



Bobbi Meeler Sahn Service and Outreach Award FY24 Application Guidelines

The Bobbi Meeler Sahn Service and Outreach Award was established by Athens native and strong UGA supporter, Bobbi Sahn. A UGA alumna, Sahn, was born and raised in Athens, Georgia. In 2021, Sahn and her family created a fund to support public service and outreach efforts conducted by partnerships between UGA and Athens organizations. Inspired by this contribution, UGA President Jere Morehead directed discretionary funds to this initiative which will positively impact the quality of life of community residents. The Office of the Vice President for Public Service and Outreach and an award committee, comprising of both university and community representatives, oversee the awarding of these funds.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION OPENS: October 23, 2023

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: Friday, January 26, 2024, 5 p.m.

NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DEADLINE

1. Applications will be accepted from UGA units or departments whose faculty and/or staff are partnering with a community organization on programs addressing issues including but not limited to: public health and well-being; preK-12 education; disadvantaged youth; childhood and adult literacy; civic engagement; and public safety.
2. This award is designed to enhance UGA's public service and outreach mission. As such, funded projects must include a collaborative partnership with an Athens community organization and demonstrate a direct and positive impact on the community. Programs must clarify who will benefit from funding – please provide details of the intended target audience.
3. All applicants must provide with the application a letter of support from a dean/director to ensure support for the project.
4. All applicants must provide with the application a letter of support from the external partner organization's executive director/director to ensure support for the project.
5. Applicants should thoroughly complete the application provided and should be prepared to provide additional information on their project if deemed necessary.
6. Completed applications must be submitted to robin.hampl@uga.edu.
7. Applications will be reviewed by the committee and recipients will be notified of their decision by the end of February 2024.
8. All applicants must supply a project budget including a complete and itemized description of how funds will be spent along with any in-kind contributions or additional sources of funds. Any application submitted without this financial information will not be considered for funding. Awards of up to \$10,000 will be available to multiple grantees.
9. Applications for monies to fund the purchase of promotional items and other non-essential "wish list" items are discouraged, except where the item in question is a vital and demonstrated function of the program.
10. Awards may not be used to fund endowments, course buyouts, assistantships, or employee salaries. Awards should be expended by April 30, 2025.
11. There will be no multi-year pledges.