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Rapid-Cycle Violence Prevention & Community Resiliency Grant Guidelines

Community Benefit Small Grant Program

OVERVIEW

The following grant guidelines will help you prepare your grant proposal and assemble the required documentation. Proposals for the Advocate Aurora Health and UChicago Medicine Rapid-Cycle Violence Prevention and Community Resilience application must be submitted no later than **6:00 P.M. on Friday, May 20, 2022**.

Advocate Aurora Health and UChicago Medicine are committed to improving the health of residents on the South Side of Chicago. As part of this commitment both institutions have joined together through the Southland RISE Collaboration to sponsor a rapid-cycle grant initiative that extends financial support to local not-for-profit, community-based organizations to build capacity for existing violence prevention and/or community resiliency services.

Resilience is the human ability to adapt in the face of tragedy, trauma, adversity, hardship, and ongoing significant life stressors (Newman, 2005)¹. In this RFP, community resiliency refers to programs and services that deliver interventions that build resiliency to acute and chronic traumatic experiences.

Please review the following information on the background, eligibility criteria, and instructions for completing the grant, the review process and the submission and timeline prior to submitting your grant proposal.

¹ Newman, R. (2005). APA's resilience initiative. *Professional Psychology: Research and Practice*, 36(3), 227–229. <https://doi.org/10.1037/0735-7028.36.3.227>

To Apply:

1. Review grant guidelines.
2. Complete the [application](#).
3. Complete project budget table (attached to grant application invitation email). Upload the completed project budget table in application. *Note: the portal to upload the budget table can be found in the final section of the application.*

Projects funded by Advocate Aurora Health and UChicago Medicine must not involve liability to the Advocate Aurora Health or the University of Chicago or any of both institutions' affiliates.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and can administer the project's funds.
- Applicant organizations operate in or deliver services within the overlapping Advocate Aurora Health and UChicago Medicine service areas as defined by the following zip codes:
 - 60609, 60615, 60617, 60619, 60620, 60621, 60627, 60628, 60636, 60637, 60643, 60649, 60653, and 60827.
- Applicants must provide services to all regardless of race, religion, sex, age, disability, national origin, or sexual orientation.
- All proposals will measure the performance and impact of the program and describe the methods used to evaluate its effectiveness (e.g., surveys, interview protocols, logs, EMR). We encourage using SMART metrics (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Time-Bound).
- Projects that involve collaboration with other community-based organizations are encouraged.

EXCLUSIONS

Generally, grants requesting the following types of support are excluded and will not be considered:

- Applications from partisan political organizations.
- Applications from for-profit organizations.
- Applications requesting support for fund raising activities such as sponsorships, advertising, or event tickets (see Sponsorship Program Overview).
- Applications from individuals.
- Applications for memorials or endowments.

CRITERIA

- Funding will be awarded based on availability of funds.
- Grant award amounts will be between \$5,000 and \$10,000; not to exceed \$10,000.
- Grant award amounts will be subject to the Grant Committee and will not exceed \$10,000.

- Strict adherence to grant guidelines is expected.
- Proposals must include the description of change expected, specific measurements and measurement timeframes.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Grant application form
- Tax exempt letter (to be submitted upon notification of award)
- Detailed program budget

DEADLINE

- **April 27, 2022:** RFP sent out
- **May 20, 2022:** Deadline for application (6:00pm CST)
- **June 8, 2022:** Grant Status Notification
- **June 17, 2022:** Disbursement
- **September 30, 2022:** Reports Due
- **October 2022:** Grant Recipients Present Projects to Steering Committee, Partners, and Community Leaders

GRANT GUIDELINES

Please read the grant guidelines outlined below prior to submitting your application. Should your program be funded by Advocate Aurora Health and UChicago Medicine, strict adherence to grant guidelines is expected.

1. Reporting:

All grant **recipients** must provide a written report specifying the use of funds awarded and measured outcomes by September 30, 2022. The Grant Report Form will be provided by Advocate Aurora Health and UChicago Medicine. Examples of what is required in the report include:

- Progress and results with regard to goals and objectives of your program.
- Success and challenges of implementing your program.
- Financial statement on use of funds granted by Advocate Aurora Health and UChicago Medicine for your program.
- Any data reports relevant to the funded program.

2. Branding:

All grant recipients must abide by the following branding guidelines of Advocate Aurora, Southland RISE and UChicago Medicine should your program use printed or online materials:

- a. Please refer to Advocate Aurora, Southland RISE and UChicago Medicine all materials related to your program.

- b. Display **approved** logos on printed materials and internet sites which list your organization's supporters or that advertise the program.
 - Advocate Aurora Health, Southland RISE and UChicago Medicine will provide your organization with the appropriate logo.
 - All promotional materials using Advocate Aurora Health, Southland RISE and UChicago Medicine logos must be approved by the respective Marketing and Communications before distribution.

3. Other Requirements:

- a. Grantees must attend no less than one (1) meeting to share program progress, barriers, and potential for community-based violence prevention, intervention, and/or recovery programming alignment.
- b. Grantees must deliver a presentation of summer programming at the RISE grantee rapid presentations session in October 2022.