At a Glance:
Wisconsin Partnership Program Community Impact Grant Awards

I. AWARD

- Maximum of $1 million over a period of up to five years (up to 3 awards per year)
- Awards are made directly to Wisconsin-based, nonprofit, tax exempt, 501(c)(3) organizations or government entities
- Community-academic partnerships are mandatory

II. OBJECTIVES

The Wisconsin Partnership Program (WPP) intends to fund initiatives that illustrate strong community-based capacity for addressing health, health equity and well-being in Wisconsin. WPP will fund initiatives that meet the following criteria:

1. Address a health, health equity and well-being issue that is identified by community stakeholders as critically important
2. Are spearheaded by a community-based entity with the financial and organizational capacity to manage a successful program and bring a diverse set of partners and stakeholders to the effort
3. Deploy evidence-based interventions, programs, approaches to improving health, health equity and well-being in Wisconsin communities
4. Deploy collaborations directed at making policy, systems and/or environmental changes
5. Illustrate the potential for sustainable impact (as illustrated by system redesign, permanent infrastructure, stakeholder support, capacity to exist and thrive beyond the award end-date)
6. Involve an authentic community-academic partnership in which the academic partner brings the resources of the UW to bear (e.g., research, evaluation, issue expertise, training)

III. THE IMPETUS FOR THIS REQUEST FOR PARTNERSHIPS (RfP)

There is a growing realization among funders regarding how to strategically and effectively address large scale health challenges and an overall recognition that funding individual programs implemented by single organizations has not had the outcomes hoped for. This RfP is a step towards encouraging a more collective approach to solving these challenges.