Through our Sponsorship Program, the Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division, HIV/STD Programs support activities that help OHA and our community partners achieve our collective End HIV Oregon goals. Specifically, we are seeking projects that fall into one of the following 4 categories:

1) Increase HIV testing.
2) Support effective prevention of HIV and other co-occurring sexually transmitted infections (STI).
3) Ensure that people with HIV receive and maintain effective treatment.
4) Promote health equity and reduce HIV-related stigma.

Eligible applicants may receive up to $10,000 for eligible activities.

This funding opportunity prioritizes organizations that serve diverse communities, including people of color, LGBTQ communities, people who inject drugs, people who have been incarcerated, and non-English speaking people. We aim to include all areas of Oregon, both urban and rural, and seek to develop new partnerships.

PURPOSE

• To eliminate new HIV transmissions in Oregon.
• To promote health equity and reduce HIV-related disparities.
• To increase collaboration between OHA and communities experiencing health disparities.
• To help community partners to increase their capacity to deliver HIV/STI services and to better position themselves to apply for future contracts and grants with OHA and other funders.
APPLICATION PROCESS

To ensure consistency and fairness, we use the following process for all sponsorship requests:

1) Applicant organization fills out the HIV/STD Sponsorship Application.
2) OHA will confirm your submission.
3) OHA reviews applications regularly and will notify you of the status of your application within 4 weeks of receipt.

OHA will make awards based on the merits of the application and will fund those organizations whose projects have the greatest potential to achieve progress on End HIV Oregon goals. In addition, funding decisions will be informed by considerations of available funding and the variety of projects currently being funded. OHA may prioritize proposals submitted by new partners and/or which serve communities which are not currently well-served by OHA. OHA retains the right to refuse funding requests for any project.

ELIGIBILITY

If you are applying for sponsorship, you must meet the following requirements or your application will not be considered.

- Projects must serve the people of Oregon.
- Organizations or their fiscal agent must have 501c3 status and be able to provide documentation or must be a for-profit business that can demonstrate ties to affected communities.
- Organizations may only receive one (1) sponsorship award per calendar year.
- Priority will be given to organizations whose mission is to serve communities of color, people who inject drugs, people living in poverty, or other populations who may be at increased risk of HIV/STI.
- All organizations must abide by OHA’s non-discrimination policy, and state and federal civil rights laws. Specifically, people participating in OHA-sponsored activities or programs may not be treated unfairly because of age, color, disability, gender identity, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, or sexual orientation.
REQUIREMENTS

- Funds must be spent within one year of receiving the award.

- Successful applicants are required to have Commercial and General Liability (CGL) Insurance with coverage up to 2 million dollars, and may include the cost of insurance in their budgets for the project period. The total budget for the project, including insurance, may not exceed $10,000.

- Successful applicants will be required to submit a brief summary of the project when work is completed on a template provided by OHA—information to include major accomplishments, lessons learned, challenges, and examples of project success.

- Successful applicants may be asked to contribute feedback on this funding mechanism once the project is completed (e.g., quality improvement/program evaluation).

- Successful applicants will be asked to add their logo to the End HIV Oregon website as a supporting organization.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

If you have questions about whether a potential project may be a good fit for this funding mechanism, please feel free to ask! Unlike competitive OHA projects, we are able to discuss your ideas and help you assess whether they fit with the End HIV Oregon mission that this funding mechanism strives to support.

Assistance is available in languages other than English.

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