Southeast Community Engagement Alliance (CEAL) Research Initiative

Notice of Funding Opportunity

Community-Engaged Nutrition Research Pilot Projects In Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana

Application Deadline: Friday, April 10th, 5PM CT

The Southeast CEAL Research Initiative is a tri-state partnership across Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana dedicated to reducing the disproportionate burden of chronic disease — including obesity, hypertension, and metabolic conditions — in the communities that need it most. Through this funding opportunity, one pilot research project per state will be supported to advance community-engaged, nutrition-focused investigation that moves science into practice where it matters. Projects must reflect academic-community partnerships based out of the University of Alabama at Birmingham, Tulane University, or the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

Up to $25,000 direct costs per academic site is available to support project-related activities at that site and its affiliated community for the planned project period of one year (June 1, 2026 – May 31, 2027). Projects must include at least one academic site lead (PI) from UAB, UMMC, or Tulane, and one community-based site lead affiliated with a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Academic PIs must be full-time faculty (Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor or institutional equivalent). Please see website and full NOFO for additional eligibility criteria and application guidelines.

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