

Doris Duke Fellowships

for the Promotion of Child Well-Being

Seeking innovations to prevent child abuse and neglect

Frequently Asked Questions: Research to Action Grants Pilot Program

1. **Can the proposed budget accommodate salary support during the grant year?** Yes, staff salary is an allowable expense.
2. **Will grants be available in 2020-2021?** We currently have funding for three grants in 2019-2020 and are uncertain if there will be funding available after the current funding cycle.
3. **Is it acceptable for one fellow to apply for a grant twice (with two different teams)?** Yes, one fellow may participate in more than one proposal. In that case, we encourage the fellow to propose utilizing different skills or data or knowledge for each proposal.
4. **Will you accept proposals with budgets less than \$80,000?** Yes, we will accept proposals that do not utilize the full amount of funding available. We do encourage fellows to think broadly about their projects and make sure they are clear about product development and dissemination plans, which often raise a project budget.
5. **Can the PI or co-PIs of the project be fellows who have not yet graduated with their Ph.D.?** Yes, we want fellows to lead the project. The PIs do not need to have their Ph.D. completed yet.
6. **Is it acceptable for the non-research stakeholder to be both an executive director of an agency/organization and have an academic appointment?** Yes, that is acceptable.
7. **What time zone is the proposal submission deadline?** 11:59pm Central Time on Dec. 14th.
8. **Is each fellow expected to make an equal contribution (i.e., 50/50)?** Fellows do not have to plan to contribute equal time on this project. It is acceptable to have different levels of responsibility. However, we do not want teams with a fellow who is “in name only” —each team member should play an important role on the project.
9. **Can there be more than two fellows on one team?** Yes. The only issue that needs to be considered with more than two fellows is the travel budget. For the mid-year meetings, Chapin Hall will cover travel expenses for three people: two fellows and the policy/practice partner. So additional fellows, or additional team members, will need to have their travel covered in the project budget. We will continue to cover hotel costs for all fellows at the

mid-year meetings, so the hotel cost would not have to be covered by the project budget for fellows.

10. **Is it possible to have more than one non-research partner?** Yes, you may propose a project that involves more than one non-research partner. We would expect that the main question you are trying to answer, or problem you are trying to solve, is the same for each organization/agency and that they want to collaborate on finding a solution/answer. It would be good if the populations they served and the community context they were in varied to some extent.