

Resource Summary Report

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McKnight Foundation

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Resource Information

URL: <http://www.mcknight.org/>

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Description: An endowment that offers funding for neuroscience research, especially as it may apply to Minnesota, agriculture, or if the researchers are based in Minnesota. The McKnight Foundation, a Minnesota-based family foundation, seeks to improve the quality of life for present and future generations through grantmaking, collaboration, and strategic policy reform in the following areas: arts, education and learning, environment, the region and communities, agricultural research, and neuroscience research. The McKnight Foundation assists nonprofit organizations and public agencies to improve the quality of life for all people, particularly those in need. Through grantmaking, coalition-building, and encouragement of strategic policy reform, we aim to build and maintain vibrant communities; enrich people's lives through the arts; encourage protection of the natural environment; and promote research in selected fields. The Foundation had assets of approximately \$1.8 billion and gave about \$98 million in grants in 2009. Generally speaking, McKnight supports nonprofit organizations in Minnesota, U.S., only. McKnight's primary geographic focus in grantmaking is to nonprofit organizations located within the state of Minnesota. We do not provide funding outside Minnesota, with five important programmatic exceptions: * Collaborative Crop research: International. * East Africa: Tanzania and Uganda only. * Mississippi River: 10 states bordering or encompassing the Mississippi River. * Neuroscience research: National. * Southeast Asia: Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam only. Each program is different. Please consult the specific guidelines appropriate to your project or organization for funding details. With very few exceptions, McKnight funds nonprofit organizations only. To be eligible for a grant, applicants must be classified by the Internal Revenue Service as tax-exempt, nonprofit organizations. We discourage the use of fiscal agents.

Abbreviations: McKnightFdn

Synonyms: The McKnight Foundation

Resource Type: institution

Keywords: grant, art, education, learning, environment, region, community, agricultural, research, neuroscience, international, minnesota

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Alternate IDs: grid.453258.d, Crossref funder ID: 100005270, nlx_144128

Alternate URLs: <https://ror.org/003ghvj67>

Old URLs: <http://www.mcknight.org/index.aspx>

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for McKnight Foundation.

No alerts have been found for McKnight Foundation.

Data and Source Information

Source: [SciCrunch Registry](#)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 16 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [SPARC SAWG](#) .

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