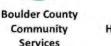
#### **Regional Grant Management System**







**City of Boulder Housing & Human** Services

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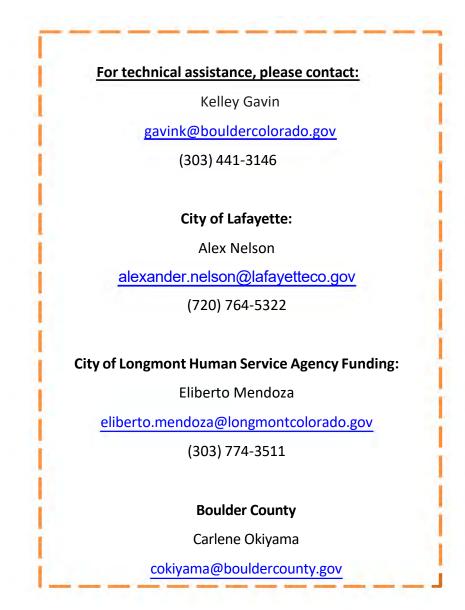


# Cities of Lafayette, and Longmont, & Boulder County

## **2026 Application Guide**

\*Please note: In light of the current uncertainty in the broader funding landscape and stagnant funding, the City of Boulder has made the decision to shift to a closed, invite-only process for their 2026 Fund Round.

#### Applications are due by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 25, 2026



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## Important information about the 2026 Application

- 1. Late applications will not be accepted. The system automatically closes promptly at 4:00 pm on August 25, 2026.
- 2. To access the application, please click here.

#### **Regional Grant Management System**



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Welcome to the Regional Grant Management System!

New Users: Please click on "Create New Account" to complete the registration process and create your logon credentials.

Existing Users: Please enter your credentials and log in. If you forgot your password, please use the "Forgot your Password?" link to the left to reset your password.

Not Sure? If you think that you or someone at your organization has already registered in the system, do not create a new account. Please contact our Grant Administrator at Kelley Gavin at gavink@bouldercolorado.gov to receive your username.

For assistance navigating the online grant management system, download the **Regional** Grant Management System Technical Assistance Guide

For any questions, contact Kelley Gavin at gavink@bouldercolorado.gov.

IMPORTANT – If your agency is a new applicant applying to multiple funders under the same "shared outcome" (see page 10), create one program and submit one application. Be sure to indicate which funders you are applying to. For example, if you are applying to Boulder County and the City of Longmont under the shared outcome, "Increase economic stability, mobility and resilience", then create one program and check the boxes next to "City of Longmont" and "Boulder County" to apply to both funders. If you are seeking funding for more than one program, you will need to submit an additional application.

P Who are you applying to (check all that apply)?\*

- Boulder County Community Services
- City of Lafayette
- City of Longmont

\*Note: You can use Foundant's "copy request" feature to help save time in completing subsequent applications (see this <u>tutorial</u> for more information).

- If you need to change your agency address, Executive Direction/President/CEO name or primary application contact person, please contact Kelley Gavin at gavink@bouldercolorado.gov. It is the agency's responsibility to ensure all contact information up to date.
- 4. You will not be able to submit the application until all the required sections are saved and marked as complete. The required sections are marked with an asterisk.
- 5. The "Scope of Work" section describes how the program is supposed to work (i.e., the internal logic) by showing how your program will address community needs. You will present the logical relationship between your program activities, partners, indicator statements, and the outcomes you expect to result from those activities. \*Please note that if your agency is awarded funds, the information you include here will be used to draft the contract for your program and you will have to report on the outputs and outcomes included here. Therefore, the more specific and accurate the information in this section of the application, the more

efficient the contract finalization and program evaluation process will be for funded agencies.

## **Create a New Account**

Creating a new account is a multi-step process; follow the instructions below to create a new account. If you need assistance or have questions about who should create an account, please see the <u>Regional Grant Management System Technical Assistance Guide</u>.

\*Please note, in 2022, the funders began accepting applications through the Foundant Regional Grant Management System. If you have previously applied for a HSF grant but this is your first time accessing the Foundant GMS system, you will need to create a new account - passwords and applications were not migrated to the new site.

- 1. From the Logon page, click **Create New Account.**
- 2. Once organization information has been entered, click Next.
- 3. Enter the user information in the following section, click **Next** when complete.
  - This section is your information.
  - If your address is the same as your organization's, you may use the *Copy Address from Organization* button to automatically pull the address information from the organization address fields into the address fields in this section.
  - The email address entered in the *Email/Username* field becomes your username in the system.
  - Should you need to navigate to the previous section in the registration process, you
    must use the "Previous" button at the bottom of each section in order for the
    information entered in registration fields to remain intact. If you attempt to navigate
    to the previous section by using the browser's back button, you will lose all
    registration information you have entered.
- 4. The next section is titled "CEO, President, Executive Director".
  - If you are the "CEO, President, Executive Director", select Yes and click Next.
  - If you are not the "CEO, President, Executive Director", select *No*, click **Next**, and complete the required "CEO, President, Executive Director" fields.
- 5. Once the CEO, President, or Executive Director's information is entered, click Next to create a password.

6. Create a password for your account and click Create Account.

## **Email Confirmation**

Upon creating an account, you will be taken to the Email Confirmation page, so you can confirm that you are receiving emails from the system.

- 1. Follow the on-screen instructions and click **Continue** to finish the registration process.
- 2. Now you have an account in this system, and remember, this is an account that you will use for both present and future applications.

\*If you do not receive the email confirmation, please reach out to Kelley Gavin at <u>gavink@bouldercolorado.gov</u> for assistance. It is critical that communication with the system is established to receive notifications and other communications from City of Boulder, City of Lafayette, City of Longmont and Boulder County staff.

# **Apply For Funding**

Upon completing registration and accessing the system for the first time, you will land on the Apply page. This page will show you any open opportunities that you can apply for, as well as any deadlines and other applicable information related to them.

# **General Information**

- 1. You can preview the application without having to save any work by clicking on the **Preview** button.
- 2. To start a request, click on the blue **Apply** button under the opportunity you'd like to apply to.
  - This will take you into a form to complete and submit.

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- 3. Once in the form, note that your contact and organization information automatically populates at the top of the form.
  - You may update your contact information and view your email history.

## **Organization information:**

- Currently, you will only be able to update the following contact information for your organization:
  - o Web site
  - Telephone Number

o Email

button.

• Please contact the Grant Management System Administrator, Kelley Gavin at

gavink@bouldercolorado.gov to change any of the other "Organization Information" fields.

4. If you'd like a PDF copy of the application, you can click the Question List

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- 5. Please note the **deadline indicated on each application**. Applications will not be accepted after this date.
- 6. Once you've completed the form, you may click the Packet button to download a copy of the questions and your responses.

## **Detailed Application Information**

- 1. Work your way through the form responding to the fields.
  - Note that any fields with an asterisk are required fields and must be completed prior to submitting an application.
  - As you complete the form, the system will auto-save every 100 characters typed or every time you click out of a field.
  - You may notice that questions are divided into sections indicated by a gray bar that

contains a title/name and the corresponding questions below it. These are referred to as question groups. You may collapse question groups as you go, once you've finished all of the questions in that group, by clicking on the arrow next to the question group name. This can help serve as an indicator to yourself that you've completed that section and reduce scrolling.

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- Some fields have character limits.
- You will not be allowed to submit the form until the length of the response has been decreased in accordance with the limit.
- Responses that are longer than the set limit will be saved, but an error message will appear informing the applicant that the limit has been exceeded.
- 2. File upload fields will only accept one file per field.
  - Follow the name convention noted in each question/field.
  - If you attempt to upload a file that is larger than the set MiB limit, you will receive an error message informing you that the file is too large and the file *will not* be saved.
  - If you attempt to upload a file in an unaccepted file type, you will receive a warning that the file type is not acceptable; and you will not be able to upload the file.
  - Upload fields have size limits.
  - Upload fields may also have file type restrictions.

- Once a file has been uploaded, it may be deleted by clicking the red X next to the file name and a new file can be uploaded.
- 3. Even though the system is auto-saving, there is still a Save button at the bottom of the form.
- If you click Continue you will be taken back into the form so you can continue working.
  - If you save and exit the system, you will access the draft of the form from your dashboard the next time you log in.
  - Pick back up where you left off by clicking the Edit link to the right of the request.
  - When you click **"Save"** you are taken to a confirmation page, so you know the save was successful.
  - 4. When all of the fields are complete, submit the form.
    - If any required fields were not completed, or a response to a text question type is longer than the set limit, the system will not allow the form to be submitted.
    - An error message appears listing the fields that need to be completed or edited.
    - These fields are outlined in red, so they are easy to identify as the applicant scrolls through the form.
    - When a form is submitted successfully, the applicant will be taken to a confirmation page.
    - When you click Continue, you are taken to your dashboard where you can view your submitted request.
    - Once an application has been submitted, you can no longer edit it.

## **Applicant Dashboard**

Your dashboard houses current and historical requests (if you have previously submitted an application in the Foundant GMS).

The Active Requests tab houses all current requests. These are the requests still requiring action, awaiting a decision, and/or requests that have not yet been marked closed by the site administrator. Within each request you can see forms, form statuses and submission dates, and, if applicable, form deadlines.

- You may continue working on saved forms by clicking the edit option next to the form.
- You may view forms that have been submitted. Once submitted, you cannot edit them.
- You can also see the request's decision status.
- The status will show "Undecided" until the site administrator posts a decision.
- Timing on decision status updates vary depending on the Funder.

Denied requests and requests marked closed by the site administrator are housed in the Historical Request tab.

If you wish to edit your account information or change your password, click your name in the top right. This will expand a drop-down menu where you will have the option to edit your profile information, including changing your password. Be sure to click save in the bottom right once you've finished.

Please note, that you will be automatically logged out of the system after 90 minutes of inactivity (you will receive a warning message at 80 minutes of the pending time out).

## **Application Sections**

# **Eligibility Quiz**

In this section, applicants will provide answers to pre-qualification questions to determine whether the agency meets the minimum criteria for submitting an application. The Eligibility Quiz section is a required part of the application and consists of three questions that ask applicants to provide information including the agency's: type (classification), status, and target population. The application will automatically move to the next step once you've answered the questions. Please DO NOT click the "Submit" button as that button is for submitting your completed application. If you do not qualify to apply, a question box will pop up giving more information on who to contact for assistance.

## **Funder Selection**

In this section, applicants will select which funders they are applying to for **THIS** HSF funding request. \*If your agency is applying to multiple funders under the same "shared outcome" (see page 10), create **one program** and submit one application. For example, if you are applying to Boulder County and the City of Longmont under the shared outcome, "Increase economic stability, mobility and resilience", then create one program and check the boxes next to "City of Longmont" and "Boulder County" to apply to both funders. **If you are seeking funding for more than one program**, **you will need to submit an additional application**.

Who are you applying to (check all that apply)?\*
Boulder County Community Services
City of Lafayette
City of Longmont

## **Total Amount Requested**

In this section, applicants will indicate the amount they are requesting from each Human Services Fund for this application. Please enter "0" for any of the entities from which you are not requesting funds. \*Some funders have funding request minimums. Please pay close attention as this information will be listed in the application.

## **Agency Section**

#### **Agency Contact Information**

Provide primary and secondary contact information for the program in which you are requesting funds for in this application.

## **Agency Narrative**

This section provides the overview of the agency and helps reviewers to understand the overall work of the agency. There is one open text field where agencies will provide a narrative description that must include a description of each of the following elements:

**Primary Purpose and Functions** – describe your agency's primary mission and the main daily functions. Think of this as the elevator speech of who the agency is and what it does.

**Strategic Agency Goals** – be brief and list the agency's strategic goals. This question will help inform how the request for funding fits within the overall strategic direction for the agency.

**Unique Service** – describe what sets your agency apart from other agencies that serve similar clients or have similar missions and deliverables. If your agency provides similar services as another agency, provide specific information on how you work with other agencies to avoid duplication.

Key populations served – In one sentence (max) please describe the agency's target populations.

**Board of Directors Table** – please choose the option will you use to submit your agency's Board of Directors (BOD) information. Then proceed to either enter information about the agency's Board of Directors (BOD) in the table OR upload an existing BOD list that includes board members, board position, occupation/employer, city of residence, and year term ends and years of service. If an existing BOD table/list will be uploaded, please rename it in the following format *"2026 HSF [Agency Name] Board Table"*.

**Agency Board and Staff Demographics** - provide race/ethnicity, gender, residence, and languages spoken for board members and staff. The totals in each section should align with the totals of the other sections. For example, if there are five staff members each staff total should add up to five. Provide race/ethnicity, gender, residence, and languages spoken and for board members and staff.

**Inclusive and Equitable Board and Staff Practices** – describe the organizational plan, policies and/or procedures and activities that the organization has or will implement to ensure that board and staff recruitment and hiring are inclusive and representative of the community that the organization serves. Examples could range from reserving spaces on the board for underserved population members to annual trainings for board and staff members on inclusive practices.

### 2026 Agency Projected Client Served

Complete the table to provide the overall projected number of unduplicated clients the agency will serve in 2026 by place of residence. Please note there is no option for "unknown." The total should add up to the total number of unique clients the agency anticipates serving in 2026. Don't double count clients served. For example, if the agency projected clients total is 200 and all were from the City of Boulder, then the 200 wouldn't be counted in the other categories and the total would remain 200. The column will automatically total.

## **Agency Client Demographics Narrative**

The section to provide additional information that will help a reviewer understand whom the agency serves. If the agency uses a different metric for tracking place of residence or doesn't track it, please provide that explanation in this section.

## **Agency Budget**

Complete and upload the budget template provided <u>or</u> provide your own projected 2026 revenue and expenses for the entire agency. The revenue template **requires itemization** for the following <u>revenue sources</u> – federal, state, City of Boulder, City of Lafayette, City of Longmont, Boulder County, other government, foundations, and other revenue. **Itemization is required** for the following <u>expense categories</u> – salaries, supplies/materials, staff travel, subcontracts/consultants, and other expenses.

*Excess or Shortfall of Revenues and Expenses* – This is auto calculated on the template provided and will subtract revenues minus expenses. The agency budget narrative provides space to explain anything beyond a zero budget.

## **Agency Budget Narrative**

Explain any excess or shortfall and provide information on agency reserves and the reserve policy. If there are no reserves/there is reserves policy, explain why. The question regarding reserves is required in this section. If you do not have a budget excess/shortfall, please type "N/A".

## **Supporting Documents**

Upload the most recent agency financial audit, non-profit determination letter (e.g., 501c3 letter) and year-end financial documents (e.g., income/expenditure statement and balance sheet). Submission of these documents is required. For the "Financial Audit" and "Non-profit Determination Letter", you will be provided alternative options in the application (where applicable) in the case that you do not have these document. \*There will be an upload box for each document being requested. Please note that each file upload box will only accept <u>one</u> file. Therefore, due to system constraints, if you have multiple documents for each upload box, you will need to combine these documents into one file. For example, if your financial audit consists of three different documents, then you'll need to combine them into one document in order to upload it. If you have any issues combining your documents, please contact Kelley Gavin at <u>gavink@bouldercolorado.gov</u>.

## **Program Section**

This is the section of the application where you will provide information specific to the funding request.

### **Program Narrative**

Program Name – list the name of the program.

**Outcome Area of Focus (Shared Outcomes)** – Select only one of the six shared outcomes that best fits the proposed program.

You can apply for more than one program in one shared outcome but will need to submit an additional application for another program.

The shared outcome selected should represent the **primary goal for the work of the proposed program.** See below for a list of the Regional HSF Collaborative's six shared outcomes.

- Increase economic stability, mobility, and resilience (e.g., through employment, financial assistance, benefits or other earnings, financial literacy, or other forms of self-sufficiency assistance)
- Increase the ability for people to obtain and maintain housing (e.g., rental assistance, legal representation for housing, pathways to housing for individuals experiencing homelessness, other services that help keep people housed)
- Advance personal growth, development, and leadership potential; childhood development; academic achievement; (e.g., childcare, child, teen or adult academic support, youth, adult or older adult training, language access)
- Increase safe environments for people with diverse identities (e.g., through advocacy, legal representation, protection from violence or other forms of Vulnerability).
- 5. Increase positive physical, mental, or behavioral health and wellbeing, and increase healthy behaviors (e.g., direct health care, wellness, food security or nutrition, social connectivity)

 Increased ability among community members to access critical services and improve quality of life (e.g., transportation, digital divide, culturally centered assistance programs, independent living)

If you are requesting funding from the City of Longmont, please see the chart on the next page (pg. 23) for a map of how the shared outcome you choose for your program will correspond to Longmont's HSNA Goals and Safety Net Pillars. For more important information about applying for Longmont's Human Services Agency Funding please see Longmont's Human Services Agency Funding Guidance Document **here**. Please note that you must be logged into the Foundant GMS to review this document

## Longmont's Goals / Outcomes for 2026 Fund Round

#### City of Longmont Goal and Outcomes Chart

Longmont		
Safety Net Pillar	Current Collaborative Goal Area	Longmont HSNA Goals
Housing Stability	Increase the ability for people to obtain and	<ul> <li>Increase housing stability for at-risk</li> </ul>
	maintain housing (e.g., rental assistance,	families, individuals, and youth.
	legal representation for housing, pathways	Increase housing opportunities for
	to housing for individuals experiencing	unhoused residents via higher
	homelessness, and other services that help	utilization of transitional housing
	keep people housed)	and shelter
Self-Sufficiency	Increase economic stability, mobility, and	Increase the ability for livable
and Resilience	resilience (e.g., through employment,	wages via education and
	financial assistance, benefits or other	training opportunities.
	earnings, financial literacy, or other forms of	Increase the ability of vulnerable
	self- sufficiency assistance)	populations to live independently.
	Increased ability among community members	Increase the ability of older adults to
	to access critical services and improve quality	age in place.
	of life. (e.g., transportation, digital divide,	Increase access/utilization of eligible
	culturally centered assistance programs,	benefits.
	independent living)	<ul> <li>Increase supports for self-reliance</li> </ul>
		through the lifespan

Education and	Advance personal growth, development, and	Improve social, emotional, and
Skill Building	leadership potential; childhood	cognitive school readiness for
	development; academic achievement; (e.g.,	children.
	childcare, child, teen or adult academic	<ul> <li>Improve school achievement and high</li> </ul>
	support, youth, adult or older adult training,	school graduation.
	language access)	<ul> <li>Increase the skills necessary to</li> </ul>
		successfully transition into adulthood
Health and	Increase positive physical, mental, or	Increase access and/or utilization of
Well-Being	behavioral health and wellbeing, and	physical health services.
	increase healthy behaviors (e.g., direct	Increase access and/or utilization of
	health care, wellness, food security or	mental health.
	nutrition, social connectivity	Increase access and/or utilization of
		crisis mental health services.
		<ul> <li>Increase access and/or utilization of</li> </ul>
		dental care services
Food and	Increase positive physical, mental, or	<ul> <li>Increase the total days households</li> </ul>
Nutrition	behavioral health and wellbeing, and	serve healthy foods to their families.
	increase healthy behaviors (e.g., direct	Decrease nutrition-centered chronic
	health care, wellness, food security or	diseases.
	nutrition, social connectivity	Increase food security for priority
		population of children 0-5
Safety and	Increase safe environments for people with	Increase utilization of affordable legal
Justice	diverse identities (e.g., through advocacy,	advocacy and legal representation
	legal representation, protection from violence	Increase participation in resources
	or other forms of vulnerability)	that protect and support survivors of
		child abuse and domestic violence

**Community Change** – this section is a brief description of the community change that your program is working to address. Provide a vision of the positive community-wide changes

you envision resulting from the impact of your program.

**Program Description** – this section is brief description of the specific activities that the program will provide and the anticipated benefits that will result from the program.

**Target Population** – this section is a brief description of the target population served by the funding request. This is not a description of the agency target population but is a description of the population served by the proposed program. For example, *program X serves low-income, home bound elders and individuals with disabilities residing in the Boulder County.* 

**Needs Assessment** – this section is the description of how it was determined that there is a need for the program, and what sources of information were used to make this determination.

**Program Rationale** – the response should describe why you believe the proposed program will best serve the target population, and how you know that you are reaching the most vulnerable clients. How do you know the program is likely to be successful? Please briefly include specific evidence- based research findings, traditional knowledge, or other factors you used to determine why you are undertaking this program.

**Outreach and Engagement**– this section is a brief description of how the program will reach the intended population, and a space to list specific key outreach activities such as community events. Explain how clients and participants will be engaged in the design, implementation, and evaluation of the program.

**Program Evaluation** – provide a summary of the evaluation design; the type of data that is collected to evaluate program services, what methods are used to collect the data, how often the data is collected and how the data is used to modify the delivery of the program. For example, *MY AGENCY collects pre and post data for every family participating in the XYZ program. We provide a unique code for the pre-program evaluation so that we can match it* 

up with the post-program evaluation as well as track the overall responses we receive. The pre/post instrument provides an overall picture of the effectiveness of the program's services.

### **Program Demographics**

Complete the table provided for the projected unduplicated clients you intend to serve with this program, if funded for 2026. The columns will automatically total.

#### Please note, to complete this table correctly:

- The projections for the City of Lafayette, City of Longmont, and Boulder County must be deducted from the total for Boulder County for the columns named (Boulder County (excl. City of Boulder, City of Lafayette, and City of Lafayette). Please make sure that each "Total" field has accurately calculated the totals before moving to the next question.
- If your program is providing a monthly class for 30 participants and the participants remain the same throughout the year, then the projected unduplicated clients served is 30 not 360 (30 clients x 12 monthly classes).
- The totals for each individual funder should be the same for each table. As you complete each additional table (age, race and ethnicity, gender, and income level), refer to the totals calculated for each funder in the "Projected Clients Served by the Program" table and look to make sure that the totals are equal. For example, if 100 clients are projected to be served for City of Longmont, all other totals for City of Longmont, in each of the categories, should add up to 100.
- The guide for the 2023 Housing and Urban Development guidelines can be found here. Select any FY2023 HUD Metropolitan FMR Area's Income Limits.
   Once there, simply select Boulder from the drop- down list to access the appropriate table.

## **Program Demographics Narrative**

Use this section to provide any explanations of the demographic information you provided including why particular identifiers are not collected by your agency.

## **Funding Request Budget**

The funding request shows how you intend to spend the money that is being requested. Please use the template provided to share your projected budget for this 2026 funding request (projected revenue, expenses, and excess or shortfall). All agencies will need to complete the program revenue section, and this is the total anticipated revenue for the proposed program.

**Program Revenue** – Please project your entire 2026 program revenue from all sources. Remember to include total program revenue from all local government funding program sources. For example, if you receive or are requesting program funding from the City of Boulder Human Services Fund and the Health Equity Fund, you will list both sources by clicking on "City of Boulder" and itemizing both revenue sources.

**Funding Award Expenditure** – Use this section to put your request for funding from the City of Lafayette, City of Longmont and/or Boulder County. Each of these columns is the amount being requested from each agency. If not requesting funds from an agency there is no need to complete that column. The Other Funders 2026 column is where all other expenses for the proposed program will go. For example, if the total program anticipated expenses adds up to \$500,000 and the total requested of the three funders is \$200,000, the "other funders" column should itemize out the remaining \$300,000 for program expenses.

**Excess or Shortfall of Revenue and Expenses** – This field will auto-calculate. There is an opportunity to explain an excess or shortfall in the next section "program budget narrative."

## **Program Budget Narrative**

Use this section to provide any additional information about the budget including explanation for any excess or shortfall of revenue and expenses. This is also space to provide information on funding request changes from the previous year's application. Identify changes for each partner where more or less funding is being requested.

## **Scope of Work**

The Scope of Work section is where you provide brief yet specific descriptions (in a logic model-style format) of how funding would be used. If the agency is funded for the proposed program, details in this Scope of Work section will be used in the funding contract between the agency and the City of Lafayette, City of Longmont and Boulder County. The more specific and accurate the information in this section of the application, the more efficient the contract finalization and program evaluation process will be for funded agencies.

Applicants will first select their long-term funding outcome area in the Program Information section of the application. By selecting the long-term outcome area, the corresponding indicators will automatically appear below the Scope of Work (SOW) section. You will then choose from these indicators to develop your outcome statement. Upon reaching the SOW section, applicants will list activities associated with the proposed program, followed by additional details associated with those activities. To start, the first question will ask you how many activities you plan to associate with the proposed program. After you select your answer, additional activity sections will begin to appear depending on the answer you chose. In each activity section, you will be asked to enter one program activity and the corresponding partners, measurement tools, and anticipated costs. After this section, applicants will be prompted to form outcome statements from the indicators previously chosen.

#### Please note:

- You can only enter <u>up to **five**</u> activities per application.
- Only <u>one</u> activity should be listed in each "program activity" text box.
- There will not be separate boxes for each funder in this section. If you are applying to
  multiple funders, please use bullet points, etc. in each box provided to clearly indicate
  which components of the program are specific to each funder. Please see examples
  below in the section titled "Definitions and examples for the Scope of Work terms
  are as follows" for examples.

• You may have several activities that share the same outcome. You may choose multiple corresponding activities for each outcome statement.

#### Definitions and examples for the Scope of Work terms are as follows:

Activity – a brief statement describing a specific action that will help meet the program goals; for/with what target population; and where the activity will take place.

Example:

- **Boulder County:** Host 12 1-hour strawberry-picking classes for low-income residents ages 65+. Classes will take place once per month at the YOLO Center.
- *City of Lafayette:* Host 8 1-hour strawberry-picking classes for low-income residents ages 65+. Classes will take place once per month at the YOLO Center.

**Partners** – names of other agencies collaborating with or assisting in the activity, and what function the partner will perform.

Example:

- **Boulder County:** Organization X will assist in teaching each of the strawberry- picking classes and will provide educational materials to class participants.
- **City of Lafayette:** Organization X will assist in teaching each of the strawberrypicking classes and will provide educational materials to class participants.

**Measurement Tool** – Describe the tools or methods you will use to determine the success of the activity. How will you show that the outcomes were achieved?

Example:

• **Boulder County & City of Lafayette:** Program staff will track class participation with attendance sheets and will conduct pre- and post- program participant surveys including questions about personal health impacts and behavior changes resulting from classes.

# **Shared Outcomes and Indicators**

After selecting a long-term outcome area and one or more desired indicator statements, applicants will then choose an outcome percentage that aligns with the selected outcome statement and the corresponding activity statements. Once a percentage is entered, and if funding is awarded, the statement may appear in the contract between the grantee and funder as follows: "At least 95% of participants will experience an increased level of knowledge of program topics after attending weekly workshops".

Based on the Funding Outcome Area you selected above (e.g., Economic SMR, Critical Services Access, etc.), please choose the corresponding Sub-Indicators from the list below. These sub-indicators were developed in collaboration with grantees to ensure consistency in reporting across agencies working in similar outcome areas. By aligning on these shared outcome statements, we can more effectively demonstrate the collective impact of the collaborative's funding and streamline year-end reporting.

- Increase economic stability, mobility, and resilience (e.g., through employment, financial assistance, benefits or other earnings, financial literacy or other forms of self-sufficiency assistance).
  - a. Increased level of knowledge about financial literacy topics (e.g. completing a budget, saving money, decreasing debt, etc.).
  - b. Increased ability to plan for and achieve financial goals.
  - c. Maintain or advance on the Self-Sufficiency matrix or Colorado Family Support Assessment.
  - Increased percentage of clients who achieve financial goals they set (e.g., increased savings, decreased debt, increased ability to withstand a financial emergency).
- Increase the ability for people to obtain and maintain housing (e.g., rental assistance, legal representation for housing, pathways to housing for individuals experiencing homelessness or other services that help keep people housed including those that use a housing first strategy).
  - a. Increased follow-up on service referrals to obtain and maintain housing.
  - b. Increased ability to avoid eviction and remain housed.
  - c. Increased engagement and trust in processes that enable transition from

homeless to housed

- d. Increased or expanded support for transition from homeless to housed (e.g., support attaining vital documents, case management, etc.)
- 3. Advance personal growth, development, and leadership potential; childhood development; academic achievement; (e.g., childcare, child, teen or young adult academic support or training).
  - a. Increased advancement on child development and kindergarten-readiness matrices
  - b. Increased ability to advance grade levels
  - c. Increased rate of high school graduation or GED
  - d. Increased capacity for quality childcare and academic support services staff, such as through credentialing or certification.
  - e. Increased ability of parents or guardians to advocate for their children's needs.
- 4. Increase safe environments for people with diverse identities (e.g., through advocacy, legal representation, protection from violence or other forms of vulnerability).
  - a. Increased knowledge about, and ability to recognize unsafe situations and behaviors
  - b. Increased level of knowledge of individual legal situations and the individual steps needed to take for improvement.
  - c. Increased sense of equitable opportunity and inclusion, as measured by the degree to which program participants feel welcome and trusting.
  - d. Increased % of clients whose legal cases or claims are successfully resolved.
- Increase positive physical, mental, or behavioral health and wellbeing, and increase healthy behaviors (e.g., direct health care, wellness, food security or nutrition, social connectivity).
  - a. Self-Efficacy
    - i. Increased level of knowledge about health program topics and issues.
    - ii. Increased follow-up on service referrals.
    - iii. Increased sense of opportunity to participate in or lead healthy activities and use healthy living skills. · Increased sense of equitable opportunity and

inclusion, as measured by the degree to which program participants feel welcome and trusting.

- iv. Length or frequency of involvement in the program; and the extent to which their needs and expectations are being met.
- b. Food Security
  - i. Percent reduction of individuals/families who went hungry over the past 30 days sometimes, most of the time, or always due to lack of food at home.
  - ii. Reduction in cost barriers to healthy foods.
  - iii. Increased access to clean, safe, and affordable water service.
  - iv. Increased frequency of consumption of fresh fruits, vegetables and water per week.
  - v. Decreased frequency of consumption of SSBs per week.
- c. Other: Reduced use of emergency health services as a result of preventative services
- 6. Increased ability among community members to access critical services and improve quality of life [including upstream solutions that address the root causes of social problems] (e.g., transportation, digital divide, culturally-centered assistance programs, independent living, language access).
  - a. Increased ability to obtain or maintain employment, income, education opportunities, etc.
  - b. Increased sense of equitable opportunity and inclusion, as measured by the degree to which program participants feel welcome and trusting.
  - c. Utilization of learned or acquired skills

# **Budget Line-Item Definitions**

# Revenue/Income

<u>Federal:</u> Separately list the federal dollars received or projected to receive for 2026(e.g., Department of Education \$50,000).

<u>State:</u> Separately list the state dollars received or projected for 2026 (e.g., Department of Local Affairs \$200,000).

<u>Boulder County Government:</u> Separately list Boulder County Government dollars received or projected for 2026, include the amount requested in the application (e.g., TSN \$50,000, human services funding \$10,000, etc.)

<u>Boulder:</u> Separately list City of Boulder dollars received or projected for 2026, including the amount requested in the application (e.g., CDBG, \$25,000, HSF \$10,000).

<u>Lafayette</u>: Separately list City of Lafayette dollars received or projected for 2026, including the amount requested in the application.

<u>Longmont:</u> Separately list City of Longmont dollars received or projected for 2026, including the amount requested in the application (e.g., Human Services Agency Funding \$25,000, CDBG \$15,000).

<u>Other Government:</u> Separately list amounts received or projected to be received in 2026 from other government sources not already identified.

<u>Foundations:</u> Separately list the amounts received or projected for 2026 from other foundations (e.g., Rose Foundation, \$15,000, Denver Foundation, \$5,000)

<u>Fundraising and Contributions:</u> Provide the total amount received or projected to be received in 2026 from fundraising activities, such as special events, individual donors, trusts, bequests, etc.

<u>Program Fees:</u> Provide the total amount of fees projected to be paid by clients (or on client's behalf) to participate in a program or to receive a program's services.

<u>Investment:</u> Provide the total revenue received or projected to be available for operations, derived from bank accounts, CDs, trusts, bequests, bonds, and other investments.

<u>Other Revenue</u>: If the revenue of an agency is properly classified, very little should usually remain to be shown as Other Revenue. If there are items that fit within this category, please list them separately.

<u>In-Kind Support:</u> Separately list the value of each item designated as in-kind support (e.g., Speedy Printing, in-kind printing \$3,000).

#### **Expenses**

<u>Salaries:</u> List the projected staff salaries by position for 2026 (e.g., Executive Director \$50,000, Program Coordinator \$20,000).

Payroll Taxes and Benefits: Provide the total amount of payroll taxes and benefits projected for 2026.

<u>Rent:</u> Provide the total amount of rent or mortgage projected for 2026. Please note that this is typically not a covered expense for COB applications.

<u>Supplies:</u> Separately list the supplies and materials purchased/projected to be purchased for 2026 (e.g., Workbooks \$5,000, office supplies \$1,000, food \$3,000).

Computer Hardware/Software: Provide the total amount of computer hardware and software

expenditures/projected expenditures for 2026. Please note that this is typically not a covered expense for COB applications.

<u>Telephone</u>: Provide the total amount of telephone related expenditures/projected expenditures for 2026. Please note that this is typically not a covered expense for COB applications.

<u>Printing/Copying</u>: Provide the total amount of printing and copying expenditures/ projected expenditures for 2026.

<u>Staff Travel:</u> Separately list expenditures/projected expenditures for staff travel (local and distance) for 2026 (e.g., local mileage reimbursement for two staff \$500, airfare to XYZ annual conference \$350, conference registration \$250, conference hotel \$600). Please note that this is typically not a covered expense for COB applications.

<u>Training</u>: Separately list the projected expenditures for agency and program staff training (total conference and other training expenditures). Please note that this is typically not a covered expense for COB applications.

<u>Subcontracts/Consultation Services:</u> Separately list each expenditure/anticipated expenditure for agency and programs' subcontracts/consultation services (e.g., subcontract for part-time therapist \$6,000, consultant to assist with board development \$10,000).

<u>Other Expenses:</u> Separately list any expenditures not covered above. This is also the place to include an estimated amount to off-set the value of the projected in-kind services.

# **Boulder County Racial Equity Questions**

In Boulder County race matters. We prioritize good governance and believe that good governance is impossible without racial equity. Boulder County centers race because historically and currently, race is the biggest predicator of disproportionate outcomes and disparities. In alignment with Boulder County strategic priorities and Policy 1.06, Human Services Funds are awarded to human service non-profit organizations that demonstrate that race matters. Funds are awarded to human services organizations that address social determinants of the health and root cause for better outcomes for historically underserved communities. The City of Longmont's Housing and Human Services Advisory board will also be evaluating and scoring applications based on these questions.

#### **Racial Equity Evaluation & Application Questions**

*Evaluation Metric: The applicant demonstrates that racial equity matters. Boulder County Score: 25 points (total 100 points)* 

#### **Application Questions:**

 This is a two-part prompt, and you must answer both parts. (1) Describe your racial equity goals as reflected in your mission, vision, goals, and workplans. (2) How do you track progress toward those racial equity goals?

Successful applicant adequately addresses both parts of the question prompt by: (1) Describing racial goals that are written in a way that show an understanding of systemic racism and (2) Describing progress tracking toward those racial equity goals that is written and reviewed on a predetermined timeline.

2. Describe how you are engaging historically underserved community members in assessing their needs and understanding their ideas for projects or services.

Successful applicant describes intentional efforts in engaging historically underserved community members to co-design their services, project, and engagement practices.

3. Describe the steps you are taking to improve access to services for historically underserved communities.

Successful applicant adequately demonstrates both (a) that the applicant has a clear understanding of existing structural barriers for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color communities and how they relate to service access and (b) that the applicant has enacted ongoing changes to improve service access.

- 4. Describe how you are serving historically underserved communities. Successful applicant adequately describes (a) An antiracist, asset-based understanding of historically underserved communities, and (b) An intentional focus on those historically underserved communities as demonstrated through detailed plans or actions.
- 5. Describe how your programs and/or services promote a social determinant of health for historically underserved communities.

Successful applicant adequately describes (a) An understanding of social determinants of health for historically underserved communities and (b) How the program and/or services address one or more of those social determinants by moving clients upstream.

The County advises grant recipients that their policies and programs must comply with Colorado and federal anti-discrimination laws as currently interpreted by the courts. Applicants may wish to have their counsel review their application materials before submission to ensure compliance.

#### To learn more:

<u>Boulder County Policy 1.06</u> <u>Boulder County Board of County Commissioners Strategic Priorities</u> <u>Boulder County Behavioral Health Roadmap</u> <u>Findings from the System Evaluation of Homeless Solutions for Boulder County</u> American Rescue Plan Act Reports

## **City of Longmont Human Services Priorities**

Since 2017, the City of Longmont has allocated its human services funding to fund programs that provide services in the following priorities:

- Housing Stability: supporting a continuum of emergency and transitional housing options; helping people find and sustain stable housing.
- Health & Well-being: ensuring access to affordable medical, dental and mental health care.
- Food & Nutrition: helping households obtain adequate quantity and quality of food.
- Self-sufficiency & Resilience: supporting households during tough economic times; helping households attain steady employment with livable wages and move toward self-sufficiency; and helping households remain as self-reliant as possible.
- Education & Skill Building: starting young and continuing throughout all stages of life, offering education, and skills training that are the building blocks of selfsufficiency.
- Safety & Justice: ensuring safe and supportive environments for vulnerable children and adults.

## Updates for 2026

Every year the Longmont Housing and Human Services Advisory Board (HHSAB) assigns a percentage to each priority. Since 2017, these percentages were merely guidelines, and did not necessarily effect final allocations. *That is going to change in 2026.* The HHSAB voted to change the percentages from guidelines to *actual limits per priority*.

For the 2026, funding round the priority limits are as follows:

- Housing Stability 20%
- Health and Wellness 20%

- Education and Skill Building 20%
- Food and Nutrition 20%
- Self-Sufficiency and Resilience 14%
- Safety and Justice 7%

#### We won't know exactly what is available for human services funding until

#### later in July.

An *example* would be if there was \$1.5 million the following would be the breakdown of human

services funding for 2026:

- Housing Stability \$300,000
- Health and Wellness \$300,000
- Education and Skill Building \$300,000
- Food and Nutrition \$300,000
- Self-Sufficiency and Resilience \$210,000
- Safety and Justice \$90,000

Finally, the HHSAB also voted to allow agencies the opportunity to *apply for Direct Financial Assistance for 2026*. Direct Financial Assistance should be only for Third-Party vendors and no cash or same-as-cash (i.e., gift cards) should be paid for clients.

Please contact Eliberto Mendoza at Eliberto.mendoa@longmontcolorado.gov or

303.774.3511 if you have any questions about City of Longmont funding.