanities, and humanities-related social sciences, and productive relationships between the arts and humanities and the natural and social sciences
- Faculty growth as teachers, scholars, and academic citizens across the stages of a professorial career
- Programs that scale up training for humanistic engagement with the digital
- Reforms of doctoral education that broaden the intellectual and professional preparation of students
- Programs that introduce faculty and graduate students to effective pedagogies, the science of cognition, and to scholarship on student learning
- Assistance to less well-endowed liberal arts colleges in planning for their intellectual and financial futures
- Research on broad structural questions in higher education
- Initiatives that involve humanities scholars in grand challenge questions that require interdisciplinary collaboration
- Collaborations among research universities, liberal arts colleges, and other cultural and educational institutions in their communities
- Commitments of faculty and students to the public humanities

21. Middle East Initiative Research Fellowship Program

**Website Link:** [https://www.belfercenter.org/fellowship/middle-east-initiative](https://www.belfercenter.org/fellowship/middle-east-initiative)  
**Deadline(s):** January

**Support Strategies:** Democratizing politics, Building peace, Revitalizing the state, Democratizing financial and labor markets, Digital governance

**Funding:** $32,000 if pre-doctoral fellow, $50,000 for all other recipients

**Description:** The Middle East Initiative Research Fellowship Program, part of the Emirates Leadership Initiative, offers one year fellowships for researchers at the pre-doctoral, post-doctoral and junior faculty level for research related to Middle Eastern governance and public policy. All fellowships carry a stipend. Eligible candidates include advanced doctoral candidates, recent recipients of a Ph.D. or equivalent degree, and untenured faculty members. Applicants for pre-doctoral fellowships must have passed general examinations and should be in or near the final year of their program. We welcome applications from political scientists, historians, economists, sociologists, and other social scientists. We also encourage applications from women, minorities, and citizens of all countries.

**Eligibility:**

Eligible candidates include advanced doctoral candidates, recent recipients of a Ph.D. or equivalent degree, and untenured faculty members. Applicants for pre-doctoral fellowships must have passed general examinations and should be in or near the final year of their program. We welcome applications from political scientists, historians, economists, sociologists, and other social scientists.

Priority will be given to applications pursuing one of these four primary areas of focus:

- **Democratizing Politics:** Establishing durable, accountable democracies not only by focusing on political institutions, but also by empowering the region’s citizens.
- **Building Peace**: Addressing the sources of domestic and interstate conflict and generating durable political settlements.
- **Revitalizing the State**: Reforming the Middle East's social service delivery systems with a special emphasis on health, education and social protection.
- **Democratizing Financial and Labor Markets**: Working to ensure that the financial and labor markets in the Middle East benefit the entire population, not merely the elite.
- **Digital Governance**: Assessing how regional governments in the Middle East adapt and integrate technology, as well as how these advances in technology and cybersecurity have shaped governance.

### 22. NASDAQ Educational Foundation, Inc.

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#### Support Strategies:
- Academic Study or Research
- Ph.D. Dissertation Fellowships
- Curriculum Development
- Educational Projects or Programs

#### Funding:
- There is no set minimum or maximum grant amount for grants other than fellowships, which are $15,000. Grants have 1-year terms.
- No limit to number of proposals a single entity may submit at one time.
- The Board will consider whether the amount requested is commensurate with the activities proposed and appropriate for the Foundation’s annual grantmaking target.

#### Description:
The Nasdaq Educational Foundation, Inc., was established in 1994 and is supported entirely by contributions from Nasdaq. The mission of the Nasdaq Educational Foundation, Inc. is to support programs that further the Nasdaq vision and mission of connecting business, capital and innovative ideas to advance global economies. Please note that all proposals must further financial markets literacy and entrepreneurship in addition to meeting other criteria. The categories, above, are for guidance only; all proposals compete for a single pool of funds and are subject to selection by the Foundation Board of Directors.

#### Process:
Grant seekers must submit a one-page letter of inquiry and be invited to submit a proposal. Please refer to grant proposal instructions. An invitation to submit a proposal does not guarantee a grant award.

### 23. National Endowment for Financial Education

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#### Support Strategies:
- Economics, Education, Finance, Marketing, Neuroscience, Psychology, Sociology

#### Funding: Recent grant awards for research projects have ranged from $100,000 to $185,000. Grant durations generally range from 12 to 36 months.

#### Description:
Grounded in the belief that regardless of background or income level, financially informed individuals are better able to take control of their circumstances, improve their quality of life, and ensure a more stable future for themselves and their families, NEFE’s mission is to inspire educated financial decision making for individuals and families through every stage of life.

We envision a world where people make informed, thoughtful, and beneficial financial decisions that are aligned with their values so that they can enjoy better, more secure, and more satisfying lives.

NEFE seeks projects whose outcomes can improve the public’s ability to achieve personal and household financial well-being. Of interest are proactive research projects initiated from one of a broad spectrum of scholarly disciplines whose findings may cultivate critical thinking in the financial literacy community. Also, of
interest are development projects that put research recommendations into action. Project outcomes must achieve traction and measurable impact with audiences such as financial education intermediaries, researchers, practitioners, decision makers, and others who can achieve effective outreach to a target population with an unmet financial literacy need or to the public. For the current process, applicants must apply for funding utilizing our online application. The online system is the only method of applying for funding. We strongly encourage all applicants to sign up for an orientation webinar for training and more information.

1. Before applying, please refer to the Guidelines and Eligibility for NEFE Grants Program section and do the following:
   - Review NEFE’s basic eligibility requirements to determine whether you, your organization or project idea are eligible for consideration.
   - Review NEFE’s funding priorities
   - Review the characteristics of successful grant projects to decide whether your project is a fit with NEFE’s grant program.

### 24. Open Society Fellowship

**Website Link:** [https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/open-society-fellowship](https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/open-society-fellowship)  
**Deadline(s):** November

**Support Strategies:** Economic inequality, governance, entrepreneurship  
**Funding:** $80,000 - $100,000

**Description:** The Open Society Fellowship was founded in 2008 to support individuals pursuing innovative and unconventional approaches to fundamental open society challenges. The fellowship funds work that will enrich public understanding of those challenges and stimulate far-reaching and probing conversations within the Open Society Foundations and in the world.

Open Society fellows produce work outputs of their own choosing, such as a book, journalistic or academic articles, art projects, a series of convenings, etc. In addition, fellowship cohorts may develop a joint work product of some sort. Fellowship staff will assist cohorts in brainstorming possible outputs if needed.

Applicants for the Open Society Fellowship are invited to address the following proposition:

New and radical forms of ownership, governance, entrepreneurship, and financialization are needed to fight pervasive economic inequality.

This proposition is intended as a provocation—to stimulate productive controversy and debate—and does not necessarily represent the views of the Open Society Foundations. Applicants are invited to dispute, substantiate, or otherwise engage with the proposition in their submissions. Though the proposition deals with economic issues, those without an economics or business background are welcome to apply, provided they have a relevant project in mind.

Once chosen, fellows will work on projects of their own design and passion. At the same time, they are expected to take advantage of the intellectual and logistical resources of the Open Society Foundations and contribute meaningfully to the Foundations’ thinking. Fellows will also have opportunities to collaborate with one another as a cohort. It is hoped that the fellowship will not only nurture theoretical debate but also bring about policy change and reform.

### 25. PCORI: Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute

**Website Link:** [https://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities](https://www.pcori.org/funding-opportunities)  
**Deadline(s):** Varies

**Support Strategies:** Health, Human Performance & Recreation, and Nursing  
**Funding:** Varies

**Description:**

**Funding Opportunities**
- What & Who We Fund
- What You Need To Know To Apply
- Applicant Training
- Merit Review Process
- Research Support Funding Opportunities
- Awardee Resources
- Help Center
**Comparative Clinical Effectiveness Research (CER)**
Studies that compare outcomes to determine the effectiveness, including risks and benefits, of two or more approaches to health care

**CER Methods and Infrastructure**
Studies to improve the methods available for patient-centered CER

Development of a large, highly representative electronic-data infrastructure, called PCORnet, for improving the conduct of patient-centered CER

**Conditions Studied**
We pay particular attention to:
- Conditions that affect large numbers of people across a range of populations
- Conditions that place a heavy burden on individuals, families, specific populations, and society
- Rare diseases, which are difficult to study

**Populations of Interest**

**26. PHRMA Foundation**

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**Description:** These awards fund proposals that identify and address challenges in research conducted to assess the value of medicines and health care services. [Letters of intent](http://www.phrmafoundation.org/2018-awards/value-assessment-initiative/research-awards-1/)

**Eligibility**
Award opportunities are open to all individuals and organizations with training in health economics, outcomes research, clinical sciences or healthcare evaluation. Eligible applicants should hold an advanced degree in a field of study logically or functionally related to the proposed activities, such as a Ph.D. or equivalent. Interdisciplinary collaboration is highly encouraged. At least one collaborator must also have a firm commitment from an accredited U.S. university or research organization, and at least one collaborator must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident by the time of initiation of this award.

Funding: Varying levels, up to $100,000, for a one-year period. Level of funding will depend on the scope of proposed activities. A maximum of 20 percent of the award may be used for indirect institutional costs.

Important: Please click on topics in blue, above, to learn full details about this award.

**ABOUT THE VALUE ASSESSMENT INITIATIVE RESEARCH AWARDS**

Value assessment in health care comprises a broad set of methods to synthesize and evaluate the relative benefits and costs of health care interventions. The goal of value assessment is to assist stakeholders, including patients, providers, and payers, in making informed decisions to improve health and care efficiency. These assessments are conducted using varied methodological approaches to synthesize data from various sources to guide individual or population-level decisions. For greatest impact, these methods should offer opportunities to incorporate patient characteristics and their preferences to guide treatment decisions. However, there are a number of limitations of the data sources, methodologies and measures applied in value assessment. Additionally, existing data sources do not allow for complete capture of patient-level information or preferred outcomes.

The PhRMA Foundation is seeking proposals that identify and address challenges in research conducted to assess the value of medicines and health care services.

**Example topics may include, but are not limited to:**
- Measurement and reporting of value elements
- Frameworks for value assessment
- Selection and reporting of study populations
• Collection and measurement of patient-centered outcomes
• Heterogeneity of patient preferences
• Value element aggregation techniques
• Uncertainty in model parameters or structures
• Incorporation of real-world data
• Value from different stakeholder perspectives
• Ethical considerations
• Development of decision tools

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### 27. Robert J. Dole Institute of Politics Research Fellowship

**Website Link:** [https://dolearchives.ku.edu/grants](https://dolearchives.ku.edu/grants)  
**Deadline(s):** June 1

**Support Strategies:** Congress, Politics, Policy issues  
**Funding:** $25,000

**Description:** Established in 2010, these funding programs award grants to scholars engaged in projects studying Congress, politics, or policy issues. The Dole Archive and Special Collections at the Dole Institute of Politics houses Senator Bob Dole’s extensive collections that document his 36-year career in the House and Senate. While in residence, the Research Fellow and travel grant awardees will use these collections, which encompass a wide range of legislative, historical, and policy issues.

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### 28. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

**Deadline(s):** Check website

**Support Strategies:** Research grants and Brief proposal pioneering grants  
**Funding:** Various but from $50,000 to $150,000

**Description:** The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation funds a wide array of research and initiatives to help address some of America’s most pressing health challenges. In addition to opportunities presented through targeted grant programs and funding partnerships, we continually accept brief proposals for funding of new and creative approaches to building a Culture of Health. At the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF), we believe that everyone in America—no matter who that person is, how much money they have, or where they live—should have as much opportunity as possible to pursue a healthier life. We call that vision a Culture of Health, and we work with people across the country to build a Culture of Health. Across the globe, countries are taking steps to improve health and well-being in their communities. RWJF is eager to learn from those countries. We are collaborating with people and organizations around the world to uncover insights that can inspire us all to imagine new possibilities and to surface practical solutions that can be adapted here in the United States.

**Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

RWJF is looking for applicants who represent organizations from a wide range of fields and disciplines—both within and outside the health sector. We encourage proposals from both U.S.-based applicants to adapt an overseas idea, and from international applicants with ideas that could work in the United States. We encourage submissions from teams that include both the U.S. and international members. We seek to attract a diversity of thought, professional background, race, ethnicity, and cultural perspective in our applicant pool. Building a Culture of Health means integrating health into all aspects of society, so we encourage multisector partnerships and collaboration.

Proposals must fit with the topic and populations described, integrate global ideas into the project, and must highlight the connections to the Culture of Health *Action Framework.*

**Sample calls for proposals:**

• Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health (Open).
• Pioneering Ideas Brief Proposals (Open)

We share some examples below of Pioneering Ideas we have funded in the past to give you a sense of where we’ve been. Keep in mind that ultimately, we need you to challenge us, and to tell us where we should be going and what ideas have the most potential to transform the way we think about health.

*As you review the examples below, you may notice some shared themes or characteristics which:*
• Challenge assumptions or long-held cultural practices.
• Take an existing idea and give it a new spin—or a novel application.
• Offer a new take or perspective on a long-running, perplexing problem.
• Apply cutting-edge ideas from other fields to health.
• Explore the potential for emerging trends to impact our ability to build a Culture of Health.

29. Russell Sage Foundation

Support Strategies: The Russell Sage Foundation currently pursues four principal programs: Behavioral Economics; the Future of Work; Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration; and Social Inequality

Funding: Project Grants are generally capped at $175,000, including 15% indirect costs. Projects that use publicly available data are capped at $75,000, including indirect costs. Presidential grants are capped at $35,000 (no indirect costs). In rare circumstances, investigators may apply for a Presidential Grant of up to $50,000 (no indirect costs) when the proposed research project has special needs for gathering data (e.g., qualitative research) or gaining access to restricted-use data.

Description: Funding Opportunity: Behavioral Economics
The foundation’s Behavioral Economics program supports research that will broaden our understanding of the social, economic and political consequences of real-life behaviors and decisions that deviate from the neoclassical economic standards of rationality. RSF is especially interested in behavioral economics research that contributes to our understanding of topics of interest under its other programs. Read More

Funding Opportunity: Future of Work
The foundation’s program on the Future of Work supports research on the causes and consequences of changes in the quality of jobs for less- and moderately-skilled workers in the United States. We are especially interested in proposals that address important questions about the interplay of market and non-market forces in shaping the wellbeing of workers, today and in the future. Read More

Funding Opportunity: Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration
The Foundation’s newest program on Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration, replaces two previous programs: Immigration and Cultural Contact. The new program encourages multi-disciplinary perspectives on questions stemming from the significant changes in the racial, ethnic, and immigrant-origin composition of the U.S. population. We are currently accepting letters of inquiry. Read More

Funding Opportunity: Social Inequality
The Foundation’s program on Social Inequality supports research on the social, economic, political, and labor market consequences of rising economic inequalities in the United States. We are currently accepting letters of inquiry. Read More

Funding Opportunity: The Social, Economic, and Political Effects of the Affordable Care Act
The foundation’s initiative supports innovative social science research on the social, economic and political effects of the Affordable Care Act. We are especially interested in funding analyses that address important questions about the effects of the reform on outcomes such as financial security and family economic well-being, labor supply and demand, participation in other public programs, family and children’s outcomes, and differential effects by age, race, ethnicity, nativity, or disability status. Read More

Call for Proposals: Integrating Biology and Social Science Knowledge (BioSS)
The foundation’s special initiative supports innovative social science research that explores how biological mechanisms interact with the environment to influence individuals’ social and economic outcomes. We seek projects that take advantage of new theories, concepts, and indicators from neuroscience, endocrinology, immunology and physiology, genetics and epigenetics to further our understanding of socioeconomic
Call for Proposals: Computational Social Science
The foundation’s initiative on Computational Social Science (CSS) supports innovative social science research that brings new data and methods to bear on questions of interest in its core programs. Read More

Call for Proposals: Small Awards in Behavioral Economics
The Russell Sage Foundation offers small awards to support high-quality research in behavioral economics and to encourage young investigators (Ph.D. students and recent graduates) to enter this developing field. Read More

Call for Proposals: Immigration and Immigrant Integration
The Russell Sage Foundation/Carnegie Corporation Initiative on Immigration and Immigrant Integration seeks to support innovative research on the effects of race, citizenship, legal status and politics, political culture and public policy on outcomes for immigrants and for the native-born of different racial and ethnic groups and generations. Read More

Call for Proposals: Non-Standard Employment
The Russell Sage Foundation/Kellogg Foundation’s Initiative on Non-Standard Employment seeks to support innovative social science research on the causes and consequences of the increased incidence of alternative work arrangements in the United States. Read More

Call for Proposals: Improving Education and Reducing Inequality in the United States
We seek research projects that deepen our understanding of educational opportunity and success in the United States by using data on academic achievement from the Stanford Education Data Archive constructed by Sean Reardon and colleagues (http://seda.stanford.edu). Read More

30. Alfred P. Sloan Foundation (Limited Submission)
Website Link: http://www.sloan.org/https://sloan.org/grants/apply
Deadline(s): Internal application deadline 7/01
Support Strategies: Information and Referral, Program evaluations, Public engagement and education, Regulation and administration, Research, Research and evaluation
Funding: Varies dependent upon funding opportunity

Description: The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation makes grants primarily to support original research and education related to science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and economics. The Foundation believes that these fields—and the scholars and practitioners who work in them—are chief drivers of the nation's health and prosperity. The Foundation also believes that a reasoned, systematic understanding of the forces of nature and society, when applied inventively and wisely, can lead to a better world for all.

Sloan Research Fellowships
Must be early career tenure-track faculty in chemistry, computational or evolutionary molecular biology, computer science, economics, mathematics, neuroscience, ocean sciences, physics or related field. 2-year fellowships to 126 researchers each year ($65,000)
Up to 3 candidates can be nominated by a department.
Apply through the foundation’s portal: https://sloan.org/fellowships/apply
The Foundation awards approximately 200 grants per year (excluding the Sloan Research Fellowships), totaling roughly $80 million dollars in annual commitments in support of research and education in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and economics

Programs
Science
• Economics
• Higher Education
• Digital Technology
• Public Understanding
• Working Longer
31. Share Our Strength – No Kid Hungry

Website Link: https://www.shareourstrength.org/about

Support Strategies: international and humanitarian grants

Funding: up to $100,000

Description:
Share Our Strength was founded in 1984 because of the catastrophic Ethiopian famine that year. The early focus was international grant making to alleviate the suffering of children and families. But it quickly became apparent that poverty in the United States was leaving too many of our own citizens hungry and struggling. Our focus shifted to the ambitious but achievable goal of ending childhood hunger in America. With the number of American kids experiencing hunger reduced by more than 30%, we are on our way to achieving that. We won’t stop until we do.

Much of the progress of our No Kid Hungry campaign has been accomplished by increasing access to and participation in school breakfast and summer meals programs. It is perhaps that for which we are best known. But we never lost our aspiration for sharing our strength with those in dire, often life-and-death, circumstances around the world. We focused for so long and so hard on our domestic work that many of our stakeholders were not fully aware of our history of making small international grants as well as humanitarian grants in the wake of international disasters.

After months of careful deliberation, our staff proposed and our board approved a kind of re-boot of our international grant making. One goal was greater alignment with our decade’s worth of learnings from the No Kid Hungry campaign leveraging our experience with school meals. While many of our donors intend for their financial donations to support No Kid Hungry, many others support Share Our Strength’s general operating costs and thus enable us to continue our international work and support disaster relief.

For 2018 we’ve selected two extraordinary organizations to support with grants of $100,000 each – both focused on expanding access to school meals and working in collaboration with local communities and government leaders.

32. Social Initiatives Foundation

Website Link: http://www.sifoundation.org/guidelines/
past grants: http://www.sifoundation.org/past-grants/

Support Strategies: Research projects focused on improving services and systems in law, MFL, political science, social work, and sociology

Funding: $10,000-20,000 for 2 years

Deadline(s):
Aug. 15 for short concept

Description: The Sociological Initiatives Foundation supports social change by linking research to social action. It funds research projects that investigate laws, policies, institutions, regulations, and normative practices that may limit equality in the United States. It gives priority to projects that seek to address racism, xenophobia, classism, gender bias, exploitation, or the violation of human rights and freedoms. It also supports research that furthers language learning and behavior and its intersection with social and policy questions.
The Foundation supports research that focuses on improving services and systems and increasing positive social and physical conditions through:

- Policy development
- Placement and shaping of the policy agenda
- Policy adoption or implementation
- Policy blocking
- Increasing advocacy capacity and political influence
- Shaping public sentiments

The Foundation also supports research that addresses linguistic issues including, literacy, language loss and maintenance, language policy, language and national security, bilingualism, language and gender, language and law, language disabilities, language and health, language and education, different language cultures, second language acquisition, and dialects.

In the context of social and racial inequality dating back centuries, the Foundation supports projects that address institutional rather than individual or behavioral change. It seeks to fund research and initiatives that provide insight into sociological and linguistic issues that can help specific groups and or communities expand opportunities and challenge injustices.

Some examples of desired applicants are:

- academic-community partnerships
- advocacy or community groups that conduct research that can withstand a challenge in academic and policy arenas
- academics that organize or link to a constituency through their research

### 33. Spencer Foundation

**Website Link:** [https://www.spencer.org/](https://www.spencer.org/)

**Deadline(s):** N/A

**Support Strategies:** Educational research in broad sense

**Funding:** $50,000

**Description:** The Spencer Foundation was established in 1962 by Lyle M. Spencer. The Foundation received its major endowment upon Spencer's death in 1968 and began formal grantmaking in 1971. Since that time, the Foundation has made grants totaling nearly $500 million.

The Foundation is intended, by Spencer's direction, to investigate ways in which education, broadly conceived, can be improved around the world. From the first, the Foundation has been dedicated to the belief that research is necessary to the improvement in education. The Foundation is thus committed to supporting high-quality investigation of education through its research programs and to strengthening and renewing the educational research community through its fellowship and training programs and related activities.

- The Small Research Grants program is intended to support education research projects with budgets of $50,000 or less. In keeping with the Spencer Foundation's mission, this program aims to fund academic work that will contribute to the improvement of education, broadly conceived.

Historically, the work we have funded through these grants has spanned a range of topics and disciplines, including education, psychology, sociology, economics, history, and anthropology, and they employ a wide range of research methods.

- What We Fund
- Field-Initiated
  - Lyle Spencer Research Awards
  - Small Research Grants
- Strategic Initiatives
  - The New Civics
  - Data Use and Educational Improvement
  - Philosophy in Educational Policy and Practice (IPEPP)
- Research-Practice Partnership Program
- Midcareer Grant Program
- Conference Grants
- Education Journalism
Fellowship Awards
  - Dissertation Fellowships
  - Postdoctoral Fellowships

Special Projects
The following examples of recently funded small grants illustrate the diversity of what we support:
  - an experimental study of how college students use visual representations in solving math problems
  - a study exploring the process of racial and rural identity formation among African American high-school students who attend de facto segregated schools in the rural South
  - a mixed-methods study focusing on the different types of knowledge novice and experienced teachers draw on in teaching for reading comprehension

The majority of small grant proposals that are funded by the Foundation are “field-initiated” in the sense that they are not submitted in response to a Request for Proposal (RFP). In the past, we have requested that proposals within the Small Grants program be submitted within one of the areas of inquiry listed below. The Foundation does not use this information in the review process but captures it in the application to better understand the variety of research that is proposed.

The areas are broadly organized as follows:

- **Field-Initiated:** Proposals in this area are those that fall under the Spencer Foundation's general mission of funding research on education, but don’t appear to fit in one of the areas mentioned below. Although the areas below are broad, there are many projects that don’t have a strong focus in any of them; those should be tagged with Field-Initiated as the research area in the online application.

- **The Relation between Education and Social Opportunity:** This area would include projects that seek to shed light on the role education can play in reducing economic and social inequalities -- as well as, sometimes, reinforcing them -- and to find ways to more fully realize education’s potential to promote more equal opportunity. Proposals where the primary aim is to examine the ways in which differences in social and educational experiences (such as quality and character of schooling or the number of years in school) translate into differences including employment, earnings, and civic and academic outcomes would be included in this area.

- **Teaching, Learning, and Instructional Resources:** Studies in this area would be those that will lead to better understanding and improvements in the intellectual, material and organizational resources that contribute to successful teaching and learning. They may investigate questions that are grounded directly in teaching practice, as well as research about important aspects of child and adult learning processes and contexts that hold promise for guiding informed policymaking.

- **The New Civics:** This area represents the broader Foundation belief that cultivating knowledge and new ideas about civic education will ultimately improve students’ lives and enrich society. The designation “new” refers to an expanded understanding of civic education and its relationship to civic action. Thus, proposals with this focus would deepen our understanding of influences on civic action, attend to social inequalities in civic education, and have the potential to shape future research and practice in these fields.

- **Organizational Learning in Schools, School Systems, and Higher Education Systems:** Research in this area would contribute to strengthening the capacity of schools and education systems to operate as learning organizations. Because the capacity and motivation for organizational learning depend as well on the larger institutional structures within which schools and systems operate, research on, among other things, the roles of school boards, governments and unions; the role of markets and competition in the funding of schools; and the perceptions, concerns, and opportunities for voice among parents and the broader public would fall under this area.

- **Purposes and Values of Education:** Proposals in this area would be interested in advancing analytical, historical, and empirical work that probes effectively and creatively into deeply challenging and permanently important issues which can contribute toward social decision-making that moves education along constructive paths.

**Review Criteria**
The review process for small grant proposals is thorough and careful. After an initial staff review, the strongest proposals are sent to successful established external reviewers. Based on their ratings and staff
recommendations, a limited number of proposals are funded. We currently receive over 800 proposals per year and have been able to fund roughly 10% of them.

34. University Marketing Research Awards Program - Adobe University Recruitment

Deadline(s): February

Support Strategies: Research in data science and marketing  
Funding: $50,000

Description: Every year, Adobe funds a university faculty research program to promote the understanding and use of data science in the area of marketing. Our goal is to encourage both theoretical and empirical development of solutions to problems in marketing.

Adobe will provide funding support of up to $50,000 to a North American academic institution, college, or university for each selected research proposal. Awards will be in the form of an unrestricted gift to the academic institution under the names of the researchers who submitted the proposal. Each proposal will address an area of interest relative to Adobe Experience Cloud. This comprehensive set of cloud services gives businesses access to an integrated set of solutions to build campaigns, manage advertising, and gain deep intelligence about the business. It’s everything a company needs to drive brand growth and orchestrate an amazing customer experience.

Topics for research include, but are not limited to, the following areas:

- **Analytics Cloud**  
  Transforming insights from the trillions of customer touch points that we track on behalf of brands into advanced analytical algorithms to make high-value predictions about consumer experiences.

- **Marketing Cloud**  
  Analyzing data to better deliver personalized digital experiences to customers across websites, applications, emails, and notifications.

- **Advertising Cloud**  
  Using data to help brands design and deliver effective advertising campaigns across search, display, social, video and mobile channels to reach and acquire customers efficiently.

35. WNENC-Student Entrepreneur Program

Website Link: [http://www.wbenc.org/student-entrepreneur-program/](http://www.wbenc.org/student-entrepreneur-program/)  
[http://www.wbenc.org/opportunities-1/](http://www.wbenc.org/opportunities-1/)  
Deadline(s): February

Funding: $20,000 seed money for STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, math or business)

Description: Aspiring collegiate female entrepreneurs studying in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math) or Business receive mentoring from some of the most successful Women's Business Enterprises and America's largest Fortune 500 companies while also participating in a tailored entrepreneurial curriculum, a pitch competition awarding $20,000 in seed capital and experiential learning through off-site visits to Women's Business Enterprises, corporate campuses, and accelerators.

Education and Grants

- Dorothy B. Brothers Scholarship
- Student Entrepreneur Program
- Tuck-WBENC Executive and Strategic Growth Programs
- WBENC Energy Executive Program