ARPA Nonprofit Capital Project Fund - Large Projects (Round 2)

Pinellas Community Foundation

Organization Information

An informational webinar about this application will take place on 8/14 at 1 pm. Registration to attend is now open.

The rubric that will be used to score this proposal can be downloaded here.

If you would like to complete this application first in Microsoft Word, you may download a Word version here. Please pay attention to character limits.

Brief Project Descriptor

Please briefly describe this organization's request. *Character Limit: 250*

Organization Name* Character Limit: 250

Project Name* Please choose a short name to identify this project within the grant portal: *Character Limit: 100*

EIN* Character Limit: 10

Incorporation Year*

What year did your organization incorporate? This will be the year listed on your determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service.

Character Limit: 4

Mission Statement*

What is your organization's mission statement? *Character Limit: 1000*

Unique Entity ID (SAM)

Please provide your organization's Unique Entity ID number. This is a specific number used by the federal government to identify your organization. This is different from a DUNS number, which the federal government no longer uses.

If you do not have a Unique Entity ID number, you can create an account on SAM.gov and apply for one here (it is free and may take 3-4 days for approval): https://sam.gov/content/home

This field is optional as to not stop a qualifying organization from applying. HOWEVER, a Unique Entity ID number will be required if your organization is approved for a grant. Your organization should apply for a number now if it does not yet have one.

Character Limit: 12 Character Limit: 12

Annual Operating Budget*

Please provide the amount of your annual operating budget (expenditures only) for your entire organization.

Character Limit: 20

Amount Requested*

The maximum grant amount is \$500,000. *Character Limit: 20*

Does the total project cost exceed the amount your organization is requesting?*

Please note: Answering "Yes" will cause additional questions to load later in this application.

Examples

ABC Childcare is seeking funding for a new playground. ABC Childcare is asking PCF to fund \$150,000 for certain equipment, and will seek other funding and donations for the remaining \$20,000 of the playground. ABC Childcare would select "Yes" for this question.

Better Tomorrow, a mental health provider, is looking to expand their counseling center by two rooms to meet increased service demand arising from the pandemic. Better Tomorrow has secured \$25,000 in private contributions, and wants to request the remaining \$125,000 in this grant. Better Tomorrow would select "Yes" for this question.

DBE Food Pantry is seeking funding a new HVAC unit for their pantry, and is requesting \$40,000 from PCF to cover the entire cost. DBE Food Pantry would select "No" for this question.

Choices

Yes No

Rent vs. Own*

Does your organization rent or own the property for which you are proposing modifications?

Choices Rent

Own

Parent Non-Profit/Subsidiaries:*

If your organization has a parent non-profit that has multiple subsidiaries, will multiple subsidiaries be applying in this process?

Example

Better Tomorrow is the parent non-profit of three organizations. Two of those organizations want to apply in this process. Both would select "Yes" on this question.

Choices Yes No

Request Specifics

Pinellas County Priority Areas*

For Round 2 of this funding process, the ARPA Nonprofit Capital Project Fund is prioritizing organizations that offer programming, and whose capital purchase is related to, the following areas:

- Individuals with Disabilities
- Food Security
- Specialized Healthcare
 - o Mental Health
 - o Dental Care
 - o Substance Use Disorders
- Housing

Not offering programming in these areas does not disqualify you from applying. However, this prioritization will result in 10 bonus points being awarded to eligible requests when scored.

Does your organization and its proposed capital purchase fit into one of these areas?

Choices Yes

No

Programming Background*

Please describe the programming your organization offers to the community and the length of time it has been doing so. What does your organization **do** and **how long** has it been doing it?

If you have indicated above that your programming and proposed purchase fit into the priority areas for this funding round, please be sure to describe the relevant programming.

Character Limit: 2000

Community Need*

Please describe the community need that exists for your programming. If you are able to cite quantitative, local data, that will strengthen your proposal.

Character Limit: 2000

Negative Economic Impact*

The following question is the keystone of a strong application in this process. If your organization cannot demonstrate a negative economic impact from the pandemic, your application will not qualify for committee review. If you are uncertain about what constitutes negative economic impact or how to demonstrate it, please contact PCF staff for technical assistance.

The more quantifiable your negative economic impact is, whether it be fiscal losses/pressures or increased service demand, the stronger your answer will be. Use numbers whenever possible. The more specific your evidence, the better.

Describe your organization's negative economic impact arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. Examples could include:

- A reduction in revenue from 2019 to 2020
- Inflationary pressures
- Increases in demand for services that have not been compensated for through new revenue
- The use of reserves for unbudgeted expenses since the onset of the pandemic, and such use of reserves has prevented the purchase of capital assets
- A need for capital assets to offset community need for which your organization does not have the resources to purchase due to the negative economic harm from the pandemic
- A need for additional capital assets to adapt operations to accommodate health and safety guidelines by the CDC
- Growth in restricted pandemic-related revenue that does not permit capital asset acquisition

Negative Economic Impact - Uploads

You have the option to upload supporting documentation regarding negative economic impact. However, please limit your upload to no more than five pages. Word, Excel, JPG and PDF files are accepted.

File Size Limit: 5 MB

Pandemic Relief Funding*

Please describe all government pandemic relief funding your organization has received since the onset of the pandemic (March 2020). This includes but is not limited to the Pinellas CARES Nonprofit Partnership Fund, other ARPA funding, PPP (Paycheck Protection Program), and Community Block Development Grants specifically targeting COVID-19 relief.

Explain why or how this pandemic-relief funding has not alleviated the negative economic impact you have described above. Potential reasons include expiration dates on certain funding, inflationary pressures, restrictions prohibiting capital expenditures, or the funding simply not being enough to remedy the harm you've indicated above. The more concrete your numbers, the better.

If you have not received government relief funding for your organization since the onset of the pandemic, write "No pandemic relief funding received" below.

Character Limit: 2500

Proposal Description*

The American Rescue Plan Act requires a request that is reasonable and proportional to the level of negative economic impact your organization experienced. This means the request you describe below should not be greater than the economic harm your organization has suffered.

Please describe your project proposal and address the following:

- What project will be undertaken with these funds?
- What is the estimated lifespan of the project/property improvement?
- How does it address the negative economic harm you described in the previous question?

Character Limit: 2500

Number Served*

How many people will directly benefit from this capital purchase annually?

Unduplicated vs. Duplicated*

Is the number indicated above duplicated or unduplicated? **Duplicated:** A client is counted each time they access services **Unduplicated:** A client is counted once, regardless of the number of times they access services

Example: ABC Food Bank operates two mobile food pantries, one in Clearwater and one in St. Petersburg. Taylor, a Pinellas County resident, goes to both food pantries. If ABC Food Bank counts Taylor's visit TWICE, it is <u>duplicated</u>. If ABC Food Bank counts Taylor's visit ONCE, it is <u>unduplicated</u>.

Choices Unduplicated Duplicated Other (Explanation Required Below)

Other (Explanation Required)*

If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please explain how your organization determined the number of clients that will benefit from the proposed capital project.

Character Limit: 1000

Organizational Sustainability*

How does this project contribute to the long-term sustainability of your organization and the work it does? That is, what impact will this project have on your organization and/or its clients over the long-term?

Examples include increased service capacity, reduced cost of delivering services over time, higher-quality or more equitable service delivery, and increased lifespan/quality of property.

Quantifiable numbers will strengthen your answer.

Character Limit: 1750

Project Specifics

Permits*

Please describe any permits necessary for the successful completion of this proposed project. Be sure to include any permits already obtained or in progress, and/or what the timeline is to acquire permits.

Character Limit: 2000

Plan Set*

Do you have a plan set for this project?

A plan set refers to the "batch" of plans, drawings, prints, files, etc., that you receive from an

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architect that explains what needs to be built, how, and where. Not all qualifying projects in this process require a plan set.

If you answer Yes, you should upload the Plan Set in the question below.

Choices Yes No

Plan Set Upload

If you answered "Yes" above, please upload the Plan Set here. If you have trouble with file size limitations, please reach out to Rose Cervantes at rcervantes@pinellascf.org. If you have any narrative to accompany the plan set, you may write it below.

PDF files are permitted.

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Construction Schedule/Timeline*

Given a spending deadline of December 31, 2026, give a detailed and **realistic construction schedule**/timeline as to how this large capital project will be executed and completed. If there are phases to this project, indicate so in the narrative below. If you specified that permits were needed for this project above, ensure you include the acquisition time in the schedule.

Please include the following:

1. How the timeline/schedule was developed, and by whom.

2. Timeline of planning and execution. Please include start and end dates by month and year. For example, April 2023 - June 2023.

Example:

Better Tomorrow is proposing the expansion of their counseling center. This requires a 2-month planning phase, one month to obtain all necessary permits, and four months to build. Better Tomorrow would list each phase, a brief description of what takes place in each phase, and an estimated start and completion date for each phase, and an explanation of how the schedule was developed.

Character Limit: 4000

Team Leadership*

Please describe the following:

- 1. The team and leaders that will be overseeing this proposed project.
- 2. Their relationship to your organization
- 3. Their role in this project
- 4. Whether or not they have overseen similar projects

Cost Difference

Estimated Total Project Cost*

Please specify the total cost of this capital project/purchase.

Example: ABC Childcare is seeking funding for a new playground. ABC Childcare is asking PCF to fund \$20,000 for certain equipment and will seek other funding and donations for the remaining \$150,000 of the playground, for a total project cost of \$170,000. ABC Childcare would put \$170,000 below.

Character Limit: 20

Cost Difference*

How does your organization plan to cover the cost of this project beyond the amount requested? Please also specify if your organization can carry out the potential ARPA-funded portion of this project without other funding being secured.

Character Limit: 2000

Geographic Impact and Priority Populations

The ARPA Nonprofit Capital Project Fund seeks to offset the negative economic impact Pinellas nonprofits faced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Organizations who serve disproportionately impacted communities will be considered as serving a priority population. There are several ways to determine if your clients were disproportionately impacted.

Examples of disproportionately impacted communities include those who meet at least one of the following descriptions:

- Low- and moderate-income household and communities
- Households that qualify for federal assistance programs, such as SNAP and TANF
- Historically marginalized communities (BIPOC communities, persons with disabilities, LGTBQ+, religious minorities, and other communities that fit in the Equity definition provided on the ARPA website and application)
- Organization located or serve households within a Qualified Census Tract (QCTs)
 - o Defined by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
 - To assess if your organization serves or is headquartered in a QCT, use this link.
 In the top right-hand corner, choose the state of Florida and Pinellas County.
 Then on the left-hand side of the screen, click the box next to "Color QCT Qualified Tracts." The QCT zones are denoted in purple. You can also map your

address by adding it into the address box at the top to see if your location is inside the zones.

Benefits and Geography of Project*

Please describe how the communities/clients that will benefit from this capital purchase, and how they were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic according to the examples above. *Character Limit: 2500*

Headquaters Location*

Please provide your organization's headquarters address as it appears on your Sunbiz account. To check your registration with Sunbiz, you may search their database.

Character Limit: 250

Project Location*

Please provide the address or intersection where the property being modified is. *Character Limit: 250*

Rented Property

You have indicated that the property involved in this proposal is rented. Please answer the questions below.

Tenant Responsibility*

Please explain how your organization is responsible for modifying the building despite being rented. Be sure to describe the length of your organization's lease and to indicate whether or not you have obtained permission from the landlord for the proposed project. *Character Limit: 2000*

Landlord*

Please enter the name and address of the property owner/landlord.

Character Limit: 250

Lease Upload*

Please upload the executed lease you currently have with your landlord. If there are any important circumstances to note, use the text box below.

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Community Connection

PCF understands the value of authentic and diverse representation in philanthropy and in Pinellas County. To this end, we ask demographic and representation questions to gauge the human impact your organization has on the communities you serve.

PCF has generalized the demographic data questions more than it has in other processes because of the public nature of this process. PCF understands that identity disclosure can be a sensitive matter and wants to respect your organization's board and staff. If your organization feels comfortable sharing more detailed demographic information, it may do so in the "Community Representation and Connection" section.

Community Representation and Connection*

Describe how your organization is representative of, or has authentic connections to, the community your proposal seeks to serve. You can list other community-based organizations that work on programming with you and/or list examples of your work within this community.

If your staff, board, executive leadership, or long-term volunteers have personal identities or experiences that allow for a meaningful connection with your clients, please feel free to describe this connection below. When possible, please use internal data or specific details to describe how your organization is representative and connected to the communities you serve.

Character Limit: 2500

Board Membership*

Do your board members consider themselves a member of one or more of the following populations?

- BIPOC defined as Black, Latino, and Indigenous and Native American persons, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other persons of color
- LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+)
- Neurodiverse/physically disabled

Choices

BIPOC LGBTQ+ Neurodiverse/physically disabled Decline to state None of the above

Executive Level Leadership Team*

Does your executive leadership team consider themselves a member of one or more of the following populations?

• BIPOC defined as Black, Latino, and Indigenous and Native American persons, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other persons of color

- LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+)
- Neurodiverse/physically disabled

Choices

BIPOC LGBTQ+ Neurodiverse/physically disabled Decline to state None of the above

CEO/Executive Director*

Does your CEO/Executive Director consider themselves a member of one or more of the following populations?

- BIPOC defined as Black, Latino, and Indigenous and Native American persons, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other persons of color
- LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+)
- Neurodiverse/physically disable

Choices

BIPOC LGBTQ+ Neurodiverse/physically disabled Decline to state None of the above

Financial Overview

BIDS MUST BE DATED JULY 5, 2023 OR LATER.

- The file attached below should contain current, verifiable bids, estimates, or price lists [from your potential vendor(s)]. <u>Please ensure there is a date noted on the bid or some</u> <u>annotation as to when when you obtained these estimates/bids.</u>
- If your project costs LESS than \$75,000, you must upload TWO verifiable bids or estimates for the proposed project.
- If your project is <u>EQUAL TO</u> or <u>MORE THAN</u> \$75,000, you must upload THREE verifiable bids or estimates for your proposed project.
- If you have already selected a contractor for this process and do not have multiple bids to upload, please ensure you answer the narrative questions below thoroughly.

Bid/Estimate #1*

PDF files are accepted. *File Size Limit: 7 MB*

Bid/Estimate #2

PDF files are accepted. *File Size Limit: 7 MB*

Bid/Estimate #3 PDF files are accepted.

File Size Limit: 7 MB

Selected Contractor*

If you have not yet selected a contractor and have uploaded multiple bids above, please write N/A below or you will not be able to submit your application.

If your organization has already selected a contractor for this proposed capital project, please describe the process through which this contractor was chosen, and be sure to answer:

- 1. Was there a competitive bid process? That is, were multiple bids collected in order to evaluate multiple contractors? Describe this process (names of contractors, number of bids collected, prices, and why the contractor was chosen).
- 2. What personnel members at your organization selected the contractor?
- 3. Has a contract been executed with this contractor? If yes, upload the contract here. If no, please describe the status of contract.

If a contractor has already been selected AND a competitive bidding process was not used, the project will lose points.

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Minority/Woman-Owned Business

Is your selected contractor, or the bid you are going to choose if funded, one of the following:

- Small-business enterprise (SBE)
- Disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE)
- Minority and/or woman-owned business (MWBE)

Choices Yes No

Unknown

Related Parties*

Are any of the contractors/vendors that have provided bids/estimates a <u>related party</u> to your organization?

Examples of Related Parties

• A board member that owns the contracting company that provided a bid

- The relative of a director, officer, or executive team member owns a company that provided an estimate
- The CEO of the applying organization has a financial interest in the construction company providing a bid

If yes, identify the vendor and describe the relationship. If no, write "No related parties below."

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Budget Detail*

Please upload a clear, easily readable budget that breaks out costs for this proposed project. Ensure that it is clear what portion would be paid for through this grant funding and what would be paid for from other sources. **Be sure that the budget includes 10-20% for contingencies and any costs related to performance and payment bonds for construction projects.**

If you are going to request the permitted indirect cost of up to 5%, please be sure this is represented in your budget.

An example budget is available here.

If you have additional notes to add to your budget summary, you may do so in the text box below.

PDF and Excel files are allowed.

Character Limit: 1000 | File Size Limit: 5 MB

Other Funding Sources*

Please describe any other funding that your organization has applied for or obtained for this project. This includes but is not limited to Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), local government grants (including Tourist Development Council funding), foundation grants, and donors (you do not need to disclose donor identities, simply amount raised that is allocated to this project). This includes any matching grants or in-kind contributions you may have obtained.

If none, please explain why no additional funding sources have been pursued.

Please be sure all funding sources below are represented in the "Applicant Match" column in the Budget Summary you have uploaded above.

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Changes in Operating Costs*

Please answer this question based on the descriptions below:

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- If this project **increases** ongoing operational costs (programmatic, operating maintenance or other costs), how will you compensate for the difference?
- If this project decreases ongoing operating costs, how will it do so?
- If this project **does not affect** operating costs, please note so below.

Character Limit: 1000

Fund Management Capacity*

Please describe your organization's capacity to manage these potential ARPA funds in terms of fiscal management and financial infrastructure.

This includes, but is not limited to, the use of accounting software that can track a general ledger and multiple accounts and the ability to work on a reimbursement-basis.

The inability to handle a reimbursement-based grant does not disqualify your organization from applying.

Character Limit: 1000

Corrective and Investigative Action/Grant Recall*

In the past three (3) years, has your organization had any of the following occur:

- 1. Been under legal investigation by a local, state, or federal institution?
- 2. Been placed on a corrective action plan by a funder?
- 3. Had grant funding recalled by a funder?

If yes, please describe the investigation, corrective action plan and/or grant recall, and the current status of such incidents. If no, write "N/A"

Character Limit: 3000

Organization Documentation

Please reach out to PCF staff if you have trouble uploading the files below. We are able to assist with file conversion and file compression.

Organization Budget*

Please upload your most recent, board-approved organizational budget for this fiscal year. PDF and Excel documents are accepted.

File Size Limit: 5 MB

Board of Directors List*

Please upload a current list of members of your organization's Board of Directors. Excel, Word, and PDF formats are acceptable.

File Size Limit: 3 MB

IRS Form 990*

Please upload a PDF copy of your most recently submitted IRS Form 990.

If Form 990 from your most recent fiscal year is delayed or you have received an extension, please explain in the text space below. You may also explain if you don't have a Form 990 due to organization type. You should still upload the most recent publicly available 990.

If you file a Form 990-EZ and do not have anything to attach, please note so below.

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Most Recent Financial Statements

Upload a PDF version of your most recent financial statements. If you have audited financial statements, please upload the most recently conducted audit. If you do not have a recent audit, please explain why.

Character Limit: 1000 | File Size Limit: 5 MB

Insurance

Evidence of Insurance Coverage*

Grantees of the ARPA Nonprofit Capital Project Fund will be required to maintain appropriate insurance related to your operations and this project. PCF will determine whether this coverage is appropriate.

Please upload evidence of insurance.

If your organization does not have evidence of insurance coverage, please provide an explanation as to why.

Character Limit: 1000 | File Size Limit: 5 MB

Insurance Requirement*

If you are awarded a contract from the ARPA Nonprofit Capital Project Fund, you will be required to list Pinellas Community Foundation as an additional insured through your general liability insurance or other appropriate coverages for the duration of the contract. If you would like to check with your insurance carrier on how to do this, here is the information about PCF you will need:

Pinellas Community Foundation 17755 US Highway 19 N Suite 150 Clearwater, FL 33764 727-531-0058

Please check the box below to indicate that you understand and will be able to comply with this requirement if you are awarded a contract.

PCF will not ask for a certificate naming us as additional insured until the contracting stage.

Choices

Yes, I understand and will comply with this requirement if awarded a contract.

Post-Grant Requirements

Reporting Requirements Acknowledgment*

Grantees will be required to submit a pre-award agreement within two weeks of receiving an award notice. In addition, grantees will be required to submit monthly expenditure reports until their project is completed and their contract is closed out.

Financial information justifying all expenditures will also need to be provided. This includes but is not limited to:

- Invoices
- Canceled checks
- Credit card statements, along with a record of paying the credit card.

If you have any questions, please contact Rose Cervantes, ARPA Program Officer at rcervantes@pinellascf.org.

Choices

Yes, I agree to submit this grant agreement and impact report within the specified timeframes.

Additional Information

Additional Upload

If you have something to share, you can upload it here in PDF format.

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Anything else to share?

Is there anything else that you would like Pinellas Community Foundation to know or other information your organization would like to share that isn't addressed elsewhere in this application?