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Subject: Limited Competition: McCune Foundation Grant

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Dear UNM Researchers,

This is to inform you about a funding opportunity through the McCune Foundation. The McCune Foundation's annual grant cycle will be open from August 15, 2021 until September 15, 2021. The foundation funds community-based projects in New Mexico in the areas of Capacity Building in the Non-Profit Sector, Economic Development & Family Asset Building, Education Transformation, Leveraging Opportunities in Health Care, Local Food Industry Development, Building Links Between Arts and Community Engagement, Stewardship in Community, Influencing Planning of Built Environments, and Strategies for Rural Development.

The McCune Charitable Foundation is dedicated to enriching the health, education, environment, cultural and spiritual life of New Mexicans. The foundation's target beneficiaries are New Mexico communities beyond the university campus or student population. Only proposals that demonstrate mutually beneficial collaboration between the university and community organizations, clear community input in the articulation of need and/or design of the proposed work, and reciprocal sharing of knowledge and resources between the university and its community partners, will be considered.

The McCune Charitable Foundation values community engaged-scholarship that goes beyond service learning and outreach and leverages the resources of the university for the purpose of addressing critical public issues in New Mexico and contributes to the well-being of New Mexico's most underserved or vulnerable populations.

The Foundation has made updates to its grant structures. Cultivate grant awards will range between \$10,000 and \$25,000 for a 12-month scope of work. Focus grant awards will range between \$25,000 and \$50,000 for a 12-month scope of work. UNM is not eligible for Lead grants. All proposed work, regardless of tier, must benefit New Mexicans. For more information

about the criteria for each type of grant, please see the foundation's [Grant Making Overview](#) and [eligibility page](#) on their website: <https://nmmccune.org/>

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- Specify which Foundation Priority the proposed work most closely aligns with. (Please read about the foundation's priority areas at <https://nmmccune.org/grant-eligibility/#foundation-priorities>)
- Specify the grant type: Cultivate grant or Focus grant.
- Description of the New Mexico communities who will be served (beyond the university campus or student population.)
- Clearly demonstrate how this project is a mutually beneficial collaboration between the university and community organizations. This should include clear community input in the articulation of need and/or design of the proposed work.
- Address how the reciprocal sharing of knowledge and resources between the university and its community partners will be achieved.

Note about the draft budget: The McCune Foundation will not pay overhead or indirect costs to the university, so please do not include those costs in your budget.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at limited@unm.edu.

If you are affiliated with HSC, please contact Corey Ford (CFord@salud.unm.edu) or Cassandra Misenar (CMisenar@salud.unm.edu) for more information.