



Community Academic Service Entrepreneur (CASE) Grants

EDUCATION

This grant competition empowers and motivates students to apply their classroom learning in real life. CASE grants promote social entrepreneurship by giving students the opportunity to conduct innovative community service projects linked to their academic discipline while addressing and solving social and community-related problems. CASE improves learning outcomes and brings excitement to education. CASE was launched with the help the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and has expanded into twenty seven states in the US and on four continents. Projects and proposals can be seen at ServiceBook.org, where the Foundation receives applications and administers the selection process.

How CASE works: A host (school or organization) and a sponsor (individual, corporation, philanthropy, etc.) can address a community problem through student engagement. They may also identify and support an academic discipline of their interest. C2P and the host announce the grant availability and students register on ServiceBook.org to submit their innovative ideas to address the designated problem, in partnership with a local community organization. Help for the selection process is provided on the website. A selection panel chooses the winner, who receives a grant to implement the service project under the supervision of a faculty member. The student receives a C2P Certificate of Merit and a scholarship upon completing the final report. The whole process is generally completed in a single semester.

About C2P: The Foundation is a 501(c)(3). The first program of C2P began at a university in 2000 in Georgia. Today, the Foundation has motivated individuals to contribute to their communities in 27 US states and on four continents. Under the direction of a board of world-class educators, business leaders, technologists, philanthropists and community officials, the Foundation continues to develop and apply programs to link individuals' career skills, professional interests and academic preparation to community service and social entrepreneurship.



CASE FOCUS AREA & EXAMPLES:

College Students & High Schools -- CASE supports high school projects and empowers college students to lead and motivate high school “near peers.”

■ A high school student in North Carolina used a CASE grant in partnership with the Soil and Water Conservation service to construct a watershed education facility as a resource for environmental research, school events, field trips, and technology training for high school students throughout the area. ■ Students at UCLA found a poverty rate of 34% in a nearby community, coupled with a total absence of support for the college application process. They used a CASE grant for books, prep materials and other resources to personally assist young people in applying for college.

College Students & Middle Schools – College students understand the middle school experience and help motivate the younger learners with CASE projects.

■ A mechanical engineering student at Dayton University in Ohio used a CASE grant to purchase Lego Mindstorms as the basis for a day camp where college students taught math and science to younger, inner-city students while building robots and other devices. ■ A Macalister College student used a CASE grant to create a student-developed handbook, training, recruitment and selection program for 25 mentors to work throughout the year with 100 children adopted in Vietnam and living in Minnesota, resulting in better school performance and better appreciation of their heritage.

College Students & Elementary/Preschools – College education majors find improvement opportunities as student teachers. CASE grants help them capture the opportunities.

■ In communities around Georgia Southwestern State University up to 30% of students are below standard in reading because their caregivers also do not read. A GSSU student used a CASE grant to give children “take home” books and train caregivers in reading skills, thus helping caregiver and child teach each other to read. ■ To combat boredom in elementary school an education major at Mount Union College in Ohio used a CASE grant for an after-school program called “Project Inspire,” with erupting volcanoes for science, homemade costumes for history skits, a visit to the fitness center for health, a visit from the MUC chorus for music appreciation, presentations by foreign students at MUC for geography, etc

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