

Grant Readiness Checklist

While most grant-making organizations may require all items on this list, some may not ask for everything. It is best to be prepared in advance.



- Organizational Background
 - History of organization (narrative)
 - Year established
 - Mission, vision, values statement
- Tax Documents
 - Tax-exempt status letter
 - 990 (Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax)
 - W-9
- Financial Information
 - Detailed organizational budget
 - Financial statement
 - Audit
- Governance
 - Board of directors (including affiliations and contact info)
 - Organizational chart
 - Current strategic plan
- Program / Project Information
 - Detailed program/project description
 - Number served in previous year
 - Current outcome measures
- Other
 - Letters of support
 - Percentage of Board giving financially
 - Licenses, certifications (where applicable)