

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND

Proposal Guidelines

Description

At the end of each academic year, the Foundation calculates the amount of unexpended program money due to a) the School Year Award was not all used due to under-enrollment, or b) the available Rising Senior funds, Local Summer Service funds, First Year Service Trip funds were not used. The total of these unexpended funds from the prior academic year at your institution are the source of your Special Projects Fund.

To access these funds schools are asked to submit a proposal to the Bonner Foundation. We request that you discuss your proposal ideas with the Bonner Foundation prior to drafting your proposal.

Eligible Activities

Schools will be allowed to request additional funds for the following activities involving Bonner Scholars in their junior and senior years:

- <u>Bonner Program initiatives:</u> These may include a wide range of activities, including capstone-level service projects. Support for student-led initiatives to strengthen the program are encouraged if there is not sufficient funding in your Bonner Community Fund.
- <u>Community-Engaged Learning initiatives:</u> These may include a wide range of activities such as faculty training and course development mini-grants, infrastructure such as course designators or tracking systems, institutional policy change, student training and course or project expenses.
- <u>Service trips:</u> These may include junior class service trips with an emphasis on international perspective and/or social justice.
- <u>Internships and leadership activities</u> with national Bonner Partner organizations or other national or international organizations you may propose.