

Implementing Strategies to Increase Equitable Vaccine Access for People with Disabilities RFP

Background

The CDC Foundation seeks organizations to support efforts to increase COVID-19 vaccine access for people with disabilities in the United States. The CDC Foundation will fund an estimated 3 community-based organizations (CBOs) to: (1) increase vaccination opportunities for people with disabilities; (2) establish partnerships with state and local health departments to ensure inclusion and focus of people with disabilities (3) ensure prioritization of the unique needs of people with disabilities in state and local emergency preparedness and response planning.

About Funding Opportunity

Q: How did you identify grantmaking priorities?

A: CDC and CDC Foundation identified unique opportunities for disability-led organizations, who are recognized leaders and subject matter experts, to advance vaccination access for people with disabilities.

Q: Where does funding for this project come from?

A: This funding opportunity is supported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Q: Are grants recurring or one-time grant opportunities?

A: All grants are one-time opportunities.

Q: What are the grant sizes?

A: CDC Foundation intends to offer the following awards:

Category	# of Awards	Maximum Amount per Award	Total per Category
Level 1: Programs serving 3 U.S. States and/or Territories	2	\$517,000	\$1,034,000
Level 2: Programs serving 4 U.S. States and/or Territories	1	\$689,000	\$689,000
Total	3		\$1,723,000

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)



Q: What time period does the grant cover?

A: January 1st, 2022 – July 31st, 2022.

Q: Can an organization apply for more than one grant?

A: Organizations may submit only one proposal as either Level 1 or Level 2.

Q: Are there geographic requirements for this funding opportunity?

A: Applicants must abide by the following selection criteria for geographic locations

Category	
Level 1: Programs serving 3 U.S. States and/or Territories	Must select 3 distinct U.S. states or territories for implementing activities
Level 2: Programs serving 4 U.S. States and/or Territories	Must select 4 distinct U.S. states or territories for implementing activities

Q: Are there any restrictions on fund use?

A: All restrictions relevant to federal funds apply. Please see the Budget Preparation Guidelines for allowable and unallowable costs.

Eligibility

Q: What organizations are eligible to apply?

A: Organizations must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a 501c3 to be eligible for funding
- Must be a disability-led organization
- Must be a community-based organization (CBO)

Q: What does CDC Foundation define as a disability-led organization?

A: Organizations who can demonstrate that 51% or more of their overall staff, board members, and volunteers are people with disabilities.

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Reporting

Q: What are the reporting requirements for this funding opportunity?

A: Organizations are required to report both process and outcome data (e.g., number of vaccination plans developed, number of partners and people with disabilities reached, number of racial/ethnic groups reached, and other measures of community level impact) through an interim and final report.

Submitting an Application and Technical Questions

Q: Before submitting a funding request, may we discuss our work with your staff to see if we are a fit for the funding opportunity?

A: Organizations are welcome to submit any inquiries about the RFP or the fit of their work by 5:00pm ET on November 22nd, 2021, via email to heprograms@cdcfoundation.org.

Q: I am having difficulty signing in / saving / submitting my application. How can I get help?

A: Please contact heprograms@cdcfoundation.org if you experience any issues with accessing the RFP or application form.

Q: I have a question about the information needed in the online application. How can I get help?

A: Please contact heprograms@cdcfoundation.org if you have any questions about the online application or documentation required.

Post Application Period

Q: If accepted, to whom do we submit grant reports?

A: Organizations will submit programmatic and financial reports to CDC Foundation through heprograms@cdcfoundation.org. Additional information about programmatic and financial reporting will be shared if awarded.

Q: What do I do if my grant application is rejected?

A: Organizations who are rejected will be eligible to engage in CDC Foundation's capacity building webinars and trainings.

Resources

[CDC Foundation COVID-19 Vaccine Resources for Community Based Organizations](#)