

**NEIGHBORHOOD ACTIVATION FUND APPLICATION**

**Statutory Eligible Use:** Program responds to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts.  
**Expenditure Category:** 2.10 Aid to Nonprofit Organizations

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**Organization Legal Name:**

(If not previously contracted with City within the past 5 years, submit Certificate of Continued Existence.)

<b>EIN:</b>	<b>Nonprofit Organization Type:</b>	Neighborhood Community Council Neighborhood Business Association Community Development Corporation Other Neighborhood Organization
<b>Neighborhood(s) of Principal Activity:</b>		

**Persons authorized to handle funds for the organization:** (Attach account resolution for person authorized to handle funds.)

**Contact person for application:**

**Contact Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposal for Use of Funds Information**

**\*Amount Requested:** \_\_\_\_\_ \*Requests are capped at \$10,000 for this part of the program.

**Select one reporting outcome for eligible activity:**

- Non-profit Organization: Supporting neighborhoods through summer youth programs.
- Non-profit Organization: Supporting neighborhoods through community events.
- Non-profit Organization: Supporting neighborhoods through public performances.
- Non-profit Organization: Supporting neighborhoods through education or enrichment programs.
- Non-profit Organization: Addressing challenges in covering payroll, mortgages or rent and other operating costs of the organization due to the Covid-19 public health emergency and measures taken to contain the spread of the virus.

**Describe the pandemic’s impact on the Non-Profit Organization, its neighborhood of activity, and how the use of funds will alleviate the issues created by the Covid-19 public health emergency within the organization and its neighborhood(s) of service.**

**Please provide a timeline and milestones for the use of funds.**

## NEIGHBORHOOD ACTIVATION FUND PARAMETERS

- Eligible applicants will consist of community councils, community business associations, community development corporations, and other neighborhood serving not-for-profit entities.
- Preference will be given to recognized community councils, recognized business associations, and recognized community development corporations until the end of the year.
  - Recognized community councils are those that have participated in the Neighborhood Support Program within the past five years (2015-2020).
  - Recognized business associations are non-profits that are separate and distinct from their community council and have participated in the Neighborhood Business District Support fund within the past five years (2015-2020).
  - Recognized community development corporations are those that have received operating support from the City of Cincinnati through Homebase, within the past five years (2015-2020).
- Applications from other neighborhood serving non-profits will be determined on funding availability after initial requests from community councils, business associations, and community development corporations. This is anticipated to be December of 2021.
  - These applicants must be within the City of Cincinnati and must be from the community(ies) with which they are working and demonstrate connectedness to that community.
  - These applicants must indicate the neighborhoods that they serve. Letters of support from other community groups are helpful to demonstrate community support.
- Applicants will be requested to demonstrate their capacity to support the requested initiative, that will bring activity and vibrancy back to their community, which felt the negative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Only one proposal may be submitted by an eligible non-profit organization within this portion of the fund.
  - Ex: a community council cannot also request funding as a business association, even if they serve in that role for their neighborhood.
  - Eligible community groups are encouraged to coordinate activities within their neighborhood and adjacent neighborhoods.
- Awardees will have one year to expend the grant fund and submit a full report on the grant activities with detailed expenditures.
- Applications will be reviewed by the City and forwarded to the City's third-party administrator for processing.
- The contract for funds will be between the applicant and the City's third-party administrator.
  - The City is working with Invest in Neighborhoods for a contract to serve as the third-party administrator.
- The City expects contract executions to occur this summer, with final expenditure reports due no later than September of 2022.
- As the City receives updated guidance from the Department of Treasury on the use of funds, it will update this program accordingly.