IN-MaC Manufacturing Micro-Grant Program

For the first time ever, IN-MaC is launching a Manufacturing Micro-Grant Program, opening up $150,000 to foster the growth of youth manufacturing initiatives around the state of Indiana.

The IN-MaC micro-grant program aims to provide grant funding to organizations who implement creative projects that enhance youth’s experiences and exposure to manufacturing in collaboration with manufacturing day initiatives.

Ranging from $500 - $2,000, the micro-grants are designed to support innovation and encourage organizations to dedicate funds towards development and program implementation that impact manufacturing. Funds will be distributed by participation and regional impact.

IN-MaC has a targeted interest in:
- Projects focused on exposing youth (K-12) to manufacturing through:
  - Tours
  - Hands-on workshops
  - Camps
  - Expos
- Campaigns focused on efforts to increase exposure and awareness to manufacturing – especially among youth
- Innovative projects that demonstrate creativity and that can serve as a model for other organizations and communities across Indiana
- For other requests, please contact us

We currently do not fund:
- General or ongoing organizational support
- Campaigns for political candidates

Who can apply?
Micro-grant funds are open to:
- Education (K-16)
- Industry
- Community partners

Grants must be applied for in advance of the opportunity. Retroactive requests will not be accepted. Grant cycle will run from September 1, 2018 – April 31, 2019.

Deadline
IN-MAC IS ACCEPTING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP): https://www.purdue.edu/in-mac/

Informational Webinar will be hosted the week of August 27, 2018: Date will be published on IN-MaC website.

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

Reporting Requirements
IN-MaC requests that all grant recipients keep us updated on the progress of their projects. Grant recipient expectations include:
- A short write up (400 words or less) explaining your project. Things to include:
  - Outcome: what did your project build, improve, develop or accomplish?
Who participated: identify volunteers, manufacturers (OEM’s, Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3), supporters, businesses, other groups who helped make your project a reality

Partnerships: identify volunteers, manufacturers (OEM’s, Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3), supporters, businesses, other groups who helped make your project a reality

Benefits to the community, including economic impact if the information is available

Impact on participating youth

Region and county that is impacted

Number of youth that is impacted

Keys to success and lessons learned: help us help others with what worked and what did not

Summary of media coverage, if applicable:

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

Headquartered in West Lafayette, Indiana, IN-MaC provides expertise in advanced manufacturing technologies and methods through its applied research programs, and provides technology and productivity solutions to manufacturers in partnership with the Indiana Manufacturing Extension Partnership.

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