2021 Children with Incarcerated Parents Community Engagement Grant Opportunity

Questions and Answers

1. QUESTION: “Does IMPR have a practice or policy that would discourage or prohibit consideration of an application from [an existing contracted provider]?”
   a. ANSWER: Existing contracted providers can apply with a UConn affiliate

2. QUESTION: When do funds need to be spent by and when is the final report due?
   a. ANSWER: June 30, 2022

3. QUESTION: I am a junior student on the Storrs campus. I have my proposal completed but unfortunately I was recovering from COVID and missed the deadline because I was away from my computer. Would I still be able to submit?
   a. ANSWER: We have extended the deadline for proposals until January 30! So please, do submit your application. Please make sure it includes UConn and community partners. Also, we have posted additional information, based on inquiries received, here.

4. QUESTION: My colleague...and I have been conducting research concerning Eastern students affected by familial incarceration. I discussed this work with Aileen and Andrew while the IMRP was still housed at CCSU. The first phase of our project (focus groups) was funded by a CSCU Research Grant, as is phase 2 (student survey--in development). The CIP was supportive and offered supplemental funding as needed. We would like to apply for the Community Development Grant as our work continues and we believe will benefit an overlooked population--college students affected by familial incarceration. However, the grant application stipulates working in conjunction with UConn campuses, not CSCU.
   a. ANSWER: This grant does require partnership between UConn affiliate(s) (faculty, staff, or student) and community partner(s). If you have a contact associated with UConn (any branch, or the Health Center) who could meaningfully join your work, then I think ECSU could be the community partner. Please also review this supplemental information on our opportunity, and note that our deadline for receiving proposals has been extended to January 30th.

5. QUESTION: Can part-time faculty at UConn count as the UConn affiliate?
   a. ANSWER: Yes

Seeking partner(s)

Leila Daneshmandi, an Assistant Professor of Innovation and Entrepreneurship in the School of Engineering at Storrs, is interested in partnering with another entity to support children with incarcerated parents. She is interested in any opportunities for bringing education and exposure to entrepreneurship for the children and their families. She indicates that she could lead workshops or have someone come in for educational purposes. She is happy to explore any collaborative opportunities or meet for a discussion. To learn more of her work, check out her
LindedIn profile at https://www.linkedin.com/in/leila-daneshmandi/. If interested in exploring partnership, please contact Professor Daneshmandi at leila.daneshmandi@uconn.edu.