



Indiana Youth Programs on Campus

Frequently Asked Questions

Does Lilly Endowment prefer IYPC proposals that create new camp programs over proposals to expand or enhance existing programs?

No, the Endowment does not have a preference whether an institution chooses to create a new camp program or to expand or enhance an existing program. There are many ways an existing camp can be expanded or enhanced for consideration under this initiative, such as increasing the duration and availability of existing camp experiences, making quality improvements or seeking camp accreditation.

Will the initiative fund only traditional residential or day camp programs? Will after-school programs or other youth programs be eligible for support?

Proposed camps can, but do not need to be, traditional residential or day camp programs. Eligible programs can be offered at many different times and can include a variety of formats.

What types of collaborations are permissible for consideration under this initiative?

The Endowment encourages, but does not require, applications that propose collaborations. The IYPC initiative is intended for youth ages 5-18. Grant funds awarded to eligible colleges or universities under this initiative can be used to support collaborations with youth-serving organizations, schools, and other entities that serve youth within the target age group.

Can programming funded under the initiative be offered on the premises of a collaborating entity rather than on the applicant's college or university campus? In addition, if an institution has a venue off campus, can programming take place there?

The primary intent of this initiative is to create new or expand or enhance existing high-quality, on-campus educational camp programs for Hoosier youth that will help them to explore their interests, learn new skills and envision a future for themselves in college. Some camp activities may occur off-campus, however, a significant amount of the activities should be conducted on campus to help participants better understand and visualize how they might experience college campus life in the future.

Can multi-campus universities submit separate applications, such as one application with Level A, B and/or C proposals per campus?

No, the Endowment expects to make only one grant to each successful eligible institution. However, an institution's proposal could include activities and programming across several campuses.

Can an institution submit both a planning and implementation grant?

Yes, but if an institution is seeking an implementation grant under Option 1, for which proposals are due on or before November 30, 2021, it is not eligible for a planning grant.

Should the camps to be supported under this initiative focus primarily on underserved populations?

Although proposed camp programs serve a wide range of participants, each proposal should show the extent to which the camp will serve students of color, first-generation college students and/or students from families with limited resources.

Can programs included in an application serve K-12 youth from other states besides Indiana?

The primary focus of this initiative should be Indiana youth, but it is not necessary to exclude youth from other states.

Is there an anticipated duration for each camp that the Endowment would like to see (e.g., one day, one week or multiple weeks)?

Camps should provide experiences over multiple days, but a specific number of days is not required.

What qualifies for the 20 percent of proposed program expenses that must be funded from sources other than an implementation grant awarded under IYPC?

The Endowment expects to review a proposal budget that indicates the amount of funding the college or university is contributing, or raising from other sources, to demonstrate investment in and commitment to the program. Expenses such as personnel, supplies, equipment, etc., may count as part of the 20 percent contribution. In-kind costs (such as the rental value of campus property used in a program) and indirect costs that would be incurred even absent the program (such as utility expenses for buildings that are open regardless of use in a camp program) do not qualify as part of the 20 percent contribution, however.

Are there guidelines or restrictions on camp fees charged to students?

No. It will be up to each college or university to demonstrate how it intends make its camps affordable, especially for youth from families with limited resources.

Could the three potential funding level options build on one another, or are the activities to be conducted with grant funding at one level to be separate from those at another level?

The three funding level options may build on one another or be separate.

Will the Endowment view more favorably or unfavorably institutions that submit only one proposal at one of the funding levels outlined in the RFP? Would the Endowment prefer to see proposals at different levels from each institution?

The Endowment will not view more favorably or unfavorably institutions that submit only one proposal at one of the funding levels outlined in the RFP. A college or university may apply for three different levels of implementation grants, but only one will be funded. The Endowment will determine which proposal to fund based on the quality of the proposal.

If an institution plans to submit an implementation proposal in each of the three levels, should the three proposals be submitted at the same time, or one-by-one?

The Endowment wants to see all proposals submitted at the same time. The institution can choose the appropriate timeline it prefers.

If an institution offers more than one proposal, should they be prioritized?

It is not necessary to prioritize multiple proposals, but it is allowed.

If an institution would like to offer scholarships to identifiable groups of campers (e.g., low-income, diverse populations), is there a resource to determine the best way to collect relevant information from campers at the point of application?

American Camp Association (ACA) may be able to offer informational resources or technical assistance to help colleges and universities consider appropriate ways to provide scholarships or other financial assistance to campers.

Where can a college or university access policies for youth protection?

The American Camp Association website (www.acacamps.org) includes links to resources that may help in developing policies involving minors and the supervision of minors. Ultimately, each college or university is responsible for developing its own policies related to minors and should consult with its legal counsel.

Does Lilly Endowment anticipate offering another round of the IYPC initiative in the future?

The Endowment has allocated up to \$28.8 million under this initiative for grants to Indiana colleges and universities at three different funding levels for a period of up to three years. Additional funding has not been allocated for future rounds.

Whom should I contact with questions?

Please email leieddiv@lei.org with any questions.