



MetLife Foundation – Lender Center for Social Justice Internal Grant Competition

Information Session

January 30, 2023





**Theme for
the grant....**

**Addressing the
Racial Wealth Gap in
the United States**

What types of proposals are being sought?

Proposals can be based on humanistic, theoretical, empirical, case study, or applied research that addresses any of the following three tracks:

- I. Structural and systemic factors positively or negatively impacting the building of generational wealth [e.g., slavery, settler colonialism, and historic legacies of racialized violence, racial capitalism, mass incarceration, inheritance laws, etc.]
- II. Policies and practices that generate or minimize racial wealth disparities [e.g., redlining, urban renewal schemes, tax policy, predatory financing, healthcare burdens, racially disparate housing appraisals, etc.]
- III. Individual and organizational-level factors influencing educational attainment, skills acquisition, and career development [e.g., educational inequities, hiring queues, corporate programs, etc.]

What types of proposals are being sought? (continued)

Within each track, projects are invited that:

- (1) identify and capture factors leading to or minimizing the racial wealth gap
- (2) capture the long-term impacts of the racial wealth gap
- (3) offer solutions to minimizing the racial wealth gap that are data driven and evidence-based
- (4) present arts- or humanities-based research documenting narratives, conveying either lived experiences of the racial wealth gap, or promising actions to minimize the gap.

What is the expected format of the proposal?

- **3-page research project proposal, 1-page anticipated budget, and CV(s).** The research proposal should include:
 - Theme or themes the project will investigate
 - Significance and Rationale
 - Methods and execution, including a brief work plan that includes a project history, proposed project activities, and information on project completion if the project is not intended to finish during proposed project period.
 - Plans for disseminating work
- **One page budget**

How will the submission be reviewed?

- Relevance to the overall topic
- Relevance to the theme selected
- Representativeness of multiple perspectives and disciplines
- Significant progress can be realistically made in one to two years of receiving the grant
- Reasonable and appropriate budget for work proposed is included



Submissions are
welcomed by
Monday, April 3
at 5pm

Submissions should be
uploaded to the Office
of Research portal:
<https://syracuse.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1891602>

Applicants will be notified the week of May 16

Funds will be available July 1

We are here to support you!

We are available to answer questions and provide supportive guidance on how your current research agenda may be aligned with the theme.

Questions?

