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[HTTP://WWW.BCBSNCFUNDATION.ORG/GRANTS/](http://www.bcbsncfoundation.org/grants/)
Range of Grants: \$10,000 to \$100,000.

Deadline(s): August 15 and February 15

The Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation's primary objective is to invest in clearly-defined, innovative grants that further their mission of improving the health and well-being of North Carolinians. Blue Cross Blue Shield embraces an outcomes approach to grantmaking, and are committed to proactively supporting organizations and programs capable of attaining measurable results.

1. Healthy Active Communities grantmaking decisions are based on an organization's ability to achieve one or more of the following objectives, with highest consideration given to those proposals that utilize a combination of programming, environmental changes, and policy changes to address physical activity and healthy eating:

- ♣ Measurably increase physical activity and healthy eating opportunities for school age children and staff
- ♣ Measurably increase physical activity and healthy eating opportunities in rural communities or for vulnerable populations in urban communities

2. Health of Vulnerable Populations grantmaking decisions are based on an organization's ability to achieve one or more of the following objectives:

- ♣ Measurably increase supply of and access to health care (prevention and treatment) for vulnerable populations
- ♣ Measurably increase appropriate consumer use of health care resources by vulnerable populations and improve individual health behaviors within this population.

ELIZABETH FIRESTONE GRAHAM FOUNDATION
[HTTP://EFGFOUNDATION.COM/APPLICATIONGUIDLINES.HTML](http://efgfoundation.com/applicationguidelines.html)
Range of Grants: \$5,000 to \$20,000

Deadline(s): Letters of Inquiry due March 15 and August 15

Funding from the Elizabeth Firestone Graham Foundation is currently available to support direct costs for catalogues and other publications accompanying contemporary art exhibitions and projects, especially those supporting emerging and under-recognized artists and produced by smaller organizations outside the nation's cultural centers. Limited funds are also available for publications related to the grantee organization and its programs or collections.

The Foundation does not provide grants for individuals, general operating expenses, capital campaigns, endowment funds, or projects supporting the work of deceased artists, and prefers one-time special projects that are originated by the applying organization. Requests for projects that take place within one year of the request will be given priority consideration.

Letters of inquiry are required before submission of a full proposal. LOI's are accepted throughout the year for preliminary review by the grants committee but must be received by March 15 for the Spring funding cycle and by August 15 for the Fall funding cycle. Letters of inquiry will not be accepted via fax or email. If the request is recommended for further consideration, the applicant will be invited to submit a full proposal.

JOHNS HOPKINS PREPAREDNESS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE RESEARCH CENTER
<http://www.scangrants.com/grant/2009/8/3/johns-hopkins-preparedness-and-emergency-response-research-center-funding-opportunity-announcement.aspx>
Range of Grants: Maximum: \$30,000

Deadline(s): August 3, 2009

The Johns Hopkins Preparedness and Emergency Response Research Center (JHPERRC) presents a funding opportunity available for research activities in the field of mental and behavioral health systems preparedness and emergency response research.

PILOT PROJECT PROGRAM: The goal of this program is to provide seed money for preliminary data generation in new research areas directly related to building capacity, competency, and coordination of the public health system to prepare for and respond to mental and behavioral health aspects of emergencies.

ELIGIBILITY: Projects proposed for any new research areas directly related to the core mission and research activities of the PERRC.

Proposals submitted for review need to specify:

- ♣ The aims of the pilot project
- ♣ Background and significance of the project including how it relates to PERRC mission and aims
- ♣ Relevant past studies and research activities of the investigator
- ♣ Research design and methods
- ♣ Budget

THE MCCORMICK FOUNDATION
<http://www.mccormicktribune.org/conferences/conferenceproposals.aspx>
Range of Grants: up to \$150,000
Deadline(s): August 28, 2009

The McCormick Foundation partners with local, national, and international experts to convene top-quality conferences on a range of topics.

The McCormick Foundation Conference Series was conceived to bring together people of diverse backgrounds and perspectives to examine critical issues, reach new levels of understanding and develop long-term solutions.

The goal of these conferences is to create lasting policy impact by facilitating balanced and challenging discussions of issues critical to our communities and our nation.

Academic institutions, policy experts, and public, nonprofit and private sector professionals from all fields are welcome to submit a proposal for the 2010 conference season.

For detailed submission guidelines and a downloadable application form, please [click here](#).

Z. SMITH REYNOLDS FOUNDATION
[HTTP://WWW.ZSR.ORG/INFO APPLICANTS.HTM](http://www.zsr.org/info_applicants.htm)

Range of Grants: The Foundation has two grant processes: one for **small grants** (requests of up to \$35,000 for up to 2 years) and another for **strategic grants** (requests for more than \$35,000 per year).

Deadline(s): August 3, 2009 and February, 2010

The Foundation focuses its grant making on five focus areas:

Community Economic Development

The Foundation seeks to foster economic well-being, vitality and sustainability by promoting asset-building for individuals, families, and communities in North Carolina.

Environment

The Foundation seeks to conserve, protect, improve and restore North Carolina's natural areas; to ensure clean air and water for all North Carolinians; and to minimize the burden of the state's environmental hazards, particularly on marginalized communities.

Social Justice and Equity

The Foundation seeks to eliminate the unjust and unequal treatment of people of color, immigrants and those who are economically disadvantaged; eradicate the physical and sexual violence that threatens the lives and well-being of women; protect the rights of women to make choices about their reproductive health; and provide adolescents with information and choices that encourage them to avoid pregnancy.

Democracy and Civic Engagement

***An important note about this focus area:** As part of a strategic review, the ZSR Board of Trustees has decided to limit grants in the Democracy and Civic Engagement focus area for the Fall 2009 grant cycle. Only grantees from the past three years (May 2006-present) will be considered for small or strategic grant funding in this focus area. The Board of Trustees will re-examine the Democracy and Civic Engagement focus area through the remainder of 2009 and hopes to announce any changes to the focus area description by early 2010.

Pre-Collegiate Education

The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation continues to reexamine its grant making in the Pre-collegiate Education Focus Area. We hope to launch a new education initiative later this year and will make very few grants in this focus area in 2009 outside of the initiative. Details about the new initiative will be posted soon. [Click here](#) if you would like to be notified when more information becomes available.

Applicants are encouraged to review the [results sought](#) within each relevant focus area to better understand the fit of their organization's work or project within the priorities of the Foundation.

NEXT STEPS:

1. Determine if the prospect is a good fit for your project by reading the information provided and visiting the organization's website.
2. Complete the attached Project Concept Form.
3. E-mail the Project Concept Form to Sharon Hamilton, CFR Director at hamiltons@ecu.edu and Patricia Reidinger, CFR Associate Director at reidingerp@ecu.edu.

We will contact you to arrange a strategy meeting to discuss your project in detail and assist you with the proposal development process.

The G.I.F.T. Center

Grants Information – Funding for Tomorrow

**Are you searching for a funder for your project?
Make an appointment to explore the G.I.F.T. Center.**

The mission of the G.I.F.T. Center is to provide access to research, training, and editing services to support and enhance the efforts of ECU faculty and staff members in obtaining corporate, foundation and other non-governmental grants.

The G.I.F.T. Center is located in the Greenville Centre. Appointments are required. Please call Tricia Reidinger at 737-1820 or email reidingerp@ecu.edu to schedule a convenient time for individual instruction.

Please forward this issue of CFR Connections to colleagues who may be interested in pursuing the grant opportunities listed above.