



Outpour Grant Application Rubric

Applicant: _____

| Criterion | Exemplary 4 | Good 3 | Improvement Needed 2 | Insufficient Evidence 1 | Score | Comments |
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| Innovation | Project represents the implementation of new insight or idea, with potential benefits of change made clear. | Project represents local implementation of emerging innovation or trend, with potential benefits specified. | Project represents practice(s) commonplace within the field, or an adoption of a change with well-established benefits. | No innovation described or specific potential improvement defined. | | |
| Justification | Strong rationale and significance of proposed work. Addresses specific need(s) common among peer institutions. | Rationale or significance of project tends toward the too-specific or too general, but overall argument holds. | Weak presentation of institutional or community need, or tenuous argument for grant's ability to address need. | Unconvincing or no evidence of need presented, or grant proposal does not address stated need. | | |
| Relationship to Strategic Vision | Project outcomes or activities align with both organizational vision and goals of greater community. | Project elements align with goals of either the organization or its greater community, but not both. | Project tangentially but not directly related to organizational strategic vision or community goals. | No explicit relationship between project and the agenda of its organization or community | | |
| Feasibility | Personnel, project activities timeline, and budget expenditures congruent with project description and outcomes. | Deficiencies or overestimations exist in personnel, timeline, or budget within tolerable range, outcomes appear achievable despite gaps or leaps. | Project's assembled personnel, timeline, or budget expose weaknesses in plan design. Outcomes unlikely to be achieved in project's current form. | Insufficient information about personnel, project activities timeline, or budget expenditures to gauge feasibility. | | |
| Assessment | Clear picture of how data will be collected and used to demonstrate degree to which outcomes are met. | Good understanding of anticipated specific results or success, but plan lacks some details about data or methods. | Success difficult to ascertain, flawed by untestable outcomes, inappropriate methods, or lack of useful data collection. | Evaluation plans missing or unusable. | | |
| Total Score | | | | | | |

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| Recipient of grants over \$35,000? | YES | NO | If yes, how many? |
| Recommended Funding? | YES | NO | Partially \$ _____ |