

KRESGE EARLY YEARS FOR SUCCESS: DETROIT

KEYS: Detroit Fellowship Coordinating Office RFP Frequently Asked Questions

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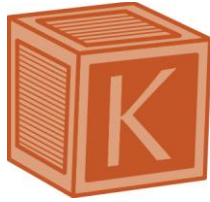
- We encourage all interested and qualified organizations to apply. If your organization does not have 501(c)(3) status, you will need to execute Expenditure Responsibility.
- Expenditure responsibility requires your organization to regularly report specifics of how grant funds are spent, and maintain records to ensure fidelity with laws, regulations and accounting standards. If your organization is selected, details of expenditure responsibility requirements will be included in the grant agreement.
- If your organization does not have 501(c)(3) status, you will also need to work with a fiduciary to administer the cash awards. Please indicate in your application if you have an existing relationship with a fiduciary organization.

I am a national organization without an established physical presence in Detroit. Can I apply?

- We do not require applicants to have an established, physical presence in Detroit. However, we do require applicants to understand Detroit's context and its early childhood education landscape.
- Furthermore, we require applicants to commit to build a limited presence in Detroit. If selected, the Coordinating Office will need to travel to Detroit at least quarterly to collaborate with the Kresge team. To fulfill its core responsibilities, we expect that staff members will also need to travel to Detroit to regularly meet with potential applicants and fellows in person, and coordinate with local professional development providers in person. However, we will not require the Coordinating Office to establish a physical office in Detroit, or to hire a full-time FTE in Detroit, for example.
- We encourage national organizations without an established physical presence in Detroit to partner with local organizations that can provide the capacity and expertise to support fellows and local partners. If you are planning on collaborating with a local partner, please describe the scope of the partnership in detail in the RFP response.

On what basis will fellows be selected? What will be the role of the Coordinating Office to select fellows?

- Fellows will be educators (administrators and teachers) serving early childhood students (children from ages 0-4). This includes center directors, principals, instructional leaders, and classroom teachers/aides.
- The Coordinating Office will work with the Kresge Detroit Program team to develop the application process for the fellowship, criteria and guidelines for fellow selection, and how a review committee may be structured. We expect the criteria for selection to be based on rigorous research of national models, adapted to the needs of Detroit's early childhood system.



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Part of the Coordinating Office's role is to act as a fiduciary for cash awards to fellows. How much are these cash awards?

- While we expect the fellowship to include a cash award to fellows, we hope for the Coordinating Office to research national best practices and benchmarks for similar awards. We have not pre-determined the cash award amounts, and expect to work collaboratively with the Coordinating Office to develop these details of the fellowship.

Is it also the responsibility of the Coordinating Office to provide communications and evaluation services to this initiative?

- We encourage organizations with communications and evaluation expertise to include these functions in their application and scope, but we will not require the Coordinating Office to do so.
- If the Coordinating Office cannot perform these functions, we will expect it to work with the Kresge team to provide input into selecting communications and/or evaluation partners, and to coordinate their activities as a project manager and liaison between those partners and the Kresge team and/or fellows.

What will be the working relationship between the Coordinating Office and the Kresge Foundation?

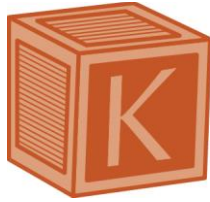
- The Kresge Detroit Program team expects to work closely with the Coordinating Office to design and implement the initiative. While the Kresge team will provide overall project oversight, we expect that the Coordinating Office will primarily interface with fellows, professional development providers, and other stakeholders, such as communications and evaluations partners.
- The Kresge Detroit Program team looks forward to developing a more detailed scope and delineation of responsibilities in collaboration with the Coordinating Office.

What is the timeline for the Coordinating Office to begin working?

- We expect to announce the selected organization in late February/early March. Once selected, the Kresge Detroit Program team will work closely with the organization to delineate next steps and to develop a project plan.
- We expect that the Coordinating Office will begin working in the weeks immediately following the announcement.

Are there opportunities to speak with a Kresge representative if I have questions?

- We are happy to discuss the RFP scope and application in more detail. Please contact Katie Byerly at kwbyerly@kresge.org to schedule a phone meeting.



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What resources are available to gain more information about the early childhood landscape in Detroit?

The Kresge Foundation:

<http://kresge.org/>

Kresge Early Years for Success (KEYS): Detroit

<http://kresge.org/kresge-early-years-success-detroit>

Citywide Systems and Initiatives

Hope Starts Here

<http://hopestartsheredetroit.org/>

The Detroit Head Start Early Childhood Innovation Fund:

<https://cfsem.org/initiative/detroit-head-start-early-childhood-innovation-fund/>

Southeast Michigan Early Childhood Funders Collaborative: <http://www.wkkf.org/what-we-do/featured-work/southeast-michigan-early-childhood-funders-collaborative-invests-early-to-help-boost-detroits-future>

Government Institutions, Initiatives, and Policies

Great Start Collaborative-Wayne:

<http://www.greatstartwayne.org/#index>

Great Start, Great Investment, Great Future:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/1_Great_Start_-_Great_Investment_-_Great_Future_-_FINAL_422080_7.PDF

Great Start to Quality Michigan:

<http://greatstarttoquality.org/>

Michigan Department of Education Great Start to Readiness

Program: https://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-63533_50451---,00.html

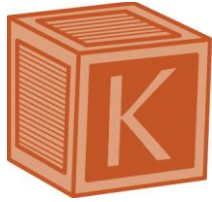
Michigan Department of Education Race to the Top Early Learning Challenge Grant:

http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-63533_71176---,00.html

Early Childhood Nonprofit Organizations

The Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children:

<http://www.miaeyc.org/links.htm>



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Michigan's Children

<http://www.michiganschildren.org/>

Michigan Head Start Association

<http://michheadstart.org/>

Data and Research

Data Driven Detroit: Early Childhood Data Portal

<http://datadriv.wwwls8.a2hosted.com/kresge-early-childhood-tool/>

High Scope Educational Research Foundation:

<http://www.highscope.org/>

The System We Need: A Neighborhood Snapshot of Early Childhood Education in Detroit:

http://iff.org/resources/content/3/1/documents/IFF_Detroit_report_final.pdf