COVID-19 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Rapid-Response Grants on Covid-19 and the Social Sciences  
The Social Science Research Council  
Due Date: 6/1/2020  

The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) seeks proposals from across the social sciences and related fields that address the social, economic, cultural, psychological, and political impact of Covid-19 in the United States and globally, as well as responses to the pandemic's wide-ranging effects. Researchers who hold a PhD in any social science disciplines or related interdisciplinary fields are eligible to apply.

Rapid Response to Novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) Impacts Across Food and Agricultural Systems  
U.S. Department of Agriculture – National Institute of Food and Agriculture  
Due Date: 6/4/2020  

The COVID-19 pandemic is impacting the nation's food and agricultural systems. Currently, data is needed to reliably guide decision-making that are supported by scientific evidence. This program area priority addresses the need to develop and deploy rapid, reliable, and readily adoptable strategies across the food and agriculture enterprise in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. These strategies should mitigate urgent threats from the COVID-19 virus (SARS-CoV-2) and ensure the availability of an accessible, safe, nutritious, and abundant food supply. Proposals addressing this priority can be local, regional or national in scope and should employ interdisciplinary teams with the capacity to address the range of problems faced by the entire food and agriculture enterprise, from production to consumption. Funded projects are expected to provide solutions to include tools, techniques, technologies, food supply logistics, innovations, and other practices that can be rapidly adopted by various end-users. This program area priority is designed to rapidly enhance and fill knowledge and information gaps, strengthen and support critical cross-cutting issues to protect the food and agriculture supply chain, health and security of livestock, safety of our foods, as well as the well-being of farm, food service providers, and rural Americans.

The Booz Allen Foundation Innovation Fund  
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Due Date: 6/5/2020  
https://boozallenfoundation.org/innovationfund/?utm_source=media&utm_medium=pr&utm_campaign=BAF  

The Innovation Fund is intended to help nonprofits, entrepreneurs, thought leaders, innovators at colleges and universities, and startups and small businesses harness the power of data, technology, and diverse intellectual capital to improve COVID-19 relief efforts. The focus is on solutions and projects that will build lasting community resilience through protecting vulnerable populations and frontline workers or providing for the safe return to work.
Research Grants on Education: COVID-19 Related Special Grant Cycle
Spencer Foundation
Due Date: 6/8/2020
https://www.spencer.org/grant_types/research-grants-on-education-covid-19-related-special-grant-cycle

The COVID-19 Related Research Grants support education research projects that will contribute to understanding the rapid shifts in education in this time of crisis and change. The focus is on: 1.) studies that aim to understand and disrupt the reproduction and deepening of educational inequality caused by the COVID-19 crisis; and 2.) research projects that are working to reimagine educational opportunities in these times.

NIH Science Education Partnership Award (SEPA) (R25 - Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
National Institutes of Health – National Institute of General Medical Services.
Due Date: 6/14/2020

The NIH Research Education Program (R25) supports research education activities in the mission areas of the NIH. The overarching goal of this R25 program is to support educational activities that complement and/or enhance the training of a workforce to meet the nation’s biomedical, behavioral and clinical research needs. To accomplish the stated over-arching goal, this FOA will support creative educational activities with a primary focus on: Courses for Skills Development, Research Experiences, Mentoring Activities, Curriculum or Methods Development, Outreach. Information on current SEPA projects can be found at: https://www.nigms.nih.gov/Research/crcb/sepa/Pages/default.aspx and https://www.nihsepa.org Applicants are strongly encouraged to consult with the SEPA Scientific/Research Contact to be advised on the appropriateness of the intended project for SEPA program objectives and the priorities of the NIGMS.

MIT Solve: Health Security & Pandemics Challenge
MIT Solve
Due Date: 6/18/2020
https://solve.mit.edu/challenges/health-security-pandemics

MIT Solve is seeking tech innovations that can slow and track the spread of an emerging outbreak, for example by improving individual hygiene, developing low-cost rapid diagnostics, analyzing data that informs decision making, and providing tools that protect health workers. Solve is also seeking solutions that focus on preventative and mitigation measures that strengthen access to affordable primary healthcare systems, enhance disease surveillance systems, and improve healthcare supply chains.

Call for Projects: Bouncing Back to a Better Planet
Paris Peace Forum
Due Date: 6/24/2020
https://parispeaceforum.org/call-for-projects/

Each year, the Paris Peace Forum launches a Call for Projects to select concrete governance solutions which take on global challenges related to the 6 themes comprising the focus of the annual event: Peace & Security, Development, Environment, New technologies, Inclusive economy, Culture & Education. In 2020, the world is facing a transnational challenge in the form of a worldwide health crisis. This year, given the extraordinary context of the Coronavirus pandemic, the Forum will emphasize projects and initiatives from around the world seeking to respond to the COVID-19 crisis, improve our collective resilience and build a more robust and sustainable world. Particular attention will be paid to projects improving: the governance of health, the use and regulation of digital tools and platforms to respond to the crisis, the support of civil society and economic activity in times of pandemics. In addition, initiatives addressing other global governance issues will also be highlighted in the Forum, particularly those related to the following objectives: Constructing more solid security architectures, Reconciling development finance with climate efforts, Crafting sustainable capitalism, Protecting the oceans, Improving access to clean water, Making outer space safe and sustainable, Securing cyberspace, Regulating the use of data and AI, Enhancing the governance of education, Ensuring gender equality.
The COVID-19 Detect and Protect Challenge, an initiative of the United Nations Development Programme in partnership with Hackster.io, is calling on Hackster’s global community to support developing countries through the sharing and transfer of open source technology. The Challenge has three priority actions: 1.) design replicable, low-cost tools to aid in coronavirus detection; 2.) flatten the curve in communities with preventive solutions; and 3.) reduce the disease’s impact on economies of these vulnerable areas. Winners can receive up to $25,000 in prizes.

The U.S. Embassy Quito and U.S. Consulate Guayaquil Public Affairs Sections (PAS) of the U.S. Department of State are pleased to announce an open competition for individuals or organizations (educational or non-profit) for projects that will reactivate the Ecuadorian economy and/or support communities during and after the Covid-19 state of emergency. Purpose of Grants: Funding is available for proposals to reactivate the Ecuadorian economy, or/and support communities during and post Covid-19 through projects that highlight shared values between the United States and Ecuador. All projects must align with one U.S. Mission Priorities and/or one U.S. foreign policy theme. We are particularly interested in proposals that fall into one of the following Program Priority Areas. PROGRAM PRIORITY AREAS: Projects that revive the economy during and after the global pandemic, improve the business climate, entrepreneurship, innovation, and corporate social responsibility. Projects that support human rights, racial / ethnic equality, gender equality and the empowerment of women, diversity and social inclusion in a strong civil society and that can improve the lives of at-risk youth, women, or marginalized communities during or after Covid-19. Programs related to the fight against disinformation, press freedom that improves the quality of investigative journalism and transparency during or after Covid-19.

The Call for Code Global Challenge, an initiative of IBM, asks the world’s developers to build solutions for COVID-19 and climate change. Interests include crisis communication, remote education, and community cooperation.

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to support investigative and collaborative research focused on understanding the long-term effects of natural and/or human-made disasters on health care systems serving health disparity populations in communities in the U.S., including the U.S. territories. NIH-designated health disparity populations include racial and ethnic minorities (Blacks/African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, American Indians/Alaska Natives, Asians, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders), sexual and gender minorities, socioeconomically disadvantaged populations, and underserved rural populations.
Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) Broad Agency Announcement
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response
Due Date: 10/31/2020

BARDA is the lead federal agency for supporting advanced development of MCM to protect the United States against public health emergency threats, including CBRN agents, emerging infectious diseases, and pandemic influenza. The Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness and Advanced Innovation Act of 2019 authorizes BARDA to promote (i) innovations in technologies that may assist MCM advanced research and development, (ii) research and development of tools, devices, and technologies, and (iii) research to promote strategic initiatives, such as rapid diagnostics, broad spectrum antimicrobials, and vaccine manufacturing technologies. The continuing threat of terrorism, pandemic influenza, and emerging diseases underscores the compelling need to develop new and improved MCM for protecting all segments of the civilian population. BARDA is soliciting proposals for the advanced research and development of MCM for CBRN agents; the ever-present and ever-evolving threat of novel influenza; and the re-emergence and emergence of infectious diseases that threaten the U.S. civilian population. This BAA will support the development of candidate products and diagnostic tools to meet the challenging requirements of CBRN MCM (e.g., post-exposure efficacy, extended shelf life, storage, distribution, and dispensing). COVID-19 response related Areas of Interest includes: AOI 7.7.1 Diagnostic assay for human coronavirus using existing FDA-cleared platforms AOI 7.7.2 Point-of-care diagnostic assay for detection of SARS-CoV-2 virus AOI 7.7.3 Diagnostic assay for detection of COVID-19 disease (SARS-CoV-2 infection) AOI 8.3 COVID-19 Vaccine AOI 9.2 COVID-19 Therapeutics AOI 9.3 Immunomodulators or therapeutics targeting lung repair AOI 9.5 Pre-exposure and post-exposure prophylaxis AOI 10 Respiratory protective devices AOI 11 Ventilators AOI 17 Advanced Manufacturing Technologies.

Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases (EEID)
National Science Foundation
Due Date: 11/18/2020

The multi-agency Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases program supports research on the ecological, evolutionary, and social drivers that influence the transmission dynamics of infectious diseases. The central theme of submitted projects must be the quantitative or computational understanding of pathogen transmission dynamics. The intent is discovery of principles of infectious disease transmission and testing mathematical or computational models that elucidate infectious disease systems. Projects should be broad, interdisciplinary efforts that go beyond the scope of typical studies. They should focus on the determinants and interactions of transmission among humans, non-human animals, and/or plants.

Mozilla Open Source Support (MOSS) Awards Program – COVID-19 Solutions Fund
Mozilla
Due Date: Continuous Submission

Mozilla will provide awards of up to $50,000 each to open source technology projects which are responding to the COVID-19 pandemic in some way. As part of the Mozilla Open Source Support Program (MOSS), the COVID-19 Solutions Fund will provide awards for open source technology projects which are responding to the COVID-19 pandemic in some way. As part of the COVID-19 Solutions Fund, Mozilla will accept applications that are hardware (e.g., an open source ventilator), software (e.g., a platform that connects hospitals with people who have 3D printers who can print parts for that open source ventilator), as well as software that solves for secondary effects of COVID-19 (e.g., a browser plugin that combats COVID related misinformation).
Special Call for COVID-19 Projects
CIRM – California Institute for Regenerative Medicine
Due Date: Continuous Submission
https://www.cirm.ca.gov/sites/default/files/files/funding_page/COVID19-SA_0.pdf

The CIRM has allocated $5 million in funding for peer-reviewed regenerative medicine and stem cell research that could quickly advance treatments for COVID-19. Support is provided for promising discovery, preclinical, and clinical trial stage projects.

National Science Foundation: Rapid Response Research
National Science Foundation
Due Date: Continuous Submission

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is accepting proposals to conduct non-medical, non-clinical-care research that can be used immediately to explore how to model and understand the spread of COVID-19, to inform and educate about the science of virus transmission and prevention, and to encourage the development of processes and actions to address this global challenge. Researchers may use the Rapid Response Research (RAPID) funding mechanism to submit requests up to $200,000 and up to one year in duration.