



Call for Applications for the 2019-20 Framework Informal Learning Space and Civic Space Grants

*A Sense of Place is ...
"Having a place that has meaning and value to you,
a place where you feel attached to both the physical and social environment."
Rogers and Bragg, 2012*

The Integrated Physical Planning Liaison Group (IPPLG) is providing matching grant funds to support the advancement of [Framework 2.0](#) by updating Columbus and Regional campus spaces that promote student success. As part of the Framework 2.0 planning process, the university identified a need for more informal learning spaces - non-discipline specific spaces frequented by students for self-directed learning activities, socialization, and collaboration.

There are two grants available to units. The **Informal Learning Space Grant**, provides applicants the opportunity to transform lobby spaces, student lounges, or hallway spaces outside of classrooms into welcoming, collaborative spaces (schedulable, formal spaces will not be considered). Flexible, transformative tables and seating, flooring, paint, whiteboards, magazine racks, and electrical upgrades are all examples of updates that are appropriate for informal spaces. The second grant available is the **Civic Space Grant**, which focuses on outdoor space improvements including the addition of site furnishings and other amenities outside of buildings.

Applications for both grants are being accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis, and must be submitted (10) business days prior to the monthly IPPLG meetings. IPPLG will provide a dollar to dollar match for grants ranging from \$10,000 to \$50,000*. For example, a project totaling \$30,000 would be broken down by the unit paying \$15,000, and IPPLG funding \$15,000. Examples of recently funded grants are displayed on the following pages.

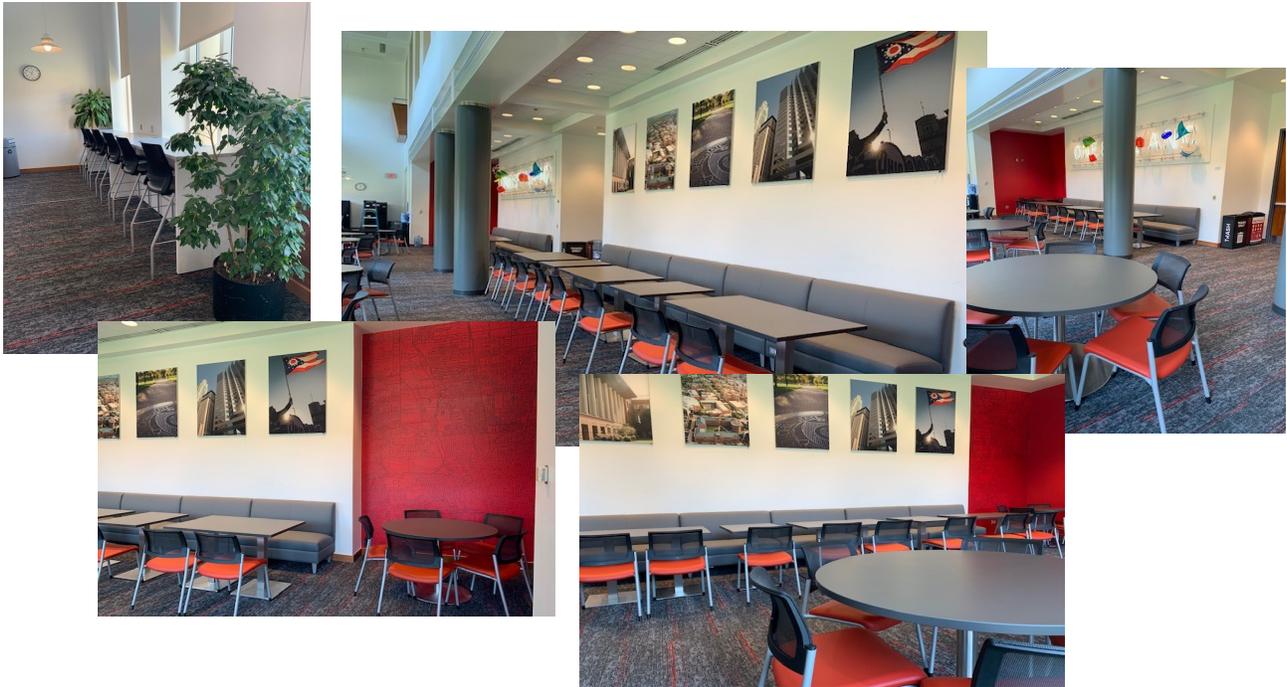
For grant consideration, applicants must obtain college/unit approvals prior to applying for grant funding. Once approved, contact [Leslie Weibush](#) to discuss project details. Units will also be expected to [submit](#) proposals in PDF format with the following information:

1. Project Title
2. Campus
3. Project leader's name, title, department, phone number and email
4. Location of the project, including building and specific location of planned improvements
5. A description of the project including the intended improvements. Describe the goals and benefits of the project, including who the likely users will be.
6. Estimated total budget, including the source of the 1:1 match. Estimates must be obtained from the [Facilities Operations and Development](#) (FOD) office, and can be located under Construction Project Request section. Please identify the request name as, "Space Grant Cost Estimate." For outdoor space requests, please select the nearest building when identifying the location. **Furniture must be purchased through university contracts.**
7. Photos of the space in its current state, and diagrams, renderings and/or photos of planned improvements.

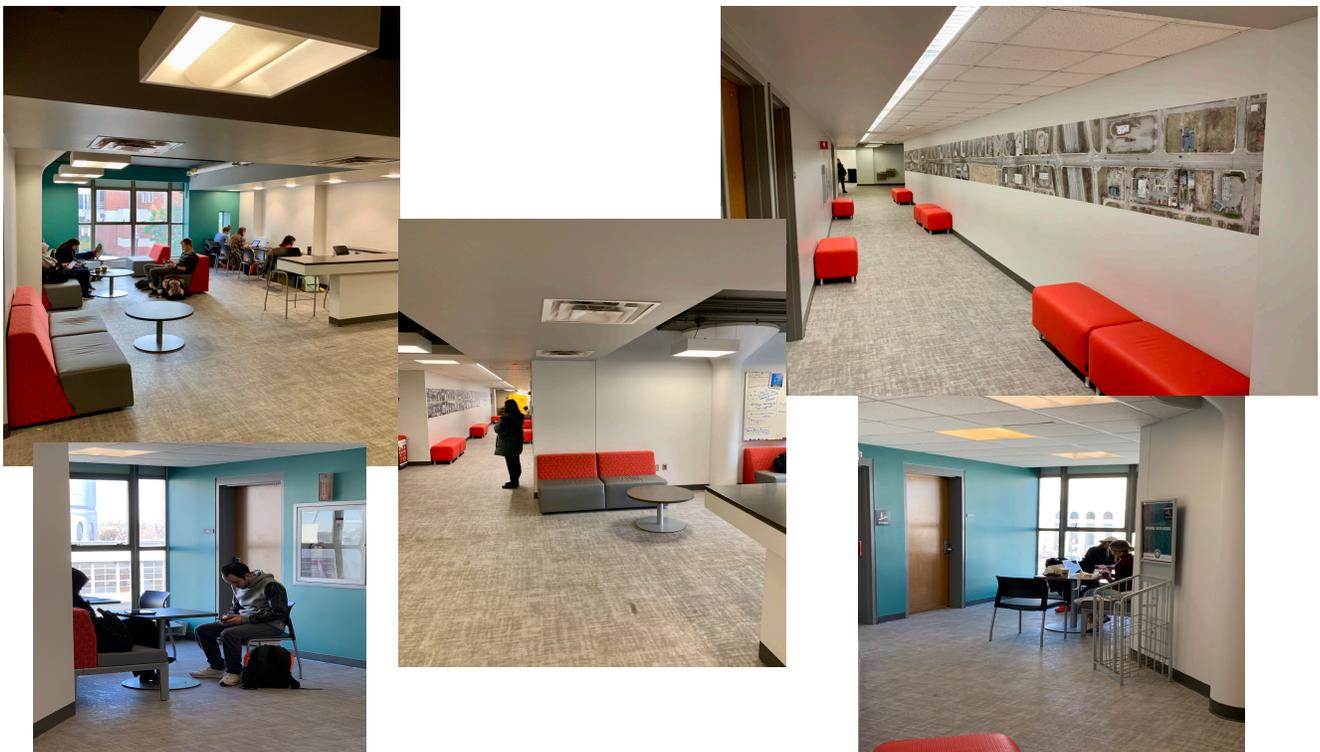
Grants will be awarded until funding is exhausted for the year with a total of \$250,000 available in FY20 for each grant. To be considered, applicants must work with a representative from Planning, Architecture & Real Estate (PARE) to ensure the project meets the university's design guidelines and appropriate space planning principles. PARE will assist the grantee in developing concepts and space layouts for the proposed project. Use of university strategic procurement program is expected where applicable.

* Units are limited to one grant per year

Gerlach Hall Graduate Student Lounge



Enarson Hall – 3rd Floor



Thompson Library Outdoor Furniture

