Overview and purpose

Sanford’s Policy Bridge has limited funds available to support small grants for engagement activities that serve to catalyze, expand, or enhance efforts to bridge research and policy.

We invite proposals of up to $4,000

Funding might support activities such as

- Collaborative work with policy or practice partners external to Duke or at Duke
- Policy engagement components of a conference (targeted dissemination of materials to policymakers, facilitation of policymaker travel)
- Course-related policy engagement activities (attendance at policy events, guest expenses)
- Purchase of materials to assist students and/or faculty with their policy engagement work (technological capacity)
- Researching strategies for policy engagement with one or more public sector agencies
- Data collection with a stated purpose of increasing policy engagement and impact

We anticipate awarding between 5-10 small grants by June 30, 2017.

Eligibility for funds

Faculty, staff, and students from across Duke may apply. The application must include at least one faculty member and demonstrate that at least one person from the Sanford School is involved.

Application information

Applications should not exceed 5 pages and should include, in the following order:

1. Applicant’s name, title, Duke affiliation(s), email and phone number
2. Summary of purpose of requested funds including a description of any related larger effort/project
3. Description of anticipated use of the funds (e.g., breakdown of expected expenses)
4. Explanation of how the funds will support engagement efforts that bridge research and policy and/or efforts that have the potential for positive impact on policy.
5. Explanation of planned involvement of and interaction with representatives of the public and/or non-profit sectors.
6. The name(s) of involved faculty member(s) and a description of that involvement.
7. The name(s) of Sanford School faculty, staff, or students involved and a description of that involvement.
8. Anticipated timeframe for use of funds
9. Any other efforts completed or underway to secure funds for purpose described in 2. above.
10. Other information that the applicant(s) believes may be helpful.

**Review of requests**

Requests are accepted on a rolling basis and reviewed by Jenni Owen, Fritz Mayer, and David Schanzer.

**Reporting**

As a condition of funding, recipients should
- Request permission for any changes to the proposed use of funds.
- Provide follow-up information within 30 days of completing the funded activities to Linda Simpson (linda.b.simpson@duke.edu). Information should include a brief project report and any relevant materials (e.g., photos, press releases, testimonials).

**Contact Information**

Please submit funding requests to linda.b.simpson@duke.edu.

For questions about allowable expenditures or further information about the Policy Bridge, contact Jenni Owen (jwowen@duke.edu) or Fritz Mayer (Frederick.mayer@duke.edu).

Note: Application requirements and allowable uses of funds may be revised as needed.

**Link to this Call for Proposals:**