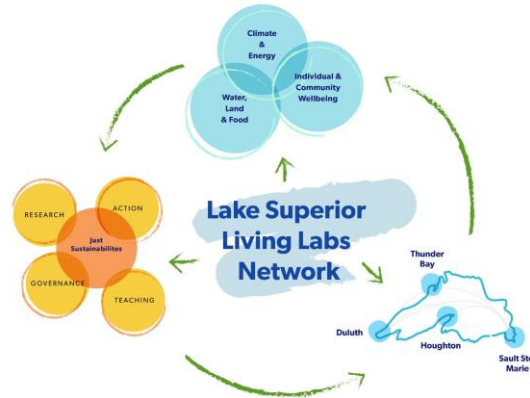




LSLLN Mini-Grants May 2022 - April 2023

The Lake Superior Living Labs Network (LSLLN) was established in 2018 as a platform to connect academics and community groups to develop and expand partnerships and collaborative initiatives across the Lake Superior watershed. The LSLLN functions at a watershed scale and is rooted in hubs in Thunder Bay and Sault Ste Marie Ontario, Houghton Michigan, and Duluth Minnesota. The network includes postsecondary institutions,

Indigenous communities, First Nations and Tribal governments, non-profit organizations, and businesses across the Lake Superior watershed. The goals of the LSLLN are to collectively increase the impact of sustainability related teaching, research, and action with a focus on issues at the nexus of water, land and food, climate and energy, and individual and community well-being. Ultimately, the LSLLN aims to have a stronger collective impact on issues of social and ecological justice and sustainability regionally, nationally, and internationally. For more information about the Lake Superior Living Labs Network see www.livinglabsnetwork.org.



A limited number of LSLLN mini-grants of up to \$5,000 CAD will be available between May 2022 and May 2023. The purpose of the mini-grants initiative is to support cross-hub research projects at the watershed scale that address the goals of the LSLLN. Funds may be used to support direct research and knowledge mobilization costs (i.e., research/event related travel, student/community researcher salaries, knowledge mobilization activities). Recipients will be expected to submit an overview of the project (e.g., a short written or video report) and any media outputs (e.g. videos, podcasts, photos, news stories) with the LSLLN at the end of the mini-grant. These items will be shared on the LSLLN website. Recipients will also be expected to present a summary of their project at a future LSLLN event.

Applications should be submitted via [Google form](#) and will consist of:

- 1) Full name(s), contact information (email and phone), affiliation, primary hub affiliation (if applicable) for each participant
- 2) A project title
- 3) A brief overview of the project (500 words max)
- 4) A description of how the project addresses the goals of the LSLLN (250 words max)
- 5) A description of how the project supports cross-hub and/or watershed-scale projects, research, teaching, and/or action (250 words max)

- 6) A description of how the project engages with at least one of these core characteristics of Living Labs work: 1) collaboration; 2) relationship-building; 3) learning-by-doing; and/or 4) place (250 words max)
- 7) An indication of the expected project outputs
- 8) A detailed budget including justifications for all costs

There are two deadlines for applications: June 30, 2022, and December 31, 2022. Budgets can include costs between May 2022 and April 2023.

Applications should be submitted here <https://forms.gle/hMfSCT993hzW5N7D7> and will be reviewed by the LSLLN Steering Committee.

Inquiries should be sent to superiorlivinglabs@gmail.com.