To support community engaged research...

- address community concerns
- particularly participatory and action research approaches
- with equitable partnerships
- with social and racial justice orientation
- in support of advancing a multiracial democracy that is equitable and inclusive (Tisch north star)
Signature program: Seed grants

- Grants that kick start or pilot new community research
- Emphasis on participatory research with community-university co-leadership
- Special emphasis on local communities
- One year duration
- Opportunities for continued engagement with TCRC
Example Seed Projects

CAFEH
African American Heritage Trail Project
Experiences of Immigrant Families in Public Schools
TCRC Funded Research (2008 – 2020)

Academic Disciplines

- Humanities
- Public health
- Friedman nutrition
- UEP
- Engineering
- Tisch civic life
- Veterinary Studies
- Environmental Studies
- Medical
- Child development
- Community health
- American Studies
TCRC Seed Grants (2008 – 2020)

Geographic Distribution

- Chinatown: 25%
- Somerville: 28%
- Medford: 16%
- Other Boston: 19%
- Worcester/Grafton: 15%
- MA general: 10%
Seed Grant 2022

RFP open now

-- Deadline April 29, 2022 --

• Tufts faculty and community partners
• Participatory and action research that address community concerns
• $10,000 – 12,000 grants for pilot projects
• Project time frame: July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023
2022 TCRC Seed Request for Proposals

All proposals are evaluated by a team of community and university representatives.

**Deliverables/shared learnings include:**
- Final report
- Periodic meetings with TCRC regarding progress and to share feedback
- Involvement in a Tisch presentation (ex. Tisch Community Research Forum)
What strengthens proposals?

- Equitable partnerships (ex. evidence in shared budget resources, participatory approaches, community partner leadership and involvement across research project, and similar)
- Advance racial and social justice
- Interdisciplinary
- Opportunities for student learning
- Special but not exclusive emphasis on Boston, Somerville, Medford, and Grafton/Worcester areas.
- Clear path for seed research continuation, such as expansion into a broader research agenda (ex. pilot research that leads to larger NIH proposal) and contribute real world impact
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