

Regional Access Project Foundation

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REQUEST-FOR-PROPOSAL (RFP) Health/Mental Health Initiative 2021.01

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Supporting Existing Programs struggling due to COVID-19

The RAP Foundation recognizes the financial hardships facing nonprofits as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Therefore, RAP is allocating funds to strengthen and support organizations serving residents in the Fourth Supervisorial District (Palm Springs to Blythe) by focusing on Health and Mental Health (H/MH) Services.

Total Grant Award allocation for RFP H/MH Initiative 2021.1 is \$150,000.00 to address one or more of these Funding Goals:

- A. Substance use
- B. Depression
- C. Anxiety/Stress
- D. Homelessness
- E. Suicidal ideation/self-harm behaviors
- F. Isolation/Grief/Loss

Funding criteria includes:

- Limited to nonprofits
- Fund existing programs struggling to survive/adapt to changes in program delivery
- Fund technology/equipment upgrades for remote service delivery
- Fund in-person service delivery programs negatively impacted by COVID -19
- Targeted Population: Ages starting at 6 years, adults, seniors, and special populations (for example: disabled, homeless, LGBTQ, etc.) especially in remote and hard to reach areas

Please note the following:

- The application is an on-line process and requires an active account to sign in to access the RFP information
- Applications awarded are for a one-year period
- This is a competitive grant program, so not all qualifying proposals will be funded

Incentives are optional:

- Working as a collaborative with another entity - Extra 15 points for proposals
- Programs in the Palo Verde Valley area - Extra 10 points for proposals
- Interest in utilizing Results Based Accountability, a measurement/evaluation method. Additional funding will be offered to offset staff time - Extra 5 points for proposals

RFP Process:

- Required attendance, likely by remote access, by a nonprofit representative at one of the two Bidders listed below:
 1. Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM, RAP Foundation, 41-550 Eclectic Street, Palm Desert, CA
 2. Thursday January 14, 2021 1:30 PM at 1:30–3:30 PM, RAP Foundation, 41-550 Eclectic Street, Palm Desert, CA
- The Bidders meetings will include a presentation on Results Based Accountability framework (RBA) to better understand its use.
- RAP launched its new online grantmaking software Foundant on July 1, 2020. Applicants with an existing on-line account can access the RFP by clicking on the link <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logonurlkey=rapfoundation> to log on with username and password. If applicant does not have an account, click on link <https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=rapfoundation> to establish an account. Thereafter, applicant can log on with username and password.

RFP Timeline:

1. **Stage 1** - Letters of Intent (LOI) must be submitted online by 5:00 PM, Monday, January 25, 2021. Applicants who submitted LOIs will be notified by Wednesday January 27, 2021 if they are advanced to Stage 2
2. **Stage 2** - Interviews are conducted with applicants starting January 27 to February 1, 2021. Notification will be given by February 1, if advanced to Stage 3
3. **Stage 3** - Organization must submit a full application online by February 19, 2021
 - Applications are reviewed and scored by Reviewers in late February/early March 2021
 - Applicants interviewed by Grants Review Committee in mid-March 2021
 - Applications will be considered at the March 24, 2021 Board of Directors meeting

Note: RAP Foundation reserves the right to modify the schedule of dates/events at any time.

Performance Evaluation

A. Mandatory Qualitative and Quantitative Reporting is required. A maximum 10% of budget can be included to add a component not already provided.

B. Option available is Results Based Accountability training. This is considered an advanced level of evaluation. Training/evaluation workshops will be made available during grant period.

C. Grant awards in excess of \$20,000 require utilization of RBA as an evaluation method.

LIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

The following documents MUST be uploaded with the application in Stage 1 Letter of Intent

- Current Board of Directors list and affiliations
- Most Recent Form 990
- Current Financial Statements (Balance sheet and Revenues/Expenses)
- Articles of Incorporation
- Bylaws
- Proof of Liability Insurance
- IRS determination letter of tax-exempt status
- Proposed Program/Project Budget
- Audit (or Review or Compilation) report from independent CPA, if available – if not available you will be required to provide a written letter, signed by the Treasurer, explaining why none of these services have been provided.