



Office of Corporate and Foundation Relations

A curated list of upcoming Corporate and Foundation grant opportunities for Rowan University

Faculty interested in applying to one or more of the organizations below should reach out to cfr@rowan.edu

Funder: Samsung

Program Link: [START Research Grants](#)

Deadline: March 24, 2026 (newly announced)

Amount: \$150,000

The START Program aims to identify emerging technologies and conduct frontier research in collaboration with the academic community. Areas of interest include:

- **Robotics/Physical AI** including 3D understanding, memory and prediction or human-robot interaction
- **Agentic, Artificial Intelligence** including multimodal reasoning agents, agentic AI security, or AI-ISP training
- **Multimedia** including intelligent multi-modal systems and advanced immersive display technology
- **Advanced Sensors for Health** including human state sensing technology on smart glasses or non-invasive sensors measuring blood flow

Funder: Arnold Ventures

Program Link: [Research and Policy](#)

Deadline: March 27, 2026 (LOI)

Amount: \$200,000 - \$400,000

Arnold Ventures released two RFPs through its infrastructure program:

- 1) The Measuring and Evaluation of State and Local **Housing Supply Reforms** program seeks to evaluate the impact of recent state and local policy reforms that legalize or encourage new housing supply. Study outcomes can include early-stage responses to the policy reforms, housing production, and housing market outcomes.
 - 2) The **Transportation** Research and Policy Program seeks to evaluate the effectiveness and/or benefits of existing transportation or transportation-adjacent policies on outcomes for communities through research on areas of capital investment reform, cost estimations and oversight, access in mobility, permitting and permit reform, and intergovernmental dynamics.
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Funder: American Floral Endowment

Program Link: [Gloeckner Research Fund](#)

Deadline: April 1, 2026

Amount: \$15,000

The Endowment seeks to support work that advances the **floricultural industry** with a focus on research that addresses scientific challenges posed by disease, pests, and other environmental issues. Other topics of interest include breeding technology, sustainable production, storage and shipping and production technology. Projects can focus on all floriculture crops, including fresh-cut flowers, foliage potted plants, bedding plants, and perennials.

Funder: Russell Sage Foundation

Program Link: [Criminal Justice Research](#)

Deadline: April 1, 2026 (LOI)

Amount: \$100,000

The Russell Sage Foundation and Arnold Ventures support early career scholars (**tenure-track Assistant Professors**) conducting causal research on the **criminal justice system** to include the work of police, courts, jails, prisons, probation, and immigrant detention. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to: 1) Sentencing policy and post-prison outcomes; 2) The effects of social policy on community safety and criminal justice involvement; 3) Crime and victimization; 4) Decision-Making, bias, and disparities; and 5) Policing, courts, and criminal processing.

Funder: Society for the Study of School Psychology

Program Link: [Multiple](#)

Deadline: April 1, 2026

Amount: \$5,000 - \$20,000

The Society supports early and mid-career scientists conducting innovative research projects that advance basic and applied scientific research in all aspects of **school psychology** and disseminate results to scientists and practitioners. Work will typically produce results that examine the efficacy or effectiveness or assessment, intervention, or prevention practices.

Funder: American Psychological Foundation

Program Link: [Visionary Grants](#)

Deadline: April 3, 2026

Amount: \$20,000

The APF Visionary Grants seek to seed innovation through supporting research, education and intervention projects and programs that use **psychology to solve social problems** in the following priority areas: vulnerable populations (serious mental illness, returning military, incarcerated); preventing violence; understanding the connection between behavior and health;); understanding and eliminating stigma and prejudice.

Funder: Foundation for Women's Wellness

Program Link: [Research Awards](#)

Deadline: April 3, 2026

Amount: \$25,000

The Foundation supports short-term pilot studies on leading women's health concerns, including **cardiovascular disease, female cancers**, the role of **hormones in disease, diseases disproportionately affecting women**, and areas where **sex differences** need clarity.

Funder: Google

Program Link: [AI for Government Innovation](#)

Deadline: April 3, 2026

Amount: \$1,000,000 - \$3,000,000

The AI for Government Innovation Impact Challenge seeks to help governments use **AI** to improve public services. Areas of interest include: 1) **Health:** Enhance public systems to more effective healthcare strategies can reach all citizens; 2) **Resilience:** Help plan, respond, and recover from crises; 3) **Economy:** Expand essential services and pathways to prosperity.

Funder: NCSBN

Program Link: [Research Grants](#)

Deadline: April 3, 2026

Amount: \$300,000

The NCSBN Grant Program provides funding for scientific research projects that advance the science of **nursing policy and regulation**. Research priorities include the **nursing workforce**, substance use disorders, new technologies related to the profession, and scope of practice.

Funder: Alex's Lemonade Stand

Program Link: [REACH Grant](#)

Deadline: April 14, 2026

Amount: \$250,000

Alex's Lemonade Stand Fund supports hypothesis-driven translational research projects in **pediatric cancer** that are necessary to move a study from the preclinical arena into a clinical trial. The expectation is that research will result in a phase I or II trial within three years.

Funder: International OCD Association

Program Link: [Research Grant Program](#)

Deadline: April 14, 2026

Amount: \$50,000 - \$300,000

The Association supports research researchers investigating and accelerating progress toward treatments for **obsessive compulsive disorders** as well as body dysmorphic disorders, hoarding disorder or other related to OCD. A special focus is on addressing the OCD Care Crisis for all people (i.e. lack of screening, health disparities, lack of training for clinicians, and stigma).

Funder: Oral History Association

Program Link: [Emerging Crises](#)

Deadline: April 15, 2026

Amount: \$4,000

The Oral History Association is offering grants to undertake **oral history research** in **areas of crisis** in the United States or internationally, to include wars, natural disasters, political and economic/ethnic repression, or other current events. Scholars are expected to begin interviewing informants within weeks/months of the crisis.

Funder: Spencer Foundation

Program Link: [Research Grants \(Small\)](#)

Deadline: April 15, 2026 (LOI)

Amount: \$50,000

The Spencer Small Research Grants on Education Program supports **education** research projects that will contribute to the improvement of education for projects of up to 5 years. The program is field-initiated with an understanding that learning occurs across life courses and settings.

Funder: AccessLex Institute

Program Link: [Bar Success Research](#)

Deadline: April 20, 2026 (LOI)

Amount: \$150,000 - \$300,000

AccessLex supports well-designed and rigorous studies of the **bar examination**. Examples of focus include predictors of bar exam performance; bar exam test design and/or efficacy; and successful study or preparation methodologies.

Funder: Children's Cancer Research Fund

Program Link: [Multiple](#)

Deadline: April 24, 2026 (LOI)

Amount: \$250,000

The CCRF is seeking letters of intent on topics of **pediatric cancer** related to **survivorship** or **health disparities**. Survivorship funds support research to improve the quality and length of life for childhood and young adult cancer survivors by preventing and addressing the late effects of cancer therapy. Eliminating disparities funding supports research aimed at reducing health disparities in childhood cancer across incidence, access to care, treatment outcomes, and survivorship

Funder: NEFE

Program Link: [Research Grants](#)

Deadline: *April 25, 2026 (Anticipated)*

Amount: TBD

The National Endowment for Financial Education will release a call for research projects that explore critical topics in the role of financial education or personal finance.

Funder: Scott R. MacKenzie Foundation

Program Link: [Genetic Research Grant](#)

Deadline: April 30, 2026 (Initial Application)

Amount: ~\$100,000

The Scott R. MacKenzie Foundation funds leading-edge **human genetic research** (DNA, RNA, protein) and **sentinel genome sequencing** to develop new treatment pathways for cancer, lung disease, diabetes, and heart disease.

Funder: Schmidt Sciences

Program Link: [AI for Actionable Matter](#)

Deadline: April 30, 2026

Amount: \$100,000 - \$500,000

Schmidt Sciences supports whether AI-driven methods can reliably predict and the **material and molecular properties that determine technological function** in the real world—defects, interfaces, disorder, and dynamics operating at multiple length and time scales. For areas of **chemistry, materials science and biology**, the program seeks evidence that AI methods can predict non-idealities and/or multi-scale phenomena in technologically relevant materials or molecules.

Funder: Schmidt Sciences

Program Link: [Unconventional Compute](#)

Deadline: April 30, 2026

Amount: \$50,000 - \$750,000

This Schmidt Sciences Pilot program seeks evidence that unconventional **compute hardware** can tackle substantial, real-world problems. They are seeking to fund research that can catalyze hardware fundamentally different from the current CPU-GPU paradigm, and the training/inference methods co-designed to operate under the constraints imposed by such hardware. The program seeks to fundamentally answer the core question of “Is there compute hardware that can outperform GPUs (latency, energy, throughput, etc.) in a technologically important niche?”

Funder: Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

Program Link: [Economic Research](#)

Deadline: April 30, 2026 (LOI)

Amount: \$250,000

The Sloan Foundation is leading a collaborative effort to support primary **economics research** that can help develop estimates of the social and economic **return on investments in research and development (R&D)**. Specifically, the grant seeks empirical insights in the “Griliches Question” to build consensus that will inform policymaker decisions.
