

Community Engagement, Research and Impact Grant

The Office of Engagement *Community Engagement, Research and Impact Grant* will support Purdue faculty planning to establish reciprocal relationships with communities that manifest in collaborative knowledge expansion through research, and measurable community impact facilitated by all university mission areas—discovery, teaching, and engagement.

Faculty interested in this inaugural award are encouraged to:

1. form an interdisciplinary team of at least two faculty from different fields of study,
2. choose an area of focus—for instance, determinants of health
3. identify a potential community and research partner.

The call for proposals and applications will open June 15, 2025 and will close August 1, 2025.

Eligibility

Purdue faculty (tenure, clinical/professional, lecturers) from all disciplines at the West Lafayette and Indianapolis campuses are eligible to apply for this award.

Grant Project Period

September 2025 through September 2026

Expectations

Award recipients are expected to:

1. participate in the Engagement Fellows Community of Practice,
2. produce scholarly output from their collaborative research and engagement, and
3. participate in the 2026 Community Impact Summit.

Deliverables will include:

1. a project logic model (by October 1, 2025)
2. promotion document or annual activity report (Elements) entries from conference and or publication submissions (minimum two submissions) included in a brief project impact report detailing the short-term outcomes of the project and the associated impact. (August 31, 2026)

Grant Budget and Anticipated Number of Awards

Grants will range between \$20,000 and \$30,000. The Office of Engagement plans to fund up to three awards.

Proposal Guidelines and Submission Instructions

Proposals should include the following:

Cover Sheet (1 page)

- a. Project Title
- b. Project Abstract (50 words or less)
- c. Research Areas (Discipline/Medium)
- d. Amount of total request
- e. PI/Co-PI Information
 - 1. Name, title, department, college, campus address, email, phone

Project Summary and Budget (4 page maximum)

- a. Engagement Project Description (500 - 700 words)
 - 1. Include the issue/challenge you're addressing along with your tentative research question/hypothesis or guiding questions
 - 2. Include the anticipated activities for this project
 - 3. Include the anticipated timeline
- b. Community Partner Information
 - 1. Who are they?
 - 2. How will they be involved throughout the project?
 - 3. From their perspective, what is the need you're addressing together?
- c. Briefly discuss plans for project assessment and or evaluation
- d. Briefly discuss plans for scholarly output
- e. Briefly discuss anticipated impact
- f. Budget and justification – provide an itemized budget and explain the expenses

Email questions and proposals to Dr. Jason Ware, *Office of Engagement Fellow*.

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