

GRANT PREPARATION TOOL KIT

Compile these documents in a central electronic file. They will be complete and ready to go for your next grant application. Then, once a year, update the documents, especially licenses, tax documents, and financial documents.

Completion Date:_____

Review Date:_____

ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND - Create a Word Doc for this information, keep headings

o Address, Phone, Web Address
o History of Organization (narrative)
o Year Established
o Mission, Vision, & Values Statements
o Service Area/Location Addresses/Contact Information
o Target Population
o Current Programs/Services Descriptions
o Number Served in Previous Year
o Number FTE
o Annual Report – filed with the state
o Annual Report – Marketing collateral
o Social Media channels and handles
o Other/Notes

TAX DOCUMENTS

o Tax Exempt Status Letter o IRS Form 990 o W-9 o Dun & Bradstreet Number (DUNS) o UEI Number o Solicitation License o Other Registrations as necessary

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

o Detailed Organizational Budget o Financial Statement (recent) o Most Recent Audit o Program/Project Budgets o Sources of Funding o Other/Notes

GOVERNANCE

o Board of Directors (including affiliations & contact information)
o Organizational Chart
o Current Strategic Plan

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Articles of Incorporation o Executive Director/President/CEO Bio o o Executive Director/President/CEO Compensation o By-Laws, including the year, established o Percentage of Board Annual Giving

PROGRAM/PROJECT INFORMATION

o Detailed Program/Project Description
o All Location Addresses
o Contact Information
o Target Population
o Number Served in Previous Year
o Current Outcome Measures
o Outcomes from the Previous Year
o Staffing Structure/Org Chart(s)
o Job Descriptions
o Resumes/Bios of Key Staff
o Success Story
o Flyers, Brochures, Reports, White Papers, Presentations
o Videos

GRANT INFORMATION & RESOURCES

o History of Grants by the number: applied, approved, awarded, declined, rejected, abandoned
o History of Grants by the amount: requested, approved, received, reimbursed
o Past Grant Applications by types: general operating, program, marketing, capital, other
o Answers to Standard Grant Questions
o Standard Grant Portal websites, Logins, and passwords
o Grant Writing Assignment Template
o Grant tracking system: Excel, GEMS, other
o Current grant writing pipeline
o Sam.gov
o Login.gov
o Grants.gov

OTHER DOCUMENTATION

o Corporate Compliance Plan

o Performance Improvement Plan

- o Policies/Procedures
- o Best Practices Utilized
- o MOAs/MOUs
- o Letters of Support
- o Collaborating Partners
- o Contracts