

Innovative Grants Available - 2015 RFP -

Introduction

Ohio State University Extension is making available a grant opportunity to support:

- Innovative outreach/engagement work with Ohioans
- Interdisciplinary work
- Initiatives that, once seeded through this funding, will expand Ohio State's engagement and OSU Extension's work with the community

Overview of Grant Program

Innovative Grants will support programs that are new and innovative. Provide a description of the situation the innovative program will address, the need for the program, and the target audience. Be sure to detail what impact areas will be addressed, what program areas will be involved, and the disciplines that will contribute to the program. Strategies for evaluation and the identification of short, medium, and long term outcomes should be provided as well.

General Information

Proposal Due Date: May 15, 2015 **Decision by:** June 15, 2015

Grant Funding Period: July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

Who Can Apply

OSU Extension faculty and staff (county, state and/or field based employees) from two or more program areas should apply. Teams are also encouraged to apply as long as they represent two or more program areas.



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OSU Extension Innovative Grants - Summary

Maximum Amount of Grant	\$5,000
Total Dollars to be Awarded	\$20,000 An additional \$4,000 from the Gist Chair for Extension Education and Leadership will be available to support grants with a leadership development focus.
Match Required	50% match with at least ½ being cash and the remainder in kind Example: If request is \$5,000, must provide \$1,250 cash and \$1,250 in kind
Who Should Serve as PI	Any OSU Extension faculty or program staff (state, field, or county)
Partners that MUST be involved	Minimum of two Extension program units
Expenses Information	Funding may not be used to hire permanent staff, however funding may be used to contract for limited services.
Issues/Themes to make sure you cover in the grant application	Partnership between OSU Extension program areas Focus on OSU Impact area: 1) Strengthening Families and Communities; 2) Preparing Youth for Success 3) Enhancing Agriculture and the Environment 4) Advancing Employment and Income Opportunities
How to Submit Application	Submit the proposal using the <i>OSUE Innovative Grant Application Form</i> located at http://go.osu.edu/OSUEinnovativegrant
Submit Grant Application to:	Department Chair Ken Martin. Email to: martin.1540@osu.edu
Questions	Contact: Ken Martin martin.1540@osu.edu 614.292.8793
Review Process Requirement	OSU Extension Assistant Directors and Associate Director will review and notify by June 15, 2015.
Maximum length of proposal	3 pages & budget & cover page and logic model

Innovative Grant Application Form

Form includes: (please reference this list as you fill out your application form)

Cover Page:

The cover page(s) will consist of:

- A. Title of Grant
- B. OSU Extension impact area(s) to which the project relates
- C. Primary author and Co-PI's name, title, department, college, address, phone and e-mail
- D. Other team members' name, title, department, college, address, phone, e-mail, and 1-2 sentence explanation of their involvement with the grant
- E. Attach an approval e-mail from primary author's supervisor. This must also include approval of the submitted budget. (see Checklist).

Narrative Questions:

Grant applicants answer questions 1-8 on the grant application in paragraph form.

1. Program Abstract

(Include an overview of the need of the program and the target audience) - 400 words maximum

2. Overall Program Goals and Objectives

3. Program Evaluation/Program Outcomes

Identify the expected outcomes/impacts of this project and the methodology that will be used to document short, medium and long-term outcomes, including indicators of success.

Complete the fillable Logic Model Worksheet posted at <http://go.osu.edu/SPImw> for this project, and include it in your appendix (see Checklist/Appendices). How will you communicate the outcomes/impacts to peers and stakeholders?

What scholarly publications and/or presentations are expected to result from this project? [Please identify whether or not Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval will be needed for your project. If so, include securing IRB approval in your project timeline.] Additional resources on creating Logic Models are located at: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/pdande/evaluation/evallogicmodel.html>). For additional resources on conducting program evaluation, visit www.sammie.osu.edu, a one-stop link to **Successful Assessment Methods and Measurement In Evaluation**.

4. How Will the Grant Leverage Support for Longer-Term Impact?

The proposal should clearly explain the strategies for funding this project (or the partnership) in the future. Proposals should consider the prospect of maintaining sustainability by recovering costs associated with the partnership. This may be through user fees or contractual arrangements with community partners.

5. Project Timeline

Grants may begin as soon as July 1, 2015 and **MUST** be completed by June 30, 2016. Timeline should include major activities to occur during that period. The timeline should also show key communication points between partners that will help build the relationship between the departments involved. **A final report is due by July 31, 2016.** The report should summarize progress on meeting goals and objectives, and program outcomes.

6. Budget Table

Include information identifying: budget category (explanation), funding requested from grant, matching cash funding, and match in-kind funding for each category.

7. Budget Narrative

How will the proposed budget be used to achieve measurable expected outcomes? A clear explanation is

required of how the money will be spent, and why the money should be spent in that way to support the project.

Match letter(s) will be included in the appendix (see Checklist on Grant Application). 1/2 of the match can be in-kind and 1/2 of the match MUST be cash redirected to this project from another source.

8. Sustainability/Future Plans

The project should be used to support the development of sustainable outreach/engagement work that addresses important issues impacting Ohioans. The proposal should reflect a proactive approach to engaging with Ohioans rather than being reactive to past or current issues.

9. Provide a logic model to indicate inputs, outputs, and short, medium, and long-term outcomes.

Checklist / List of Appendices:

Please complete the checklist at the end of the application form, and submit the entire document (including grant application and appendix) as one electronic document (Adobe PDF format) to martin.1540@osu.edu

It is preferred that the entire application be submitted as one electronic copy with all parts included. If that is not possible due to size, please clearly label and submit as multiple files/e-mails (*Part 1 of 3*, etc.).

Please print or save to PDF rather than scanning, if possible. Only non-electronic documents should be scanned and added to the electronic copy. If you do not have a PDF Writer, please follow this link for a free download: <http://www.cutepdf.com>.