Grant Title: WILLIAM T. GRANT DISTINGUISHED FELLOWS PROGRAM

Funding Opportunity Number: N/A

Agency/Department: William T. Grant Foundation.

Area of Research: Fellowship opportunity to increase the supply of, demand for, and use of high-quality research in the service of improved youth outcomes and well-being.

Release and Expiration: N/A

Application Deadline: Deadline for Letters of Inquiry: January, annually.

Amount: Up to $175,000 for the total duration of the Fellowship, two to four awards annually. The Foundation will also provide small grants up to $25,000 to the Fellowship site(s) to defray the costs associated with hosting a Distinguished Fellow.

Length of Support: Six months to two years.

Eligible Applicants: To be eligible for consideration, Fellows must (a) be influential mid-career practitioners, policymakers, or researchers; (b) submit a proposal that advances the William T. Grant Foundation's Current Research Interests; (c) propose one or two tax-exempt private and governmental organizations that are willing to "house" and mentor the Fellow.

Summary: William T. Grant Distinguished Fellows Program is for mid-career influential researchers, policymakers, and practitioners. The program is intended to help researchers strengthen the ways in which their work reflects an understanding of policy and practice, and help policymakers and practitioners enhance their capacities to recognize and use high-quality research. The goal of the Distinguished Fellows Program is to increase the supply of, demand for, and use of high-quality research in the service of improved youth outcomes and well-being. To accomplish this goal, the program gives researchers the opportunity to immerse themselves in practice or policy settings and conversely gives influential mid-career practitioners and policymakers the opportunity to work in research settings. The William T. Grant Foundation believes that the lives of youth will improve if high-quality research shapes the policies and practices that affect them. In order for this to occur, the foundation believes that researchers must understand the questions and problems that concern policymakers and practitioners as well as the daily activities and incentive systems of people working in those roles. Similarly, they believe that high-quality research will not be produced and used to any significant degree unless policymakers and practitioners understand what constitutes high-quality research and demand it. For this to occur, policymakers and practitioners need to understand how such research is designed and produced. In part, this will come through direct experience in a research setting known for producing high-quality research on questions important to the policymaker's or practitioner's work.

Detail Information: http://www.wtgrantfoundation.org/funding_opportunities/fellowships/william_t__grant_distinguished_fellows