

OHA COVID-19 Equity Fund FAQ

Reminder the application can be found here:

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/covid19/Pages/equity-grants-covid-19.aspx>

[Due August 31st, 2020 by 11:59PM](#)

[Please send your application electronically to](#)

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[If any additional questions arise or needing assistance, please contact Perry Dejoode](#)

If a group does not have a 501 (c)(3) but does have a fiscal agent, are they eligible?

- Yes, as long as the fiscal sponsor has a 501(c)(3) designation or is one of Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes or Urban Indian Health Program then they are eligible.

What kind of reporting will be required, and will it need to be submitted to a database?

- Reporting is due in Nov 2020 and Feb 2021
- Reporting tool is currently being developed but grantees will not be expected to report any identifying information of recipients, Name, address, social security number, race, ethnicity etc.
- It is expected that reporting be consistent with grant proposal and the COVID-19 response fund reporting

Will federal rules apply regarding documentation of lost wages?

- No.
- OHA will not be asking for data on individuals, but rather how the money was spent to meet the goals laid out in the application.

Can monies be used for COVID-19 testing?

- Yes, please coordinate with Local Public Health Authorities and Community Based Organizations funded for contact tracing and case investigation.

What are the minimum and maximum amounts awarded for this grant?

- No minimum or maximum.

How many organizations will be awarded funding?

- There is no minimum or maximum amount of grants that must be awarded.

Can you give an example of long-standing health issues?

- Hypertension, cardiovascular disease, chronic health conditions that are disease specific (ex. diabetes) and other conditions that are exacerbated by toxic stress (i.e. racism)

Are indirect costs allowed with these grants?

- No indirect rate is allowed, whether or not your organization has federally negotiated indirect rates
- If you have administrative, infrastructure, or other costs that can be directly tied and allocable to this award, you can include those costs in your application

If our organization focuses on several areas, specifically related to COVID, can we submit a proposal that addresses all three focus areas, i.e. for a higher dollar amount?

- Yes, must meet the COVID-19 response guidelines.

Can we give people money for future expenses? Ex. Rent, phone/internet contracts x 6 months upfront?

- Goods should be purchased by the end of December 2020.
- Awardees will get 60 days to finalize and receive any remaining items and make a final report of expenditures in February 2021.

Can we use it to catch people up on rent?

- Can back date to March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020 if the rent payments relate to COVID-19

Can the grant cover transportation cost?

- Yes, as long as it correlates with COVID-19.

Can organizations collaborate for this grant?

- Yes.

Are there limitations on drug and alcohol treatment/harm reduction approaches?

- Needs to be able to connect it to COVID-19 response--if so, then yes.

If awardee wanted to purchase PPE for childcare providers, would it be legitimate to purchase more for them than they could use before the end of December if we distribute it to them before then?

- PPE can be purchased, and an amount stockpiled for use after December 30, 2020 that would be expected to be used during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Can two organizations apply for separate grants if one is fiscally sponsored and the other is a fiscal sponsor?

- Yes.

Is this funding for Organizations or Individuals?

- Organizations are eligible and can distribute to individuals.

If we have received some OHA funding for COVID-19 response work, are we eligible for these funds?

- Yes.

Does that assistance to individuals have a cap per individual and do we have to distribute gift cards vs. money/check?

- No caps or frameworks

What is your process/plan for decision making and how are you choosing who makes these decisions?

- The decision is to make a review committee who will make decisions based on criteria that follow the information laid out in the grant application

Is the amount of the grants based on how many people apply and are rewarded?

- Up to \$45M no minimum/ no maximum.

