The Association of Public and Land Grant Universities (APLU) in collaboration with the Engagement Scholarship Consortium (ESC) is seeking nominations from higher education institutions for the 2016 W.K. Kellogg Foundation Community Engagement Scholarship Award (“The Kellogg Award”). The four regional winners of this award then compete for the C. Peter Magrath Community Engagement Scholarship Award (“The Magrath Award”). The Kellogg/Magrath Awards program recognizes outstanding university-community engagement scholarship work that meets the Carnegie Foundation’s definition of Community Engagement as describing:

The Collaboration between institutions of higher education and their larger communities (local, regional/state, national, global) for the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources in a context of partnership and reciprocity.

Texas Tech University faculty involved in an exemplary university-community engagement program or project are invited to submit their program or project for internal consideration to the Office of Academic Engagement by April 4, 2016. Internal applications will be evaluated by a peer review committee assembled by the Office of the Provost, and the faculty leader of the program or project chosen as Texas Tech’s entry for the W.K. Kellogg/C. Peter Magrath Awards will be notified by April 8, 2015. Successful programs or projects must:

- Be led by a full-time faculty member (or group of faculty)
- Be based on collaborative, reciprocal partnerships with individuals or organizations outside of the university
- Be conducted for the purpose of addressing a community need or larger societal issue
- Involve ‘Engagement Scholarship’ practices (i.e. apply the literature and theoretical frameworks to the issue; involve systematic inquiry that is made public; provide data and results that can be reviewed and be built upon by others to advance the field)
- Engage faculty, staff, students, and community partners in mutually beneficial, respectful ways
- Be part of teaching, research and creative activity, and/or service
- Have demonstrated impacts on both community and university partners

To apply, please complete the attached Application Form and submit via email to birgit.green@ttu.edu by April 4, 2016. Applicants are also encouraged to include digital photos (preferably high resolution, 300 dpi) that help tell the story of their engagement program or project as well as supporting documents that describe the impact of their partnership. For more information contact Dr. Birgit Green at (806)834-2308 or birgit.green@ttu.edu.