Civic Collaboration Fellows - 2025 Application

Thank you for your interest in applying to the Civic Collaboration Fellows Program. This document is intended to provide a preview of the questions on the application form. Please review the questions before beginning your application. The application form will save your progress, but you may consider writing your responses separately before beginning the application to avoid potential technical issues.

Background, Experience, and Interest Questions

- Please list your relevant current business and organizational affiliations.
- Briefly describe three (3) successful or in-progress collaborations with which you have been involved.
- What motivates you to apply to the Civic Collaboration Fellows program?
- How has your community and economic development experience impacted economic mobility in the St. Louis region?
- Is there anything more that you want to share about your experience that would benefit this Cohort?
- Collaboration beyond the Civic Collaboration Fellows Cohort is a critical component of the program.

 Name five (5) current members of your Civic Network who ideally will have varied Social Capital and Social Assets (such as neighborhood associations, business groups, etc.).
 - If chosen for an interview, each of your 5 Civic Network contacts will be asked to complete a
 reference form attesting to your collaborative experience and abilities as well as share their level of
 commitment to participate in the Economic Mobility Initiative phase of the fellowship.
 - At this time, you will be asked to list each of the five Civic Network Members' names and organizational affiliations.

Program Dates for the 2025-2026 Cohort year

- Welcome Event: October 8, 2025, from 5:30 7:00 PM
- Workshops: October 10, 24, and 30; November 7 and 21; December 12
 - o Fridays from 8:30AM 1:00PM
 - October 30 is a Thursday from 12:00PM 5:00PM
- Learning Trip: January 2026 Exact Dates TBD
- **Economic Mobility Initiative**: January 2026 September 2026 Exact dates to be determined collectively by the Cohort
- Graduation: September 12, 2026

Commitment Questions

- I have reviewed the dates and times of the Civic Collaboration Fellows Program and will attend all scheduled sessions, participate in session discussions, and maintain active commitment to the work, mission, and goals of the CCF Program.
- I agree to fully participate in the learning phase and the Economic Mobility Initiative action phase from October 2025 September 2026.

If you have any questions about the Civic Collaboration Fellows Program or Application, please reach out to Jessica Lake – Civic Collaboration Fellows Program Coordinator at <u>Jessica.Lake@missouri.edu</u>