Age Friendly: Go Local Grant

FAQ

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. What are the financial or audit requirements of grantees?

If your organization is awarded a grant, you will be required to:

- o Provide proof of your non-profit status, or of the non-profit status of your fiscal sponsor
- o Complete an ACH wire transfer form (provided by NYAM)
- o Complete a W9 form (provided by NYAM)
- o Execute a contract describing the scope of your work and payment schedule (provided by NYAM)
- o Provide invoices for your payment

2. How will grants be distributed?

If your organization is awarded a grant, you will receive grant funds in two installments. You will receive the first installment upon receipt of your financial documents (listed in Question 1). You will receive the second installment at the midpoint of the grant term.

BUDGET

3. Can I use this grant to pay staff, interns, or participants in my program?

Yes. You can use this grant to pay staff, interns, and program participants. In your budget, you will need to make clear how much you will be paying each group of individuals. You can include salary and/or fringe in the budget for staff. You will also need to describe the percentage of full-time effort (FTE) or provide the hourly rate and the number of hours charged to the grant. For interns, include the amount of payment (honoraria) that you will provide to each intern and the number of interns you will employ. For participants, include the amount of payment (incentive) that you will give to each participant, and your anticipated number of participants.

4. Will this grant cover indirect costs of my organization?

Yes. This grant will cover a maximum of 10% indirect costs. Indirect costs are fees that cover general operating expenses that are not readily identified in the budget of an organization (e.g., costs for space rental, internet, electricity, etc.).

5. What should be in the budget explanation section of the budget?

In the explanation section, you should include a description of the line-item expense.

6. **The budget template also includes a Comments section. What should I put there?**

You do not necessarily need to put anything in the Comments section. However, we are providing that optional space if it might be helpful to provide any additional context or clarification on a specific line-item.

FIT

7. **Do you have any priority populations or projects you want to fund?**

Age-Friendly: Go Local Grants are intended to support initiatives that benefit older adults and address one or more of the 8 domains of livability. We are especially interested in initiatives that advance racial, ethnic, and/or socioeconomic equity.

8. **My organization does not have an office in one of the 16 counties that you serve, but we serve older adults in one (or more) of those counties, are we eligible?**

Yes. Even if your organization is not located within one of the 16 counties, if your proposal plans to serve older adults in one or more of those counties, you are eligible. You will need to clearly describe the work that will be done in specific counties. Age Friendly: Go Local prioritizes projects that have a strong local focus, so it will be important to describe the stakeholder relationships you have in place, including previous experience working with these stakeholders.

9. **Can my organization submit multiple applications?**

Yes, an organization can submit more than one application. However, an organization will only be able to receive 1 grant, unless they are serving as a fiscal agent for multiple community groups. Each project would be expected to be clearly distinct. This includes working with different older adults from other applicants.

10. **What if my proposal is not a perfect fit?**

Once the submission period is closed the Go Local team will follow up with organizations who responded to the RFP to discuss their proposals. This may lead to an opportunity to allow adjustments to be made to their submitted proposal.

11. **Can it build on existing work?**

Yes, the proposed program can build upon existing work or initiatives being completed by your organization. However, the proposed program must clearly demonstrate how age-friendly principles will be incorporated into or augmented by this existing work."

OTHER

12. **What do grantees get in the technical assistance?**

To support your work, grantees will be able to participate in:

- Learning Collaboratives – Grantees that are working on similar projects will be able to come together to share their best practices, lessons learned, and ask questions. NYAM will also bring in experts in specific content areas to present information and guide grantees' work.
- Office hours with NYAM - NYAM will schedule times for one-on-one questions and answers with grantees.
- Additional TA will be identified once final grantees have been identified.

If you have any additional questions, please direct questions to golocal@nyam.org