

PRIVATE FUNDING RESOURCE GUIDE

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Welcome to our Private Funding Resource Guide

2021 Leading Foundations Edition

Private foundations in this country have a long and storied history of supporting scientific research, arts and culture, and other areas for the advancement of humankind. Steadfastly, they have been providing funding to well-deserved research programs, enabling and supplementing the efforts being made. Whenever federal funding is in flux, in decline, or earmarked only to specific areas, it is private funders who have stepped up time and again to make research advancement possible.

Between grants, endowments, and additional financial backing, private foundations have consistently bolstered our research community and enriched the work being accomplished. This kind of support continues to be a highly appreciated and essential component of many research programs, and will conceivably be a major conduit to breakthroughs and discovery well into the future.

With this in mind, we bring you our first Private Funding Resource Guide, which consists of the top private foundations in the United States. Along with identification of these benefactors, you will find contact information, facts about their financial contributions, and specific areas of interest and focus.

Of course, there are too many vital and category-specific foundations to name and list here. But this should serve as a representation of the key players in terms of funding, and highlight those you may want to align with to continue advancing your own research programs.

I hope you find this guide a helpful and valuable resource. And if you'd like to explore how our groundbreaking Streamlyne Research® eRA platform can help you win and manage funding like this, please don't hesitate to reach out. We'll take good care of you!

Sincerely,

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THE WILLIAM AND FLORA HEWLETT FOUNDATION

+1 650-234-4500

Menlo Park, CA

est. 1966

 hewlett.org

Awarding Over \$450 Million in Grants in 2019

<https://hewlett.org/grants/?sort=date>

Supports research on education, the environment, global development & population, the performing arts, and philanthropy.

MCKNIGHT FOUNDATION

+1 612-333-4220

Minneapolis, MN

est. 1953

 mcknight.org

Granted More than \$105 Million in 2020

<https://www.mcknight.org/grants/>

Support includes research on the arts, the Mississippi River, education, neuroscience, international, regional & communities, Midwest climate & energy, and the Minnesota Initiative Foundations.

ALFRED P. SLOAN FOUNDATION

+1 212-649-1649

New York, NY

est. 1934

 sloan.org

Excluding Sloan Research Fellowships, the Foundation Awards Approximately 200 Grants per Year Totaling Roughly \$80 Million Dollars in Annual Commitments

<https://sloan.org/grants-database>

Supports research & education in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and economics.

SPENCER FOUNDATION

+1 312-337-7000

Chicago

est. 1962

 [spencer.org](https://www.spencer.org)

Focused Exclusively on Education Research

<https://www.spencer.org/why-we-grant>

Supports research on education-focused research projects, research training fellowships, and additional field-building initiatives.

ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON FOUNDATION

+1 609-627-6351

Princeton, NJ

est. 1972

 [rwjf.org](https://www.rwjf.org)

Around \$500 Million in Annual Disbursements

<https://www.rwjf.org/en/how-we-work/grants-and-grant-programs.html>

Focuses solely on health.

DAVID AND LUCILE PACKARD FOUNDATION

+1 650-948-7658

Los Altos, CA

est. 1964

 [packard.org](https://www.packard.org)

Grant Awards for 2019 Totaled \$333 Million

<https://www.packard.org/grants-and-investments/grants-database/>

Supports research on fighting climate change; conservation & science; advancing reproductive health & rights; empowering the next generation of scientists & engineers; the Fellowship For Science & Engineering; gaining knowledge through science; and helping farmers protect our planet & nourish the world.

DANA FOUNDATION

+1 212-223-4040

New York, NY

est. 1950

 dana.org

<https://www.dana.org/funding-and-grants/>

Supports research & outreach programs that advance understanding about the brain in health & disease.

THE ANDREW W. MELLON FOUNDATION

+1 212-838-8400

New York, NY

est. 1969

 mellon.org

Annual Grantmaking Is Approximately \$300 Million

<https://mellon.org/grants/grants-database/>

Supports higher education, including the humanities, libraries & scholarly communication and information technology, museums & art conservation, performing arts, and the environment.

BECKMAN FOUNDATION

+1 949-531-0400

Irvine, CA

est. 1977

 beckman.org

2020's Award Comprised More than \$1.5 Million in Funding for 61 Undergraduate Scholars at 12 Institutions

<https://www.beckman-foundation.org/programs/>

Funds basic research in chemistry, biochemistry, and medicine. Includes Beckman Young Investigators, Beckman Scholars, Beckman-Argyros Award in Vision Research, and Beckman Postdoctoral Fellows.

BURROUGHS WELLCOME FUND

+1 919-991-5100

Research Triangle Park, NC est.1955

 bwfund.org

<https://www.bwfund.org/>

Supports basic research to advance medical sciences. Funds career awards for medical scientists & travel grants, the Career Award at the Scientific Interface, postdoctoral enrichment grants, investigators in pathogenesis of infectious disease, research in regulatory science, and the BWF Preterm Birth Initiative.

JOHN TEMPLETON FOUNDATION

+1 610-941-2828

West Conshohocken, PA est.1987

 templeton.org

In 2020, the John Templeton Foundation Approved 31 Funding Requests in Excess of \$49 Million

<https://www.templeton.org/grants>

Supports research in physics, biology, psychology, and the social sciences as well as philosophy and theology.

W. M. KECK FOUNDATION

+1 213-612-2000

Los Angeles, CA est.1954

 wmkeck.org

Keck Foundation Granted \$62 Million in 2020 Including \$16 Million for COVID-19 Research and Community Needs in Southern California

<http://www.wmkeck.org/grant-programs/grant-programs>

Supports research in science, engineering & medical research. Funds a research program, undergraduate education program, and the Southern California Program.

HENRY LUCE FOUNDATION

+1 212-489-7700

New York, NY

est. 1936

 hluce.org

In 2020, Luce Foundation Gave \$12.6 Million in New Grants

hluce.org/grants/

Supports projects in American art, East Asia, and Luce Scholars to advance understanding of Asia (among those who are not Asia scholars), theology, religion in international affairs, and in public policy & the environment. Also funds capacity building in higher education & scholarships, graduate fellowships & professorships for women in science, mathematics and engineering (through the Clare Boothe Luce Program).

FORD FOUNDATION

+1 212-573-5000

New York, NY

est. 1936

 fordfoundation.org

1,785 Grants Awarded in 2019 to 1395 Grantees Totaling Over \$753 Million

<https://www.fordfoundation.org/>

Supports research on entrepreneurship & entrepreneurship education and the intersection of technology, public policy, and the economics of education.

EWING MARION KAUFFMAN FOUNDATION

+1 816-932-1000

Kansas City, MO

est. 1966

 kauffman.org

<https://www.kauffman.org/grants/>

Works with communities in education and entrepreneurship to increase opportunities that allow all people to learn, take risks, and own their successes.

BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION

+1 206-709-3400

Seattle, WA

est.2000

 [gatesfoundation.org](https://www.gatesfoundation.org)

In 2019, the Foundation Funded over \$2.7 Billion to Grantees in the U.S. and 135 Other Countries

<https://www.gatesfoundation.org/about/how-we-work/grantopportunities>

Projects to improve global health & development (especially preventing disease in children and empowering women & girls) and education of underprivileged US students. Also funds special projects in Washington State.

RITA ALLEN FOUNDATION

+1 609-683-8010

Princeton, NJ

est.1953

 ritaallen.org

Rita Allen Foundation Scholars Receive up to \$110,000 per Year for a Maximum of Five Years

<https://ritaallen.org/all-grants/>

Makes grants for the Rita Allen Foundation. Currently makes grants for charitable purposes in two primary domains: investing in young leaders in science & social innovation and promoting civic literacy & engagement.

ALPHAWOOD FOUNDATION

+1 773-477-8984

Kansas City, MO

est.1991

 alphawoodfoundation.org

<https://alphawoodfoundation.org/>

Awards grants to organizations primarily in the areas of advocacy architecture & preservation, the arts & arts education, promotion & protection of the rights of LGBTQ persons and people living with HIV/AIDS, and other human & civil rights.

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THE BRINSON FOUNDATION

+1 312-799-4500

Chicago, IL

est.2001

 brinsonfoundation.org

In 2019: 151 Grants Totaling \$4,595,650

<https://brinsonfoundation.org/grant-seekers/>

Funds research in education: High school, college and career success; liberty, citizenship & free enterprise; literacy; science, technology, engineering and math (STEM); and student health. Grants also awarded for scientific research (astrophysics, cosmology, evolutionary developmental biology, geophysics).

THE HARRY FRANK GUGGENHEIM FOUNDATION

+1 646-428-0971

New York, NY

est.1929

 [hfg.org](https://www.hfg.org)

<https://www.hfg.org/programs>

Most research grant awards fall within the range of \$15,000 to \$40,000 per year for periods of one or two years.

THE ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION

+1 212-869-8500

New York, NY

est.1910

 [rockefellerfoundation.org](https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org)

<https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/grants/>

Organized around four thematic lines of work: creativity & culture, food security, health equity, and working communities.

BEZOS FAMILY FOUNDATION

+1 206-275-2048

Mercer Island, WA

est.2000

 [bezosfamilyfoundation.org](https://www.bezosfamilyfoundation.org)

<https://www.bezosfamilyfoundation.org/grantmaking>

Focuses on the science of learning and the experiences that youth need from birth to high school to pursue their own paths for success.

THE MILKEN FAMILY FOUNDATION

+1 310-570-4800

Santa Monica, CA

est.1982

 [mff.org](https://www.mff.org)

<https://www.mff.org/about-the-foundation/funding-policy/>

Focused primarily on supporting education and medical research.

GOOD VENTURES

+1 650-804-7100

San Francisco, CA

est.2011

 [goodventures.org](https://www.goodventures.org)

In 2019, Good Ventures Funded \$245 Million in Grants Recommended by Open Philanthropy, including \$68 Million to GiveWell's Top Charities

<https://www.goodventures.org/our-portfolio/grants-database>

Current major focus areas include: US criminal justice reform, farm animal welfare, biosecurity & pandemic preparedness, scientific research, and potential risks from advanced artificial intelligence.

THE ARTHUR M. BLANK FAMILY FOUNDATION

+1 470-341-2100

Atlanta, GA

est. 1995

 blankfoundation.org

\$47 Million in New Grants Awarded by the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation in 2019

<https://blankfoundation.org/>

Focuses on early childhood development, education, green space, community transformation, and the arts.

CHAN ZUCKERBERG INITIATIVE

+1 650-352-7015

Redwood City, CA

est. 2015

 chanzuckerberg.com

Since 2015, CZI Has Awarded Nearly \$2 Billion in Grants

<https://chanzuckerberg.com/>

Makes grants to organizations working in support of science, education, and justice & opportunity.

SIMONS FOUNDATION

+1 646-654-0066

Atlanta, GA

est. 2014

 simonsfoundation.org

Awardees Receive Research Support of \$100,000 per Year for Five Years

<https://www.simonsfoundation.org/funding-opportunities>

Makes grants in four areas: mathematics & physical sciences, life sciences, autism research (Simons Foundation Autism Research Initiative) and outreach & education.

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

+1 800-242-8721

Dallas, TX

est. 1924

 www.heart.org/en

Since 2014, the Institute Has Funded More Than 80 Grants Totaling Over \$30 Million

<https://www.heart.org/en/professional/institute/grants>

The American Heart Association funds researchers anywhere in the world who are working in the field of data science.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

+1 800-272-3900

Chicago, IL

est. 1982

 alz.org/research

The Association Has Over \$208 Million Invested in 590 Active Best-of-Field Projects in 31 Countries

https://www.alz.org/research/for_researchers/grants

The Alzheimer's Association International Research Grant Program (IRGP) funds investigations to advance our understanding of Alzheimer's Disease, identify new treatment strategies, improve care for people with Dementia, and further our knowledge of brain health and disease prevention.

RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION

+1 404-365-1373

Atlanta, GA

est. 1985

 rheumresearch.org

<https://www.rheumresearch.org/funding-opportunities#Tab>

Rheumatology Research Foundation provides funding to help recruit medical and doctoral students into rheumatology, train rheumatologists in all stages of their career, and support investigators conducting research that will lead us to more options for people with rheumatic disease.

THE KRESGE FOUNDATION

+1 248-643-9630

Troy, MI

est. 1924

 kresge.org

More than 400 Grants Awarded to Nonprofits Annually, Averaging around \$130 Million in Recent Years

<https://kresge.org/grants-social-investments/grants-awarded/>

Arts & culture, education, environment, health, human services & community development, nationally and in Detroit, Memphis, and New Orleans.

HAROLD W. MCGRAW, JR. FAMILY FOUNDATION

+1 203-351-4308

Philadelphia, PA

est. 1988

 mcgrawprize.com

In Addition to \$50 Thousand, each McGraw Award Winner Receives a Prize Sculpture, Designed and Created by Miami-based Sculptor Gary Traczyk

<https://www.mcgrawprize.com/>

The McGraw Prize recognizes individuals and their efforts to elevate human potential in education in three categories: Pre-K-12 education, higher education, and science research.

THE WHITING FOUNDATION

+1 718-701-5962

Troy, MI

est. 1985

 whiting.org

\$50,000 Awarded to each Winner Based on Early Accomplishment and the Promise of Great Work to Come

<https://www.whiting.org/content/2021-whiting-awards>

Provides targeted support for writers, scholars, and the stewards of humanity's shared cultural heritage.

WILLIAM BINGHAM FOUNDATION

+1 216-759-9142

Cleveland, OH

est. 1955

 wbinghamfoundation.org

\$1,000,000 Total for Approved Grants in 2019

<https://wbinghamfoundation.org/grants/year/2020/>

The foundation supports higher education grants to colleges & universities that have signed the American College & University Presidents Climate Commitment.

JAMES S. MCDONNELL FOUNDATION

+1 314-721-1532

Saint Louis, MO

est. 1950

 jsmf.org

<https://www.jsmf.org/grants/index.php>

Currently provides funding for grants in three program areas: understanding human cognition, dynamic & multi-scale systems, and special initiatives.

TERRA FOUNDATION FOR AMERICAN ART

+1 312-664-3939

Chicago, IL

est.1978

 terraamericanart.org

\$110 Million Distributed in Grants since 2005

<https://www.terraamericanart.org/what-we-offer/grantfellowship-opportunities/>

Dedicated to fostering exploration, understanding, and enjoyment of the visual arts of the United States for national and international audiences.

WILLIAM T. GRANT

+1 212-752-0071

New York, NY

est.1936

 wtgrantfoundation.org

**Grants Range Between \$100,000 and \$600,000
Covering 2 - 3 Years of Support**

<http://wtgrantfoundation.org/grants>

Currently, the foundation is interested in research with the potential to improve the lives of young people between the ages of 5 and 25 by improving the use of research evidence and reducing inequality.