CYFS GRANT SUPPORT



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Introduction

At the Nebraska Center for Research on Children, Youth, Families and Schools, our goal is to impact lives by advancing and supporting high-quality research in the social, educational and behavioral sciences.

You're Invited

We invite you to submit your next grant through CYFS.

We offer complimentary services from start to finish as you conceptualize, develop, submit and manage your grant. You'll also have access to additional services,* including web, technology and communications support; database management; and statistical analyses.

Our resources and experience allow you to focus on what you do best: research.

Areas of Expertise

Our faculty have expertise in areas including:

EARLY EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT
RESEARCH EVALUATION & METHODS
RURAL EDUCATION RESEARCH

PSYCHOSOCIAL DEVELOPMENT & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

ACADEMIC INTERVENTION & LEARNING

Why submit through CYFS?

1. Consistent Track Record

On average, 45% of the grants we've submitted have been funded. We understand the importance of your research and have the resources to help you reach your funding goals.



2. Experienced Personnel

Our team consists of researchers and staff members who also specialize in grant support. We provide expertise from diverse perspectives and have the capacity to work with you from start to finish.



3. Established Networks

We've spent years building a reputation among federal agencies, grant reviewers and scholars as a center that produces high-quality research and has the necessary infrastructure for comprehensive grant support.



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^{*}For current rates of additional services, please visit: cyfsgrant.unl.edu

START.

SOMETIMES GETTING STARTED IS THE HARDEST PART. FROM CONCEPTUALIZING A PROPOSAL TO FINALIZING A TIMELINE, WE WORK WITH YOU TO BUILD A STRONG FOUNDATION.

Project Conceptualization

We're here to help you take an initial idea and craft it into a compelling grant proposal. You have the research question, and we have ideas on how to frame it for funding.

Funding Identification

Our team identifies requests for applications and proposals from federal, state, foundation and internal sources. Together, we develop a timeline to make sure everything is ready before the submission deadline.

Team Development

We recruit partners, such as co-investigators, key personnel and graduate students. We also assist with university networking to round out your team.

DEVELOP.

WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOU AS YOU DEVELOP YOUR PROPOSAL. OUR TEAM OFFERS ASSISTANCE WITH RESEARCH DESIGN, CONTENT AND BUDGET.

Research Design

Our methodologists are available to collaborate with you on research design, sampling and randomization, data collection and management, planning for data analysis, and planning for intervention fidelity assessment.

Content Review

Our researchers work with you to review and critique content. With backgrounds as scientists and grant reviewers, we approach your proposal from both perspectives.

Budget

Our budget specialists make sure everything is accounted for—from personnel management to database storage. We help you develop and justify your budget, while providing related documentation.

SUBMIT.

YOU'VE NEARLY COMPLETED THE PROCESS.
WE ASSIST WITH FINALIZING THE DETAILS AND
SUBMITTING A POLISHED PACKAGE.

Editing

We're available to help you refine the final draft of your proposal, from overall content review to line-item edits. Our team also provides suggestions for project aims, methods and other elements.

Package Development

We edit CVs, biosketches and references for consistency, making sure they conform to funding agency specifications. We also assist with additional forms and assurances.

Package Submission

Our team helps with all aspects of the final grant package, including coordination with the University of Nebraska–Lincoln's Office of Research and Economic Development, to ensure a high quality proposal that is ready for submission.

SUCCESS!

CONGRATULATIONS, YOU'RE FUNDED! WE PROVIDE POST-AWARD SUPPORT SO YOU CAN FOCUS ON YOUR RESEARCH.

Personnel & Grant Management

We're here to help you manage hiring, payroll and purchasing. Once employees are hired, we process their expenses, purchases, payments and reimbursements.

Budget Management & Reconciliation

Our experienced staff monitors and reconciles budgets to meet post-award requirements and provides regular budget reports.

Research Activity Coordination

Leave some of the work to us. We're available to assist with making travel plans and ordering materials and supplies.

Event Support

Our staff assists with internal and public activities. We schedule meetings and provide basic support for workshops and trainings.

Additional Services

CYFS offers additional post-award services at an hourly rate.

For current prices, visit: cyfsgrant.unl.edu

Statistics & Research Methodology

Services provided by CYFS' Nebraska Academy for Methodology, Analytics and Psychometrics include:

INSTRUMENT DEVELOPMENT

- > Evaluate psychometric data
- > Support best practices in item writing, general design and administration
- > Develop qualitative data collection protocols

DATA MANAGEMENT

- > Format response sheets for optical machine reader and scan completed forms
- Create Qualtrics surveys

DISSEMINATION

- > Create visual data displays
- > Collaborate on manuscript preparation

DATA ANALYSIS

- > Perform data analyses including:
 - » Descriptive and inferential
 - » General/Generalized linear modeling
 - » Mixed modeling
 - » Latent variable modeling
 - » Mediation and moderation analysis
- > Analyze data from large-scale national and international survey studies
- > Conduct qualitative data analysis
- > Guide integration procedures for mixed methods studies

Web, Technology & Communications

CYFS' Web, Technology and Communications team provides comprehensive services including:

VIDEO PRODUCTION AND PHOTOGRAPHY

- > Record and edit video
- > Disseminate video, including web hosting
- > Provide original photography, edit photos and supply stock photography

TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

- > Provide computer, technology and web support
- > Assist new users with login, network drives and email information
- > Research, purchase and support hardware/ software needs

DATABASE DEVELOPMENT

- > Develop databases and data collection websites
- > Store data in secure server with routine maintenance and backup
- > Export data
- > Create reports, charts, graphs and PDFs

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

- > Write publicity content for articles, press releases and social media
- > Write technical content for research recruitment and dissemination
- > Write promotional content for multichannel digital and print advertising

VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS

- > Design posters, brochures, diagrams and email marketing
- > Develop logos and identities

WEBSITE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

- > Create new websites for recruitment. dissemination and marketing
- > Redesign existing websites to improve user experience
- > Create interactive modules for instruction

Frequently Asked Questions

Does it cost anything to house my grant in CYFS?

There are no fees associated with obtaining pre-award support to develop and submit your grant. Funded projects also have access to complimentary post-award services that support project execution.

We receive part of the facilities and administrative fees (F&A) for funded projects. No other fee is applied to grant budgets. We make special arrangements for grants that do not generate F&A.

What happens to the F&A generated from grants housed in CYFS?

We follow university protocol for F&A fees. They are first distributed across university administrative structures, and remaining funds are distributed to the colleges of the principal investigators and to CYFS.

In the College of Education and Human Sciences, the same percentage of F&A is distributed to departments, regardless of CYFS involvement. For researchers from other colleges, CYFS has Memoranda of Understanding that define the F&A distribution.

What is expected in exchange for using CYFS' complimentary grant services?

In return for extensive pre-award grant support, the Nebraska Center for Research on Children, Youth, Families and Schools should be identified as the administrative home for the grant. This is acknowledged prior to submission and routed as such through the NUgrant system. Funded grants are housed in CYFS, and researchers have uninterrupted access to grant management services.

If my grant is housed in CYFS, can I still access other campus grant supports?

CYFS has excellent relationships with other research support entities on campus, including the Office of Research and Economic Development and the CEHS business office. We work closely with ORED, CEHS and other departments during proposal development and post-award management to ensure seamless and efficient support. We can easily share responsibilities—including research development and post-award activities—with outside support staff, at the request of the principal investigator.

What services does CYFS offer to graduate and undergraduate students?

We provide grant-writing seminars for graduate students, which assist with grant development that supports their research. Many undergraduate and graduate students are also actively involved in the research programs being conducted at CYFS.

I'm interested—what's next?

Contact CYFS at cyfs@unl.edu or 402-472-2448 to get started.



