

CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT
(CFCI)
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

PROGRAM AREA 3
YOUTH-SPECIFIC HOUSING
INTERVENTIONS

RELEASED JUNE 7, 2022

JUNE 15: FUNDING OPPORTUNITY WEBINAR #1 12:00PM

JUNE 22: FUNDING OPPORTUNITY WEBINAR #2 5:00PM

DUE DATE: JULY 12, 2022 5:00PM PACIFIC TIME



Care First Community Investment (and Non-CFCI) Funding Opportunity

Background

On November 3, 2020, the voters of Los Angeles County approved Measure J, which directed the County to set aside at least 10% of the County's locally generated unrestricted revenues to address systemic racism through direct community investment and alternatives to incarceration. Directly following approval of the ballot measure, the Board of Supervisors (Board) established an Advisory Committee and charged the committee with developing spending recommendations for Measure J funds.

In June 2021, the Advisory Committee delivered its spending recommendations to the County's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) who reviewed them, made adjustments, and then included them in her recommendations to the Board. The Board approved \$187 million in funding for CFCI programs (\$100 million in CFCI funds and \$87 million in American Rescue Plan funds). Funding is distributed in two manners:

- Via County Departments
- Via a Third-Party Administrator

During the process of developing spending recommendations, the public consistently requested that the County use a third-party administrator to disburse funds to community-based organizations (CBOs) positioned to deliver services within the community, with a focus on smaller CBOs that have traditionally had difficulty obtaining County contracts.

In June 2021, there was a court action nullifying Measure J, but the Board reaffirmed its commitment to the vision of Measure J and renamed the effort Care First Community Investment (CFCI).

About the Third-Party Administrator

Through a competitively bid process, Amity Foundation (Amity) was selected to act as Third-Party Administrator (TPA) to manage and distribute a portion of funds included in the CFCI spending plan, and Non-CFCI funds for Grants to Justice-Focused Community-Based Organizations. Amity will be responsible for distributing \$55 million over three years across eight Program Areas with the goal of equitably increasing access to funds for organizations serving youth and those impacted by injustice and inequities within the criminal justice systems. Additionally, priority is given to organizations that have historically experienced barriers to accessing County funding.

Care First Community Investment (CFCI) Funding Program Areas and Amounts Available

CFCI-Funded Programs	Funding Limits	Total 3-year Funding Amount Available
<u>Program Area 1: Re-envision Youth After-School and Summer Programs</u> - Fund and expand after-school programs and summer programs, including those that focus on academics/tutoring (such as financial literacy programs), rites of passage, youth development, arts and culture, and mentoring, and are led by community groups as well as school community coalitions. Programs should include training local and emerging youth artists in the community to create culturally relevant artwork for the community run by arts and culture organizations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for three years (\$150,000) • Max amount: \$250,000 per year for three years (\$750,000) † 	\$10,200,000
<u>Program Area 2: Career/Education Pathway Programs</u> - Develop, implement, and operate career pathway programs for all youth, including diversionary and foster youth, that include community involvement and paid work experience in areas such as social work, civic engagement, arts and culture, and science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields, including paid internships, fellowships, and apprenticeships as well as financial literacy training. Create more educational pathways that successfully transition youth into college (e.g., Community Colleges, CSUs, and UCs) and help them navigate into the higher education system.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for three years (\$150,000) • Max amount: \$250,000 per year for three years (\$750,000) † 	\$7,650,000
<u>Program Area 3: Youth-Specific Housing Interventions</u> - Invest in housing programs and interventions that are tailored for at-risk youth and system-impacted transition-age youth. Housing for youth should be informed by individuals with lived experience with the foster care and/or juvenile justice systems, and also implemented by providers with lived experience. Funding should not be used to expand the surveillance of families, and supportive services should be provided but not required in order to access youth housing programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for three years (\$150,000) • Max amount: \$300,000 per year for three years (\$900,000) † 	\$10,200,000

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<p><u>Program Area 4: Culturally Affirming Family Reunification, Pre-Trial Family Support</u> - Supportive services, counseling and support, and restorative justice circles for family members; parenting classes; pre-trial family support (including management of child support); help families better understand legal process and legalese to interpret meaning; and support for people returning home and their family members to understand terms of community supervision in order to adhere to court and community supervision requirements.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for three years (\$150,000) • Max amount: \$250,000 per year for three years (\$750,000) † 	\$5,100,000
<p><u>Program Area 5: Support Services for Returning LGBTQIA+ Residents</u> - Expand and create new programs, services, and drop-in centers to serve Transgender, Gender Nonconforming, Intersex (TGI), and LGBQA+ residents returning to the community from incarceration. Services and programs include workforce development, legal services, transitional housing, mental health services, food distribution, gender-affirming clothing, immigration services, technology training, HIV prevention services, and COVID-19 prevention and education.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for three years (\$150,000) • Max amount: \$250,000 per year for three years (\$750,000) † 	\$2,550,000
<p><u>Program Area 6: Reentry Programming for Women or Those Who Identify as Women</u> - Fund reentry programming for women or those who identify as women returning to the community after incarceration, designed to serve the unique needs of women involved in the criminal justice system. Programming will promote healthy connections to children, family, significant others, and the community; address substance use disorder, trauma, and mental illness; provide women with opportunities to achieve self-sufficiency and reduce recidivism. The program will hire community health care workers to provide case management and will incorporate housing and legal services to ensure safety and healing for the clients.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for three years (\$150,000) • Max amount: \$250,000 per year for three years (\$750,000) † 	\$7,650,000
<p><u>Program Area 7: Youth Centers</u> - Fund existing physical youth centers in communities of the highest need. Youth centers are defined as locations that currently provide one or more of the following services: triage and basic needs/linkage support (food, health, shelter); youth counseling; mental health and trauma/healing support; COVID support; substance use disorder support and/or treatment; mentorship; violence prevention; education support and tutoring; college preparation and vocational training support; and/or employment readiness and placement.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for three years (\$150,000) • Max amount: \$250,000 per year for three years (\$750,000) † 	\$3,825,000

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Non-CFCI Funded Programs	Proposed Structure for Funds / Awards	Total 2-year Funding Amount
Program Area 8: Grants to Justice-Focused CBOs - Grants to justice-focused community-based organizations (CBOs) to support strategic planning and assessment of post-pandemic programmatic operations, as well as strengthen fiscal and development / fundraising capacity.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for two years (\$100,000) • Max amount: \$250,000 per year for two years (\$500,000) † 	\$8,500,000

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SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process involves the following:

- Organizations must apply through the online application portal (Blackbaud Grantmaking).
- All applications must be submitted along with required documentation through the online application portal. Deadline to submit is Tuesday, July 12, 2022, 5:00PM PST. Please do not wait until the last day to get your application in.
- Applications will be reviewed and scored by independent reviewers using uniform scoring criteria.
- Organizations with annual operating budgets of less than \$1,500,000 shall be prioritized for award.
- Organizations serving high-need areas of Los Angeles County shall be prioritized for award.
- Organizations that have annual budgets over \$1,500,000 (larger organizations) will be considered after decisions have been made on applications from organizations with annual budgets under \$1,500,000. If larger organizations submit a proposal that includes subcontracts with smaller organizations (below \$1,500,000 annual budget), that proposal will be prioritized among the remaining larger organizations for awards, subject to available funding.
- A site visit may be required before final selection.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY WEBINAR (OPTIONAL)

Amity will hold two optional application webinars to review the funding opportunity and gather questions. You are welcome to attend either webinar. Webinars will be held on:

June 15th from 12:00PM-2:00PM

And

June 22nd from 5:00PM-7:00PM

Registration is available on Amity's website at www.amityfdn.org/TPA.

KEY DATES/TIMELINE

Funding Opportunity Release	Week of June 6 th , 2022
Optional Funding Opportunity Webinars	June 15, 2022 from 12:00PM-2:00PM (Tentative) June 22, 2022 from 5:00PM-7:00PM (Tentative)
Written Questions Deadline	July 8, 2022 5:00PM Pacific Time
Submission Deadline	July 12, 2022 5:00PM Pacific Time
Funding Opportunity Review and Contracting	July 13, 2022-August 31, 2022
Contract Start	September 1, 2022 or Upon Approval

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Questions about the funding opportunity and application will be accepted until Friday, July 8th, at 5:00PM. Submit all questions to: TPAGrants@amityfdn.org. Answers will be posted as a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document on the www.amityfdn.org/tpa website.

ELIGIBILITY

- This funding opportunity is open to organizations that provide direct services to individuals and families and that have a minimum of 2 years of experience providing services in the Program Area for which they are applying. This includes:
 - a. Non-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) status as determined by the Internal Revenue Service.
 - b. Organizations applying through a fiscal sponsor.
 - c. Business entities (e.g., Limited Liability Corporation [LLC] determination, Professional Corporation determination).
 - d. If your organization does not have a 501(c)(3), fiscal sponsor, or business entity designation, you may apply with the understanding that you will attain one of those qualifying designations prior to award.
 - e. Faith-based organizations.

GEOGRAPHIC AREA REQUIREMENT

- Projects must be located within the County of Los Angeles.
- Projects must identify the specific location(s) to be served and provide zip code information.

CONTRACT TERM

- Selected CFCI programs and projects shall begin upon full contract execution on or around September 1, 2022 and shall conclude on August 31, 2025. Non-CFCI programs and projects shall begin upon full contract execution on or around September 1, 2022 and shall conclude on August 31, 2024.

ALL FUNDING SOLICITATION REVIEWS/AWARDS ARE FINAL

- Evaluation will be based upon the criteria outlined in the funding opportunity. All applications must be signed by an official agent or representative of the organization or individual submitting the application; the signature means that the submitting organization or individual understands and agrees that they will adhere to the terms and conditions of the funding opportunity. The evaluation and award process will be considered final and there will be no process for appeal. Amity will offer declined organizations and individuals a debrief to discuss the application. Amity will also provide technical assistance to connect unsuccessful applicants to training and support in an effort to strengthen their organizations and/or their applications for future funding opportunities.

AWARD LIMITATIONS

- No applicant shall be eligible to receive multiple awards in the same funding opportunity Program Area. Applicants are eligible to receive awards in separate Program Areas, subject to a

review that determines that the services provided will be distinct and not overlap with any current or previous CFCI or Non-CFCI awards.

FUND DISTRIBUTION

- Funded organizations shall receive a contract initiation payment in September 2022 upon the submission of documents required for contracting. Payments thereafter will be disbursed quarterly (every three months), upon the completion of program / project deliverables/milestones.

DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING

- All awardees will be required to collect and report services and outcome data monthly using an Amity-defined system as well as submit quarterly reports.

COUNTY CONTRACT PROVISIONS

- Some Los Angeles County contract requirements will be included in the service contract and will be provided to potential awardees during the contracting phase.

SCORING

All proposals will undergo a preliminary screening to ensure completeness and that minimum eligibility requirements have been met. Independent reviewers will be instructed to use the following tool to score each proposal.

Scoring Area	Total Points Possible
Organizational experience & capacity	10 Points
Project is achievable and relevant; budget is feasible and reasonable	20 Points
Organization has an annual budget under \$1.5 million and has never been funded by LA County	10 Points
Board/leadership and staff reflect the demographics and experience of the population served	10 Points
Organization is in & serves high-need areas and populations	10 Points
TOTAL POINTS	60 POINTS

Funding Opportunity Application Attachments / Requirements for Eligibility

1. Annual Organizational Budget Requirement

The Care First Community Investment and Non-Care First Community Investment Funding Opportunities are intended to benefit direct service community-based organizations that have historically not received funds from LA County. Organizations with annual budgets that total \$1,500,000 or less will be prioritized. Applications will be accepted from organizations with annual budgets greater than \$1,500,000 (larger organizations); however, priority is given to those with budgets under \$1,500,000. If larger organizations submit a proposal that includes subcontracts with smaller organizations (below \$1,500,000 annual budget), that proposal will be prioritized among the remaining larger organizations for awards, subject to available funding.

Attachment Required to Fulfill #1: Most Recent Income Tax Return (prefer 2021).

If you cannot provide a recent organizational Income Tax Return, please contact Amity about what you can upload as a substitute.

2. Proof of Professional Status Requirement

The Care First Community Investment Funding Opportunity is intended to benefit community-based organizations that have linguistic and cultural competencies and a history of providing services to individuals and families in high-need areas.

*Attachment Required to Fulfill #2: One of the following. Only **ONE** of the below attachments is required.*

- A. Proof of nonprofit 501(c)(3) status as determined by the Internal Revenue Service.
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- B. Fiscal sponsor documentation. **ATTACHMENT**
- C. Documentation that indicates the organization to be a business entity with at least two (2) years of experience in the Program Area for which the service provider is submitting the application (e.g., Limited Liability Corporation (LLC) determination, Professional Corporation determination).* **ATTACHMENT**
- D. *If you do not fall within (A), (B), or (C), attach a letter signed by your authorized official stating that "[NAME OF ORGANIZATION] is submitting this application with the willingness and intent to enter into an agreement with a fiscal sponsor"*** prior to contract execution.* **ATTACHMENT**

*Business entity experience can be shown by previous contracts, grants, tax filings, audits, reports, references, online or newspaper articles or other available documentation. Amity will, at its sole discretion, determine if documentation is sufficient or if additional documentation is needed.

**Fiscal sponsorship helps mitigate the potential for fraud, abuse, or waste by service providers. A fiscal sponsor can assist with financial management, compliance, funds disbursement, human resources, and general grant management. While technical assistance provided by Amity is intended to help in some of these areas, Amity will not have access into the day-to-day fiscal operations of service providers.

3. Proposed Project Budget Form Requirement

Please fill out and upload the Budget Form template provided.

Attachment Required to Fulfill #3: Completed Budget Form for the proposed program, project, or service.

Program Area 3: Youth-Specific Housing Interventions

Helpful Tips

Helpful Tips for Using Blackbaud Grantmaking

- Limit your use of bullets and other formatting (bold, italics, etc.).
- Log into your account at **https://www.GrantRequest.com/SID_6277?SA=AM** to access saved and submitted applications.
- Add **mail@grantapplication.com** to your safe senders list to ensure you receive all system communications.
- Before filling out the application, you may find it helpful to click the **"Printer Friendly Version"** button above. This will offer you a preview of all of the questions on the application.
- You have the ability to save and come back to your application at a later time by clicking the **"Save & Return to My Account"** button at the bottom of each screen.
- To move to the next page, please click the **"Next Page"** button at the bottom of the page or click the page number at the top of the page to jump to that page.
- Do not use the **"Back"** or **"Forward"** buttons on your browser to navigate through this application.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** This application uses word--not character--limits. Questions with word limits will display a live word counter below the question field. ***Word limits will not be enforced until you submit your application. Please be mindful of this as you fill in these fields.***
- You might want to consider using a word processing tool (i.e. Microsoft Word), and then cutting and pasting your answers into the application.
- When clicking the **"Review Before Submitting"** button: You will be required to review the entire application one final time before clicking the **"Submit Application"** button at the bottom of the screen.

Application Info and Resources

Program Area

Program Area 3 – Youth-Specific Housing Interventions

Funds are specified to invest in housing programs and interventions that are tailored for at-risk youth and system-impacted transition-age youth.

Programming should be informed by individuals with lived experience with the foster care and/or juvenile justice systems, and also implemented by providers with lived experience.

Generally, services should address individuals who are unhoused or unsheltered or are at risk of becoming unhoused or unsheltered.

Funding should not be used to expand the surveillance of families, and supportive services should be provided but not required in order to access youth housing programs.

Funding Limits

- Minimum amount of each award: \$50,000 per year for three years (total \$150,000)
- Maximum amount of each award: \$300,000 per year for three years (total \$900,000)

Note: Organizations may submit applications for funding amounts higher than the maximum totals. Any requests that are higher than the annual/total amounts will be evaluated based upon funding availability. Applications above the maximum thresholds may be reduced, not awarded, or multiple awards may be made from a single application.

Total Amount of Funding Available

\$10,200,000

Links to Additional Resources and Information

The links below will take you to information posted on the www.amityfdn.org website.

Once the TPA page is populated, links will go here

Section 1 - Contact Information

Agency/Organization Contact

Name of your organization & information about the person who leads the organization.

Agency/Organization Name

First Name

Last Name

Title or Role:

Project/Request Contact

Information about the person to be contacted about this application.

Same as "Agency/Organization Contact" Above?

No

First Name

Last Name

Title or Role:

E-mail Address

For the person to be contacted about this application

Office Phone

Mobile Phone

Fiscal Sponsor

If you are using a fiscal sponsor, this section is required.

If you are applying through a fiscal sponsor, provide the sponsor's information here. If you are not using a fiscal sponsor, skip this section and proceed to Section 2 - "Organizational Information".

Fiscal Sponsor Organization Name

Fiscal Sponsor Organization Employer Identification Number (EIN)

Fiscal Sponsor Organization Address

Street Address 1

Street Address 2

City, State Zip Code

Fiscal Sponsor Contact Person

Prefix First Name Last Name

Title

Email Address

Section 2 - Organizational Information

Organization Details

Address where Organization is Physically Located City State

Zip Code

Mailing Address

Include Street Address, City, State, and Zip Code.

1. What is your organization's mission?

Try to limit your response to 100 words.

2. What are the direct services that your organization provides to individuals and families in the community, and how long have you been providing these services? **Note:** We are seeking organizations or leadership-level staff that have at least 2 years of experience providing services in the Program Area that they are applying for.

Try to limit your response to 250 words.

3. In which languages do you provide services? **Note:** You can list languages spoken by staff and languages for which your organization has access to interpreters and/or translation.

Try to limit your response to 250 words.

4. What are your techniques for engaging diverse participants using culturally appropriate outreach and services? For example, if you serve Indigenous or Transgender or Youth participants, what are the things you do to reach them, and how do you keep them engaged in your programs?

Try to limit your response to 500 words.

Financial Information

5. What was your total annual organizational budget in 2021?

If your 2021 annual organizational budget was over \$1,500,000, enter the amount in the box below. Enter "N/A" if Not Applicable.

Provide a number response.

6. Is there anything else you would like us to consider about your annual organizational budget? (For example, you may want to explain if your budget in 2021 was larger or smaller than usual because of an increase/decrease in funds due to COVID-19, or, you received a large one-time donation that made your budget seem larger than it usually is.) If not, please enter "N/A".

Try to limit your response to 100 words.

7. If your annual organizational budget is over \$1,500,000 a year, do you intend to subcontract to smaller organizations using the funds you receive through this application? List and describe any subcontractors and their role in this program or project. If not, please enter "N/A".

Try to limit your response to 250 words.

8. Have you ever received a grant, funds, and/or funding from Los Angeles County?

Insurance

Your answer to the following questions will not impact scoring.

9. Does your Organization have Insurance Coverage?

10. If you do have insurance, please indicate below which kinds of insurance you have and the coverage amount.

Does your Organization have General Liability Insurance Coverage?

General Liability Coverage Amount:

Provide a number response.

Does your Organization have Vehicle/Auto Insurance Coverage?

Vehicle/Auto Coverage Amount:

Provide a number response.

Does your Organization have Worker's Compensation Insurance Coverage?

Worker's Compensation Coverage Amount:

Provide a number response.

Does your Organization have Sexual Misconduct Insurance Coverage?

Sexual Misconduct Coverage Amount:

Provide a number response.

Does your Organization have Umbrella Insurance Coverage?

Umbrella Coverage Coverage Amount:

Provide a number response.

11. Which Los Angeles County Supervisorial Districts would your project or program serve?

Select all that apply.

Click the underlined link for more information or for help identifying which [Supervisorial Districts](#) to select:

12. Which Service Planning Areas (SPAs) would your project or program serve?

Select all that apply.

Click the underlined link for more information or for help identifying which [Service Planning Areas](#) to select:

13. List the zip codes you intend to serve with the project or program that you are applying to fund:

Amity will use the zip codes you provide to determine if your project or program will serve specific communities identified as high need by the Anti-Racism, Diversity, and Inclusion Office Equity Explorer tool. [Please click here to access the Equity Explorer tool.](#)

Amity will also use the zip codes you provide to determine if your project or program will serve specific communities identified as high need by the Justice Equity Needs Index. [Please click here to access the Justice Equity Needs Index.](#)

14. We understand that the JENI and ARDI tools do not necessarily capture all high-need populations, particularly Indigenous people. Amity will use JENI, ARDI, and other tools to understand the need level of the population you serve. If you believe the JENI and ARDI do not capture the high-need populations you serve, feel free to tell us more, below. Enter "N/A" if Not Applicable.

Try to limit your response to 250 words.

Section 3 - Program or Project Information

Request Information

1. What is the **total amount of funding** over three years that you are requesting in this application? The minimum amount of funding over three years is \$150,000; the maximum is \$900,000. This amount should be the same as Line 2 in the Budget Form, "Total Amount for Entirety of Project".

Provide a number response.

Budget: Download and fill out the **Budget Form** in order to explain how you intend to spend the funds. The Budget Form provides rows where you can list staff and describe their importance to the project, list supplies and non-personnel expenses and their necessity, and also list other expenses such as insurance, fiscal sponsorship, rent, and utilities.

2. Upload the completed Budget Form.

Note that once you choose your file you will need to click on the **Upload** button in order to add your Budget Form to your application.

Who Do You Intend To Serve?

3. Check the boxes below that best describe the ages of the people your program or project will serve:

Select all that apply.

4. Check the boxes below that best describe the race/ethnicity of the people your program or project will serve:

Select all that apply.

If you selected **Other** above, please describe:

5. Check the boxes below that best describe the gender of the people your program or project will serve:

Select all that apply.

If you selected **Other** above, please describe:

6. Check the boxes below that best describe population your program or project will serve:

Select all that apply.

If you selected **Other** above, please describe:

7. How many **unduplicated** people/participants **per year** will you be able to serve with the funding amount that you are requesting?

Provide a number response.

Who Will Do The Work?

8. How many staff or volunteers **per year** will you use to serve the number of participants you stated above?

Provide a number response.

Diverse and Representative Staff and Leadership The Care First Community Investment Funding Opportunity is intended to benefit community-based organizations that are led, at least in part, by Black, Brown, Indigenous, People of Color, Transition-Age Youth, Transgender, Gender Nonconforming, Intersex, LGBQA+, and People with Lived Experience.

9. Does the majority (at least 50% or more) of your **direct services and/or volunteer staff** identify as/reflect the descriptors of the population you serve that you selected above? (Questions 3, 4, 5, 6)

If you selected **No** in Question 9 above, please enter the percentage of direct services and/or volunteer staff who identify as/reflect the descriptors of the population you serve. (Questions 3, 4, 5, 6)

Provide a number response.

Board and Leadership

10. Enter the percentage of your Board of Directors / leadership who identify as Transgender, Gender Nonconforming, Intersex, and/or LGBQA+:

Provide a number response.

11. What percentage of your Board of Directors and/or leadership reflects the following ethnicities/races? **(Select all that apply)**

Note that totals must add up to 100%.

12. Enter the percentage of your Board of Directors / leadership with lived experience of: foster care/child welfare system; juvenile justice system (under 18); criminal justice involvement including incarceration; substance use disorder; mental illness; disability; homelessness and/or housing insecurity.

Provide a number response.

How Will The Work Be Accomplished?

13. **Program or Project Components:** Which of the following services will your program or project

provide? Choose as many components as necessary to describe your program or project.

Select all that apply.

14. If there are other services that you plan to provide, or you wish to provide more detail, describe below.

Try to limit your response to 250 words.

15. How will the work you propose be accomplished? Include how participants will find out about and enroll in your program/project; any intake and/or screening process you may (or plan) to have. Describe what the funds you are requesting will allow your organization to do. Include the staff involved and the major activities and services your program or project will deliver.

Try to limit your response to 500 words.

16. What is the impact of the work you are proposing? What does success look like for your participants? Do participants have input about goals and activities? How do participants meet goals? Describe below.

Try to limit your response to 500 words.

Section 4 - Other Information

Other Information

1. Are there any other Program Areas that you are applying for to receive funds?

Select all that apply.

2. What areas of technical assistance are you interested in?

Select all that apply.

If you chose "Other", above, please describe below.

Try to limit your response to 100 words.

Attachments

1. Annual Organizational Budget Requirements

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D. If you do not have the documents described in (A), (B), or (C), attach a letter signed by your authorized official stating that "[NAME OF ORGANIZATION] is submitting this application with the willingness and intent to enter into an agreement with a fiscal sponsor prior to grant execution."

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