Eligibility & Mission

Eligibility*
The Opportunity Fund can only fund organizations with 501(c)(3) status and governmental entities.

Choices
My organization is a 501(c)(3)
My organization is a 501(c)(3) and is acting as a fiscal sponsor on another group's behalf.
My organization is a governmental entity.

Mission Statement*
Type your organization's mission statement here.
If you are serving as a fiscal sponsor, type "FISCAL SPONSOR" and then your organization's mission statement here.
Character Limit: 1000

Grant Request Basic Information

Grant Request Name*
Please provide a brief name for the grant request.
If requesting general operating support, write "General Operating Support."
Fiscal sponsors, please write the name of the sponsored group.
Character Limit: 150

Summary of Request*
Provide a 1-2 sentence summary of the proposed request. Please begin the summary statement with "To support..."
Character Limit: 400

Amount Sought from the Opportunity Fund*
Character Limit: 20

Type of Support*
Is this a request to support a program/project, general operating, or capital support?

Definitions:
- General Operating Support: unrestricted funding that can be used flexibly to support any of an
organization’s costs to fulfill its mission (rather than supporting a specific project or program).
- Program/Project Support: funding to support all or part of a specific program or project.
- Capital Campaign: funds specifically for the purpose of purchasing, renovating, or construction of facilities.

NOTES: (1) Presently, the Opportunity Fund most prefers to receive requests for general operating support. (2) The Opportunity Fund only supports capital campaigns in rare cases. Please talk to us before choosing that type of support.

**Choices**
- General Operating Support
- Program/Project Support
- Capital Campaign

**Funding category**
Which category best fits the grant request?
*We understand and respect that many projects/programs/organizations straddle both arts and justice. In this instance, please choose just one as primary.*

**Choices**
- Arts
- Social & Economic Justice

**Subcategory: Arts**
If "Arts" is the primary category, which subcategory best describes the work?
*Leave blank if "Social & Economic Justice" is the primary category.*

**Choices**
- DANCE
- MUSIC: Classical Chamber
- MUSIC: Jazz
- MUSIC: Other
- THEATRE
- VISUAL ART: Craft
- VISUAL ART: Other
- MULTIDISCIPLINARY
- Other

**Subcategory: Social & Economic Justice**
If "Social & Economic Justice" is the primary category, which subcategory best describes the work?
*Leave blank if "Arts" is the primary category.*

**Choices**
- BLACK-LED MOVEMENT WORK
- CIVIL LIBERTIES
- CIVIL RIGHTS
HUMAN RIGHTS
REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Economic Independence
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Healthcare
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Housing
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Social Services
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Tangible Aid
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Transportation
Other

Multiple Categories
The work may intersect between multiple categories. Check all boxes that reflect a core purpose of the work, related to this request.

NOTE: No special preference is given based on the number of boxes checked, if any at all.

Choices
BLACK-LED MOVEMENT WORK
CIVIL LIBERTIES
CIVIL RIGHTS
HUMAN RIGHTS
Other
REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Economic Independence
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Healthcare
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Housing
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Social Services
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Tangible Aid
SAFETY NET RESOURCES: Transportation
DANCE
MUSIC: Classical Chamber
MUSIC: Jazz
MUSIC: Other
THEATRE
VISUAL ART: CRAFT
VISUAL ART: Other
MULTIDISCIPLINARY

Tips for request dates:

For Project/Program Requests: We strongly recommend that program/project requests have a start date after the award notification date for this cycle.

For Operating Support Requests: If the award date for this cycle falls during the first half of your fiscal year, you may use the start of the current fiscal year. If the award date falls during the second half of your fiscal year, you should use the start of your next fiscal year.
**Start Date**

At this point, the start date can be an estimate.

*Character Limit: 10*

**End Date**

At this point, the end date can be an estimate. NOTE: The final evaluation report will be due 30 days after this date.

*Character Limit: 10*

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**For Fiscal Sponsors (if applicable, otherwise skip)**

Skip this section if you are not acting as a fiscal sponsor in this application. Otherwise, please answer every question in this section about the organization you are sponsoring.

More information on best practices for fiscal sponsorship.

**Sponsored Group: Name**

What is the name of the organization or group being sponsored?

*Character Limit: 150*

**Sponsored Group: Mission**

*Character Limit: 1000*

**Sponsored Group: Website**

*Character Limit: 2000*

**Sponsored Group: Address**

*Character Limit: 250*

**Fee for Fiscal Sponsorship**

Percentage fee your organization charges for fiscal sponsorship services.

*Character Limit: 20*

**Sponsored Group's Primary Contact Information**

**Sponsored Group Contact: First Name**

*Character Limit: 20*

**Sponsored Group Contact: Last Name**

*Character Limit: 20*

**Sponsored Group Contact: Job Title**

*Character Limit: 75*
Sponsored Group Contact: Email
*Character Limit: 254

Sponsored Group: Phone Number
*Character Limit: 15

Grant Request Narratives

Please note: Some narrative questions below have recommended character counts, but the fields allow more space if needed.

Overview of Grant Request*
Provide a clear explanation of what your organization (or the fiscally-sponsored group) proposes to do with this grant money.

NOTE: This is an overview. If invited to the full application, there will be an opportunity to provide more detail.

Recommended Character Count: up to 1,500
*Character Limit: 3000

Context/Background Information
(Optional) Share any background information about the organization or group that would provide relevant context as we learn about this specific request, at this specific time.

Recommended Character Count: up to 1,500
*Character Limit: 3000

Goals*
Please share the goals (i.e. a list of statements of what you, or the fiscally-sponsored group, wish to accomplish).

*If applying for general operating support: List the current goals for the organization's primary programs, or the organizational goals that might be defined in a strategic plan.

*If applying to support a project/program: List the goals of the specific project/program that this grant money would support (as opposed to the overall goals of the organization).

Recommended Character Count: up to 1,500
*Character Limit: 3000
Geographic Focus

Greater Pittsburgh Community*

Does the request primarily benefit the greater Pittsburgh community (Allegheny County and surrounding area)?

Choices
Yes
No