

GRANT READINESS ASSESSMENT

ORGANIZATIONAL FOUNDATION

- ☐ ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE CLEARLY DEFINED.
- ☐ FINANCIAL SYSTEMS ARE IN PLACE TO MANAGE FUNDING RESPONSIBLY.
- ☐ CLEAR MISSION STATEMENT THAT IS EASY TO COMMUNICATE.
- ☐ LEADERSHIP AND BOARD MEMBERS UNDERSTAND THE ORGANIZATION'S GOALS.
- ☐ POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS ARE ORGANIZED.

PROGRAM READINESS

- ☐ PROGRAMS OR SERVICES ARE CLEARLY DEFINED.
- ☐ THE COMMUNITY NEED IS CLEARLY IDENTIFIED.
- ☐ TARGET AUDIENCE/POPULATION IS UNDERSTOOD.
- ☐ PROGRAM GOALS AND INTENDED OUTCOMES ARE ESTABLISHED.
- ☐ THE ORGANIZATION IS PREPARED TO EXPLAIN WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE.

GRANT CAPACITY & STRATEGY

- ☐ SOMEONE AT THE ORGANIZATION IS RESPONSIBLE FOR GRANTS OR FUNDRAISING.
- ☐ YOU HAVE A WAY TO TRACK DEADLINES AND OPPORTUNITIES.
- ☐ YOU RESEARCH FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES INTENTIONALLY.
- ☐ YOU HAVE A CLEAR CASE FOR SUPPORT OR ORGANIZATIONAL STORY.
- ☐ GRANT FUNDING ALIGNS WITH YOUR BROADER STRATEGY AND MISSION.

FINANCIAL READINESS

- ☐ CURRENT ORGANIZATIONAL BUDGET AVAILABLE.
- ☐ PROGRAM BUDGETS CAN BE CREATED OR ADAPTED FOR GRANT REQUESTS.
- ☐ RECENT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE ACCESSIBLE.
- ☐ FUNDING SOURCES ARE DIVERSIFIED OR GROWING.
- ☐ YOU UNDERSTAND THE FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT TIED TO GRANTS.

DATA EVALUATION & IMPACT

- ☐ YOUR ORGANIZATION HAS A METHOD FOR COLLECTING INFORMATION OR DATA ABOUT YOUR WORK.
- ☐ YOU CAN DEMONSTRATE IMPACT THROUGH STORIES, NUMBERS, OR OUTCOMES.
- ☐ YOU HAVE A PROCESS FOR TRACKING PROGRESS.
- ☐ YOU FEEL PREPARED TO REPORT RESULTS TO FUNDERS.



NEXT STEPS

FUNDING FORWARD PARTNERS WITH ORGANIZATIONS TO CLOSE CAPACITY GAPS, STRENGTHEN SYSTEMS, REFINE PROGRAMS, AND BUILD STRATEGIC FUNDING READINESS. FROM ORGANIZATIONAL ASSESSMENTS AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT TO GRANT STRATEGY AND FUNDRAISING PLANNING, WE HELP POSITION ORGANIZATIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE FUNDING SUCCESS.

READY TO MOVE FROM ASSESSMENT TO ACTION? REACH OUT TO FUNDING FORWARD...TOGETHER, WE CAN BUILD YOUR ROADMAP TO BECOMING FUNDING READY.