Apply for $500-$4,000 to implement a community impact project!!!!

Do you have you had an idea about how to impact the local community but just lacked the support and resources to do it? Have you been wondering how you can grow as a leader, prepare for post-grad, and leave an impact in Waltham long after you graduate? Then the Rich/Collins Community Leadership and Impact Fellowship is for you. Visit the fellowship website or see below for fellowship details.

Email Samantha de Melim @sdemelim@brandeis.edu or RCCLIF@Brandeis.edu for questions, and don't forget to attend an Rich/Collins info session (dates and times below).

Rich/Collins Fellowship Info Sessions:
- Wednesday, October 2nd, 5:00-6:00 PM in the SCC Room 313
- Thursday, October 17th, 5:00-6:00 PM in the SCC Room 313

In addition, application and budget support workshops for interested applicants will be held:
- Wednesday, October 30th, 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM in the Community Service Office, Shapiro Campus Center Room 203

What is the Rich/Collins Community Leadership and Impact Fellowship?
The Rich/Collins Community Leadership & Impact Fellowship (R/C CLIF) gives students the opportunity to develop and implement a community impact project over one academic year. The mini-grants, ranging from $500-$4,000 will enable students to partner with the local community, reflect upon their programs, and provide immediate support to an important cause.

What do I receive if I am selected?
In addition to the $500-$4,000 to implement your community project, students will receive pre-application support, leadership training and the chance to present at a final symposium. In addition, a stipend of $600 is available for all selected applicants.

Who is eligible to apply?
Any Brandeis student in good academic standing (GPA 3.0 or above) is a sophomore, junior or senior during the award year is eligible to apply. Students may re-apply year-to-year, but the maximum number of years a student may receive the award is two. Student currently abroad may apply but must be on campus in the Spring to implement their proposed project. All Brandeis students (international and domestic) are encouraged to apply. Students are eligible to apply in teams of 2 if given permission by Department staff.
Program Overview

What types of community impact projects can I propose?
Eligible projects must serve the Waltham-Boston community (30-mile radius), with priority given to projects that serve the city of Waltham. Projects must be completed by the end of the academic year. Preference will be given to project proposals that:

- Make a significant, or measurable, impact upon society
- Raise awareness among the Brandeis community
- Foster leadership and creativity among Brandeis students
- Provide a clear plan for continuation that indicates how the work will be sustained locally, or, if a time limited project with defined start and end dates, demonstrate how the project resolves a significant local issue during the project period
- Provide a strong leadership structure
- Present a well-designed, effective budget

How Do I Apply?
To apply please submit all application materials to Samantha de Melim (sdemelim@brandeis.edu) by 11:59 on Monday, November 4th.

Application materials include your application, resume, budget proposal, and letter of community support.

What Can I Do to Help My Application?
We strongly encourage applicants to:

- Attend an information and application workshop session (times mentioned above).
- Meet with a representative from the Hiatt Career Center to have your resume reviewed.
- Consult with the Department of Community Service staff to review community needs and current outreach initiatives and partnerships and receive guidance.
- Meet with community partner to assess points of impact and need as well as to discuss program design

I have more questions!
No problem! Email RCCLIF@Brandeis.edu with questions! Or schedule a meeting with Samantha de Melim (sdemelim@brandeis.edu), Community Service Specialist in the Department of Community Service.