

DATE: March 3, 2022

TO: Chief Diversity Officer

CC: Member Campus Presidents, Vice Presidents
for Development, and Chief Academic Officers

FROM: Bill Spiker, President
The Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges

RE: Request for Proposals, Diversity Grants



Through generous donor support, OFIC is pleased to share that we are able to double the number of Diversity Grants this year! We will award five grants of \$2,500 each to support diversity and inclusion programs on member campuses which will be implemented during the Fall Semester of the 2022-23 academic year.

Five \$2,500 grants will be awarded for programs that address issues of diversity and inclusion and are designed to engage, enlighten, and connect students. Programs may address any or all forms of diversity (race, ethnicity, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, etc.). Your proposal may replicate a program that has worked well on other campuses, or you may propose a new program intended to advance change and embrace diversity on your campus. You may also propose use of this grant money to enhance the funding of a successful existing program. All programs that impact current students, faculty, staff, alumni or trustees will be considered. We ask that you submit only one proposal for consideration.

Guidelines:

- Limit your application to two pages in addition to the cover page.
- No idea should be considered too big or too small.
- Applications should include a simple preliminary budget showing how the funds will be used in your project.

Post-Grant:

- Once awarded, a post-grant report of no more than one page on the status or outcome of the selected programs. That report will include an attachment detailing usage of the funds and must be submitted by December 15, 2022.
- Program directors (or a representative) will be required to present an update on the use of the grant funds at the Fall 2022 Diversity Forum, typically held in October.

OFIC member institutions are invited to submit a proposal no later than Friday, April 15, 2022. Each proposal must have one primary applicant who will direct the use of the grant funds and be responsible for completing the post-grant requirements. Proposals must be signed by the primary applicant and the campus president. Programs selected for funding will be announced by April 22, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact Tacarra Davis, Executive Assistant to the President at 614-469-1950, x 105 or by email at davis@ofic.org.

Please email your proposal by Friday, April 15, 2022, to Tacarra Davis at davis@ofic.org.