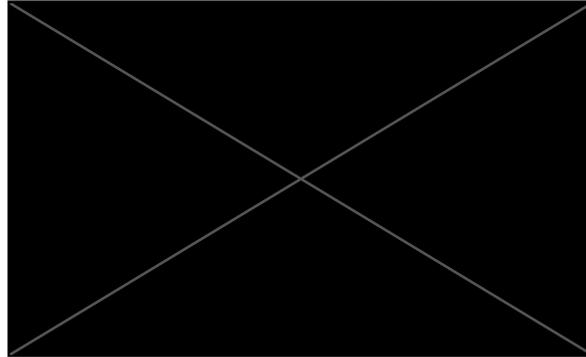


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1) Login Landing Page to [redacted] Grant Portal with button to create an account and provide Applicant Organization information



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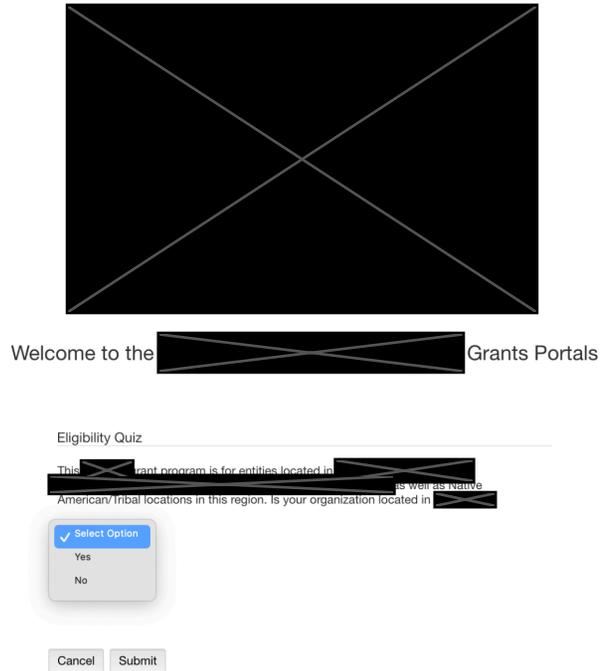
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You will then receive an email notification from the Foundation with login information, which will give you access to the portal and our application forms. Should your funding application be successful, this portal will give you access to our reporting templates.

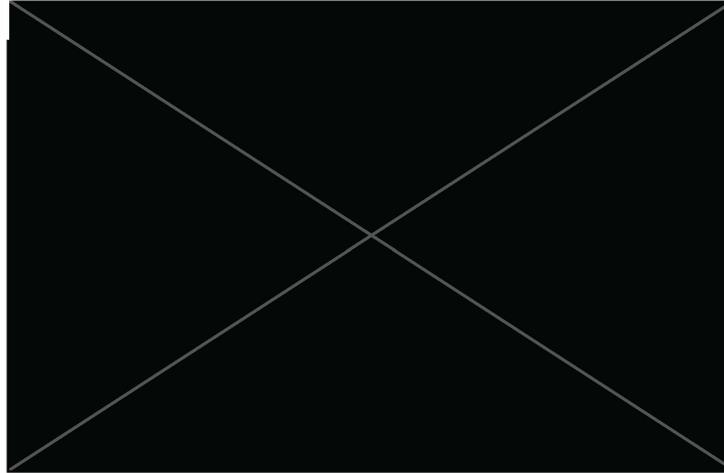


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2) Registration Page to create an account. Users start with an eligibility quiz.



3) If eligible, they can access the full registration form and enter their organizational information + primary contact information to create an account. As part of the registration organizational information such as Tax ID and UEI number are captured which allows organizational information to automatically flow to subsequent applications/proposals. This can be adjusted as needed per EPA requirements.



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**EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) Environmental
Justice Thriving Communities Grant Program - [REDACTED]**

Administered by [REDACTED]

Request for Applications (RFA)

1. Background

The EPA Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program supports EPA's goals

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1. Background

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The [REDACTED] is the Grantmaking partner of the EPA for this program in EPA [REDACTED]

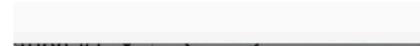
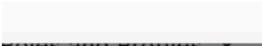
[REDACTED] has worked at the community level to advance environmental justice-, racial equity and address the social determinants of health across the nation.

This program's objective is to provide grant funding to community-based organizations and other eligible entities advancing environmental justice initiatives in their respective communities.

2. Executive Summary

Through this RFA process, [REDACTED] will award a portfolio of 171 grants. Grants will be available for four (4) distinct tiers of community readiness:

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3. Program Overview

Project Tiers

The Region 3 Thriving Communities Grant Maker (GHM) has been awarded funding by the EPA to run a competition to provide funding to historically, underserved communities that have been disproportionately burdened by environmental hazards and health consequences and have faced environmental and energy justice challenges. These communities are often exposed to unhealthy land uses, poor air and water quality, dilapidated housing that leads to lead exposure, and other environmental threats that drive health disparities. The combination of environmental risks and social inequities creates a cumulative, disproportionate impact that hinders optimal environmental health and justice particularly for these communities.

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Tier I: Assessment

The Tier I EJ (Environmental Justice) Thriving Communities Awards are available for severely capacity-constrained community-based organizations and/or “entry-level” applicants to assist them during the initial steps of their work to address specific issues impacting them locally by conducting assessments of environmental and public health concerns. Tier I EJ Thriving Communities Awards are for up to \$150,000 each for a one-year project period. Tier I projects can address multiple environmental issues (e.g., air quality, water contamination, toxic substances, etc.). The following is a list of the types of activities which may be considered by the Grantmakers for Tier I EJ Thriving Communities Awards. **The following activities examples are provided for illustrative purposes only and the list is not all inclusive:**

- research (that is incidental to the project design)
- sampling
- testing
- monitoring
- investigations
- surveys and studies
- public education

Tier II: Planning

The Tier II EJ Thriving Communities Awards are available for community-based organizations and other eligible recipients are ready to formulate a community-wide plan to address those issues. Developing key cooperative partnerships with community stakeholders is an essential part of developing a community-wide plan and later implementing that plan. Therefore, partnership development is a key aspect of the Tier II Awards. Tier II EJ Thriving Communities Awards are for up to \$250,000 each for a 1 to 2-year project period. Tier II project activities can address multiple environmental issues (e.g., air quality, water contamination, toxic substances) and should also include plan formulation and partnership development activities to address those environmental issues. The following is a list of the types of activities which may be considered by the Grantmakers for a Tier II EJ Thriving Communities Award. **The following activities are provided for illustrative purposes only and the list is not all inclusive.**

- Planning
- Partnership-building
- Public outreach and education
- Coordination with community stakeholders to address environmental issues
- Training activities for community organizations and community members
- Projects and activities to spur community involvement (e.g., cleanups of vacant lots)
- Smaller land purchases and acquisitions that require less than half of the total amount of Award funding

Tier III: Project Development

The Tier III EJ Thriving Communities Awards are available for community-based nonprofit organizations and other eligible recipients who already have assessed their local environmental and/or public health issues, have already formulated a community-wide plan addressing those issues, and/or are now ready to develop the technical aspects of the project (i.e., implement the project on the ground). Developing key cooperative partnerships with community stakeholders is an essential part of developing a community-wide plan and later implementing that plan. Therefore, partnership development is a key aspect of the Tier III Awards as well. Tier III EJ Thriving Communities Awards are for up to \$350,000 each for a 2-year project period. Tier III projects can address multiple environmental issues (e.g., air quality, water contamination, toxic substances). The following is a list of the types of activities which may be considered by the Grantmakers for a Tier III EJ Thriving Communities Award. **It is provided for illustrative purposes only and is not all inclusive.**

Project Development

or cleanup projects, schematics, and technical development (grant funds cannot be used directly for construction)

Work to get permits in place directly related to an environmental project

Implementation of project plans

Public outreach and education

Noncompetitive Awards

The Thriving Communities Program operates with participatory governance, a formalized way to ensure meaningful participation and community engagement in decision-making processes. This is aligned with a core principle of Environmental Justice, which is that all communities can participate in decisions that impact their environment. [REDACTED] grantmaking activities are overseen by an Advisory Board comprised of various environmental justice organizations. [REDACTED] and the Advisory Board have set criteria around organizational capacity to identify organizations that are “severely capacity-constrained” and thus would be eligible for receiving a \$75,000 noncompetitive award to achieve concrete goals. , but will, as a recipient of EPA funds, have reporting requirements. There will be approximately 10 noncompetitive awards provided. [REDACTED] and the Advisory Board will collect information from potential recipients of these noncompetitive funds. Potential achievable activities under this up to \$75,000 award include the activities eligible under Tier 1 (1 (Assessment).

The Advisory Board will review and approve all noncompetitive awards.

Organizations that are interested in the noncompetitive award process should contact

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4. Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria. Applicants, and projects, must be in EPA [REDACTED]
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Eligible entities include:

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Is your organization type one of the following?



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Is your organization type one of the following:

This region 3 grant program is for entities located in [redacted] as well as Native American/Tribal locations in this region.

Please list which geography you are located in:

6. Important Dates

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- 4) Once a user's account is created and they log into the portal, they will be able to complete all pre-award and post-award functions over the life of the program

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1. Background

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- testing

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Tier II: Planning

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- State governments
- Projects that include human subject testing

6. Important Dates

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1. Application Materials

The application must include the following materials:

- Proposal Narrative: Please respond to the selection criteria outlined in the RFA. The proposal narrative shall have a **maximum** length of seven (7) pages, numbered and double-spaced with 12-point Times New Roman font and one-inch margins. Cover sheet and any supplementary materials do not count toward the page limit. Narrative language beyond the seven (7) page limit will not be reviewed.

Proposal Narrative

Please click the (+) sign below to upload the proposal narrative outlined above.

Proposal narrative



- Budget (using the template provided- does not count towards narrative length).
- Work plan (using template provided- does not count towards narrative length).

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Work Plan



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- 2–3-minute video on the project.
- Additional project-related documents (up to 3), such as case studies or news articles. This will not factor into initial application scoring but will be helpful during the due diligence and clarification process.
- Up to 3 of commitment from partnering organizations' leadership (optional but recommended): Please provide letters demonstrating commitment of key partner organizations, if possible, to provide convening, human or economic resources, training, or other types of support to the project. This will not factor into initial application scoring but will be helpful during the due diligence and clarification process.

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2-3 minute video on project



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Most recent A-133 audit (if applicable)



Most recent organization financial statement is required for Tier II and Tier III applicants. Tier I applicants who do not have a financial statement may explain how the project will be financially managed (does not count towards narrative length)



Up to 3 Letters of commitment from partnering organizations' leadership (optional but recommended): Please provide letters demonstrating commitment of key partner organizations, if possible, to provide convening, human or economic resources, training, or



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2. Office Hours for Application Support

GHHI will hold support to organizations interested in applying to this RFA. Office hours will be posted on GHHI's Thriving Communities landing page and any clarifications provided by GHHI during the office hours will be reflected in updates to the Frequently Asked Questions.

3. Submission Process

Please submit your application materials to [REDACTED] subgrant application portal located at [REDACTED]. Please submit the Proposal Narrative in .pdf format. Attachments may be included as separate documents. Applicants may also submit a 2–3–minute video and a written narrative. Any videos must be uploaded to YouTube and provide the link in the application cover page. No additional points will be awarded for a video, but it may help illustrate the written application.

Applicants may also choose to mail their materials to Attn: Thriving Communities Subgrant Program Applications, [REDACTED]

Communications for questions on the RFA: Please direct all questions regarding the RFA or application and selection process to the Thriving Communities Application Project Management Team to [REDACTED]

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4. Review Process

██████ will prioritize both expeditious review and dedicated feedback to all applicants. Within 15 days of receiving an application, ██████ will determine if the applicant meets the basic threshold criteria (applicant is an eligible entity and has provided the required application components). If an applicant does not meet the threshold criteria, they will be notified and told why they are not moving forward in the review process. Applicants who receive this notification may rectify the identified threshold criteria issues and resubmit their application within the open RFA window. Those projects that do meet the threshold criteria will be fully evaluated for the award within 1.5 months of receipt. Following selection, financial risk analyses and award, agreements will be completed within 30 days for applications identified for awards. The duration of the grant making process from submission to award agreement for applicant organizations will be 3 months.

The review process will be guided by continuous quality improvement and transparency governed by an Advisory Board. The Advisory Board will ensure that ██████ has a receives and responds to a breadth of perspectives and voices when it comes to recruitment, review, award selection, and awardee oversight.

██████ will hold detailed debriefing meetings with applicants not awarded funds to support their potential future success in applying ██████ will provide feedback on ways the applicant may strengthen their application for future funding round opportunities. If the RFA is still open, and funds are available for the applicant's tier of interest, applicants are allowed 1 re-submission.

5. Grant Compliance and Oversight

██████ is committed to supporting Awardees throughout the duration of their projects. This includes working with Awardees through regular touchpoints to ensure compliance with federal requirements and reporting. The compliance and oversight processes are intended to strengthen the internal capacity of Awardees to increase readiness for future funding opportunities. Compliance activities will include:

- Regular check-in meetings between Awardee and ██████ Program Officer
- Quarterly reporting
- Initial risk assessment to establish ongoing compliance activities
- Desk review and/or site monitoring visits to review organizational internal controls and other grant program performance

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6. Application Narrative and Scoring Rubric

Applications for Tier I (Assessment), Tier II (Planning), and Tier III (Project Development) must include an application narrative that addresses the following prompts. Applications will be scored based on the points shown below.

Application Section	Maximum Possible Points	Suggested Page Length
Cover Page: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Organization nameOrganization addressUnique Entity Identifier (Proof of SAM Registration)Tier I, II, or IIIRequest AmountProject nameBrief project description (2-3 sentences)Point of contact name, title, email address, phone numberOptional YouTube video link	20 points	1 to 2 pages
Community Need: <p>Describe the community need(s) that the proposed project will address. As applicable, include relevant). Tier I project applications that may not have access to existing data may use this section to describe the importance of the issue area being addressed. Describe the target population to be served and geographic area/footprint of the project.</p>		

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30 points 2 pages

Project Description:

Describe the proposed project. Describe the following aspects of the project:

- The proposed Tier of the project (Tier I, II, or III as described in Section "3. Program Overview")
- Proposed activities and interventions
- Partner organizations and their role (if applicable)
- Completed Timeline of Activities template (does not count towards narrative length)
- Community engagement and involvement

30 points 2 pages

Organization Capacity and Needs:

Describe the capacity of the applicant organization. Provide information on:

- Organization background including the Board if applicable
- Experience relevant to proposed project
- Staff descriptions and roles on proposed project
- Capacity to receive and manage grant funds
- Technical assistance needs and how those needs can be addressed through this project (e.g., assistance in understanding policy advocacy strategies)

10 points 1 page

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Evaluation Plan

- Describe three to five desired outcomes that will result from this project.
- For each outcome, list up to five measurable outputs and/or indicators that will be tracked by the project.
- Describe how outcomes and outputs will be evaluated.

10 points

n/a

Budget:

Provide a completed budget template that shows anticipated project costs and provides the purpose for each budget line item. The budget file is not counted in the overall length of the application.

Total

100 points

7 pages (maximum)

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