

Community Partnership Grant Guidelines

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The following guidelines have been developed to help those interested in applying for a Valley Health Community Partnership Grant opportunity. The grant proposal will focus on the needs identified in the 2022 Community Health Needs Assessment. The award period of performance is one-year and a total of \$200,000 will be awarded as follows:

One - \$100,000 Award Two - \$25,000 Awards Five - \$10,000 Awards

To apply, applicants must show a clear vision and plan on how they will address identified needs and desired impacts. The application must include a timeline and deliverables that include a comprehensive budget, objective metrics and demonstrated path to sustainability.

VALLEY HEALTH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GRANTS

Grant funding will generally fall into three categories:

- Program or Direct Service Grants for costs associated with implementation of a program
- Capital Grants for costs associated with capital equipment, software or other infrastructure
- Organizational Development and Capacity Building for activities related to management systems, program planning, and facility planning

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A VALLEY HEALTH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GRANT?

Grant funding will be restricted to those organizations:

- Located in and providing services within the Valley Health service region
- Classified by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS; or publicly supported
 organizations such as school districts and municipalities

WHAT TYPES OF PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES ARE NOT SUPPORTED?

As a rule, Valley Health Community Partnership Grants will not be supported for:

- Special event fundraisers or sponsorships
- Endowments
- Political or partisan purposes
- Assistance to individuals
- Retroactive expenses that occurred before the grant decision deadline

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Completed application will not exceed space provided on fillable application. The document must use Times Roman, size 12 font and be submitted on the fillable proposal form. Do not alter the form in any way.

NOTICE OF GRANT DECISION

Applicants will be notified of approval or declination by letter, following a review by the Community Advisory Council. An unsuccessful application does not reflect a judgement about the worthiness of a particular project. Valley Health receives more requests than it can fund. If your request is denied, you are encouraged to contact the Director of Community Health to discuss strengthening your next application.

DEADLINE & DECISION

Application Deadline – February 1, 2023 Decision Deadline – March 1, 2023 Disbursement of Funds – May 2023

APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE

- List of your Board of Directors [if applicable]
- Mission Statement and Policy Statement on Nondiscrimination
- Description of proposed program and how program aligns with one of the desired impacts
- Current operating budget

WHAT MAKES A SUCCESSFUL PROPOSAL

The Organization:

- Establishes why it is the appropriate organization to implement the proposed project that addresses community need
- Clearly demonstrates the ability to accomplish the proposed activities
- Fosters collaborative approaches and diverse participation in conducting its work, demonstrates measurable impact on target populations and supports partnership outreach and contributes to filling Valley Health's mission
- Is in good fiscal condition

The Project/Activity:

- Demonstrates a vital connection to an identified need and desired impact, with sustainability
- Has a clearly defined project plan and accompanying activities
- Identifies achievable, measurable outcomes with a deliberate plan for evaluating outcomes
- Secures and illustrates other sources of financial and in-kind support
- Is a viable long term project and shows a plan for acquiring future funds

CONSIDERATIONS

Prioritization will be given to projects that meet the following criteria:

<u>Supports needs identified in the 2022 Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) and associated strategies</u> and desired impacts

Program services clearly linked to CHNA priority area and desired outcomes.

Program Goals

Program goals are specific, measurable, and achievable. Program goals are relevant & time-bound. Program demonstrates innovation and evidenced based practices.

Measuring Outcomes

The outcomes and benefits of the program are clearly defined with reliable indicators.

Target Populations

Proposal focuses on identified target populations in discrete markets, concentrating services to vulnerable populations.

Program Reporting

Proposal has clearly defined what the intended outcomes of the program are and has provided sufficient data to back up why the program should have the intended outcomes. Ability to report on success measures.

Community Partnerships

Relationships and partnerships with other community organizations throughout the Valley Health service area clearly defined and demonstrated. Impact on partnerships and resources clearly defined. Documented partnerships with community-based organizations outside of Valley Health.

Capacity Building & Sustainability

The proposal is able to move forward in the future if funding is not available, bringing about systemic change, with actions that will live and grow beyond the initiative. Funding enhances the program's ability to have a positive impact on lives and communities it intends to serve.

Capacity To Perform Project Implementation Successfully

Past performance & experiences demonstrate the organization's ability to successfully implement this initiative.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Any questions regarding Valley Health's Community Partnership Grant application process should be directed to Valley Health Community Health:

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