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Dr. Alan Gregg
Rockefeller Foundation
Rockefeller Center
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Gregg:

President Wells tells me that you suggest, in a recent telephone conversation with him, that it may not prove possible or advisable to have the Board of the Rockefeller Foundation make further appropriations for the support of our research as long as we have funds of our own.

We and the Administration of the University are disturbed at this possibility. In correspondence with Dr. Corner, he repeats that the National Research Council's Committee for Research on Problems of Sex "understands and approves your plan of operating under support of the same type and financial extent that you have had in recent years." He tells me that this includes a specific recommendation to the Foundation for a continuation of \$40,000 per annum for our work. He further indicates that he is agreeable to our contacting you directly.

The essential data which you need may be briefly summarized as follows:

1. Discontinuation of Rockefeller Foundation support at this juncture of our program will be taken by the population at large as a vote of no confidence in the research.

2. The original plans of this research, as discussed with you, the National Research Council, and the Administration here at the University, called for expansion considerably beyond anything that was possible during the war years. Now, for the first time, men of research experience begin to be available.

3. Probably not more than ten per cent of the material on our histories of males was utilized in the publication of the first volume. The expansion of our series of histories, and the utilization of the data that are now accumulated, will be possible only if we can expand our present staff.

4. We need four or more additional staff members who will be primarily concerned with history taking.

5. The project needs strengthening in psychological and statistical areas. It now seems probable that we can get one of the country's top men who combines these two fields. This will cost, however, \$10,000 or \$11,000 a year.

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6. There are basic physiologic, neurologic, and other biologic problems in which we should be doing research. There should be a closer integration of the work that has been done with other mammals and our own work with the human. Because of our abundant contacts, it will be possible for us to carry on this work as no independent investigator starting from scratch could carry it on elsewhere.

7. Our project on sex offenders and the whole legal status of social control of sexual behavior has been underway since the beginning of the research. The social interest in this material is great, but we will have to expand our staff before we can bring together the scholarly volume that is needed in this field.

8. Because of our contacts with a large number of top artists, we have an opportunity to analyze the relation of the erotic element^{and} the artistic productions of our own and of some other cultures.

9. When the Rockefeller grant for \$40,000 per annum was originally made, I pointed out that we hoped to have income enough from our publications to take care of some of the expansions outlined above. In accordance with that, we have, this year, used more money for the support of the research than we are receiving from the Rockefeller grant.

10. The enclosed budget for nearly \$100,000 for the work for next year takes care of some of the expansion outlined above, but as fast as other men become available they should be added to the staff. It will ultimately take as much as \$160,000 a year to carry the project which we have outlined above.

11. Such an expansion cannot be supported by income from our published volumes alone. So far we have received about \$180,000 from the first book, but the royalties for the next two years will probably not amount to more than \$30,000 a year. Without outside help we would have difficulty in financing the program until royalties from the female volume become available some two and a half years hence.

12. Moreover, it is imperative that our financing be on something more than a year-to-year basis. It is impossible to get men to leave top university positions to join our staff unless we can give them some assurance that this is a long-time, continuing project which is adequately financed. For that reason, we have hoped to establish some reserve fund which would make it possible to add men when they became available, or to take care of other emergencies in the budget. We cannot hope to establish any principal fund which will take care of a project of this size on interest alone. A reserve fund could do no more than take care of emergencies while other ways and means were being worked out.

13. If put to it, this research could support itself. The possibility of earning considerable amounts through lecturing and popular writing are not, however, methods that we want to consider except as a last resort. The work

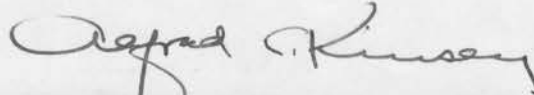
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is so important that we should not spend time on anything but actual research. From one source or another, we shall need foundation or private support to carry this work on.

I should be very glad to supply any further information that you need in regard to the above matter, and I am ready to drop everything else and come to New York to see you personally if you suggest it.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Alfred C. Kinsey". The signature is fluid and elegant, with the first name "Alfred" and last name "Kinsey" clearly distinguishable.

Alfred C. Kinsey
Professor of Zoology

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INSTITUTE FOR SEX RESEARCH

ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR, JULY 1, 1949 - JULY 1, 1950:

Name	Title	Amount
Alfred C. Kinsey (Paid by Indiana University 1948-49, \$8150)	Professor of Zoology	
New Appointee		\$10,000.00
Wardell B. Pomeroy	Research Associate & Instructor	7,600.00
Clyde E. Martin	Research Associate & Instructor	6,800.00
Paul H. Gebhard	Research Associate & Instructor in Anthropology	5,800.00
Jeannette H. Foster	Research Librarian & Associate Professor of Library Science	5,200.00
Hedwig Leser	German Translator (part-time, \$4500 basis)	2,250.00 (part-time)
William Dellenback	Photographer & Research Assistant	4,800.00
Helen Wallin	Secretary & Research Assistant	4,200.00
Elizabeth Murnan	Statistical Assistant	3,100.00
Jean M. Brown	Typist & Research Assistant	2,200.00
Laboratory equipment & maintenance	Paid by Indiana University	
Retirement allowance		1,050.00
Field expenses		15,000.00
Library & Collections; purchases and maintenance		20,000.00
Photographic equipment	(Part may be covered by Indiana University)	10,000.00
		<u>\$98,000.00</u>

TOTAL - \$98,000.00 plus University contribution of A.C.Kinsey salary and laboratory space, equipment, and maintenance.