

Investing in Impact: Community-Directed Giving through Intermediaries

Letter of Intent (LOI) and Application Questions

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The *Investing in Impact: Community-Directed Giving Through Intermediaries* open call is focused on building the capacity of intermediary organizations to re-grant Foundation resources through a community-directed and participatory process that reflects the needs, voices, and priorities of communities with the greatest health needs.

Organizations intending to apply for this funding opportunity must **submit an initial Letter of Intent (LOI) by 5:00 pm CDT on September 13, 2024**. LOIs will be reviewed for compliance with eligibility criteria and alignment with the goals of the open call.

Letter of Intent Questions

All letters of intent <u>must</u> be submitted through the online grants portal. Paper copies and emailed submissions will not be accepted.

How did you learn about this funding opportunity?

- Email from St. David's Foundation
- Social Media
- News Story

- Advertisement
- Peer or Colleague
- Other

Impact on Central Texas

Identify the county or counties where your organization is located. Provide a description of your organization's work within Central Texas.

Primary County Served

Select the primary county in which the majority of your work is focused. If your work touches more than one of the counties in St. David's Foundation's service area with equal impact and breadth, then you would denote "Not County Specific."

- Bastrop
- Caldwell
- Hays

- Travis
- Williamson
- Not County Specific

Work of Your Organization as it Relates to this Funding Opportunity

Describe how your organization is currently functioning as an intermediary. Detail your plans to build capacity in developing, monitoring, and administering applications and managing grants in partnership with private and/or public funders.

Suggested length: 300 – 500 words

Organization Details

- Organization Name
- Organization Address
- Website

Current Annual Operating Budget

Submit the annual operating budget of your organization. There is no specific format required for submission.

Type of Organization

Check the box if your organization is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Provide your Employer Identification Number (EIN)

Contacts

Primary contact: Provide contact information for the individual who will be the primary point of contact for this grant request.

Additional Contact (Optional): Please note any additional contacts that should receive grant information.

Application Questions

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REQUEST DETAILS

Requested Grant Amount

Please indicate your requested grant amount. Grant award size will be based on scale of proposed project, the organization's potential for impact through community-directed giving, and the organization's annual budget.

Plans for Funding

Each awardee will receive an unrestricted, one-time operating grant. Describe how your organization expects to expend the requested grant amount. Where possible, provide specific details of how the grant resources will be used (e.g., staffing, actions) and what this will make possible. If you plan to re-grant funds within the two-year grant period, detail the amount of funds to be re-granted.

Description of Work

Describe the work of your organization as it relates to this funding opportunity. Pay close attention to the <u>funding opportunity overview</u> and respond to the rubric considerations as outlined below when submitting your response.

- Impact on individuals and families (or the underlying conditions and inequitable systems that affect individuals and families) whose income falls below the minimum level necessary for survival, or historically marginalized communities or groups.
- Demonstrates potential for success and has a plan to build capacity in developing, monitoring, and administering applications and managing grants in partnership with private and/or public funders.
- Authentic representation of the experiences and perspectives of the community partners, their issues, and their constituents with pathways for community members to influence and shape decisions.
- A team that has the depth of skills, capacity, and experience necessary to ensure the organization's continued success and ability to facilitate and manage communication and relationships with diverse organizations and networks.
- Mechanisms in place to understand dynamic health equity needs and underlying systemic drivers, and evolves approaches in response.
- Productive and mission-driven partnerships, coalition-building, and collaboration.

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

Organization Name

Mission of the Organization (Tell us about your organization and its mission)

Most Recent Form 990 for the Organization Receiving Funding (upload file)

Organizational Diversity

The Foundation is committed to using an equity lens in our work. In our grantmaking, we assess the demographics of applicants as well as grantees to understand how our processes and practices work across a diverse range of organizations. Across the organization, we transparently report on who the foundation serves through our investments and programs and report the proportion of our funding supporting Person/People of color (POC) led organizations.

To this end, the Foundation requests information on organizational diversity using the chart below. Person/People of color (POC) is primarily used to describe any person who does not identify as "white". However, we recognize that organizations collect this information in different ways and use different race/ethnicity categories. We ask that if you collect this information from your Executive Staff and Board, to report it using the following table.

	White	Identify as POC	Unknown	Total
Board	#	#	#	#
Executive Staff	#	#	#	#

PROGRESS AND LEARNING

Measuring Progress

Each awardee will receive an unrestricted, one-time operating grant to advance their mission. Describe how your organization will measure and reflect upon progress over the two-year grant period.

CONTACTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED

Request Primary Contact

This contact will be the main point of contact regarding the grant, including reporting and ongoing communication.

Executive Director or CEO

Please specify a leadership contact for your organization.

Signatory

In the event of a grant award, this contact will be asked to sign the grant agreement.

Payment Contact

In the event of a grant award, this contact will provide the banking information to receive payment.

Additional Contact(s)

Please note any additional contacts that should receive grant information.

Additional Information To Be Provided

During the application review process, you may be required to provide additional information, including but not limited to:

- Additional information about your organization
- Detailed budget
- Information to provide EFT payments

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