

ARCC Seed Grant Support Program

The Seed Grant Support Program provides structured assistance and resources collectively and individually to ARCC community research seed grantees. This program, currently in the pilot phase, organizes and enhances existing grantee support, adds new types of support, and will then evaluate, implement, and share learnings about the effectiveness and impact of the support program.

The program consists of several core components, including three in-person meetings (orientation/kickoff, mid-year, and conclusion events) and two virtual tailored coaching sessions with each grantee partnership around the three and nine month points (number of sessions differ based on seed grant type). In addition, optional support available to grantees are virtual office hours with initiative staff every other month and access to ARCC's online resource directory, Learning Exchanges, etc. Participation in the program is required for all ARCC seed grant types (Community Research Capacity-Building, Partnership Development, Research Pilot). The program will focus on supporting grantees with capacity and partnership development and sustainability (including the creation of a partnership agreement) and collaborative/community-driven approaches to designing, implementing, and sharing research that is impactful for community priorities.

The program and support are led and delivered by ARCC and Center for Community Health team members and partners that represent a deep range of knowledge and experience including community organizing and leadership; building trustworthiness and power-sharing in partnerships; and research operations, funding, and dissemination to community and academic audiences.