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From: Faculty Research Development Office (FRDO) Office of the Vice President for Research

Subject: Limited Competition: Educate2Elevate, NM Funders Collaborative

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Dear UNM Researchers,

The Educate2Elevate (E2E) Grant is a collaborative funding opportunity that brings together funds from across New Mexico to pool resources and engage in high impact grantmaking. This grant is a collaborative investment from funders in various sectors and encourages organizations to demonstrate similar collaborative thinking when submitting applications. This grant opportunity is intended to support nonprofit organizations that are providing paid internships, mentorship programs, or other opportunities that focus on job skills and workforce development training for youth. Programs should support youth by creating pathways toward long-term stability via post-secondary education, trade school, arts, athletics, experiential learning and/or alternative experiences.

Applicants must be serving students in Central New Mexico: Bernalillo, Sandoval, Valencia and/or Torrance counties, and past grants have ranged from \$25,000 - \$45,000. The Albuquerque Community Foundation is accepting applications through their online portal on behalf of the NM Funders Collaborative. Key areas of interest include:

- 1. Paid Internship Opportunities: Programs that provide payments/stipends to students while gaining job skills and/or workforce development training, in traditional, non-traditional, or experiential settings.
- 2. Parent/adult/mentor involvement: Programs that engage adults as rolemodels or connect students to professional mentors.
- 3. Out-of-school time/extended learning programming: Afterschool, summer or other out-of-school time programs that focus on job skills training and/or workforce development.
- 4. Experiential/alternative experiences: Programs that provide new learning experiences to students based on feedback/requests from the students and/or provide alternative experiences to understanding a path toward long-term stability (this can be through the arts, athletics, mental health support, non-traditional learning, etc.).
- 5. Transitional programs: Programs that provide support to youth and families to address the challenges faced by students transitioning to the next level in their education. Thoughtful transitions can be critical in creating a continuum of positive educational trajectory.

More details can be found at

https://static1.squarespace.com/static/59a9b38d197aea0d4c9a601e/t/62a7b168c1de6a6b5acaa896/16 55157096284/e2e+RFP+2022_FINAL.pdf. The deadline for full proposals is July 15, 2022. This is a limited competition. Each institution is limited to ONE application. Please submit your 3-page preproposal (plus budget and CV; 11-point font) by <u>NOON on Thursday, June 23, 2022</u> via UNM's <u>InfoReady Review portal</u>. No late submissions will be considered.

The pre-proposal should address the major points that will be included in the proposal narrative, including:

- A description of the program for which you are applying for funds (this should include the need for the program, the population who will benefit, the approximate number of people the program will serve, and start and end dates of the program, if not ongoing. If this is a new program, you will need to provide an explanation for how the program will be sustained financially beyond the grant period).
- How your program fits into one (or more) of the above-described funding areas. A stronger application will show how your program fits into multiple funding areas.
- How your program supports the long-term interests and goals of the students served.
- How you will measure and evaluate the success of the program.
- How you are collaborating sharing talent and resources with other organizations in our community.
- How your program is ensuring social, racial, economic, and cultural equity to facilitate job skills and workforce development for underserved populations.

The narrative should be accompanied by a draft budget overview and an abbreviated PI CV.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact us at limited@unm.edu.

If you are affiliated with HSC, please contact HSC Limited Competition at <u>HSC-LimitedComps@salud.unm.edu</u> for more information.