Faculty Housing Research Program

The Housing and Demographics Research Center (HDRC) invites proposals for our Faculty Housing Research Program. This program is intended to foster research on housing issues by faculty members at the University of Georgia. It also supports the ongoing mission of the HDRC to provide policy relevant research that both advances scholarly work in this area and informs the efforts of a range of housing related organizations across the state.

We envision multiple areas that would qualify for funding under this program. Research should be applicable to communities in Georgia, but we do not require the research to take place within the state. Possible research areas include, but are not limited to:

- Effects of housing revitalization programs
- Gentrification and residential displacement
- Zoning regulation and its effects on available housing
- Residents’ decision making strategies in seeking new housing
- Defensible space and the relation of housing to public safety
- Effective strategies for mixed use and/or mixed income development
- Outcomes of activism for fair housing
- The relationship between housing and transit systems (e.g., smart growth, transit oriented development, etc.)
- Changes in housing loans and related policies
- Causes, correlates, and/or consequences of homelessness, housing cost burden, other housing hardship
- Environmental sustainability and housing/neighborhood design

The maximum limit for this award is $5,000. It is available to all faculty and staff in the university. We allow for applications from teams of researchers, though one applicant must be designated as the primary investigator. Funds can be used for summer salary, to support a research assistant, or to cover research expenses. This award can be used in conjunction with other grant funding.

To submit a proposal, complete the application form, available on the HDRC website. Applicants should include a letter, no more than two pages in length, outlining the research questions guiding this project, the methods used to address this question, the research setting and other agencies involved in the research (if any), a budget for the award funds, and any relevant prior research, experience, or training. The curriculum vitae of all applicants should also be included with the application, along with the provided statement of esupport signed by the primary investigator’s department head.
Award recipients must submit a final report on the outcomes of this research, with an approximate length of 3,000 words. This should also include an abstract of no more than 200 words suitable for the HDRC website. The award recipients will also present results to the HDRC Board of Advisors during one of their biannual meetings. The award will begin on June 1, 2016, and a final report is expected by June 1, 2017.

**Proposals are due by April 15, 2016.** Applicants will be notified in late April or early May. Proposals can be emailed to Dr. Jerry Shannon (jshannon@uga.edu) as a single PDF document containing all materials. Questions about this program can also be directed to Dr. Shannon.