Yankelovich Partnership-Building Grants

To advance the Yankelovich Center's goal of building sustained and engaged partnerships between research and practitioners, the Center will provide a total of up to $25,000 in funding to create
and to deepen these partnerships. The three funding opportunities are:

- $2,500-$5,000 for a convening of multiple potential research-practice partners organized by one or more faculty members to discuss research needs and opportunities for collaboration. Awardees will contribute a 500-word document that will be part of the "Yankelovich Assessment of Research-Practitioner Needs" series. The partners could be nonprofit organizations, other types of community groups, government entities, other venues for policymaking, or combinations of such groups. This document will be intended to provide interested researchers with information about topics of vital interest to this community of practitioners, opportunities to collaborate, and the name and contact information of lead collaborators at each organization.

- $5,000-$10,000 for a collaborative, community-based project in which a faculty member partners with a nonprofit organization, other type of community group, government entity, other venue for policymaking, or a combination of such groups to study an intervention designed to address a pressing social problem. Recipients of grants will agree to write a 1-3 page write-up of results and lessons, even if preliminary, for posting on the Yankelovich Center website.

- $1,000 for a faculty member *or graduate student* to conduct an in-depth meeting with a potential partner to ascertain this group's research needs and to contribute a 500-word document that will be part of the "Yankelovich Assessment of Research-Practitioner Needs" series. The partner could be a nonprofit organization, another type of community group, a government entity, or another venue for policymaking. This document will be intended to provide interested researchers with information about topics of vital interest to the research partner, opportunities to collaborate, and the name and contact information of a lead collaborator.

Who can apply? Faculty (for convening and project grants) and faculty or graduate students (for partner meetings) at any point in their career in the Division of Social Sciences.

Application requirements

Recipients must spend funds in a timely manner, according to timeline submitted with the application. Carry-forward requests will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. Funds not spent in a timely manner shall be returned to the Center.

A. Cover page. Please include the following information:

Grant Type: "Yankelovich Partnership-Building Grants"
Name(s)
Email address(es)

Department(s)
Title of Project
Amount Requested

B. Maximum one page, single-spaced: Describe the group and/or groups that you will bring together and why creating a partnership could yield a productive engagement. Upon completion of the project, awardees will provide a 500-word document that will be part of the "Yankelovich Assessment of Research-Practitioner Needs" series.

C. Project Timeline, including date of project completion.

Application timeline. The Yankelovich Center will accept applications beginning January 1, 2026 and continue to accept them on a rolling basis throughout the academic year until it has committed all funds.

How to submit. Email your submission as a pdf document to the Yankelovich Center for Social Science Research at yankelovich-grants@ucsd.edu.