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## **American Diabetes Association Announces New Grants Available to Further Research Impact of Health Disparities on Diabetes Community**

*Applications now being accepted for over \$1 million in grants to expand ADA research on impact of health disparities in underserved communities*

**ARLINGTON, Va. (April 26, 2021)** – Today, the American Diabetes Association® (ADA) announced that applications are now being accepted for new grants for research into the impact of health disparities on the diabetes community to address these health inequities. With over \$1 million in total grant awards, the ADA is broadening its reach into the health disparities space in order to accomplish the goal of identifying and ending systemic health inequities in our communities and the impact disproportionately high rates of diabetes are having on these communities.

“As scientists and medical professionals begin to digest information regarding the impact of COVID and health disparities on underserved communities during the pandemic, we need to put that valuable data to good use for the millions of Americans living with diabetes,” said Dr. Robert Gabbay, chief scientific and medical officer of the American Diabetes Association. “By expanding ADA’s research funding to test interventions to provide reduce health disparities, we will have solid data and better insights on how to end systemic health inequities once and for all.”

The goal of this application process is to identify grants of the highest scientific merit, with the greatest potential for successful outcomes and the most innovative and transformative research ideas in order to find effective solutions to the devastating impact of health inequities on generations of communities. Health disparities adversely affect groups of people who have systematically experienced greater social and/or economic obstacles to health based on their racial or ethnic group; religion; socioeconomic status; gender; age; mental health; cognitive, sensory, or physical disability; sexual orientation; geographic location; or other characteristics historically linked to discrimination or exclusion.

The breakdown of targeted grant types is:

- Innovative Clinical or Translational Science,
- Junior Faculty Development, and
- Postdoctoral Fellowship Awards.

Application instructions, the link to our online application portal and applicable forms are available on the [grants page](#) of the American Diabetes Association website.



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# News Release

## **About the American Diabetes Association**

Every day more than 4,000 people are newly diagnosed with diabetes in America. More than 122 million Americans have diabetes or prediabetes and are striving to manage their lives while living with the disease. The American Diabetes Association (ADA) is the nation's leading voluntary health organization fighting to bend the curve on the diabetes epidemic and help people living with diabetes thrive. For 80 years the ADA has been driving discovery and research to treat, manage and prevent diabetes, while working relentlessly for a cure. We help people with diabetes thrive by fighting for their rights and developing programs, advocacy and education designed to improve their quality of life. Diabetes has brought us together. What we do next will make us Connected for Life. To learn more or to get involved, visit us at [diabetes.org](http://diabetes.org) or call 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383). Join the fight with us on Facebook ([American Diabetes Association](https://www.facebook.com/AmericanDiabetesAssociation)), Twitter ([@AmDiabetesAssn](https://twitter.com/AmDiabetesAssn)) and Instagram ([@AmDiabetesAssn](https://www.instagram.com/AmDiabetesAssn)).

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