CHIPO Coalition Call
MAY 9TH, 2022
• WELCOME & INTROS

• GENERAL UPDATES
  ○ PROVIDING FEEDBACK ON SCREENING GUIDELINES
  ○ UPDATING PARTNER ORGS ON WEBSITE
  ○ SURVEY AVAILABLE TO REQUEST COMMUNITY EDUCATION MATERIALS
JOIN MONTHLY HBU STATE ADVOCACY CALLS
GRANT WRITING 101
WHAT WE WILL COVER TODAY!

- FINDING FUNDING
- CHOOSING A GRANT
- PLANNING
- COMPONENTS OF THE PROPOSAL
- SMART OBJECTIVES
- APPLYING
- BUDGET
SIX STEPS FOR DEVELOPING A GRANT

1. ORGANIZATIONAL ASSESSMENT AND READINESS
2. RESEARCHING FUNDING RESOURCES
   A. TYPES OF FUNDING
   B. RESOURCES
   C. CHOOSING A GRANT - DETERMINING FIT
3. PLANNING
   A. DEVELOPING A ROBUST FUNDING PLAN
   B. OVERVIEW OF COMPONENTS OF THE GRANT PROPOSAL
   C. PLANNING THE GRANT APPLICATION
SIX STEPS FOR DEVELOPING A GRANT (CONTINUED)

4. GRANT PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT
   A. GOALS AND SMART OBJECTIVES
   B. NEEDS STATEMENT
   C. ORGANIZATION AND STAFF EXPERIENCE
   D. DEVELOPING AN INTERVENTION PLAN
   E. PROGRAM DESIGN
   F. LOGIC MODELS
   G. BUDGET

5. CONTINUOUS EVALUATION
   A. CREATING AN EVALUATION PLAN
   B. GRANT PROPOSAL QUALITY ASSURANCE

6. RENEWAL OF ENDING OF GRANTS
COMMON CHALLENGES TO WRITING PROPOSALS

- Establishing an effective needs or problem statement
- Clarifying outcomes
- "Fit" with funders' priorities
- Sustainability plan
- Capturing, sharing, and learning from results
- Developing relationships with prospective funders
ORGANIZATIONAL ASSESSMENT KEY QUESTIONS

Why are you providing your current services?

What programs are in greatest danger of losing funding? Or what new programs would you like to fund?

How well are your current programs able to accomplish their goals?
RESEARCHING FUNDING SOURCES
DIFFERENT TYPES OF FUNDING SOURCES

- GOVERNMENT FUNDING:
  - USAID
  - CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)
  - STATE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH
  - HEALTH RESOURCES SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)
  - OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH (OMH)
  - SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)
- CORPORATIONS: BANKS, HOSPITALS, COMPUTER COMPANIES
- FOUNDATIONS: FAMILY PHILANTHROPISTS
- SERVICE CLUBS: LIONS, ROTARY, SHRINERS
- HEALTH ASSOCIATIONS: AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
- INDUSTRY
ASSESSING FUNDING SOURCES

FOR EACH POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCE ASSESS:

- WHAT ARE THEIR FUNDING OBJECTIVES?
- WHAT HAVE THEY FUNDED IN THE PAST?
- WHAT ARE THEIR FUNDING GUIDELINES?
- ARE THEIR FUNDING PRIORITIES IN ALIGNMENT WITH YOUR MISSION?
- DOES YOUR AGENCY MEET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS?
- DO YOU HAVE EXPERIENCE?
HOW DO FUNDERS THINK?

1. EXPERIENCE
2. INFRASTRUCTURE
3. SUSTAINABILITY

ALL OF THESE ELEMENTS SHOULD BE REFLECTED IN YOUR PROPOSAL
PLANNING
DECIDING TO APPLY

Great fit - APPLY!

Poor fit - PASS
RFP OR LOI?
LETTER OF INTENT

- OFTEN REQUIRED AS A FIRST STEP IN THE RFP PROCESS
- FOR FUNDER TO DETERMINE:
  - INITIAL ELIGIBILITY
  - YOUR MISSION
  - ALIGNMENT WITH RFP
  - FEASIBILITY
  - FUNDER RESOURCES NEEDED TO REVIEW AND DECIDE

DO YOUR HOMEWORK!
- READ RFP THOROUGHLY
- KNOW THE NEED/CONDITIONS
- KNOW YOUR AGENCY CAPACITY
- CONSIDER IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES
COMPONENTS OF AN EFFECTIVE PROPOSAL
KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GETTING INTO

- READ, READ AND READ THE RFP/RFA/FOA
- OUTLINE THE REQUIREMENTS
- DEVELOP A PROPOSAL CHECKLIST
- DELEGATE RESPONSIBILITIES
- CREATE A TIMELINE AND ALWAYS PLAN FOR THE UNEXPECTED
GRANT PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT
COMPONENTS OF AN EFFECTIVE PROPOSAL

- COVER LETTER
- EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
- NEEDS STATEMENT/DEFINITION OF ISSUES
- ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND AND STAFF EXPERIENCE
- CLEAR GOALS AND OBJECTIVES/RESULTS (LOGIC MODEL)
- METHODS/INTERVENTION PLAN
- MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)
- LETTERS OF SUPPORT (LOS)
- BUDGET
- SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY
NEEDS STATEMENT

- RELATE TO YOUR ORGANIZATION AND PURPOSE
- FOCUS ON PEOPLE THE ORGANIZATION SERVES AND SPECIFIC NEEDS
- CITE EVIDENCE

KISS
- PICK CURRENT LITERATURE
- TAP STRONG RESOURCES
- SYNTHESIZE WHAT YOU LEARN
MISSION, VISION, HISTORY
DEMOGRAPHICS OF WHO YOU SERVE
POSITION IN COMMUNITY
COLLABORATORS
UNIQUENESS
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS
WHO ELSE HAS FUNDED YOU
STAFF EXPERIENCE
DETAIL THE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF KEY STAFF
DEMONSTRATE EXPERIENCE
HOW MUCH TIME (FTE) EACH POSITION WILL WORK ON PROJECT
RELATIONSHIP TO TARGET POPULATION
GOALS & OBJECTIVES:
UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENCE

GOAL - AN OVERARCHING, LONG-TERM STATEMENT OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR A PROJECT OR PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES ARE THE SPECIFIC MEASURABLE RESULTS OF AN INITIATIVE. THEY OFFER SPECIFICS OF HOW MUCH OF WHAT WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY WHEN.
SAMPLE GOAL STATEMENTS

- TO REDUCE FOOD INSECURITY AMONG ASIAN AMERICANS (AA) COMMUNITIES IN CHICAGO, IL
- TO IMPROVE THE PHYSICAL HEALTH OF PACIFIC ISLANDER YOUTH IN CLEVELAND, OH
SAMPLE OBJECTIVES

OBJECTIVES – THE ACTION STEPS YOU TAKE TOWARDS THE GOAL

- USE WORDS LIKE “INCREASE,” “DEMONSTRATE,” AND “IDENTIFY.”
SMART OBJECTIVES

**S**pecific
Do: Set real numbers with real deadlines.
Don’t: Say, “I want more visitors.”

**M**easurable
Do: Make sure your goal is trackable.

**A**ttainable
Do: Work towards a goal that is challenging, but possible.
Don’t: Try to take over the world in one night.

**R**ealistic
Do: Be honest with yourself - you know what you and your team are capable of.
Don’t: Forget any hurdles you may have to overcome.

**T**ime-bound
Do: Give yourself a deadline.
Don’t: Keep pushing towards a goal you might hit, “some day.”
RESOURCES

- COMMUNITY TOOLBOX: HTTP://CTB.KU.EDU/EN/TABLE-OF-CONTENTS/STRUCTURE/STRATEGIC-PLANNING/CREATE-OBJECTIVES/MAIN
- CDC PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATION NETWORK: HTTPS://WWW.CDC.GOV/PHCOMMUNITIES/RESOURCEKIT/EVALUATE/SMART_OBJECTIVES.HTML
- MINNESOTA STATE DOH: HTTP://WWW.HEALTH.STATE.MN.US/DIVS/OPI/QI/TOOLBOX/OBJECTIVES.HTML
- PUBLIC HEALTH FOUNDATION GUIDEBOOK: HTTP://WWW.PHF.ORG/RESOURCESTOOLS/DOCUMENTS/PMCGUIDEBOOK.PDF
METHODS/INTERVENTION PLAN

- Walk Through What You Will Do
- Sync Methods to Program
- Objectives & Needs Statement
- Tie to Budget
- Give a Rationale
- Write So Anyone Can Understand
# METHODS/INTERVENTION PLAN CONTINUED

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BUDGETS
WHAT ARE PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS
MAXIMUM AWARD?
FOR HOW LONG?
INDIRECT COST RESTRICTION?
HOW MANY STAFF CAN YOU FUND?
ALLOWABLE AND NON-ALLOWABLE COSTS?
BE REALISTIC IN WHAT YOU ASK FOR
SPECIFY THE COST
SAY HOW ELSE YOU WILL FUND IT
ANATOMY OF A PROGRAM BUDGET

1. PERSONNEL EXPENSES
2. OPERATING EXPENSES
3. TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES = PERSONNEL + OPERATING
4. INDIRECT EXPENSES = DIRECT EXPENSES X INDIRECT RATE
5. TOTAL EXPENSES = DIRECT EXPENSES + INDIRECT EXPENSES
BUDGET JUSTIFICATION

WEAKNESSES IN BUDGET JUSTIFICATION
• NOT ENOUGH DETAIL
• UNREALISTIC PROJECTIONS
• TRYING TO HIDE EXPENSES
• POOR UNDERSTANDING OF ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES
PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER
THE APPENDICES INCLUDE SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION SUCH AS:
1. BOARD OF DIRECTORS LIST
2. LETTERS OF SUPPORT, MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT (MOA) AND MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)
3. LEGAL DOCUMENTS
4. FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS
5. RESUMES OF KEY STAFF OR JOB DESCRIPTIONS
6. PUBLICATIONS INCLUDING BROCHURES OR NEWSLETTERS
7. GIS MAPS
8. SCOPE OF WORK
9. REFERENCES
10. ORGANIZATION CHART
AVOID THE PITFALLS

- MISSING PIECES OR INADEQUATE RESPONSES
- INADEQUATE UNDERSTANDING OF THE FOA
- OUTDATED OR POORLY CITED LITERATURE
- POORLY DESIGNED PROGRAM PLAN
- INSUFFICIENT STAFF EXPERIENCE
- CULTURAL ISSUES ARE NOT DISCUSSED
- POOR EVALUATION PLAN/TOOLS
PACKAGING YOUR PROPOSAL

- AVOID EXPENSIVE OR FLASHY PACKAGING
- COMPLY WITH PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS
- BE CAREFUL WITH ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS:
  - ALWAYS PDF (OR FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS)
- PLAN EARLY
- CLEAN YOUR COOKIES
- ORGANIZE
- BE SURE TO INCLUDE A LOGIC MODEL, SCOPE OF WORK AND ORGANIZATIONAL CHART IF POSSIBLE.
REVIEW

- CAN BE DAUNTING AND OVERWHELMING
- MORE IN IT FOR YOU THAN THE MONEY
- HAVE A WELL-ORGANIZED PLAN
- ALLOW SUFFICIENT TIME
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Thank you
WHAT TOPICS WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE ADDRESSED AT UPCOMING MEETINGS?
WHAT RESOURCES OR ACTIONS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE OR HEAR MORE OF FROM CHIPO?
HOW COULD CHIPO BETTER SUPPORT YOU AS A MEMBER?
MEMBER UPDATES
CONCLUSION

- NEXT MEETING: JULY 18TH, 2022 AT 3PM EDT