



Four Inaugural SPARC Projects were approved by the IASWG Board in Round One this Spring!!

Members can submit proposals for consideration in SPARC Round Two by October 10, 2013.

The IASWG launched the SPARC program this year to "spark" members' innovative projects through IASWG endorsement and small grants. There was an exciting diversity among the approved proposals in Round One, and you will be hearing more about each of them soon at www.iaswg.org. Approved Projects came from members in Canada, South Africa and United State, and grants ranged from \$750-\$900.00. They include:

- Initiative to expand support group work services and training with media capabilities.
- Dissertation study of factors in the commitment to group work practice.
- Project to compile case studies for group work teaching and training.
- Research to study authors' trajectories following their group work related dissertations.

IASWG members are welcome to submit proposals to the SPARC Program, requesting endorsement with financial or non-financial support for special projects (e.g., training, research, and practice) consistent with the mission of IASWG. **The next bi-annual proposal submission deadline is October 10, 2013, for November decisions by the 2013 IASWG Board. Please read the [IASWG Protocol for Special Projects](#) for information on submitting a proposal for the next round of consideration.**

All proposals should be submitted as an email attachment to: cohen5@adelphi.edu. Please feel free to contact Carol Cohen at the above email address or by phone at +516.877.4427 to discuss the Program with a member of the SPARC Committee.