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## Frequently Asked Questions about the 2025 Impact Grant RFP

In this document we are collecting and sharing responses to frequently asked questions about the RFP for Impact Grants. This will be updated at least once per week. If you have questions about our answers or would like more clarity, we encourage you to contact us for a 1:1 conversation. [impact@uwdc.org](mailto:impact@uwdc.org)

**1) Can our organization apply for both an Impact Grant and be a part of a Collective Impact Partnership with United Way of Dane County?**

Yes.

**2) Can our organization apply if we are currently applying for our 501c3?**

Yes, you can apply, and depending on where you are in the process, you will need to have a fiscal agent identified. For example, if you did not have 501c3 status before January, then we would need a fiscal agent identified to pay until the 501c3 was approved. Then you can note that you are applying in the box for the “fiscal agent identification”.

**3) How does our organization apply for Women and Wealth strategies if we are an LLC?**

Check the box that you are not a 501c3 and then in the box below where it asks to identify fiscal agent, note your LLC status.

**4) Collaborative application question: can we apply as a collaborative and our own agency?**

Yes.

**5) Who is included in BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color)?**

Any person or group that does not identify as white.

**6) Can our organization be in multiple “funding umbrellas”?**

Yes, your organization can receive an investment grant from us. The restriction exists for participation and listing with the public sector campaigns (State Employees Combined Campaign, or SECC) to participate in that funding opportunity, you can only be listed under one umbrella organization. Please scroll down to the bottom of the **How We Invest Page** for more information: [How We Invest | United Way of Dane County \(unitedwaydanecounty.org\)](https://www.unitedwaydanecounty.org)

**7) Can our organization apply for different funding for year 1 and year 2?**

We do not have a process to apply for different funding for year 1 and year 2. Therefore, we recommend that you ask for what you want in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year (or the

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greater amount of the two) for both years and if you have unspent funds or want to change the allocation of those funds you can work with UWDC staff.

**8) Where can I find the categories you'll be rating our application on? The "rubric"?**

Points values for rating applications are found in page 7 and 8 of the PDF of the Impact Grant RFP.

**9) How do we submit a collaborative application?**

It depends on the specific project, roles and types of collaborations. We do not fund an organization to "pass through" or subcontract funding to another organization, even as part of a collaboration.

We recommend that you name the collaborative partners and identify all partners and roles in the application under Question #21 in the Application: Describe how you partner/collaborate with others in the community. What partners and/or collaborations do you work with, if any, in the community to support families' goals? *For example: other nonprofits, school districts, mental health professionals, healthcare community, higher education. We do not consider making referrals alone to other organizations to be a partnership, unless you are following up on the connection made. We are looking for concrete examples of collaborations working to holistically meet families' needs for well-being.*

We also recommend that you outline how UWDC funding will be used to support the collaboration and how it will be adjusted based on the actual award amount.

**10) Does capacity building include rent or upgrading space?**

Capacity building for this grant does not include rent, capital campaigns or upgrading space/facilities. The investments must be directly related to improving service delivery for participants. While we appreciate the need for rent or upgrading space to serve participants, we have limited funds available and proposals for that purpose are outside of our focused intent.

**11) Where can I see the Women and Wealth Strategies you mention in the RFP document?**

Here is the direct link to the Women and Wealth Impact Strategies. We have updated the RFP to now include more detail and a direct link to those strategies as of 5/1/24. Please use the updated version.

<https://www.unitedwaydanecounty.org/impact-reports/>