HHS APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO BUILD COLLABORATIONS

Purpose: It takes time and multiple opportunities to connect and forge strong collaborative relationships with (a) community partners (e.g., local agencies), (b) potential funders (e.g., Cone Health Foundation, The Community Foundation, Guilford Green Foundation, Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust, Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, national Foundations, etc.), or (c) potential research collaborators. The purpose of these funds is to support activities or events to forge these connections. Examples of ways in which such funds might be used include hosting in-person or virtual meetings that involve community engaged scholars, their community partners, and local funders focused on high priority funding areas and tips on how to successfully apply for grants/contracts from their organizations. Funds could also support meetings among new groups who plan to seek external funding. These examples are illustrative, not exhaustive.

Deadline: Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis through March 18, 2024. Applications must be received in advance of the planned collaboration.

Eligibility: Full-time HHS faculty (Tenure Track and AP) are eligible to apply.

Available support: Funds are limited. Thus, efforts should be made to minimize the cost to the extent possible. If funds for this program become depleted, we may provide partial funding. Requests must be consistent with travel and other related financial guidelines accessed through the UNCG Finance policies, procedures, and guidelines as follows: Controller’s Office Policies & Procedures, Travel Manual, Procurement Policies & Procedures, and Spending Guidelines. The majority of requested funds must be expended by May 24, 2024.

How to Apply: Email a formal request to Lisa Walker, lbwalke2@uncg.edu. Requests must include:

- A clear description of the planned activities and timeline, who would be involved along with evidence of their willingness to participate, and the intended outcome.
- A budget that details all expenses.
- Additional information may be requested upon receipt of initial request.

Review Process: Applications will be reviewed by the HHS Associate Dean for Research. Primary criteria include:

- Clarity of the plan and intended outcomes.
- Feasibility of the plan.
- Likelihood that the plan will support partnerships that will result in visibility and resources to the faculty, School, and University.

Please note: Recipients will be asked to complete a brief report upon completion of proposed activities.