**2025-2026 IQC COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROJECT**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**Thank you for your interest in working with the University of Oklahoma Institute for Quality Communities on your project!**

Projects are a collaborative effort between the Institute for Quality Communities, Christopher C. Gibbs College of Architecture, the Oklahoma Municipal League, and various community representatives. Accepted proposals result in conceptual design and planning assistance developed by IQC staff, affiliated faculty, and students. The IQC commonly works on projects related to land use, urban design, public spaces, historic preservation, streetscapes, community engagement, and other aspects of the built environment. As applicable, studio courses can also collaborate on projects and may address development with a particular emphasis on multi-family housing, senior housing, health and wellness, transportation, commercial and industrial building types, or cultural facilities.

**2025-2026 Project Timeline:**

* March 31st: RFP opens
* **May 15th: Extended proposal deadline**
* May-June: Project interviews and selection
* Fall 2025 – Spring 2026: Project collaborations

Once your proposal is submitted a member of the IQC team will be in contact with you as updates become available to share.

More information on the proposal process can be found at iqc.ou.edu. Please reach out via e-mail at iqc@ou.edu with any questions.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

* Project contact name and role:
* Organization/City:
* Phone number (please include area code):
* E-mail address:
* Physical address of project site. If no address, please describe the general physical location (i.e.: identify the closest major intersection):

**COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT**

* Briefly share your community's story. What makes it unique? (People, places, spaces, legacies, culture, etc.):
* Briefly describe your project through the following 3 prompts:
	+ What is the intention and goal?
	+ What is the built environment aspect of the project? (street, park, public space, downtown, building, etc.)
	+ What is the size (sq ft) of the building/site?
* Who owns the property/site?
* How does this project advance community goals or priorities?
* What are some desired outcomes of the project?
* Who are the supporters/collaborators involved? (individual people, organizations, businesses, etc.)
* Describe some challenges that your community is facing that could potentially impact the project:
* Describe any funding or other resources that have already been identified for the project:

The Oklahoma Municipal League (OML) can provide matching funds to support projects when available. To be eligible for OML funding, the project city must be a member of OML and be partnered on this project.

Would you like to be considered for OML funding?

* Yes
* No

**NEXT STEPS**

Please submit 1-3 letters of support along with your proposal to iqc@ou.edu. Please note that to be considered for OML funding, a letter must be provided from the local government staff representative who is a partner on this project.