

Creating a Strong Public Interest Technology Project

Audience Questions

Is there a call for proposals out currently?

Yes the applications are open through June 24th however, the Network Challenge is limited to PIT-Members. for more info see, <u>pitcases.org website</u>.

Does the specific field of technology need to be identified in the proposal or could the tech/policy to work on come from the community and change over time?

See the Network Challenge RFP for more details on the pitcases.org website.

For its fourth year, projects addressing any of the priority areas below related to public interest technology in university settings are welcome to apply for a grant.

- o i. Educational Offerings
- o ii. Career Pipeline/Placement
- o iii. Faculty & Institution Building
- o iv. Strengthening the PIT University Network
- Projects may include such ideas as:
 - Experiential learning opportunities, such as clinics, fellowships, apprenticeships, or internships that give students real-world exposure to the practice of Public Interest Technology.
 - New models of career training, placement, and/or financial support for individuals who seek to pursue careers in the nascent field of Public Interest Technology.
 - Partnerships with nonprofit, private sector, or affinity group partners that demonstrate the real-world application of Public Interest Technology to center community voice in pursuit of solutions for pressing problems, particularly challenges experienced by marginalized communities least well served by existing systems and policies.
 - New models to aid pre- and post-tenured faculty participation in (and recognition for) the research, curriculum development, teaching, and service work that builds Public Interest Technology as an arena of inquiry and training.
 - Platforms or practices to connect educators focused on Public Interest Technology so they may share curricula and strategies for improving Public Interest Technology programs.
 - Projects that aim to identify and pursue the central issues and questions that animate Public Interest Technology as a field of study.



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Audience Questions (continued)

Can someone provide a link to the resources Afua just mentioned?

Links to resources referenced in the presentation:

The Tech That Comes Next: How changemakers, philanthropists, and technologists can build an equitable world

Resources for What Comes Next

To Attend 2022 Network Challenge Q & A Office Hours, email Brenda Mora Perea at perea@newamerica.org

Send any questions about the application process or proposals to: pitunchallenge@newventurefund.org

For all general questions, email the Public Interest Technology team at pituninfo@newamerica.org