

Ohio Wellness Campus Collaborative
Competitive Funding Opportunity
Notice of Funding Announcement
Letter of Intent Deadline: February 10, 2023

Background and Intent

Recognizing that community colleges and regional campuses are too often under resourced to meet the mental and behavioral health needs of students, the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, PreventionFIRST!, the Ohio Program for Campus Safety and Mental Health, and the Higher Education Center for Alcohol and Drug Misuse Prevention and Recovery are collaborating on the implementation of the Ohio Wellness Campus Collaborative Funding Opportunity.

Funding for this opportunity will support campus community partnerships in implementing awareness and accessibility measures to promote mental and behavioral health among students and staff on campus. Such activities can include, but are not limited to development, promotion, and awareness of campus community partnerships; implementation of mental and behavioral health programs or services; and data collection, evaluation and sustainability of campus community implemented initiatives.

This funding opportunity is unique because five grantees will receive a maximum of \$25,000 in grant award funding in addition to training, technical assistance, professional development, and networking opportunities at no cost to the grantees.

Funding for the Ohio Wellness Campus Collaborative comes from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Community Impact to support communities in responding to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and supporting recovery programs such as mental health services, crisis intervention and behavior health needs.

Eligible Applicants

Funding is limited to community colleges and regional campuses of four-year institutions within Ohio. Priority will be given to institutions that were not previously Rise and Thrive funded campuses. Campus-community partnerships from Ohio are eligible to participate. Campuses who have yet to establish a campus-community partnership, are encouraged to apply. Funding and resources for this opportunity can assist in identifying and developing campus community partnerships.

Phased Approach

This opportunity will include two main phases - Planning and Implementation

Phase 1- Planning (February 2023- June 2023)- Grantees will be guided through the process of conducting a needs assessment and building capacity to establish a campus community partnership with the intent on increasing awareness and accessibility to mental and behavioral health services. During this planning phase, grantees will be assisted in preparing an implementation project plan and budget.

Phase 2- Implementation (July 2023- June 2024)- Grantees will implement their designed project plan and evaluate its effectiveness. Technical assistance will be provided during the implementation phase and grantees will develop plans for sustainability.

Funding, Fiscal Agent, and Time Frame

Applicants may apply for and receive up to \$25,000 for this one-time funding opportunity beginning February 2023 and ending June 2024. The campus will serve as the fiscal agent for this award.

Required Project Personnel

A Campus Co-Director must be identified as the project lead and should be employed by the college. Partnerships will be required to establish a Community Co- Director by the completion of Phase 1. The Community Co-Director should be a partner from an agency/organization/institution/etc. external to the university or college.

Permissible Use of Funds

In Phase 1, grantees may expend up to \$12,500. Permissible use of funds for Phase 1 include:

- staff time (including stipends for students and/or community partners),
- travel and other pertaining needs to engage in the learning community meetings
- promotion of the campus-community partnership
- pre-program implementation needs

A proposed budget for Phase 2 of the project will be submitted with the project plan. In Phase 2, grantees will be allocated \$12,500 to support the implementation of a project designed during Phase 1. If grantees have excess funds from Phase 1, they may re-allocate the funds to Phase 2.

Permissible use of funds for Phase 2 includes, but may not be limited to:

- staff time (including stipends for students and/or community partners)
- travel/conference registration/lodging
- program implementation needs and promotion of partnership
- memberships
- non-monetary incentives

Non permissible use of funds includes, but may not be limited to:

- gift cards
- technical, building and or furniture needs or equipment outside of the sole purpose of program implementation

The Facilities & Administrative (F&A) Rate Agreement recommended not to exceed 10%.

Required Grant Activities and Deliverables

Phase 1- Learning Community Meetings will assist in establishing campus community partnerships and building capacity, conducting a needs assessment, and developing a final project plan and budget. All meetings will be virtual except in May. Required meeting dates/times include:

- February 23, 2023- 2:00 - 3:30pm
- March 23, 2023- 2:00 - 3:30pm
- April 27, 2023- 2:00 - 3:30pm
- May 18, 2023 In Person- Columbus, OH- Ohio Campus Safety Conference
- June 22, 2023

- The Higher Education Center's 2023 National Meeting will be held June 25-28, 2023 in Columbus, Ohio. A virtual option will be available. Grantees are encouraged to attend the full conference if able.
- No July meeting

Phase 2- Meetings will assist in implementation, evaluation, and sustainability efforts. Dates and times for these meetings will continue to be monthly, on the 4th Thursday, from 2:00 - 3:30pm. Required virtual meeting dates include:

- August 24, 2023
- September 28, 2023
- October 26, 2023
- November meeting date will be set in early Fall 2023
- January 25, 2024
- February 22, 2024
- March 28, 2024
- April 25, 2024
- May 23, 2024

Proposal Submission

Please provide the following information in your LOI. Do not exceed 2 pages.

- Name, Email, Title, and Institution Name of Campus Co-Director
- Name, Email, Title, and Organization Name of Community Partner Co-Director- if identified
- A brief description of the current partnership, including the length of the partnership- if established
- An explanation of why the funds would be beneficial for mental wellness and behavioral health efforts on campus. Include available data that supports this need.

Letter of Intent must be received by 5:00 pm on February 10, 2023, to be considered. Letters of Intent must be emailed to Julie Cameron (julie@prevention-first.org). No faxed, mailed, or hand carried letters will be accepted.

Conditions of Award and Assurances

The undersigned grantee, [TYPE ORGANIZATION NAME HERE], makes the following representations and agrees to the following conditions in accepting funds from PreventionFIRST!

1. Grantee will utilize the funds solely for the purpose in the grant application.
 1. Funds CAN be used for wages/overhead, equipment/furniture, or any product, publication, or training/conference registration
 2. Funds CAN be used for food/beverages or for relevant travel purposes.
 3. Funds will not be used to issue mini-grants or offer any other direct financial assistance to other organizations or individuals.
2. Grantee possesses the legal authority to apply for the grant, and a motion resolution or similar action has been adopted by Grantee and certified or executed by a duly authorized officer or representative of Grantee, authorizing the filing of the application for the Funds, including all understandings and assurances contained therein, and directing and authorizing the person identified below as the official representative of the Grantee to act in connection with the Application and to provide additional information as required.
3. Grantee will comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws prohibiting unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, ethnicity, age, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability.
4. Grantee will acknowledge the source of the funds on all written materials and in all advertising and media releases using the following language:
The project was funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Community Impact to support communities in responding to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic through Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and from PreventionFIRST!
5. Grantee will complete all activities by June 14, 2024. (A Final Report Template is TBD but will include both programmatic and fiscal close-out information)
6. Grantee will not make any budget changes without the prior approval of PreventionFIRST!.
7. Grantee hereby agrees to indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless PreventionFIRST! from any and all liabilities, obligations, claims, suits, actions, losses, damages, fines, penalties or any other costs which arise in whole or in part out of any authorized or unauthorized acts by Grantee, its representatives, agents, employees or affiliates, directly or indirectly related to the Project or the Funds.

8. Grantee agrees not to accept sponsorship from or partnership with the alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, or gambling industries for any purpose within the scope of this project.
9. Grantee is aware that Lobbying - Section 319 of Public Law 101-121 generally prohibits recipients of Federal grants and cooperative agreements from using appropriated funds for lobbying.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES:

[GRANTEE AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL SIGN HERE]

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