

Faculty/Staff/Student Application for Program/Initiative Support

The Menard Family Center for Democracy provides funding and/or logistical and organizational support for a broad range of teaching, research, service and creative initiatives that enhance civic learning, civic engagement and/or civic dialogue on Miami's campuses and/or in the University's surrounding communities.

General Guidelines

- All current Miami University faculty members, students or staff members are eligible to apply for funding and/or other Center support.
- Recognized Miami University student organizations and academic programs/departments are also eligible to apply for support. The Center especially encourages proposals for programs/initiatives that engage multiple disciplines/audiences, promote dialogue across ideological, political and/or social divisions and/or cultivate multi-unit university or community partnerships.
- Proposals must include a project description, a detailed budget, a clear statement of desired civic outcomes and, when appropriate, an estimate of likely impact (e.g., predicted participation numbers).
- No funding or support will be provided for (a) direct voter registration efforts; and/or (b) events/initiatives that are aimed at advancing partisan political objectives.
- Proposals are accepted on a rolling basis. All funding/support is contingent upon available resources.

Submission Guidelines

- Proposals are accepted on a rolling basis. All funding/support is contingent upon available Center resources.
- Prospective applicants are encouraged to consult with Dr. John Forren (forrenjp@miamioh.edu), Executive Director of the Menard Family Center, in advance of formal submission of an application for Center funding/support.
- All proposals must include a signed cover sheet, a description of the proposed program/initiative, and a projected budget. (Please see below.)
- The completed application (including attachments) should be submitted via email to menardfamilycenter@miamioh.edu. Receipt will be acknowledged within two business days, and a preliminary decision about funding/support will be provided within one week.

Application for Program/Initiative Support Cover Sheet

1. Applicant name(s) and Miami University affiliation(s) (e.g., student, faculty, staff, academic department, staff unit):
2. Applicant email address(es) and phone number(s):
3. Tentative name/title of program/initiative (if applicable):
4. Proposed date(s) and location(s) of program/initiative:
5. Proposed program/initiative co-sponsors or partners (if applicable):

Please attach the following to this cover sheet:

- A description (300 words maximum) of the proposed project/initiative and expected civic outcomes; and
- A detailed budget/support request, including (a) the total amount of Menard Family Center funding being requested and the intended uses of that funding; (b) a description of any logistical/organizational support being requested from the Menard Family Center; and (c) a listing of any other proposed funding/support sources (e.g., departmental funds, external grants).

Required signatures

Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Department Chair or
Program Director (if applicable): _____ Date: _____