

PREVIEW OF OPEN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING

IMPORTANT: This is only a preview of the grant application. If you are eligible for Polk Bros. Foundation funding and believe your work aligns with our grantmaking goals, please log in to Polk Bros. Foundation's Grants Portal to begin and complete an application <https://polkbrosfdn.flxxx.io/>.

Learn about Polk Bros. Foundation, our grantmaking goals and our process at www.PolkBrosFdn.org.

INTRODUCTION (PHASE ONE)

1. **[Goal Area(s)]** Choose the goal areas your work addresses. *(select all that apply)*
 - a. Closing the Life Expectancy Gap
 - b. Building Community Wealth Across Generations
 - c. Fostering Participatory, Multiracial Democracy
2. **[Priority Area(s)]** Choose up to 4 priority grantmaking areas. Please refer to the Polk Bros. Foundation website for details about each of these priority areas. *(select up to 4)*
 - a. Healing and Harm Reduction Infrastructure
 - b. Social Service and Healthcare System Transformation to Provide Coordinated, Holistic Care
 - c. Family and Community Violence Prevention and Intervention
 - d. Opioid Overdose Reduction
 - e. Student Connectedness to Learning
 - f. Labor Force Participation
 - g. Local, Shared Ownership
 - h. Access to Capital
 - i. Ability to Stay in Place
 - j. Sector Strengthening
 - k. Connectedness and Social Cohesion
 - l. Civic Media
 - m. Participatory Action Research
4. **[Core Work]** Please describe your organization's core work, specifically as it relates to the priority grantmaking area(s) you selected above. *(open-ended, 2,500 character limit)*

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5. **[Track Record]** In what ways is your organization (or partnership/coalition) well positioned to be successful in its work? For example, you might share about outcomes to date, your organization's track record, recent successes, unique opportunities or resources, etc. *(open-ended, 2,500 character limit)*
6. **[Population and Geography]** Who do you serve/who benefits from your work? Where do you do your work: specific neighborhoods, citywide? *(open-ended, 2,500 character limit)*
7. **[Approaches]** Choose the approach or approaches you take to the core work described above. *(select up to 3)*
 - a. Immediate Intervention
 - b. Community Power and Influence
 - c. Ecosystem of Change
 - d. Community Innovation
7. **[Approaches Description]** Please describe how your organization incorporates the approaches selected above into its core work. *(open-ended, 2,500 character limit)*
8. Required attachment
 - a. Organizational Budgets – include last full year's itemized revenue and expenses and current fiscal year's budget with itemized revenue and expenses
9. Optional attachment(s)
 - a. Recent report or application to another organization for more detail

FULL PROPOSAL (PHASE TWO)

1. **[Operational Specificity]** What are the primary activities, strategies, or interventions as it relates to the grantmaking areas through which your organization creates change? Please refer to question #2 from the Introduction portion – or Phase 1 – of your application. *(open-ended, 2,500 character limit)*
2. **[Outcomes]** What do you hope to accomplish during this grant and what are you working toward long term (beyond the term of the grant itself)? Please identify the specific outcomes your organization would seek to address with these funds from the PDF of outcomes tables available on each goal page of the Polk Bros. Foundation website. Describe how your work connects to those outcomes and how you measure them? *(open-ended, 2,500 character limit)*
3. **[Community Engagement and Involvement in Decision-making]** Please describe your approach to community engagement and representation. How (if at all) are community stakeholders incorporated into the operations and/or governance of your organization (as staff, leadership, board or advisory members, decision makers, etc.)? *(open-ended, 1,875 character limit)*
4. **[Partnerships]** Please share your major, relevant partnerships and coalitions in this work. Describe the role your organization plays within those partnerships or coalitions, what decisions, resources, or responsibilities are shared, and how the relevant partnerships, coalitions, etc. advance the work or improve outcomes? *(open-ended, 1,250 character limit)*

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5. **[Success]** In what ways is your organization positioned to be successful? How will this funding change or accelerate your impact? (*open-ended, 1,250 character limit*)
6. **[Intersections]** How (if at all) do you work to address the multifaceted needs of the communities you serve across the Foundation's three goals? (*open-ended, 1,250 character limit*)
7. **[Areas to Expand to New Work]** Outside of your core work, are there places you are looking to pilot, expand, or deepen your work? (*open-ended, 1,250 character limit*)
9. **[Learnings and Dissemination]** What are you hoping to learn from this work? How will you integrate those learnings into your internal operations? If relevant, how do you share lessons with peers, partners or community members? (*open-ended, 1,250 character limit*)
10. **[Sustainability]** What steps will your organization take to ensure the long-term sustainability of this work, including diversification of funding, institutionalization within your programs, and partnerships that support continued impact? (*open-ended, 625 character limit*)
10. **[Budget Narrative/Use of Funds]** How will grant funds be used to support the proposed work? What will these funds make possible for your organization? (*open-ended, 500 character limit*)
11. Attachments
 - a. Most recent 990 [*required*]
 - b. Project budget [*optional if relevant*]
 - c. Reports, news releases, other relevant supporting documents [*optional*]
 - d. Partnership agreements / MOUs [*optional if relevant*]