

**NASPAA and Pi Alpha Alpha Call for Proposals:
Student and Alumni Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PLSF) Advocacy Mini-Grant**

PROPOSAL COMPONENTS

STATEMENT OF NEED

Proposed cuts in the Federal Budget could eliminate the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program. Therefore, there is a need to promote student advocacy to protect and bolster the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PLSF). For more information click [here](#).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Pi Alpha Alpha (PAA) chapters will develop grant proposals describing how chapters will develop a grassroots advocacy plan using students and alumni to outreach to and educate their members of Congress about the need to protect PLSF. Ideas include one or a combination of the following: organizing letter writing or phone calling campaigns; lobbying members of Congress in Washington and/or in their local districts, or creating and posting videos to various social media channels. For example, see what the American Bar Association has done [here](#).

BUDGET

There will be 2 (two) – \$500 grant proposals awarded by the national PAA committee. The proposal must include an itemized budget and justification.

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Each proposal must indicate the name of the PAA advisor and contact information.

CONCLUSION

Applicant must provide a statement which includes project goals and expectations.

CRITERIA

NASPAA member school in good standing and associated local PAA chapter that has inducted students within the last 12 months.

Awards will be based on:

- Adherence to proposal requirements
- Presenting a timeline/calendar of activities
- Staffing of students and alumni as opposed to faculty and staff
- Linking to other organizations advocating for PSLF

Note: The grants shall not be used for induction or commencement ceremonies.

Proposal submitted by the deadline of 11:59pm on Friday, June 2, 2017 will be considered. Submission by mail or electronic/portal.

SCORING OF PROPOSAL

The committee can decide how to score the proposal-points per segment.

HOW TO APPLY

All nominations are to be submitted to awards@naspaa.org by Friday, June 2, 2017.