



United Way of Summit & Medina

FAQS: LETTER OF INTENT – FUNDING CYCLE 2023

- 1. What are some examples of supporting United Way of Summit & Medina’s DEI work?**
 - a. Here are some examples that might be helpful:
 - Involvement in DEI workshops and training for staff and board members (i.e. Implicit Bias, Bridges Out of Poverty, Intercultural Development, etc.)
 - Interest and recruitment of board diversity (organizations who are connected to Leadership Akron’s Diversity on Board, organizations who have healthy represented mix of gender, race, and age diversity at the board level)
 - Targeted programs and services in historically marginalized communities of color (also- zip code, gender, sex, sexual orientation, racial/ethnic data that represent inequities within Basic Needs, Education, Financial Stability, and Health)
 - Connections and services provided to designated neighborhoods and clusters in vicinity of our current Family Resource Centers or actually provided within our Family Resource Centers
 - Sharing, convening, and inquiring of best practices related to DEI at the local (staff recruitment and retention, board services, organizational culture, policy & advocacy, etc.)
- 2. In the past, our organization has applied for funding for three different programs. Should we complete three separate letters from three separate accounts?**
 - a. We are only accepting one LOI per organization. In your application you will need to show how the program(s) that you are requesting funding for fit in with our ecosystem and funding priorities.
- 3. What kind of financial audit will be required to request funds?**
 - a. We are only requiring agencies to submit a 990.
- 4. What does tracking/reporting data through the United Way of Summit & Medina’s database system entail and what is required?**
 - a. We are currently evaluating which system we use which interacts with our client information. As we determine this, a requirement we have is around confidentiality. Even as we detail this out, there will likely be a client consent form as well. We understand we may have agencies that are funded in healthcare, so the plan would be for it to be HIPAA compliant.
- 5. Are you still funding basic needs?**
 - a. Basic Needs is still a category that we are funding for 2023. We are interested in seeing applications that show how funding your agency’s program for basic needs fits within our ecosystem or impacts our priority areas. On the LOI page we have a short video from Jim on the ecosystem and also a graphic that further highlights the ecosystem. Here is the link to the LOI page <https://www.uwsummitmedina.org/letter-of-intent-2023/>



6. Does my program fit within one of the priority areas?

- a. The priorities are meant to help organizations focus on specific areas but are not meant to limit the full scope of work being proposed.