

## INNOVATION FUND

### COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GRANT APPLICATION QUESTIONS

**Please note that ALL Community Partnership Grant applications must be submitted through the Innovation Fund's online application site,** GOSA will review and award grant applications three times per year, subject to the availability of funds from the [Qualified Education Donation Tax Credit](#). GOSA will **not accept** applications submitted in any other format (mail, email, etc.) The following document provides the application questions for your reference only.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

##### 1. Applicant Information

- a. School, District, or Nonprofit Organization Name
- b. Organization Legal Name (for nonprofit organizations only)
- c. Address
- d. School District Address (if applicable and different from the address above)
- e. Superintendent (if applicable)
- f. Federal Employer ID Number
- g. Contact Name
- h. Contact Role
- i. Contact Phone
- j. Contact Email/confirm email
- k. Alternate Contact Name
- l. Alternate Contact Role
- m. Alternate Contact Email/confirm email
- n. Alternate Contact Phone

##### 2. Priority Points

If your school or district is eligible for priority points, please check which description applies to your school or district. Please note, applicants will only receive priority points for one category.

- ☐ Actively working with the Chief Turnaround Officer (+7 points)
- ☐ On the Turnaround-Eligible Schools List (+5 points)
- ☐ Rural School/District (+ 3 points)

##### 3. Project Information

- a. Project Name
- b. Brief Description of the Program You Would Like to Implement (3 – 4 sentences)
- c. Priority Area Addressed
  - ☐ Birth to Age Eight Language & Literacy
  - ☐ Coordinated Community Services
  - ☐ Elementary Mathematics Teaching & Learning

- ☐ Positive Learning Climate
- d. Community Partners
- e. Number of Students/Teachers/Leaders Your Program Will Serve
- f. Grant Amount Requested
- g. How Long is Your Project Implementation Period?
  - ☐ 1 year
  - ☐ 2 years

## **SECTION I. WHAT'S YOUR PROGRAM ?**

1. Describe your program (*300 words*). In your answer, please include the following:
  - a. A brief description of your program;
  - b. Your program's main goal(s);
  - c. The specific target population (including the demographics, grade level, characteristics, number of students/teachers/leaders) your program will serve and why you chose this group as your target population.
2. Describe the partner organization(s) that will be involved in your program and their role(s) in the implementation process. (*500 words*)
3. Describe how your proposed program aligns with the priority area you identified. (*300 words*)

*\*Please note any partner organizations listed will need to upload Statements of Commitment as part of this section.*

## **SECTION II. DO YOU REALLY NEED IT?**

1. Describe the need for your program. Include qualitative and quantitative data that are specific to your school/school district to support this need. You may upload additional data as one PDF if needed. (*500 words*)
2. How will your proposed program directly address the need described above? (*500 words*)

## **SECTION III. WHAT'S YOUR PLAN?**

1. Describe the individuals\* that will lead/facilitate the implementation process and why they are qualified to do so. (*500 words*)
2. Please complete the [Community Partnership Grant Scope of Work Chart](#).

*\*Please note that you must submit Statements of Commitment – indicating each person's responsibilities and commitment to the project – from key personnel as part of this section. You must also submit a Statement of Commitment from your organization's leadership (superintendent, principal, board chair, etc.)*

#### **SECTION IV. WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH THE GRANT FUNDING?**

1. Please complete and upload the [Community Partnership Grant Budget Template](#) indicating how you will use your funds to implement this program.
2. Please complete a budget narrative, providing a description and rationale for each of the expenses listed in the Community Partnership Mini Grant Budget Template.

#### **SECTION V. HOW WILL YOU EVALUATE IT?**

1. List 2-4 program goals. Your goals should be specific, measurable, attainable/ambitious, relevant, and time-based (SMART).
2. Describe how you will measure your progress towards these SMART goals,\* including:
  - a. The data you will collect throughout the implementation process (Milestones scores, student satisfaction ratings, etc.)
  - b. The data collection methods will you use to obtain the data listed above (ex: test score analysis, student focus groups, etc.)
  - c. The timeframe in which you will collect and analyze these data; and
  - d. The person(s) responsible for collecting and analyzing these data.

*\*As part of your answer, please complete and upload the [Community Partnership Grant Evaluation Template](#).*