Sponsored by the Office of the Senior Vice President for Research, researchers across Emory University and Emory Healthcare system have access to GrantForward, a robust funding opportunity database and recommendation service designed specifically for academic research.

GrantForward includes many helpful features, including a dynamic search engine with customizable filters and mechanisms for developing regular funding alerts that are sent directly to you on a regular basis of your choosing. An quick overview about GrantForward with instructions for getting started is available here, with additional step-by-step guides available here.

As discussions of a potential government shutdown have increased, below we feature how GrantForward can be used specifically to seek non-federal sources of research funding.

Create an Account

If you have not already created an account in GrantForward, follow these steps.

1) Click on Sign Up on the upper right side of the GrantForward homepage.
2) On the Create an Account page, enter your institution’s email and necessary information for your account.

Search for Grants

Next, you can create a search on GrantForward by using keywords/phrases and advanced filters to find funding opportunities that match your topics and specify non-federal funding.

Choose Search Grant Opportunities under the Grants tab.
In the **All of the Keywords/Phrases** box, enter any words or phrases related to your field of research (use quotes to match the whole phrase, and a space or comma to separate the terms).

Next, narrow your search by adding a search filter for **Sponsor Types**.

On the **Search Grant Opportunities** page, you will see all filters listed on the left side.

Under **Sponsor Types**, set the filter to **exclude** Federal sponsors and select other appropriate options to **include** based on your personal research and scholarly activities.

The search results will automatically be updated to reflect the added filters, displaying targeted non-federal funding opportunities that may be of interest to your focus areas.

Don’t forget to save and name your customized non-federal search under your GrantForward profile!