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# Free Data Support Grant Application Questions

1. First Name
2. Last Name
3. Email Address
4. Phone Number
5. Job Title
6. Role in Organization   . Please describe.

*Organization Profile Questions*

1. Organization Name
2. Organization Type
3. EIN
4. Website
5. Mailing Street 1
6. Mailing Street 2
7. City
8. State
9. Zip Code
10. Is your organization Black, Brown, or Indigenous-led?
11. Is your organization located in Houston, Austin, or Dallas and Surrounding Areas?
12. Who is the founder, president, or chief executive officer of your organization?
13. In which year was your organization established?
14. What are your organization's goals and mission?
15. What community(ies) do you serve? Please Explain.
16. Which area of social impact best describes your organization?
    - Arts & Culture- Activities that promote culture and elevate the expression of human creativity, including visual and performing arts, literature, music, and other forms of creative expression.
    - Animal Care & Services- Activities that involve providing care, medical treatment, and support for animals.
    - Education- Activities that provide traditional and nontraditional educational opportunities that are community-based and culturally relevant

- Environment- Activities that encourage equal access to natural resources to achieve sustainable development (to meet needs without compromising future generations).
- Economic Growth & Wealth Building-Activities that encourage job security, a thriving economy, and generational wealth.
- Health & Wellness- Activities that focus on safeguarding the public's health
- Human Rights- Activities that focus on access to services and rights inherent to all human beings, regardless of race, sex, nationality, ethnicity, language, religion, socioeconomic or any other status.
- Social Justice - Activities that include activities led by an individual or group that address issues of public concern
- Research & Technology- Activities that encourage and support research, innovation, technology access, and evaluation.
- Youth Empowerment- Activities designed to give young people the tools and resources they need to succeed in life.

17. How connected is your organization to the community it serves?
- Not connected at all (i.e., We have minimal or no interaction with the community or the community is generally unaware of our organization)
- Slightly connected (i.e., We have occasional interactions with the community or some community members are aware of our organization, but engagement is limited)
- Moderately connected (i.e., We have regular interactions with the community or a significant portion of the community is aware of our organization, and we have some level of engagement)
- Strongly connected (i.e., We have frequent and meaningful interactions with the community or most community members are aware of our organization, and we actively engage with them)
- Very strongly connected (i.e., We have deep and sustained interactions with the community or the community is highly aware of our organization, and we have a strong, collaborative relationship with them

18. How many people does your organization serve per year?

19. How does your organization currently engage with the communities it serves? Select all that apply.   Please describe.
- Regular Community Meetings
- Surveys and feedback forms
- Community events and outreach
- Social media and online engagement
- No engagement is happening with the community at this time
- Other (please describe)

20. How does your organization prioritize equity and inclusion?
- High priority with ongoing initiatives
- Moderate priority with occasional initiatives
- Low priority with few initiatives
- Not a priority currently

21. Provide examples of how your organization provides community support.

22. What is your organization's current annual budget?

23. Does your organization have a strategic plan?
    - ○ Yes, and it is up-to-date
    - ○ Yes, but it needs updating
    - ○ No, but we are developing one
    - ○ No, we do not have a strategic plan
    - ○ Please attach a copy of your strategic plan.

24. Has your organization conducted any past evaluation work to assess its impact?

25. What types of evaluations has your organization completed?
    - ○ Needs Assessment
    - ○ Formative Evaluation
    - ○ Summative Evaluation
    - ○ Impact Evaluation
    - ○ Process Evaluation
    - ○ Other (please specify)

26. Describe any past evaluation work your organization has conducted.

27. Please attach any documents related to your past evaluation work (if applicable).

28. What is the most urgent need your organization faces that the CARE Model can address? Please describe.
    - ○ Upcoming Grant Deadline
    - ○ Strategic Planning Year
    - ○ Organizational Restructuring
    - ○ Community Engagement
    - ○ Other (please describe)

29. How well has your organization established its core values and validated the problem it aims to address through engagement with its community?
    - ○ Not at all: We have not yet established core values or engaged with our community to validate the problem we aim to address.
    - ○ To a limited extent: We have some informal core values and have had minimal community engagement to validate our problem statement.
    - ○ Moderately well: We have established core values and conducted some community engagement, but there's room for improvement in both areas.
    - ○ Very well: We have clearly defined core values and have engaged extensively with our community to validate and refine our problem statement.
    - ○ Exceptionally well: Our core values are deeply ingrained in our organization, and we have an ongoing, robust process of community engagement to continuously validate and adapt our problem statement

*These are multiple choice, likert scale questions.*

1. How critical is it for your organization to define the community and understand equity before starting a project?
2. How valuable do you find invested parties' analysis and planning community conversations?
3. How significant is understanding the historical and cultural timeline of the community for your work?
4. How crucial is gathering data about the problem your organization is addressing?
5. How would you use community events to get feedback on your organization's problem statement?
6. How essential is community asset mapping for planning community-led solutions?
7. How important is aligning proposed solutions with community needs and resources?
8. How valuable do you find developing a Theory of Change to guide your organization's efforts?
9. How necessary are community impact metrics for your organization's success?
10. How important is having a detailed data collection plan for your projects?
11. How critical are tracking and sharing measures for your organization's transparency and accountability?
12. How feasible is it for your organization to dedicate two to four weeks to recruiting CARE Team participants and for the CARE Model sessions?
13. How manageable is it for your organization to attend 12 weekly one-hour-long CARE Model sessions?
14. How feasible is it for your organization to commit one hour a week outside of the weekly sessions for worksheets and preparation?
15. Do you currently have 6-8 individuals ready to join your CARE Team for this program?
    1. Yes
    2. No

*These questions are open-ended responses.*

1. How will the CARE Model tools help your organization illustrate its impact? Provide specific examples.
2. What specific goals or outcomes does your organization aim to achieve through this program?
3. How does your organization envision using data to measure the impact of its work?
4. What are your next steps after completing the CARE Model program to ensure continued growth and impact?
5. Does your organization have a Theory of Change? If so, please describe it.
6. Provide a brief historical timeline of your organization. How has it evolved over the years?
7. Would you like to submit a video as a supplemental question to demonstrate your need and commitment?
8. Is there any other information you would like to share that highlights your organization's readiness and enthusiasm for participating in the CARE Model Certification Program?