

**Q: What are reporting requirements?**

A: There is an interim report that is due on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and monthly meetings used to gauge each organizations progress. More specific reporting protocol will be released once awards are announced.

**Q: Are the grants for the activities and services performed in the past or for the future or for both?**

A: The grants are for activities and services performed during the grant period of November 15, 2021 – June 15, 2022. There is a question within the application that asks if the activity is new or existing, please elaborate on any existing programs that you wish to continue or modify using this grant.

**Q: Is it possible to be outside of these categories?**

A: No, please keep all programming and activities within one or all of the listed funding categories.

**Q: Can a RFP be submitted with activities in multiple categories you listed?**

A: Yes, your organization can choose to focus on one or all of the categories.

**Q: Is 30,000 the minimum amount?**

A: Yes

**Q: If the full amount is not awarded, will the outcomes also be modified to reflect the changed amount?**

A: Yes, we will work with the organization to adjust the outcomes and deliverables to better match the amount awarded.

**Q: If an organization can hit all the categories, do you focus on one main area, or address in all areas**

A: If an organization is confident that they are able to hit each funding category, they have the discretion to do so. But we suggest focusing on the funding categories that your organization will have the highest impact in.

**Q: In terms of organizational capacity, are you looking at our orgs having staff already on site for each element we are applying for? We would like to offer counselling services for survivors of gender based violence and utilize the funding for this purpose and bring on a consultant. Would we be able to do so using this funding?**

A: No, your organization does not need to have staff on site already. Yes, this idea can be carried out using the funding.

**Q: If you are an organization without one of the eligibility status, how do you go about finding one to partner with?**

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A: Please reach out to Muhammad, he will assist you in matching your organization with an appropriate partner. Muhammad.Hasan@montgomerycountymd.gov

**Q: Is there a match requirement for the budget?**

A: No

**Q: Will the award be awarded to one organization or multiple?**

A: Multiple

**Q: If you already have an organization you would like to partner with how should you go about announcing it? Is there a place where we list our partnership?**

A: Yes, there is a section on the application where you should list any partnerships

**Q: Is not Workers Comp for W2 employees? What about the 1099 (Contractor) employees?**

A: Yes, Workers Comp is for W-2 employees. 1099 employees are not covered by Maryland Workers Comp insurance.

**Q: We are a volunteer LLC; so no liability or workmen's comp; so we must partner, is that correct?**

A: No, you don't have to partner unless you would like to. Maryland workers' compensation insurance does not cover 1099's or independent consultants.

**Q: In regards to the workers comp question: Is it a requirement for the funding?**

A: Workers Compensation insurance is only needed for organizations that have paid employees under W-2

**Q: Our organization provides service for our members with Japanese foods which is mentally and emotionally important for their livelihood. Japanese foods are very expensive and not provided in the food pantry. Could we provide them their most needy items for needed family? Which category could we use?**

A: Yes, that idea would fall under social services

**Q: Will this grant repeat next year?**

A: This is dependent upon available funds next year

**Q: How many awards are available?**

A: There is not a limit on awards, but there is a cap on award amounts.

**Q: Our organization works with mental health alleviation through music. What category would you recommend?**

A: Mental Health Services

**Q: The new application, can you please place a link in the chat**

A: <https://webportalapp.com/sp/login/aahicovidrelief>

**Q: How do I know which year's budget to upload?**

A: For organizations that follow the calendar year, please upload you 2021 budget. For organizations that follow a fiscal year, please upload your most recent budget.

**Q: I'm filling out the application, and I am unsure how to navigate the application portal.**

A: There is a tutorial video at the beginning of the application that is available for reference at any time within your application process. This video will walk you through how to use the portal and navigate through your application process. Use the following link to access the video tutorial: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iKbDnd\\_eNgRPaiwCfeKn4tqvubjO-rY8/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iKbDnd_eNgRPaiwCfeKn4tqvubjO-rY8/view)

**Q: My organization works with a community beyond the AAPI community, can I still apply for this grant?**

A: Yes, your organization is eligible to apply. But this grant money must be used for direct impact of the AAPI community.

**Q: Can an organization submit more than one proposal?**

A: An applicant can only submit one proposal as the lead applicant but can be a partner in multiple proposals. However, no applicant (lead or partner) will receive funding in excess of \$200,000 across programs/proposals.