VUMC Limited Submission Opportunity Les Paul Foundation Grants Program 2024

Applications due July 18, 2024

VUMC: These instructions are for VUMC investigators. VU investigators should apply through <u>InfoReady</u> and address any questions to <u>VU-LSO@vanderbilt.edu</u>.

VUMC may submit one application per calendar year to the Les Paul Foundation Grants program. The Les Paul Foundation inspires innovative and creative thinking by sharing the legacy of Les Paul through support of music education, recording, innovation, exhibits about Les Paul and medical research related to hearing.

Funding Priorities

- Awards grants to programs and projects that encourage innovation in music production and/or performance and to innovative STEM and STEAM programs for students and others in challenging situations.
- Provides grants for medical research related to curing tinnitus and hearing impairment issues.
- Inspires the public through support of public exhibits presenting Les Paul's life and achievements.

Grant Guidelines

First time grants typically are \$1,500 to \$2,000, but there are no fixed award amounts. Project periods are one year.

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Proposals for medical research related to curing tinnitus and other hearing impairment issues are considered. All organizations must describe how Les Paul's story will be shared. Successful organizations will receive checks after the decision date.

See the <u>program page</u> and <u>FAQs</u> for more information.

Internal Application Process

Anyone interested in being considered to submit one of VUMC's proposals must submit the following (in a single PDF) to LSO@vanderbilt.edu by 5 p.m. on July 18, 2024:

- 1. Brief (2 page maximum) project description including summary budget
- 2. Letter of support from department chair/center director
- 3. NIH Biosketch

Any questions about this opportunity may be directed to LSO@vanderbilt.edu.