



INDIANAPOLIS AFRICAN AMERICAN QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVE

Round 1 RFP

Frequently Asked Questions

Question: Our school district is a 501(c)3 but we do not have a determination letter from the IRS. Will that be an issue if we choose to apply? Will we be required to have a determination letter from the IRS?

Answer: While the school district may not have an official letter of designation from the IRS, your district's foundation may be able to provide the required documents.

Question: For the education request for proposals, would IAAQLI consider multiple applications from the same organization?

Answer: Yes, IAAQLI will entertain multiple requests from a single institution.

Question: Under IAAQLI, NUL has committed \$3,000,000 in funding for this strategy with grants ranging from \$75,000 up to \$400,000 for up to three (3) years. Does this mean the maximum request is \$400,000 total or \$400,000 each year for up to 3 years, so a total of \$1.2 million maximum can be requested?

Answer: The maximum amounts shown refer to the total award amount over the specified period. For example, the maximum total request amount for an education award is \$400,000 over a maximum three-year period. Applicants are required to specify the project start and end dates in the application.

Question: Can a grant request address more than one strategy?

Answer: Yes. The application will have to speak thoroughly to how each strategy will be addressed, identify projected outcomes separately, and provide a detailed budget that addresses specific deliverables for the total allocation requested.

Question: I am attempting to click the link on the website that directs me to the application but it just keeps coming up saying "that is not a valid program". What should I do?

Answer: Please refresh and turn off your computer and try again. It might help to open an "incognito" window to access the site.

Question: Our required certificate of insurance is attached but when I try to upload it to the application it states "file is too large...must be 65 characters or less" What do you suggest?

Answer: The name of the file is too long. Otherwise it would say the size is too big must be 10mb or less. Decrease the characters in the file name and reload.

Question: Are the AAQLI grants only for Marion County NFPs, or can it extend to north central Indiana?

Answer: The initiative seeks to provide place-based funding to address critical issues facing the African American community in Indianapolis. Awards will support residents in Marion County.

Question: What is the percentage of indirect costs?

Answer: IAAQLI's budget template details the limit on indirect costs to ten percent of the total request amount.

Question: We are not a nonprofit (though we do serve our community). Is our organization eligible to apply as the lead organization for this grant?

Answer: IAAQLI funding is limited to 501(c)3 organizations.

Question: Does your grant have a maximum percentage of the project it can fund?

Answer: IAAQLI funds should not be more than 30% of total project cost.

Question: Can we apply for a pre-development and equity/gap grant in the same proposal for a total request of \$2,000,000?

Answer: Yes. Maximum award for any one applicant to be a total of \$2 million for pre-development and equity. \$500,000 for pre-development and 1.5 million for equity.

Question: If we apply for a three-year grant and are funded, are we eligible to apply for additional funding in future RFPs while our current grant is still open?

Answer: An organization that receives a grant to address a strategy may apply for funding designated for future RFPs if the original award is active. The grantee can only apply in the same issue pillar, Employment for example, if the request supports another grant purpose. A grantee may apply for grants in other strategy and issue areas in which it is qualified.

Question: Is a Certificate of Insurance (COI) needed along with the application or only needed if funds are awarded?

Answer: Proof of insurance is required with the application. An updated Certificate of Insurance will be required with NUL and IUL added to the COI if the organization receives the grant award.

Still have questions? Reach out to IAAQLI at info@iaaqli.org.



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