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"Come walk with me along the sea where dusk sits on the land,
and search with me for shells are free
and treasures hide in sand."
~ V. Boswell ~

THE DR. ROBERT C. ATKINS FOUNDATION

<http://www.atkinsfoundation.org/>

Range of Grants: Wide range: grants awarded from 5 to 7 figures

Deadlines: Initial approach: brief letter of inquiry

The Dr. Robert C. Atkins Foundation was established in 1999 by the late Dr. Robert C. Atkins and his wife Veronica to support research in the field of metabolism and nutrition. Following the death of her husband in 2003, Mrs. Atkins-Mersentes initiated a new phase of the Foundation's charitable efforts. In September 2003, the Foundation became a supporting organization of National Philanthropic Trust, a 501(C)(3) public charity.

The mission of the Dr. Robert C. Atkins Foundation is to positively impact and elevate the role of nutrition in health and lifestyle through a proactive grant-making strategy that seeks to invest in the science of nutrition and the formulation of nutrition policy. Recognizing that we cannot do this by ourselves, the Foundation will achieve its goals by finding partners in the public, private and nonprofit sectors who will join us in collectively rethinking the role of nutrition in disease prevention and health management.

Seeking to positively impact disease prevention and health management worldwide, the Foundation has awarded nearly \$29 million in grant money to support nutrition research and educational programs.

The Foundation does not intend to award grants in 2010 in light of the current economic situation. However, the Foundation does anticipate awarding future grants as economic circumstances improve. Thus, the guidelines that follow describe the Foundation's normal operating procedures.

The Foundation's primary grantmaking priority is to support scientific, evidence-based and clinical research that examines the role of metabolic and nutrition protocols in obesity, cancer, heart disease, Alzheimer's disease, diabetes and other major health issues confronting our society today.

The Foundation seeks to support studies that will help elucidate the impact and clinical responses that macronutrients and micronutrients have on metabolic, bio-chemical, physiologic and genetic activity within the body.

The Foundation focuses on issues of obesity, diabetes, coronary artery disease and their broad reaching influences to overall health and wellness of children in particular, and adults in general. Although a broad spectrum of research questions will be considered, obesity and diabetes are primary concerns for the Foundation.

The second grantmaking priority is education and policy dialogue. The Foundation is committed to supporting organizations that are interested in advancing nutrition policy in the United States.

Details can be reviewed via this link: <http://www.atkinsfoundation.org/downloads/Atkinsgrantguidelines310.pdf>

CONAGRA FOODS FOUNDATION

<http://www.conagrafoodsfoundation.org/index.jsp>

Range of Grants: \$10,000 to \$100,000

Deadlines: Jan. 11 to Jan. 29 - Initial approach: online letter of intent

ConAgra Foods Foundation seeks to support leading nonprofits in the following areas:

Direct Services—Helping organizations implement high-impact, innovative feeding, hunger relief, and nutrition education programs. ConAgra Foods Foundation supports organizations and programs that:

- ♣ Strive to provide hungry and food insecure children with meals that meet their nutritional needs.
- ♣ Increase families' ability to access healthy, balanced food options.
- ♣ Teach children and families about good nutrition, healthy habits and ways to prevent diseases or problems related to malnutrition, food insecurity, and obesity.
- ♣ Encourage physical activity as a supplemental component to a program largely focused on feeding children or providing them with nutrition education.

Capacity Building—Strengthening the internal capabilities, operations, and expertise of organizations to reach as many hungry and food insecure children as possible in the quickest, most effective way. ConAgra Foods Foundation supports efforts to:

- ♣ Strengthen an organization's ability to enhance infrastructure, procedures, processes and organizational systems that will help to sustain the expansion and replication of high-quality programs.
- ♣ Foster collaboration and partnership among service providers to minimize duplication, streamline service offerings, and increase the number of children served.
- ♣ Support current leadership and foster the future leadership of the hunger field.
- ♣ Strengthen an organization's ability to collect, analyze and demonstrate the impact of its programs and services in the community.
- ♣ Provide an effective, systematic approach to providing nutrition education and related food skills to children in need and their families.

Advocacy—Mobilizing resources to heighten public awareness and understanding of the interrelated issues, root causes and effects of child hunger and poor nutrition. ConAgra Foods Foundation supports organizations and programs that:

- ♣ Raise awareness to change the way child hunger and nutrition are viewed in the United States.
- ♣ Activate stakeholders in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors toward action, greater impact, and increased funding for eliminating child hunger and improving the nutritional health of children.
- ♣ Research and report on best practices, root causes and effects, and issues and challenges that impact the fields of child hunger and nutrition.

JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH FOUNDATION

<http://www.jdrf.org/index.cfm>

Deadline/ Range of Grants: As the leading charitable funder of diabetes research worldwide, JDRF offers a wide variety of grants and fellowships to qualified researchers. Click the link provided below to review a full list of priorities, grant award ranges and deadlines: http://www.jdrf.org/files/General_Files/For_Scientists/MS2010/Application_Deadlines040710ER.pdf

The mission of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International (JDRF) is to find a cure for type 1 diabetes and its complications through the support of research.

To accomplish this mission, JDRF will provide approximately \$100 million in fiscal year 2010, representing \$40M of total new research funding to support relevant exploratory research, discovery research, non-clinical development research, clinical research, and clinical development research relevant to type 1 diabetes in the therapeutic areas of:

- ♣ Beta Cell Replacement
- ♣ Beta Cell Regeneration
- ♣ Autoimmunity
- ♣ Complications
- ♣ Metabolic Control

With a goal of:

- ♣ Restoration and maintenance of normal glucose regulation in type 1 diabetes, including
- ♣ restoration of beta cell function, immunoregulation, and metabolic control
- ♣ Prevention of type 1 diabetes
- ♣ Prevention and treatment of complications of diabetes

THE MAZDA FOUNDATION

<http://www.mazdafoundation.org/aboutus.html>

Range of Grants: \$5,000 to \$80,000

Deadlines: Applications accepted from May 1 through July 1 each year. Organizations that have submitted an application that is of interest to the Foundation will be required to submit a formal proposal.

Through the Mazda Foundation, Mazda and its employees are working together to proactively help the communities - to build a better, brighter future. With contributions exceeding \$5 million since its founding in 1992, the Mazda Foundation is playing a meaningful role in helping thousands of Americans realize their aspirations and dreams.

The Mazda Foundation awards grants to programs promoting:

- ♣ Education and literacy
- ♣ Environmental conservation
- ♣ Cross-cultural understanding
- ♣ Social welfare
- ♣ Scientific research

Through the institutions that the Mazda Foundation supports, they are helping to maintain a clean environment, preserve historic landmarks, foster youth literacy, enhance cross-cultural understanding and advance medical research to find a cure for juvenile diabetes.

THE SARA LEE FOUNDATION

<http://www.saraleefoundation.org/overview/intro.cfm>

Range of Grants: Wide range: grants awarded from 5 to 6 figures

Deadlines: None – Initial approach: online letter of intent. Board meets annually in June

The Sara Lee Foundation was founded in 1981 to formalize Sara Lee's dedication to community service. Since then, the Foundation has grown and set a new standard for corporate giving, touching millions of lives, helping those in need, and fostering artistic expression.

To ensure the most effective use of its grant funds, the Sara Lee Foundation operates within guidelines that direct its support to nonprofit organizations working in the following areas:

- ♣ [food-related programs such as food insecurity](#)
- ♣ [nutrition and healthy lifestyles](#)
- ♣ [women's self-sufficiency and](#)
- ♣ [diversity through highly visible cultural programs](#)

The Sara Lee Foundation utilizes an [Online Letter-Of-Intent](#) (LOI) and invitational Request-For-Proposal system. The process is designed to allow both prospective nonprofit organizations and Sara Lee to maximize time and resources in the granting process.

The G.I.F.T. Center

Grant Information – Funding for Tomorrow

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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 Reidingerp at 737-1820 or email reidingerp@ecu.edu to schedule a convenient time for individual instruction.

