ARCC 2017 Partner Survey

Survey Respondents (184 Total Respondents: 49% Community, 51% Academic)

Characteristics of Respondents

Community-Engaged Research Capacity (Self-Assessed)

Strengths

- Communication in Community Settings
- Understanding of Community Factors that Contribute to Health Issues
- Development & Conduct of Research Projects
- Use of Research Findings to Impact Policy/Translating Community Findings into Policy
- Writing of Manuscripts Collaboratively with Partners

Challenges

- Top Community-Engaged Research Barriers
  - Strong organizational value of research
  - Dissemination of research to community audiences
  - Capacity to build/ maintain partnerships
  - Navigation of university/funder systems
  - Staff research training
  - Community partner instability
  - Lack of university support connecting to academic partners

Best Ways ARCC Can Support Community-Engaged Research

- Education/capacity building in research collaboration to communities (65%)
- Seed grants/fiscal support (65%)
- Grant development assistance (50%)
- Consultations/technical assistance (50%)
- Education/capacity building in engagement to academics (57%)
- InVEST in communities outside of projects (64%)
- Seed grants/fiscal support (71%)
- Connections to research partners (50%)

Community Respondents Think...

- Tracking data from rounds 1-9 (2008-16)
- Grants awarded
- Rounds of funding
- $13.9M distributed
- 32 external grants
- 21:1 ROI for every $1 invested in seed external funding

Update on Impact of ARCC Seed Grants

Tracking data from rounds 1-8 (2008-16)

The seed grant program seeks to support the development of community-engaged research partnerships and projects between Chicago communities and Northwestern academic teams.

- Leading to community health improvements
- Developing critical data for policy advocacy
- Developing new research directions for faculty
- Building relationships and research foundation for future funding
- Improving reputation/perception of Northwestern/brand
- Developing student research and educational opportunities
- Building foundation for clinical trial engagement

Diverse Impact Beyond Grants & Papers

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