

## Emory University

### Organization Description

The Interfaith Health Program (IHP) is a project of the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. The IHP has a national network of faculty and community experts.

### Project Description

Interfaith Health Strong Partners program is a collaborative effort of the IHP at Emory University and 9 Strong Partner Foundations located across the nation. The foundations will select FBO/CBOs to receive intensive TA and sub-awards. The IHP will identify best practices and disseminate the information to all the organizations involved in the project. They will also build a model for effective collaboration.

### Geographic Scope of Project

Though the Interfaith Health Strong Partners project is nation wide, the organizations are concentrated primarily in 7 areas:

- Atlanta, GA
- Central Louisiana
- Houston, TX
- Illinois
- Kansas
- St. Louis, MO
- San Francisco Bay area, CA

### Partnering Organizations

The School of Public Health will collaborate with a national network of 9 Strong Partner Foundations:

- Deaconess Foundation
- Incarnate Word Foundation  
Community Computing Centers
- Lutheran Foundation
- Rapides Foundation
- St. Joseph's Mercy Care  
Foundation
- St. Luke's Episcopal Health Care  
Foundation
- United Methodist Health Ministries  
Foundation
- Vesper Foundation
- Wheatridge Foundation

### Sub-Awards

In consultation with the IHP, the 9 Strong Partner Foundations will select the recipients for the sub-awards with more than \$2.3 million being given to sub-awards from IHP and the 9 SPF.

### Project Objectives

The overall objective of this project is to develop stronger collaborations between government and faith-based and community organizations so that best practices are identified and effectively replicated. Specific objectives include:

1. To provide intensive TA to selected FBO/CBOs.
2. To provide community-wide TA in 7 areas where partnering foundations are concentrated.
3. To grant sub-awards that facilitate effective collaborations.

### Project Strategies

- Select FBO/CBOs for TA and sub-awards.
- Hold on-site planning sessions in each community.
- Provide TA for each organization as requested.
- Provide community-wide TA when resource person is in a community.
- Identify best practices and disseminate information.

### Grant Award Amount

\$1,499,999

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