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CCHD will award community development grants only to organizations that have been recognized as exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Organizations that have filed Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, with IRS may be considered for CCHD funding; however, any grant award would be conditioned upon receipt of an IRS exemption determination letter before CCHD's funding deadline.

Before beginning your application, please enter your [Employer Identification Number](#):

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You can review the information you've provided so far and make necessary modifications here. If you're satisfied with the contents of the application, click Submit to forward your application for consideration. If you're not ready to submit your application yet, click Save & Finish Later.

Instructions

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* Required before final submission

This was a one time link. Do not use the same link to retrieve a saved pre-application. In order to retrieve your saved pre-application, make sure you close out your browser completely, open a new browser, and then go to www.GrantRequest.com/SID_464 . Each organization should only have ONE CCHD online account.

This is the Catholic Campaign for Human Development's (CCHD's) pre-application for the community development grants program. The pre-application is the necessary first step for an organization that wants to be considered for a national grant and is NOT currently a CCHD grantee.

To better understand CCHD's grant programs and the online application process, we strongly encourage you to read [all of the grant resources available online](#) and the [Guide for CCHD Grant Applicants](#).

Because the application process is lengthy and competitive, we intend that the pre-application will first, help interested organizations gain an understanding of CCHD mission and criteria and help them determine whether or not their work is a good match for CCHD funding; and second, if the pre-application is submitted, it will help CCHD determine if an applicant's proposal is in line with CCHD criteria, priorities and whether the group should be invited to submit a full application.

The pre-application may be submitted between September 1 and November 1. The deadline to be

considered for our annual funding cycle is November 1 (11:59 P.M. EST). Pre-applications received by November 1 will be considered for a grant the following June. CCHD recommends submitting your pre-application well in advance of the November 1 deadline, to help with our processing and to give applicants more time if invited to submit a full application.

CCHD will review all pre-applications and notify organizations via e-mail of our determination. In the event that you are invited to submit a full application, you will receive an e-mail by November 22 with instructions on how to access the online application. Online applications are due December 15.

It is to your benefit that [CCHD diocesan coordinators](#) are aware of your work and of your interest in applying for CCHD national funds, as they are a key part of the CCHD evaluation process. Please contact your CCHD diocesan coordinator to ensure they are aware of your pre-application submission. [You can find their contact information here.](#)

If after reviewing all material carefully, you have additional questions, CCHD's grant staff is available year round to answer questions about CCHD grant programs and application process. Contact information for the [national grants specialists by state can be found here.](#)

Organization and Contact Information

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Organization Contact Information

* Legal Name of Organization [at it appears on its organizing document, e.g., Articles of Incorporation]

A.K.A. Name of Organization

The "AKA" or "also known as" name is the acronym or initials the organization uses as a shortened version of its name. For example, the "AKA" name for Southerners for New Opportunities is "SNO". If you do not have one, do not respond.

* Street Address of Organization

* City

* State

* Zip Code

* Main Phone Number of Organization

Fax Number of Organization

Enter the 10 digit number with no formatting. For example, 1234567890

* Web Site Address of Organization

If none, please enter N/A.

Employer Identification Number of Organization

* Organizational Status (corporation, trust, unincorporated association, etc.)

* Tax Exempt Status

CCHD ONLY provides community development funding to organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3).

Head of Organization (Executive Director, Lead Organizer, CEO, President, Chair, etc.)

Prefix

First Name

Last Name

Title

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

Mobile Phone

Office Phone

Extension

E-mail Address

Primary Contact for this Request (Development Director, Grants Writer, or may be the same as the Head of the Organization)

The primary contact for this request is the person who will receive and respond to electronic, verbal, and written correspondence relevant to this grant request from CCHD.

If this contact information changes, please be sure to make CCHD aware as soon as possible.

If the Primary Contact (below) is the same person listed above,

please check here.

Prefix

First Name

Last Name

Title

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

Mobile Phone

Office Phone

Extension

E-mail

Diocese

Choose the primary diocese in which your organization will be active.

- Indicate additional dioceses ONLY if the organization will be active in those areas. If additional dioceses are selected, applicants must make contact with that diocese's CCHD Diocesan Director. [You can find their contact information here.](#)

You may select up to three.

<Select One>

<Select One>

Description of Applicant Organization

- * Describe your organization, including some history and the organization's mission. (Limit 100 words.)

- * Please indicate if your organization is affiliated with any of the following networks.

<Select One>

<Select One>

Criteria Descriptions and Questions

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1. Organizations that receive CCHD funds must not participate in or promote activities that contradict the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church and must in no way work against the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Priorities to defend human life and dignity, strengthen family life and the institution of marriage and foster diversity. For example, organizations that support or promote same-sex marriage, discrimination, capital punishment, abortion, euthanasia, or punitive measures toward immigrants, are not eligible for CCHD funding.

- * Do organizational activities of the applicant organization in any way endorse or promote principles that are contrary to Catholic teaching?

<None>

2. The organization may not participate or intervene in a political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. An organization that engages in political campaign intervention prohibited under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code is not eligible to apply for CCHD funding. For example, while holding candidate forums is acceptable, groups who endorse one candidate over another are not eligible for funding.

- * Does the organization participate or intervene in political campaigns on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office?

<None>

3. Proposed Use of funds

- * In a brief paragraph summarize the organization's goals for the proposed grant year. Include a brief summary of the proposed use of CCHD funds. (Limit 200 words.)

4. CCHD funded groups typically have one of two types of members, 1) institutional members, where organizations, parishes, other institutions are recruited and become members of the organization; or 2) individual membership, where individuals are recruited and become members of the organization.

- * Does your organizing document, e.g., Articles of Incorporation, provide for organizational members?

<None>

- * Does your organization primarily describe itself as having institutional members, individual members, both or neither?

<None>

- * Briefly describe how the organization defines and assesses membership. (Limit 75 words.)

If your organization primarily recruits individual members, how many individual members does your organization have?

Please input integers for example, for one hundred, input 100.

If your organization primarily recruits institutional members, how many institutional members does your organization have?

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5. People living in poverty must have the dominant voice in the organization. One clear indicator CCHD has used to ensure that low-income people have a dominant voice in the organization is governing board composition. At least 50 percent of your governing board, i.e. those who plan, implement and make policy, hire and fire staff should be persons who are involuntarily poor (VISTA volunteers, students, etc. are considered by CCHD to be voluntarily poor; Catholic clergy and member of religious

orders who live in a poverty community may be considered low-income board members).

- * What percentage of your governing board-those that plan, implement and make policy (including budgets), and hire/fire lead staff-are involuntarily poor?

Omit formatting and enter a number only. For example 33 for 33%

In addition to board composition, CCHD will consider other organizational structures and systems which ensure that people living in poverty have a dominant voice in the direction of the organization. CCHD will evaluate how low-income people are identified, engaged, and developed to take leadership positions in the organization and how the organization's activities and priorities impact them. Please answer the following questions to describe the role of people living in poverty in the decision making of the organization. (Limit 75 words each)

- a) Why do low-income people not have the dominant voice in the planning, implementing, policy-making and hiring/firing of staff at this time? (Limit 75 words.)
- b) Please describe organizational structures, systems or processes that are in place to ensure that members are involved in determining the direction and priorities of the organization. (Limit 75 words.)
- c) Describe the organization's plan to identify, recruit and prepare people living in poverty to assume leadership and control of the organization's governing board? (Limit 75 words.)

6. The organization should demonstrate a commitment to ongoing human development through skills building and training because it is central to CCHD and is essential to the strength, depth and sustainability of organizations.

- * Does your organization invest human and financial resources into the development of low-income people?

<None>

* In one brief paragraph, summarize your organization's strategy or curriculum for leadership identification, engagement and development. (Limit 75 words.)

* Does your organization mobilize low-income people to advocate on their own behalf for institutional change?

<None>

* Please describe your last mobilization event and include who your organization was trying to influence, how many people attended and how it helped move your organization's agenda forward. (Limit 100 words.)

7. The applicant organization must demonstrate both the intention and capacity to effectively work toward the elimination of the root causes of poverty and to enact institutional change. CCHD defines institutional change as a) modification of existing laws and/or policies; b) establishment of participatory and just social structures and/or redistribution of decision-making powers so that people living in poverty can be involved in policy-making that affects their lives.

* If your organization has an institutional change track record, describe your organization's most significant institutional change achievement within the last three years and the scope of its impact. (Limit 150 words.)

* Briefly summarize your institutional change goals for the proposed grant year. (Limit 150 words.)

8. The organization should demonstrate a clear vision for development of financial capacity that might include membership dues, grass roots fundraising, foundation and/or corporate support.

* Summarize your organization's strategy to raise funds from sources

other than CCHD. (Limit 150 words.)

* List the sources of funds the organization is going to pursue, if a foundation, list the foundation's name, the amount the group hopes to receive from each source and the timeframe for securing said funds.

9. All applicant organizations must read and indicate their consent to the following agreement as a part of their pre-application submission.

Those submitting online grants or refund applications, submitting responses to the CCHD "Pre-Application" or otherwise interacting with CCHD and/or USCCB by way of providing information above, understand and agree that these applications and submissions are all made in the District of Columbia. It is further understood and agreed that all grants, awards, refunds or business decisions regarding these issues, are made in the District of Columbia. Further, it is understood and agreed that any and all claims arising from these grants or refund applications, the CCHD "Pre-Application", or otherwise relating to the provision of information above, will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia.

It is further understood and agreed that the sole jurisdiction and venue for any litigation arising out of or relating to any such applications, grants, refunds, participation in the "Pre-Application" or the provision of information above, will be in an otherwise appropriate federal or local court located in the District of Columbia.

In the event that any portion of this Agreement is held unenforceable, that unenforceable portion will be construed in accordance with applicable District of Columbia law so as to, as nearly as possible, reflect the expressed original intentions of the parties, and the remainder of the provisions will remain in full force and effect.

By submitting the above application for a grant or refund, submitting responses to the "Pre-Application" or otherwise providing information, the submitter or provider agrees to all of the above conditions.

* Our organization consents to the above agreement.