



APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP RESEARCH SUPPORT FUNDS (UP TO \$10,000)

Applications are accepted on a continual basis by email to skneihr@usask.ca.

Background and Purpose: The *nātawihowin* First Nations and *mamawiikikayaahk* Métis Research, Training and Mentorship Networks (the Saskatchewan NEIHR, skneihr.ca) were awarded funding in 2020 from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research under the Network Environments for Indigenous Health Research portfolio.

As part of our research proposal, we budgeted to create and fund Community Partnership Research Support funds each year—seed funding meant to support researchers and community stakeholders to develop grant applications to the Tri-Councils and other major research funders for Indigenous health research projects. These are planning and development funds, intended to support research proposal development, not funding to undertake research projects.

Eligibility: We are inviting new applications from researchers and community members in Saskatchewan who do not currently hold other active Saskatchewan NEIHR Support funds. Graduate and undergraduate students are not eligible for this funding, as they are not able to independently submit grants to the Tri-Councils or other major funding agencies. However, they may partner with researchers who are eligible to do so. Successful applicants must acknowledge funding from the Saskatchewan NEIHR, and provide a project description to share on the SK-NEIHR website.

Review: After you submit your application, it will be peer reviewed by the SK-NEIHR. You will receive a response within 4 to 6 weeks unless otherwise notified. You may receive feedback and support to revise your application so that it is eligible for funding.

Additional Support provided: We may provide mentorship and workshops for successful applicants, to assist them in developing and submitting their full proposals, as well as some hands-on support for grant submissions.

To Apply:

Please note: These are planning and development funds, intended to support research proposal development, not funding to undertake research projects. Please do not apply unless you plan to submit a grant application to a major funder within a year of receiving funding.

The application consists of two parts: a two to three-page research support proposal, and a one to two-page budget and budget justification. CVs are not required.

Applications should be submitted as a single pdf document by email to the Saskatchewan NEIHR at skneihr@usask.ca, with the subject line “Application for Community Partnership Research Support.”

Application Format: 12 point or larger black type, single-spaced. Do not use condensed/narrow font sizes or type density. Smaller text in tables, charts, figures, and graphs is acceptable, as long as it is

legible when the page is viewed at 100%. Margins not to be less than 3/4 inch on all sides, on letter-sized (8.5" X 11") paper. Please submit your application as a single collated document with sequential page numbers.

Sections to Include:

1. *Research Proposal (up to 3 pages)*: Please describe your proposed research, and how this funding will assist you in engaging with community partners, and in developing an application to a Tri-Council or other major grant opportunity. Your proposal should include:
 - a proposal title;
 - brief description your proposed research and its objective (300 word maximum) related to Indigenous health;
 - brief background and rationale summary of your research and/or evidence-based literature that supports your proposal;
 - for community organizational applicants, please include a brief background of your organization and its current work in the proposed area of research (up to 150 word maximum);
 - describe the community engagement you plan to undertake;
 - identify the Tri-Council or other major funding opportunity to which you are planning to apply (e.g. CIHR Project Grant, Spring 2024);
 - identify people you expect will be on your submitted grant's research team—**please include short (2-4 sentence) bios** describing each person on your team including any degrees, diplomas or certificates, as well as institute or organization affiliations, and any relevant 'lived and living experiences'; and
 - explain why you believe your proposal will be successful. Your grant proposal should be submitted to a funding agency no later than one year after you have received this funding.
2. *Budget*: Describe how you will use the funding provided to develop your grant proposal. (NOTE: This is not part of the 3 page limit.)
3. *Reference Page(s)*: Include, if applicable, any supporting journal citations, statements, research and statistics. (NOTE: This is not part of the 3 page limit.)
4. *Attachments (Optional)*: If needed, you may also include additional pages of attachments (charts, figures etc.) and are not part of the 3 page limit.

For more information about this funding opportunity: Please contact Ken Lai, Community Research Facilitator, Saskatchewan NEIHR, at ken.lai@usask.ca, or 306-966-6956.

For SK-NEIHR honoraria guidelines: Please contact Ken Lai, Community Research Facilitator, Saskatchewan NEIHR.

For more information about the *nātawihowin* First Nations and *mawiwikayaahk* Métis Research, Training and Mentorship Networks (SK-NEIHR), please visit our website at skneihr.ca.