Grants Roundup: Marcus Foundation Gives $75 Million to Heart Institute

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Here are notable new grants compiled by The Chronicle:

**Marcus Foundation**

$75 million to Piedmont Healthcare to support the growth of the Piedmont Heart Institute and to establish the Marcus Heart and Vascular Center in Atlanta. The grant kicks off a capital campaign to support Piedmont's plans to redevelop its Atlanta campus.

**Wallace Foundation**

$47 million over five years to help universities improve how they prepare future principals, especially for the nation's highest-need schools. The University Preparation Program Initiative will support the redesign of up to six such programs in states with policies that support high-quality principal training. Participating universities will be asked to partner with up to three school districts to jointly develop effective training programs.

**Andrew W. Mellon Foundation**
$30-million challenge grant to the National Gallery of Art to mark its 75th anniversary. The museum will receive $5 million outright in 2016 and another $10 million over time as it raises a three-to-one match totaling $45 million. When the gallery reaches this goal, the foundation will contribute an additional $15 million, resulting in a total of $75 million in new funding to help the museum strengthen digital, education, conservation, and other programs.

The foundation also awarded a three-year $3-million challenge grant to the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum. The funding, which will be matched two to one, will endow the position of chief conservator and will create a new role, director of engagement, conservation and collections.

**John A. Hartford Foundation**

Three grants totaling $6.7 million to support efforts to provide better health care and improve quality of life for older adults. Grantees include the University of Washington's Cambia Palliative Care Center of Excellence, which will get more than $3.5 million over three years, and the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, which will receive $2.9 million over three years.

**Conrad N. Hilton Foundation**

$5.4 million to the UCLA WORLD Policy Analysis Center to establish a fellowship program to train young leaders to tackle the Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations in 2015. Based at the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health, the center amasses data on actions taken by UN members’ governments to advance social, economic, and environmental well-being.

**HSBC**

$1.5 million over three years to City Year to help the education-focused national service organization put in place an assessment program to more effectively measure student improvement in math. The collaboration is focused on supporting students in at-risk communities.

**Kresge Foundation**
$250,000 to the Urban Land Institute to support creative efforts to stabilize declining neighborhoods in communities across the country. The Creative Place Making in Communities in America venture aims to integrate arts and culture into renewal efforts in isolated, polluted, auto-dependent commercial corridors and transform them into vibrant, safe, environmentally friendly places that better serve surrounding communities. The grant will allow the institute to hire a visiting fellow to help integrate creative place-making into its work.

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