

**Higher Education Grants for Rhode Island
February 28, 2017**

Grants for Projects to Improve Senior Health in Care Facilities

Funding Source: Patrick and Catherine Weldon Donaghue Medical Research Foundation

Deadline: March 27, 2017 for Letter of Intent

Grants fund researchers for projects that can improve the quality of care and the quality of life for the elderly in nursing homes or other care facilities. Through its Another Look: Better Health for Elders in Care Facilities program, the Foundation will award grants totaling \$750,000 to up to six projects that address, with existing data, a particular problem affecting the elderly in care facilities. (New data collection will not be supported through the program.) The Foundation welcomes all topics related to improving the health of elders in care facilities but is particularly interested in the treatment of substance abuse and dependency or other mental health conditions other than delirium and dementia; healthcare decisions by conservators or guardians and their effects on residents of care facilities; and oral health.

[See the full text of this grant](#)

Grants and Grants-In-Aid for Biological Research

Funding Source: Whitehall Foundation

Deadline: April 05, 2017 and October 01, 2017 for Letter of Intent

Grants support established research scientists of all ages working at accredited institutions in the United States. Applications will be judged on the scientific merit and the innovative aspects of the proposal as well as on the competence of the applicant. Research grants of up to three years will be provided. A renewal grant with a maximum of two years is possible, but it will be awarded on a competitive basis. Research grants will not be awarded to investigators who have already received, or expect to receive, substantial support from other sources, even if it is for an unrelated purpose. Research grants normally range from \$30,000 to \$75,000 per year. The Grants-in-Aid program is designed for researchers at the assistant professor level who experience difficulty in competing for research funds because they have not yet become firmly established. Grants-in-Aid can also be made to senior scientists. All applications will be judged on the scientific merit and innovative aspects of the proposal, as well as on past performance and evidence of the applicant's continued productivity. Grants-in-Aid are awarded for a one-year period and do not exceed \$30,000.

[See the full text of this grant](#)

Grants for Professional Development Programs to Improve Instruction for English Learners

Funding Source: United States Department of Education

Deadline: April 24, 2017

Grants are awarded on a competitive basis, for a period of not more than five years, to institutions of higher education (IHEs) or public or private entities with relevant experience and capacity, in consortia with State educational agencies (SEAs) or local educational agencies (LEAs). The purpose of these grants is to provide professional development activities that will improve classroom instruction for English learners (ELs) and assist educational personnel working with such children to meet high professional standards, including standards for certification and licensure as teachers who work in language instruction educational programs or serve ELs. The Department is particularly interested in supporting projects that improve parental, family, and community engagement. The Department is also interested in supporting dual language acquisition approaches that are effective in developing biliteracy skills.

[See the full text of this grant](#)

Grants for Projects That Improve the Lives of Low- and Moderate-Income Individuals and Communities

Funding Source: Santander Bank Foundation

Deadline: June 02, 2017 and September 08, 2017

Grants support the Foundation's grant categories which include community investment and economic development, youth and education, health and human services, and arts and culture. Priority is given to requests benefiting low- and moderate-income individuals and communities. Youth grants support organizations that enrich the educational opportunities of low- and moderate-income children, including after school programs, early childhood development and special education programs and college preparatory and college readiness programs.

[See the full text of this grant](#)

Grants for Research on the End-of-Life and Palliative Needs of Adolescents and Young Adults with Serious Illnesses

Funding Source: National Institutes of Health

Deadline: June 05, 2017 and October 05, 2017

Grants fund research on the unique perspectives, needs, wishes, and decision-making processes of adolescents and young adults (youth between 12 – 24 years of age) with serious, advanced illnesses; and research focused on specific end-of-life/palliative care models that support the physical, psychological, spiritual, and social needs of adolescents and young adults with serious illness, their families and caregivers.

[See the full text of this grant](#)

Grants for Projects in Conservation of Species and Habitats

Funding Source: Disney Conservation Fund

Deadline: October 01, 2017 to November 17, 2017 for Letter of Inquiry

Grants of the Disney Conservation Fund are awarded with priority consideration to holistic programs addressing a significant conservation need (or projects that are part of a program) which reflect:

- Sustainable development programs directly connected to protecting species and habitat
- Scientific field studies on species and habitats
- Although the fund recognizes that basic science is a critical first step in conservation initiatives, preference is given to projects where there is a significant conservation action component.

The Fund supports the study of wildlife; the protection of habitats; the development of community conservation and education programs in critical ecosystems; and experiences that connect children to nature across the globe. Colleges and universities may have to apply either through or in conjunction with their school's foundation or in partnership with another non-profit organization.

[See the full text of this grant](#)

Grants for Initiatives That Raise Awareness on Global Health, Hunger, and Poverty

Funding Source: New Venture Fund for Communications

Deadline: Ongoing

Grants of the New Venture Fund for Communications are strategic and timely investments to raise public awareness, knowledge, and engagement on global health, hunger, and poverty. The ultimate intent of the investment strategy is to support the public and decision-makers in their efforts to address these issues. Funded projects support goals such as:

- Raise awareness, knowledge, and engagement among decision-makers, influencers, and the engaged public on global health and development nationally and internationally. Priority issues include communications projects focused on development aid; agriculture; economic empowerment; family planning; infectious diseases (HIV, TB, malaria, polio); vaccine delivery; and reproductive, maternal, newborn, child, and adolescent health.
- Support innovative communications and media partnerships and projects that create, test, and share new measurement frameworks, tools, and research to increase the visibility of issues.

[See the full text of this grant](#)

Grants for Projects That Address Critical Needs Within the Health Care Community

Funding Source: CharterCARE Foundation

Deadline: Ongoing

Grants of the CharterCARE Foundation's Innovation Grant Program fund Rhode Island projects that address critical needs within the health care community. These programs address a previously unmet need, benefit a significant population, and transcend geographic, ethnic and cultural barriers. The Foundation is looking for innovative pilot programs or creative expansion/application of proven programs that will change or save lives. Funding is available up to \$15,000

[See the full text of this grant](#)