

Call for Proposals – “Community-based Research Projects”

The Center for Sustainable Communities and the Dean’s Office invite proposals to support community-based research projects with funding support from the Margaret A. Cargill Foundation. These projects should be related to or informed by a particular community. The awards are available to support a variety of faculty research activity and student-faculty collaborative projects and can be used to provide stipends for student-faculty research on community-based projects, supplies for field-based research, and travel support for presenting the results of their research at professional meetings and conferences. We anticipate making multiple grants of \$1,000 to \$5,000 for 2016.

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To apply, applicants should email a brief project proposal to the Dean’s office (wilkerje@luther.edu) by April 1. The proposal, no more than 5 pages, should include:

- A short description of the project.
- Identification of the community involved, the role of the community in any work described and any potential benefit to the community.
- A statement of how this work fits with the faculty member’s prior work.
- A statement of how the results of the research will be shared, both with the Luther community and beyond. It is an expectation that any students involved will present their findings on campus and we strongly encourage presentation of results at regional and national meetings.
- A timeline of key components of the project.
- A detailed budget.

Award and Expectations

Award recipients will be expected to:

- Provide a final report of activity, including a summary of findings and an accounting of the expenditure of funds.
- Student participants are required to present results of their work to the campus community.
- Faculty are encouraged to present the results of their work to the campus community.

Awards will be announced in April and funds will be available immediately upon award.