



## FINAL UPDATE

**Note:** This form is for **APPROVED GRANTS** only! Periodic updates are a requirement for the grants. The information provided will be posted on the Learning College website.

**Directions:** Fill out the form and email it to [anne.holte@montgomerycollege.edu](mailto:anne.holte@montgomerycollege.edu).

**Project Name:** The Jefferson Café: An Adventure of the Mind

**Project Director:** Francine Jamin

**Final Update:** Submitted 12-21-07

The special funding provided by a Make It Happen Innovation Grant allowed the Paul Peck Institute for American Culture and Civic Engagement to pay for the following enhancements to its programs. (The costs were apportioned at approximately 1/3 of the sum for each of three components.)

1. **Payment for printing of revised Institute brochures and other promotional materials supporting the Jefferson Café®.** These promotional materials have included two special and very useful handouts: (1) a general-purpose description of the Café's history, format, and purpose; and (2) a set of Guidelines for Facilitators of the Jefferson Café.

Since the grant was awarded, we have, in fact, launched new Café series at a number of venues, including the Chevy Chase and Rockville Public Libraries; Leisure World, Asbury Methodist Village, and Classic Residence by Hyatt senior facilities; Gateway Heliport Art Gallery; and Silver Spring Drop-In Center for adults with developmental disabilities. We have partnered with Maryland Public Television and the Harwood Institute as a designated center for the state-wide Community Listening Project. We are also exploring possible partnerships, centered on Jefferson Café® series involving Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Drexel University and the University of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia), Shepherd's Table Community Soup Kitchen, Boyds Correctional Facility, and the Maryland Humanities Council.

2. **Payment of a consultant to help with publicity, networking and devising of a strategic plan (in progress).** Mr. Bruce Levine, founding partner in G Street

Consulting, has taken a special interest in the Institute and is working with us at a greatly reduced rate. Mr. Levine is a graduate of Leadership Montgomery and a newly appointed dean at Drexel University (Philadelphia).

3. **Payment of Operating Expenses Related to the Offering of Multiple Jefferson Cafés on campus, in the region, and around the country.** These expenses include costs of photocopying and mailing, refreshments, and office supplies (name tags, tent cards, ink cartridges, flipchart paper, etc.).

These enhancements of the Jefferson Café's functioning, as well as its expansion into new markets and venues, would not have been possible without Make It Happen Innovation Grant support.

Since the special nature of the Café initiative has entailed the expenditure of these funds over multiple academic years, we are especially grateful to Dr. Clarice Somersall and Ms. Anne Holte for their patience in accepting receipts and reports that have been submitted sporadically rather than in one or two mailings.