

# overview



Strengthening Communities is breaking new ground with a collaborative, grant-making partnership. The Strengthening Communities grant program provides start-up funds to incubate neighborhood-based projects. Key to implementation of these Strengthening Communities projects is the use of service learning strategies to increase community capacity and enhance student knowledge, skills, and abilities, while furthering the engaged scholarship goals of the faculty partners. Building on a previous neighborhood small grants program, the Strengthening Communities Initiative was created in 2007. Funded projects cover an 18-month period and must relate to safety, housing, health, transportation, education, or economic development.



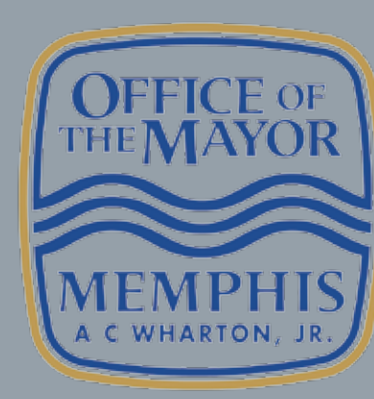
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