



COVID-19 American Rescue Plan Program

2022 Federal Grant Application

FAQ

Background

In 2021, [Ujima](#): The National Center on Violence Against Women in the Black Community (Ujima) received American Rescue Plan funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to enhance services for Black victims and survivors of domestic violence; increase access for culturally specific programs serving the Black community; and address systemic barriers that resulted in the Black community being disparately impacted by the COVID-19 public health and economic crisis. With this funding, Ujima will launch a Culturally Specific Grant Program designed to provide \$5.2 million to community-based culturally specific organizations providing direct services to Black survivors.

Ujima anticipates funding approximately 17 organizations across the United States with a grant amount ranging from \$25,000 - \$175,000.

Getting Started

Q: Is my organization eligible for funding?

A: All grant seekers must meet the minimum criteria to be eligible for funding through Ujima's competitive grant process, which includes:

- Possess a legally registered EIN number
- Be registered in your state
- Demonstrate the necessary required experience for technical capacity
- Have a prohibition against program fees
- Include a conflict of interest certification

****Please note that your organization is not required to have 501(c) (3) status to be eligible for funding. However, additional requirements will apply. Please see the funding announcement for detailed information.**

See this link ([click here](#)) to review the full list of applicant criteria.

Q: What is the application and funding timeline?

A: See below for important dates to know. Some dates may be subject to change.

September 7 & 9: Information Session

September 30: Video and Complete Application Due

October 7-October 21: Application Review

October 21-November 4: Award Notification

TBD: Grant Orientation

The Application

Q: Do I have to submit the full application at once in order to be eligible for funding?

A: Yes. **** Note:** You are able to save the application as a working document; however, the application is required to be submitted all at once. ******

Q: What constitutes a completed application?

A: Your application will be submitted in two parts: detailed application and video presentation. You'll provide your application details digitally using online forms, which will be provided. The detailed portion of your application will include all required grant information as listed below. Learn more about these requirements and how to submit your application details by using this link ([click here](#)).

1. Video
2. Cover Letter/Page
3. Table of Contents
4. PART A: Program Narrative
5. PART B: Program Timeline
6. PART C: Budget and Budget Narrative
7. Appendices – All required Attachments or Appendices

Q: What does the video presentation consist of?

A: The consolidated video component of the application is your opportunity to be creative! Show us who you are and what your program means to the survivors you serve. This is a fun and unique way for the grant review team to get to see your personality, understand your program approach, and hear directly from you.

****Note:** Your consolidated video must not exceed 10 minutes in length.**

Q: How do I create the video presentation?

A: Below are helpful video recording tips:

- Any video recording device is acceptable, including cell phones.
- Please use YouTube to record your video. You will submit the video recording link via an online form.
- Before recording, consider what you are going to present and how much time will be needed.
- Turn the recording device horizontal.
- Try to have ample light in the area where you are recording and test the audio prior to recording.
- After you've recorded, have someone test opening and reviewing your video before submitting the final version.
- If you need assistance with submitting your video, please reach out to applications@ujimacommunity.org.

Q: What are the grant amounts that are available?

A: Grants will be between \$25,000 - \$175,000.

Q: Will Ujima follow up if my grant application needs clarification?

A: Yes, we will follow up as needed. We suggest that you ask someone to review your application before submission.

Q: Can I meet with Ujima before applying?

A: Your video presentation and application will serve as an introduction and summary of your project. Please feel free to visit our website to learn more about us at www.ujimacommunity.org.

Finance and Budget

Q: What financial information is needed?

A: **Completed application packages must include a budget, detailed budget narrative, and required financial documents.** See the funding announcement for further details ([click here](#)).

Troubleshooting

Q: Who should I contact if I have questions or need help?

A: Please email any questions to: applications@ujimacommunity.org.