



## **COMMUNITY IMPACT:**

### **Imagining Multidisciplinary Pathways to Assist, Care & Thrive**

#### **Invitation for Community-Based Organizations to Apply for Subawards in Support of Field-Generated Community-Based Projects to Support Victims of Hate Crime and Strengthen Communities**

Optional Informational Webinar	Deadline to Register Intent to Apply	Deadline to Submit Application
June 1, 2022	June 8, 2022	June 17, 2022
<a href="http://www.CommunityImpactSites.org">www.CommunityImpactSites.org</a> <a href="mailto:CommunityImpact@FuturesWithoutViolence.org">CommunityImpact@FuturesWithoutViolence.org</a>		

Through a cooperative agreement with the Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), Futures Without Violence (FUTURES), seeks to strengthen the capacity of communities to better serve and support victims of hate crime. FUTURES invites applications from community-based organizations to implement field-generated projects to serve and support victims of hate crime in the communities that they serve, thereby promoting awareness, healing, reconciliation, service access and/or resource development.

FUTURES will review submitted applications and select twelve community-based organizations to receive subawards between \$50,000 - \$125,000 to support field-generated projects to respond to hate crimes in their communities. The selected sites will be known as Community IMPACT sites. As part of this effort, FUTURES will facilitate educational sessions, information exchanges, and provide technical assistance to all Community IMPACT sites.

## **Eligible Applicants**

FUTURES welcomes applications from all eligible community-based organizations. Eligible community-based organizations include:

- Native American tribal organizations (other than Federally recognized tribal governments);
- Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education;
- Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education; and
- Small businesses.

Eligible community-based organizations may optionally propose projects that seek to partner other organization(s). In the case of partnership proposals, only one eligible community-based organization should apply as lead applicant.

Such organizations may include, but are not limited to, organizations and agencies that support victims and communities impacted by hate crime. Community-based organizations should be members of the communities they plan to serve.

## **Definition of Hate Crime**

For the purposes of this subaward, the term “hate crime,” as defined in the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, Pub. L. 103-322, 108 Stat. 2096, “means a crime in which the defendant intentionally selects a victim, or in the case of a property crime, the property that is the object of the crime, because of the actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, or sexual orientation of any person.”

## **Scope of Proposed Projects**

FUTURES will select field-generated community-based projects that are responsive to individuals and groups most often targeted/impacted for hate crime due to race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, perceived immigration status, ancestry, religion, and age.

FUTURES encourages community based, innovative approaches and/or strategies to address hate crimes in the targeted communities. Those efforts would ultimately lead to increased awareness, healing, reconciliation, and/or increased access to available services/resources.

### **Subaward Information**

FUTURES and OVC will review proposals and select twelve community-based organizations to become “Community IMPACT Sites.” Each site will receive a subaward between \$50,000 - \$125,000 in total costs support of its proposed field-generated community-based project. Sites can use funding to create new projects – or expand/enhance existing projects – dedicated to addressing hate crimes in their communities.

Subawards are for a 12-18 month period. The project period is expected to start on or before October 1, 2022.

### **Requirements/Expectations**

Subaward recipients will be required to participate in a “learning community” with representatives from other sites. Sites will meet virtually approximately every six weeks, and – at least on one occasion – will meet in person (if public health regulations permit).

Subaward recipients will also be required to collect and maintain data that measures the performance and effectiveness of work under this subaward.

FUTURES will provide technical assistance to Community IMPACT sites to help ensure the success of each site’s local project, including data collection. FUTURES will also track and compile information from selected community-based organizations about their experiences in implementing proposed field-generated projects, and use this information to inform a summary report of replicable strategies, approaches, and models.

## Optional Informational Webinar

FUTURES will present an optional informational webinar on **Wednesday, June 1, 2022, from 1:00 – 2:00 pm Eastern** to share details about the application and selection process, eligibility, and deadlines.

Visit [www.CommunityImpactSites.org/informational-webinar](http://www.CommunityImpactSites.org/informational-webinar) to register for the informational webinar.

## Application Process

- Community-based organizations that intend to apply for a subaward are requested to register their intent **by 11:59pm (Eastern) on Wednesday, June 8, 2022.**

Visit [www.CommunityImpactSites.org/register](http://www.CommunityImpactSites.org/register) to register intent to apply.

Interested applicants who learn about this opportunity after the deadline to register intent are encouraged to inform Community IMPACT of their interest by e-mailing [CommunityImpact@FuturesWithoutViolence.org](mailto:CommunityImpact@FuturesWithoutViolence.org).

- Applicants must submit a written proposal addressing the elements described below **by 11:59pm (Eastern) on Friday, June 17, 2022.** The proposal should not exceed 10 pages, double spaced, excluding attachments.
- To submit the proposal, applicants should either:
  - Upload the proposal at [www.CommunityImpactSites.org/apply](http://www.CommunityImpactSites.org/apply); or
  - Email the proposal to [CommunityImpact@FuturesWithoutViolence.org](mailto:CommunityImpact@FuturesWithoutViolence.org). Please use the subject line “Application for Community IMPACT Subaward Funding.”

## Accommodations

Please contact FUTURES if any accommodations are needed to complete an application. For instance, applicants may submit a proposal in the language of their

choice, if desired. FUTURES staff will be available to assist applicants with submissions.

## **Application Elements**

Please include the following information in the written proposal:

- About the Applicant
  - Background of the community-based organization, which may include mission and core values statements (if available), and the history of service and support rendered to the organization's community;
  - History of working with victims of hate crimes, if applicable. Applicants are not required to have previously served victims and communities impacted by hate crime to be eligible for a subaward;
  - Description of the community the applicant serves, including information about historically marginalized or underserved groups that reside within the community;
  - Description of any history of collaboration with other organizations in the community, and the applicant's relationship with its community generally;
  - Information about how hate crime has impacted individuals and/or groups in the community the applicant serves;
  - Description of any past federal grant/subaward management experience.
  
- Project Proposal
  - Project goals;
  - Project rationale;

- How the project will support victims of hate crime and strengthen response efforts in the community the applicant serves;
  - Description of the individuals and/or groups most often targeted/impacted for hate crime that the proposed project will focus on, if applicable;
  - Description of project activities;
  - List of key staff, including any potential partners if applicable, who will work on the project, and a brief (2-3 sentences) biographical summary for each;
  - Resumes for each key staff, as an attachment.
- Project Budget
    - Submit a detailed budget that demonstrates the total amount the applicant needs to accomplish the goals of the proposed project,
      - Note: Community Impact subawards will range between \$50,000 - \$125,000 in total costs. Applicants are to determine the amount to be requested based on their proposed projects.
    - Feel free to consult this sample budget overview resource:  
<https://www.nonprofitworks.com/resources/>
- Optional Letter of Support
    - Applicants may attach a letter of support from a community leader, other community-based organization, or community member who can speak to the applicant's impact, reputation, and presence in the community it serves.

## **Selection Process**

A diverse multi-disciplinary committee will review and assess applications for:

- Subaward eligibility;
- Capacity to implement the project;
- Need for the project (i.e., how hate crime has impacted individuals, groups, and the community served by the applicant);
- Potential impact of the project (i.e., innovative approaches; creativity; targeting underserved and marginalized areas);
- Whether the proposed budget aligns with the proposed project activities;
- Qualifications and experiences of key individuals who will work on the project.

## **Contact Information**

Please contact us with any questions, need for assistance with the application process, or concerns at [CommunityImpact@FuturesWithoutViolence.org](mailto:CommunityImpact@FuturesWithoutViolence.org).