

Request for Proposals

Genesee Regional Health Equity Council
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OVERVIEW

COVID-19 has illuminated the systemic and institutionalized laws, policies, and procedures that drive inequity among marginalized groups. In response, federal, state, and local public health organizations have come together to develop a funding opportunity that builds community capacity to meaningfully address disparities related to COVID-19. The goal of this project is to ensure the organizations best situated to meet the needs of Michigan's racial and ethnic minority populations receive funding to implement community-identified and defined strategies. Our priority audience is organizations that address the direct and indirect impacts of the COVID-19 public health pandemic.

Participant programs are required to prioritize individuals from at least one area in each of the following categories:

Ethnicities
African American
Arab and Chaldean American
Asian American and Pacific Islander
Alaska Native and American Indian
Hispanic American

Populations
Who have low resources
Experiencing mental health conditions
Experiencing homelessness
With substance abuse disorders
With disabilities
With undocumented status

Funds shall assist local organizations in accomplishing the following goals:

- A reduction in COVID-19 disparities in impacted communities, specifically among Michigan's five racial ethnic minority populations.
- Planned reduction of community-identified priority risk factors, development and implementation of practices and policies to reduce health disparities and improve health outcomes.
- Community-driven, not agency-driven, decision-making and priority setting.

SCOPE

Proposed activities must focus on one or more of the following strategies:

1	Expand existing and/or develop new mitigation and prevention resources and services to reduce COVID-19-related disparities among populations at higher risk and that are underserved. <i>[Ex. Health Education, Health Screening Drives, Community Health Worker Training]</i>
2	Mobilize partners and collaborators to advance health equity and address social determinants of health as they relate to COVID-19 health disparities among underserved populations at higher risk. <i>[Ex. Community coalitions, curriculum, resource distribution]</i>

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AWARDS

Funds may be requested in the amount of **\$2,000**, **\$5,000**, or **\$10,000**. Approximately 20 awards will be made. Grant recipients may use funds only for reasonable program purposes, including personnel, travel, supplies, and service delivery. This funding opportunity **does not** grant to individuals.

TIMELINE		APPLICATION & ELIGIBILITY
August 21, 2023	RFP Release date	<p>All applications must be submitted via the digital form in order to be considered.</p> <p>See the list below for items that should be prepared and uploaded into the digital form application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Evidence of 501c3 Status● Evidence of Fiduciary Agreement● Budget Form
August 29, 2023	Grant Information Session <i>Flint Public Library @ 5:30 PM</i>	
September 15, 2023	Grant Information Session <i>Zoom @ 11:30 AM</i>	
October 6, 2023	Application Due @ 3 PM *Digital Form Submission required	
November 2023	Award Announcements	
December 14, 2023	Grantee Orientation @ 5:30 PM *In person attendance required	
June 1, 2023	Final Report & Survey Submissions	

Use the [application question template](#) to draft your responses prior to submitting them via the required digital form. Email and print submissions will not be accepted. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

DISALLOWED SPENDING

The following uses are not allowed:

- **Food**
- **Incentives**
- **Partisan efforts**
- **Sub-awards or regrants**
- **Research**
- **Clinical care** except as allowed by law
- **Vaccine administration**. However, coordination activities that support vaccine administration are allowable.
- **Furniture or equipment**
- **Publicity or propaganda purposes**, for the preparation, distribution, or use of any material designed to support or defeat the enactment of legislation before any legislative body

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REPORTING

Grant recipients must submit monthly reports and a final report that includes information on completed activities, new or expanded partnerships, participation and/or reach, and any project outcomes. Additionally, grantees must attend three funder check-ins throughout the grant period. Failure to meet reporting requirements could impact future funding opportunities.

INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS

Interested applicants are encouraged to attend at least one listed session. See details below. Visit bit.ly/grhecsupport to register to attend.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TOPIC	DELIVERY METHOD
Tues. August 29, 2023	5:30 - 6:30 PM	Flint Public Library Flint Central AB	RFP Overview	In Person
Fri. September 15, 2023	11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Zoom	RFP Overview	Virtual

GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP SERIES

This series was created to support the increased capacity of small organizations. These comprehensive trainings are designed to prepare organizations and individuals to write competitive grants and identify opportunities. Additionally, **participants will receive bonus credit(s)** toward their grant application for attendance. **Review the [project rubric](#)** for further details of how participation affects consideration.

DATE	TITLE	TIME	LOCATION
Tues. August 29, 2023	Grant Writing 101	6:30 - 7:30 PM	Flint Public Library Flint Central AB
Thurs. September 7, 2023	Sustainability & Collaboration	11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Zoom
Thurs. September 14, 2023	Evaluation 101	5:30 - 7:30 PM	Flint Public Library Harris Room
Fri. September 15, 2023	Grant Writing 102	12:30 - 1:30 PM	Zoom
Thurs. September 28, 2023	Evaluation 102	5:30 - 7:30 PM	Flint Public Library Flint Central AB
Sat. September 30, 2023	Grant Writing Crash Course	11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Flint Public Library Flint Central AB
Mon. October 2, 2023	Budget Management 101	5:30 - 7:30 PM	Flint Public Library

Visit www.gfhc.org/grhec to access grant documents and application link.
Contact Nichole Smith-Anderson at nsmithanderson@flint.org with questions or insights.

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Interested applicants may schedule individual sessions to receive support with grant comprehension, application responses, and/or budget draft. Appointments may be booked in up to 30-minute increments. Those desiring support must schedule an appointment in advance. See the table below for office hours. Visit bit.ly/tagrhec to schedule an appointment, then complete the technical assistance registration at bit.ly/grhecsupport.

DAYS	TIME	LOCATION
Tuesday's	10 AM - 12 PM, 3 - 7 PM	ZOOM
Friday's	9:30 AM - 12:30 PM, 2 - 4 PM	ZOOM

PROPOSAL RUBRIC

This document is meant to be a resource for preparing proposal submissions. Applicants can use the [proposal rubric](#) to gain clarity on how submissions will be evaluated. The highest-ranked proposals will be considered for funding. Applicants can gain further understanding of grant expectations and evaluation by attending an RFP [informational session](#) or signing up to receive support during [technical assistance](#) hours.

This opportunity is presented by the Genesee Regional Health Equity Council (GRHEC), a project of the Greater Flint Health Coalition (GFHC). This project is made possible with funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Office of Equity and Minority Health (OEMH) in partnership with the Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI) and facilitated by the Power Initiative.