

ALL FOR NC FELLOWSHIP

Help Create the North Carolina You Want to See

An Initiative of the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation's Exploratory, Visionary Ideas Strategy

The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation (ZSR) is seeking to invest directly in young innovators, change makers, visionaries, entrepreneurs and risk takers between the ages of 21 and 35 with bold ideas for how to make a difference in North Carolina and its communities. The newly established All For NC Fellowship is a 12-month program designed to provide funding, coaching and mentoring to young people who have a vision and plan that could contribute to a better life for North Carolina's people and communities.

Fellows will receive:

- An individual stipend of \$75,000 (pre-tax) for personal and project expenses incurred during the fellowship;
- Professional growth opportunities such as one-on-one coaching; and
- Shared educational experiences in-person with peers, coaches and community leaders.

ZSR expects to fund three cohorts of Fellows over the course of five years. Fellowships will begin in Summer/Fall 2019 and end in Summer/Fall 2020. Up to five Fellows will be selected for each cohort.

We believe our All For NC Fellows should reflect the rich diversity of North Carolina and want young North Carolinians from all walks of life to consider this opportunity. We especially encourage people of color, women, LGBTQ persons and rural residents to apply.

For 80 years, ZSR has worked to improve the quality of life for all North Carolinians. To read more about ZSR's mission and core values, visit <https://www.zsr.org/content/core-values>.

Important Dates

ZSR will begin accepting Fellowship applications on December 5, 2018

Fellowship applications are due on January 25, 2019 at 12:00pm (noon)

Fellows will be selected in May 2019

(See reverse for more details)



Eligibility & Criteria

The All For NC Fellowship is open to North Carolina residents between the ages of 21 and 35 as of January 25, 2019.

In addition, applicants must:

- Meet all submission deadlines;
- Propose ideas that have an anticipated public benefit for NC (i.e., they will benefit other North Carolinians);
- Be available for participation in a semi-finalist interview weekend* on March 15-17, 2019;
- Be able to commit significant time over 12 months to their Fellowship project;
- Be able to participate in three cohort convenings/seminars* held in different sites across the state over the 12 months of the program. (*Travel expenses will be covered by the Foundation.)



The Foundation anticipates proposals ranging from artistic endeavors, to technological innovations, to public/private/nonprofit sector initiatives, to community-based projects, to efforts to improve racial equity, and beyond. We are placing very few limits on proposal ideas in hopes that many young people will see their ideas as qualifying for this Fellowship. Preference likely will be given to projects that have moved beyond an initial idea and have some momentum.

How to Apply

ZSR will begin accepting applications for the **All For NC Fellowship** on December 5, 2018. The application and additional information are available at <https://www.zsr.org/all-for-nc>. Applications are due on January 25, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. (noon). Two webinars will be held to explain the Fellowship on December 14, 2018 and January 9, 2019.

Semi-finalists will be selected to interview and present to a group of panelists during the weekend of March 15-17, 2019. The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation Board of Trustees will select up to five Fellows in May 2019. Preference likely will be given to projects or initiatives that have moved beyond an initial idea and have some momentum.

Questions?

For more information, visit <https://www.zsr.org/all-for-nc> or contact info@zsr.org.



All For NC: Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation's Framework for Grantmaking and Learning aligns with our mission and core values and includes a *State-Level Systemic Change Strategy*, a *Community-Based Strategy* and an *Exploratory, Visionary Ideas Strategy*. For more information about the *Exploratory, Visionary Ideas Strategy* or our Framework, visit www.zsr.org.