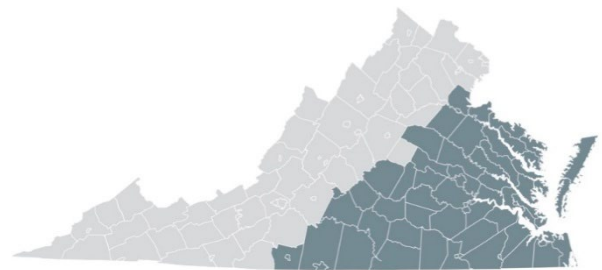


Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center Community Grant Initiative Request for Applications (RFA) | Seed Grant (2026-2027)

Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center's Seed to Harvest Community Grant Series creates community-academic partnerships to reduce the cancer burden for all Virginians, particularly for the most impacted communities. SEED Grants are **\$5,000 for a one-year project** period and represent an initial investment in future community-academic collaboration. The funding is designed to support community partners and nonprofit organizations working to increase cancer knowledge and awareness across the cancer continuum, from screening and diagnosis to survivorship. The community grants aim to accelerate meaningful community engagement with Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center by supporting community-initiated efforts that align with the Cancer Centers mission and priorities.

Our **mission** is to reduce the burden of cancer for Virginians through community integration and person-centered care. Our **priority cancers** are breast, colorectal, lung and prostate cancer.

The [Seed to Harvest Community Grant Series](#) is designed to support community partners and non-profit organizations working to reduce the burden of cancer in Massey's [catchment \(geographical\) area](#). The catchment area is the home to 4 million Virginians. The catchment spans nearly 19,000 square miles and is approximately 275 miles or 1.5-5 commuting hours to Massey, and is defined as 66 contiguous localities in Virginia's central, eastern, and southern areas.



Massey catchment area outlined in dark gray

Key Dates:

Optional technical assistance webinar for SEED grant proposals will be held on **November 7, 2025 at 2:00pm**. Proposal applications are due by **December 15, 2025 at 11:59pm**

2026-2027 Seed Grant Detailed Timeline

Date	Activity
November 7, 2025 (optional)	Technical Assistance Webinar (2pm via Zoom)
December 15, 2025 (11:59 pm)	Proposals Due
January 16, 2026	Awardees Announced
March 1, 2026	Project Start Date / Grant Initiation Date
September 1, 2026	Six-Month Progress Report Due
March 1, 2027	Project Completion Date
March 15, 2027	Final Written Report Due

Questions?

To attend the technical assistance webinar or schedule a telephone appointment, please contact us by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, November 4, 2025.

Email: engagemassey@vcu.edu or Phone: (804) 628-0896

If you are ready to submit a SEED GRANT application:
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Proposal applications must respond to the following prompts:

1. **Background on Organization:**
 - a. Briefly describe the organization. What is the organization's mission? When was it founded? How many full time staff and volunteers work at the organization?
 - b. Describe any relevant partnerships, collaborations, and associated achievements.
2. **Background:**
 - a. Provide a brief explanation of why you believe this project is needed. What is the challenge being addressed?
3. **Community in focus:**
 - a. Please explain which community/communities will be the focus for the project?
4. **Project Goals and Objectives:**
 - a. What are the project goals and how do they align with Massey's stated priority area(s). Goals should be SMART: Specific, Measurable, Attainable/Achievable, Realistic, and Time-bound.
5. **Project Description and Timeline:**
 - a. Describe the planned activities; how will the goals be achieved?
 - b. Are there other organizations or individuals you will work with to accomplish the project?
 - c. Provide a timeline of activities and/or milestones you will reach over the 12-month funding period.
6. **Evaluation and Outcome:**
 - a. Describe how you will determine the success of your activities.
 - b. What measures will be tracked to declare the proposal a success?
7. **Budget Details:**
 - a. Please be prepared to describe how you will use the funds.

Activity Description & associated budget items	Rate	Qty	Subtotal
Activity 1			
Activity 2			
Activity 3			
TOTAL			

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