

# **KZCF FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT 2025 GRANTS**

The following questions were raised by individuals who attended KZCF's Community Impact townhalls in January of 2025.



### APPLICATION LOGISTICS AND FUNDING TIMELINE

**Q** | As part of a grant application, does KZCF need the racial and geographical demographics of those that will be served related to the specific request or for the whole organization?

A | For multiyear general operations requests, please provide information about the whole organization and its leadership. If you are submitting an annual responsive grant focused on a specific program or effort, you can provide program specific demographics for clients but would still be asked to submit organization level information on your board and staff.

**Q** | Do we need access to a portal?

A | No. To apply for a grant, access the link provided online. KZCF no longer maintains an interactive portal system. If you want to see an old grant application, please contact ci@kzcf.org to request it. We recommend that you download and use the application template because you cannot save your work online.

**Q** | Do I need to identify racial strategies for the whole organization or the people connected to the specific program?

A | It depends on the type of grant you are seeking. If you are seeking a Multiyear General Operations grant – you will need racial strategies for the organization. If you are applying for an Annual Responsive grant that is program specific, you will need racial strategies for that program.

**Q**| Will the grant process be available in other languages?

**A**| Our grant guide will soon be available in Spanish. We hope to add more languages in the near future. **Q**| Is the Candid Seal still required for reporting information about an organization's board and staff?

A | Organizations are encouraged to maintain an updated Candid profile, but it is not required. Starting this year, demographic information about the organization's board, staff, and leader will be asked directly on the grant application.

**Q** | What does the application process look like for an organization that is looking to apply for general operation and is also a fiscal sponsor of another organization/project?

A | Organizations that also serve as fiscal sponsors can apply for themselves by selecting "501c3 Nonprofit, public entity, or faith-based organization" as their organization type at the start of the application. When applying on behalf of a fiscally sponsored project, please select "none of the above (fiscal sponsorship)" and provide both the information of the project and the sponsoring organizations.

**Q** | We received funding late in 2024, should we reapply by the March 2025 deadline, or wait until the current grant contract is completed?

A | Yes, organizations who received funding late in 2024 should apply for a grant in the March deadline, especially if they are considering a multiyear general operations request, as the next window for that grant type will not occur until 2028.



### APPLICATION LOGISTICS AND FUNDING TIMELINE CONTINUED

**Q**| For multiyear grants, is the suggested range per year or for the full 3-years?

**A**| The suggested range for multiyear general operations grants is \$25,000 - \$175,000 per year.

**Q** | Can I ask for less or more than the range provided?

A | It depends on the grant you are seeking and the scope of the work your organization does. Please chat with your Community Impact Officer for further guidance.

**Q** | If I apply for and do not receive a multiyear grant or an annual responsive grant in the spring, can I apply again in the fall?

**A** | Under this scenario, yes, you can apply for an annual responsive grant in the fall. Please refer to the grant guide annual responsive grant section for additional details.

**Q**| If we are currently in the middle of a multiyear KZCF grant award, when should we apply for our next grant?

A | We recommend that you apply by the March deadline for a multiyear general operations grant. If awarded, the 2025 multiyear award will supersede any previous awards. If not awarded, we will honor your current multiyear commitment, and you will be able to apply for Annual Responsive grants until Multiyear General Operations grants are available once again.

## **APPLYING FOR MULTIPLE GRANT TYPES**

**Q** | Can you apply for multiple grants each year?

A | Yes, organizations can apply to, and be awarded, more than one grant. Organizations receiving multiyear grants will generally not be prioritized for annual responsive grants.

**Q** | If we apply for a multiyear grant, but are not chosen, will we be automatically considered for an annual responsive grant?

A| Yes.

## WHICH GRANT TYPE IS BEST FOR ME?

**Q** | If I am part of a large organization or a public entity, am I still eligible to apply and will my grant interfere with the request of other request from my organization?

A We recommend that you communicate and collaborate with your organization as much as possible before submitting a request. The grant agreement will need to be signed by the Executive Director, or other designated staff member. Separate requests from the same large organization or public entity will be considered with funding decisions being made based on the closest alignment to our WHEN priorities. Please see the grant guide section How We Prioritize Requests for details.



## **CAPITAL GRANT FUNDING**

**Q** | Should capital campaign requests be made through the new capital grant request, or as part of a multiyear general request?

A | Please use the capital grant request if your request is at or above \$100,000. If the request is a small amount, please include it in your general operations request. Multiple items related to your capital project can be included. Capital Grants will open annually in August and close in September.

### AD HOC GRANTS AND FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS

**Q** | Are field of interest (FOI) applications still available or are they rolled into this new process? Is there space to further explain alignment to the FOI?

A | Field of interest funds will be rolled into the new process, there is no separate application. The application will have a section to indicate if your work is connected to a specific field of interest. A Community Impact Officer will follow up with you if additional information is needed.

**Q**| When will the Sustaining Leaders wellness and professional development grant be available?

**A**| This grant opportunity will be announced when it opens. It will likely open in the summer months.

Q | Will you still provide funds for event sponsorships?

**A**| Event sponsorships are invitation-only. If selected, a member of KZCF's Strategy and Communications team will reach out to you.

