

Grant Proposal From: A Collaborative

Under certain circumstances, The Denver Foundation will consider a proposal for funding from a collaborative among three or more organizations. This is different from a grant to an agency using a fiscal sponsor. If you are seeking funding using a fiscal sponsor please see the information for organizations without a 501(c)(3).

We define a collaborative as a formal partnership of three or more unrelated organizations, resident groups, and/or public entities (such as schools) working together to achieve greater impact than they could alone.

The lead agency in an applicant collaborative will have full legal and fiduciary responsibility for how the grant funds are expended, and must be a 501(c)(3). In order to consider a request from a collaborative, the following items are required as part of the grant proposal.

The lead 501(c)(3) applicant organization is required to provide all the items in the Proposal Checklist in The Denver Foundation's Community Grants Guidelines, Effective 2014.

In addition, the collaboration is required to provide these components:

1. A cover letter signed by the Executive Director of each organization
2. A shared program budget for the fiscal year for which funding is being requested. The budget must include both revenue and expenses.

If your organization has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or formal letter of agreement in place, please include a copy of that as well. This is an optional, not required, attachment.