

# AAMC Center for Health Justice Building Trust and Confidence Through Partnerships Grant



## FAQs

### **Can the submitting organization be from a community organization if the primary applicant is an AAMC faculty member?**

No. The application submission must be from the primary applicant from an AAMC member institution. Application submissions from non-AAMC member institutions will not be reviewed.

### **Can I submit multiple applications?**

No. Only one submission is allowed per applicant. Individuals may **not** serve as the **primary** applicant on more than one submission.

### **How many awards does the AAMC Center for Health Justice anticipate making through this program?**

Depending on the availability of funds, the AAMC Center for Health Justice will provide grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$75,000 to support successful applicant institutions and their partners for the award period of 12 months. Please note that there is only one submission allowed per applicant. The number of awards will vary and the AAMC cannot pre-determine the final number at this time.

### **The instructions say that Facilities & Administrative (F&A) costs are allowed, but not what the rate should be. Should we request the Department of Health and Human Services negotiated rate of 54.5%? Is this funding considered CDC pass-through? Or should the AAMC Center for Health Justice be considered a private foundation?**

This subaward program is funded with pass-through funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), so Federal grant guidance and requirements apply. The AAMC Center for Health Justice is not a foundation. Applicants **can** use their full federally approved indirect cost rate, and should provide a copy of their current Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA) with their application materials. However, an applicant may choose to request less than their approved indirect cost rate so that more of their award dollars can go towards programmatic activities.

### **Can the funds be used for salary support for faculty members at the academic institution from which the grant originates?**

For this award, funding may be used to support project-related salaries, fringe benefits, and indirect costs for project/program team members. Applicants must submit a description of the project team and partners in your application, along with a proposed budget justification to describe salary-related costs.

**If the partner will be a government agency, would a letter of support from a 501c3 corporation be acceptable if the government agency is a member of that 501c3?**

A government agency does not have to be associated with a 501c3 to be a partner of an applicant for this grant, but applicants **may** provide a letter of support from a 501c3 corporation in support of your application. Please provide the support letter from the leadership team of **each** partnering organization in your application.

**When calculating fringe benefits for personnel, what is the established percentage rate?**

When calculating fringe benefits for personnel, organizations should use their institution-approved fringe benefits rate per their indirect cost rate agreement.

**For the evaluation, are you looking for a specific type (process, summative, or immediate impact)?**

While AAMC is not prescriptive on the types of evaluations, applicants should describe the project and the work, and ensure the evaluation type(s) included are reasonable, feasible, and in scale with the project. Applicants are encouraged to include one or more types of evaluation, if plausible.

**What would be some examples of the deliverables requested for virtual meetings?**

AAMC envisions convening grant recipients virtually from time to time to share their progress, opportunities, challenges, and questions so that the recipients can learn from one another. Examples of the deliverables may include, but are not limited to, brief written progress reports or presentations for the virtual meetings.

**Are gift cards (e.g. grocery and gas station) as door prizes at vaccination events for community residents allowable in the budget?**

Visa gift cards and gas cards (no grocery/food) are acceptable at a reasonable amount (not to exceed \$25). Projects that include gift cards should provide justification for the incentive and specify the type and dollar amount of gift cards that will be distributed. Applicants should also include a tracking mechanism for the gift cards and what will be done with any gift cards that were not distributed.