

# Million Dollar Bike Ride Pilot Grant Program Now Open

The [Orphan Disease Center \(ODC\)](#) at the University of Pennsylvania is pleased to announce the 2018 Million Dollar Bike Ride Pilot Grant Program. The program is now open and offering 39 different research grant opportunities focusing on 23 different rare diseases. This program provides a one-year grant to support research related to a rare disease represented in the 2018 [Million Dollar Bike Ride](#). Number of awards and dollar amounts vary per disease based on fundraising totals by each disease team. This Request for Applications (RFA) is open to the international community. All individuals holding a faculty-level appointment at an academic institution or a senior scientific position at a non-profit institution or foundation are eligible to respond to this RFA. **We ask that you please share this funding opportunity with your department or other relevant researchers.**

For more details about this grant program, rare disease focus areas, and how to apply, please visit the ODC website [here](#).

The RFA Guidelines are attached for your reference. **Letters of Interest (LOIs) are due no later than Monday, September 10, 2018 by 8pm EST.** Please refer to [our website](#) for instructions on LOI submission.

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