

University of Maryland Claude D. Pepper Older Americans Independence Center

Micro-Funding Process

Micro-funds can be requested for \$500-\$2,000 by current Pepper Center pilot awardees and REC Scholars as well as Pepper Center affiliates that are interested in applying for a pilot and/or REC scholar funding in the near future. Projects using these funds must relate to theme of the [University of Maryland Pepper Center](#) and the funds must be used in a manner that directly impacts the research study being conducted. Micro-funds can be used for the following: conference travel, publication fees, supplies, testing fees, and other pre-approved items. They cannot be used for salary support or participant compensation.

Request can be made at any time and must include the following:

- Investigator Name/Academic Position/Department
- Current affiliation with the UM-OAIC
- Title of Project
- Abstract (include how related to the Pepper Center theme)
- Budget and justification/reason for fund request
- Funding source of research study
- Start and end dates of research study
- Funding amount of research study
- IRB approval letter, if applicable
- IRB protocol may be requested

Review Process: There is no set due date. A decision will be made within 5 business days from receipt of a complete application; Mary-Claire Roghmann and Jack Guralnik, UM-OAIC Research Education Core leaders, will review the applications and make final decisions.

Funds must be used within 4 months of being provided; **funds should be requested when they are ready to be utilized.** Micro-funds are limited to one award per year per person per year.

Requests should be submitted to Anne Sullens (asullens@som.umaryland.edu)

Requirements if receive micro-funding:

- Credit the UM-OAIC (if applicable)
- Attend Research Education Core meetings for junior faculty and other trainees

Any additional questions? Contact Anne Sullens (asullens@som.umaryland.edu) or at 410-706-1695.

For further information about the UM-OAIC please visit:
<http://www.medschool.umaryland.edu/peppercenter/>

