

## **IN-MaC Micro-Grant Program: Connecting Education, Industry, and Community Initiatives focused on industry exposure and experiences**

IN-MaC has launched the 2021-22 Micro-Grant Program, awarding dollars to foster the growth of youth and adult manufacturing initiatives around the state of Indiana.

This program aims to provide grant funding to education (K-16), industry, and community-based organizations who implement creative ways to enhance youth and adult experiences in industry. Ranging from \$1,000 - \$2,000, the Micro-Grants are designed to support innovation and encourage organizations to dedicate funds towards development and program implementation that impact industry awareness.

### **IN-MaC has a targeted interest in:**

- Projects focused on exposing youth (K-12) to manufacturing through:
  - Virtual Experience or Exposure to Industry Careers
  - STEM Equipment/Curriculum
  - Industry Awareness
  - Hands-On Experiences
  - Camps
  - STEM Related Experiences
- Campaigns focused on efforts to increase exposure and awareness to industry
- Innovative projects that demonstrate creativity and that can serve as a model for other organizations and communities across Indiana

### **We currently do not fund:**

- General or ongoing organizational support (salaries)
- Campaigns for political candidates

### **Who can apply?**

Micro-Grant funds are open to:

- Education (K-16)
- Industry
- Community partners

### **Apply**

IN-MaC is accepting request for proposal (RFP): <https://bit.ly/3yVnCuN>

Micro-Grant funds will be distributed to organizations once applications are accepted and approved.

### **Deadline**

Grants must be applied for in advance of the opportunity. Retroactive requests will **not** be accepted. Grant cycle will run from October 1, 2021– June 1, 2022.

## Micro-Grant Network and Reporting Requirements

Grant recipient expectations include:

- As a micro-grant recipient, you will become part of our IN-MaC Micro-Grant Network. You will be required to attend the annual networking event (summit) and provide updates regarding progress throughout the grant process. Examples: pictures, media posts, logo usage and quotes from participants.

Report Requirements:

- A short write up (400 words or less) explaining your project.
  - Outcome: What did your project build, improve, develop or accomplish?
- Who participated: identify volunteers, manufacturers, supporters, businesses; other groups who helped make your project a reality.
- Partnerships: Identify volunteers, manufacturers, supporters, businesses, other groups who helped make your project a reality
- Benefits to the community, including economic impact if the information is available
- Impact
- Region and county impacted
- Number of youth/adults that is impacted
- Keys to success and lessons learned through best practices

Summary of media coverage, if applicable:

- Photos from initiative
- Mention of IN-MaC in traditional media and/or social media outlets @PurdueINMaC
- Include IN-MaC name/logo on applicable print and digital materials
- Include “Project made possible by IN-MaC” on initiatives and “In partnership with”

Headquartered in West Lafayette, Indiana, IN-MaC is hosted by Purdue University and delivered in partnership with Ivy Tech Community College and Vincennes University.

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