



2026 Community Grants Program

Information Session via Zoom
January 16, 2026



Welcome

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- Community Grants Program Overview
- Application process
- Questions and Answers

Poll: In what part of WA State do you work?



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Community Grants Program Overview

Since 2014, Fred Hutch has awarded over 68 grants to community-based organizations and Tribes in Washington State.

Community Grants Program: Purpose

1. Support community-led solutions that address cancer.
2. Develop and nurture strong collaborative relationships between the Consortium and Washington communities and Tribes.
3. Build capacity and enhance abilities to develop, implement, and evaluate sustainable programs

Addressing Cancer Related Health Needs



Health care is not experienced the same way across the state and many communities shoulder different and often more difficult burdens when dealing with a cancer diagnosis.



Differences in outcomes



Populations with significant variation compared to regional averages

Identifying Focus Areas



2025

Community Health Assessment



2025-2028

Community Benefit Implementation Plan



Project Focus Areas

Access to Care:

Improving pathways, reducing barriers, and making health services more reachable.

Socio-economic Drivers of Health:

Addressing root social and economic factors that affect health outcomes like housing, income, transportation, and education.

Prevention and Screening:

Enhancing early detection and health education around cancer prevention through culturally appropriate outreach.

Additional Considerations

Priority Populations:

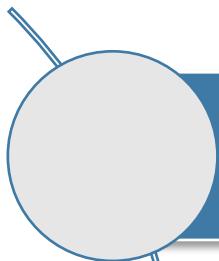
Those whose cancer rates, outcomes, or barriers to care significantly vary compared with regional averages.

- > American Indian/Alaska Native
- > Black /African descent
- > Rural communities and counties

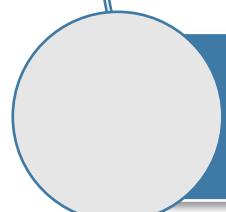
Other Population:

At least once project will be funded that focuses on K-12 or undergraduate students and/or their teachers/faculty.

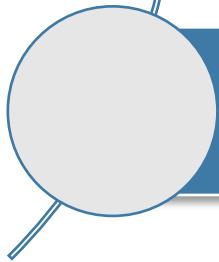
Objectives



Address a significant cancer related health need within the community



Implement a project to address the identified need



Maintain collaborative activities with key partners

Eligibility Criteria

- Community-based organizations, non-profit, 501(c)3 organizations, and Tribes located in Washington State are eligible to apply.
- Services must benefit WA residents.
- Applicants should have experience working with underserved communities.
- Organizations that received funding 2 years in a row are ineligible to apply this year.



Funding Collaboration



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Office of Community Outreach and Engagement (OCOE) combines funding with the Fred Hutch Community Benefit Program.

Additional funding provided by the Science Education Outreach Program.

Funding

One year project period

(April 1, 2026 –
March 31, 2027)

Projects may ask for up to \$15,000 total costs

Indirect costs should be included as part of the TOTAL budget

Grantees invoice for 85% of awarded grant by March 31, 2026

Key Dates

February 13

- Last day to sign up for office hours

February 27

- Submission deadline

March 1-15

- Application review period

March 16

- Funding decisions sent out

4/1/26 – 3/31/27

- Project period for awardees

2026 Community Grant RFA & Application

**Poll: How much experience do you have
writing grant applications?**

Cover Letter

A request for the grant,
including:

- project title
- project lead name
- amount requested
- collaborators (if any)

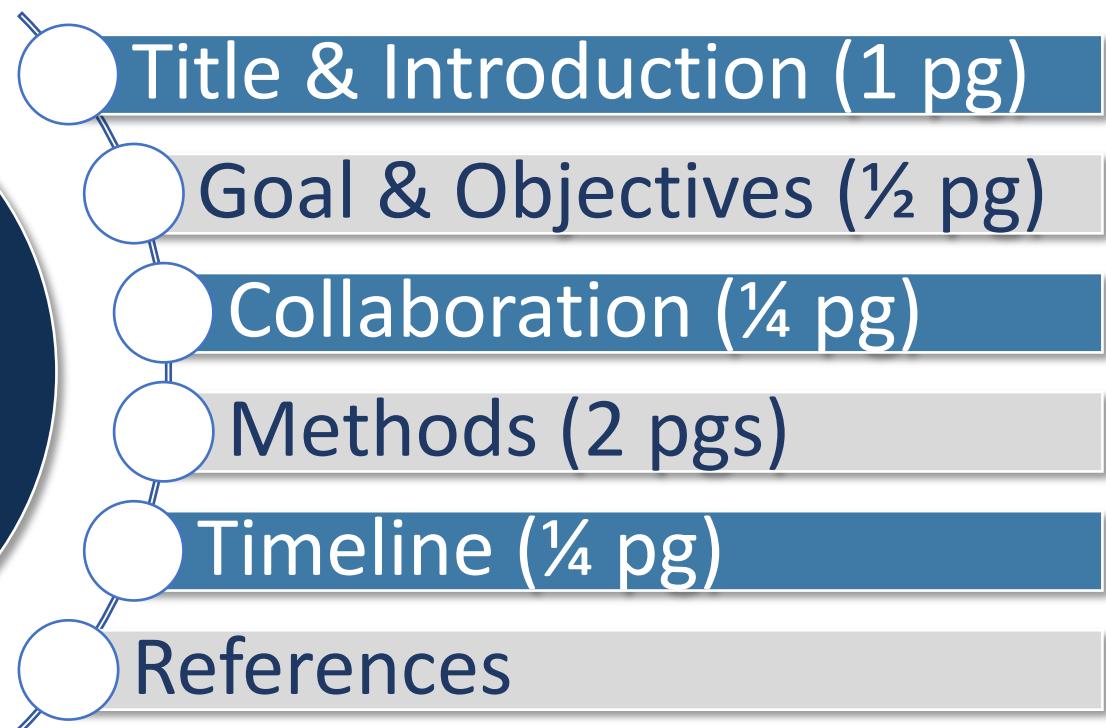


Organization Summary – 1 page

Let us know
who you are,
and your
organizational
capacity
related to the
grant topic.



Project Proposal (4 pages max)



Project Proposal – Goal and Objectives

What is your project goal?

What are the specific objectives
that will support the goal?

A project should have **1 goal**, and **no more than 3** objectives.

- Consider who will be responsible for each objective
- Share data on how many in your community may be served by the completion of this project

Project Proposal – Goals and Objectives



SMART Goal Examples Objectives

Goal: By April 2027, increase number of patients served by Storm Transportation Service from 50 to 100 people.

Goal: By April 2027 increase the percentage of patients at Aces Cancer Care Services with abnormal findings referred to appropriate follow up care from 60% to 100%.

- **Obj 1:** Advertise about availability of service at community centers.
- **Obj 2:** Educate social work about how to make referrals for patient who transportation.
- **Obj 3:** Provide transportation to and from medical appointments.

- **Obj 1:** Educate staff on need for proper referrals.
- **Obj 2:** Implement audit system to ensure there are no missed referrals.
- **Obj 3:** Update EHR to include reminder prompt to make referrals.

Project Proposal – Methods

Setting

- Where will the program take place?
- Who will it serve?

Engagement

- How will you identify and engage people to participate?

Design

- How will the project be implemented?

Evaluation

- How will you evaluate your project?
- How will this be communicated?

Project Outcomes

- Measurable, dissemination, sustainability

Project Proposal – Example Timeline

Project Proposal – References

Be sure to cite
the sources for
any literature you
use in your
proposal



Budget

Allowable costs

- Personnel costs
- Supplies
- Travel
- Additional costs associated with the conduct of the project should be justified.
- Associated costs to be covered by the organization, another grant, or provided in-kind by community partners should be delineated as such.

Non-allowable costs

- Individual patient care
- Core programming
- Activities being supported by another grant
- Budget deficits or debt reduction
- Contributions to fundraising events/campaigns/drives, etc.
- Political campaigns or lobbying
- New construction or renovations or purchase of land or buildings

Example Budget

ITEM	JUSTIFICATION	COST	UNITS	AMOUNT
PERSONNEL				\$3,450.00
Augustus Maywho Program Manager	Will oversee grant and make sure work is completed and deliverables are met. Oversees work of health educator.	\$40	30	\$1,200.00
Martha May Community Health Educator	Will implement CRC screening campaign.	\$30	75	\$2,250.00
MARKETING				\$400.00
Flyers	Printing of color flyers to promote CRC screening.	\$1.00	100	\$100.00
Advertising	Social media ads to reach target audience.	\$150	2	\$300.00
POSTAGE / SHIPPING				\$1,600.00
Mailers	Postage cost for shipping FIT Kits and SASE envelope for return.	\$8	200	\$1,600.00
MATERIALS/SUPPLIES				\$6,700.00
Packaging for mailers	Cost of bubble wrap packaging to send out FIT Kits.	\$5	200	\$1,000.00
OTHER				\$2,850.00
Translation	Translation of project materials	\$30	20	\$600.00
Indirect costs	Facilities & Administrative cost (15%)			\$2,250.00
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED				\$15,000.00

Optional: Application Advising Office Hours

Benefits of attending a 30-minute slot during office hours include, but are not limited to the following:

- Forming SMART goal and objectives
- Adapting an evidence-informed/based intervention
- Developing a data-driven evaluation plan
- Community and academic relationship building
- If you would like to attend office hours, please email enddisparities@fredhutch.org by **February 13th, 2026**.
- To make best use of time, bring short description of your project, draft goal and objectives to office hours.

Community Partnership



Letters of Support

Collaborations with external partners should include a Letter of Support (LOS) stating their contribution and commitment to your project.

Letters of support should:

- Be written from the point of view of your partner
- Be printed on partner's institutional letter head and signed by the partner
- Be addressed to the project lead of the proposal or to Fred Hutch Cancer Center

General Requirements

Arial font size 11

Keep proposal to
4 pages

Complete application packages
must be submitted in the InfoReady
portal by Friday, Feb 27, 2026 at
12:00PM PST

InfoReady Portal

1. Go to the Funding Portal:
<https://fredhutch.infoready4.com/#freeformCompetitionDetail/2002003>
2. Click “Submit Application”



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[PDF](#)[Details](#) [Submit Application](#)

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Dates and Timeline



Internal Submission Deadline: Friday, February 27, 2026 at 12:00 pm

[ADD TO CALENDAR](#)

InfoReady Portal

Register for an account (first time logging in)

Complete all required fields (contact info, etc.)

Select “External Organization”

Upload your grant files separately:

- Cover Letter
- Organization Summary
- Project Proposal
- Budget
- Letters of Support (optional)

Save a draft or submit!

Login for Other Users

If you have an account, but aren't part of Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center, enter your email address and password below to log in.

Email Address:

Password:

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Remember Me

Log In

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Who reviews the applications?



All complete applications will be reviewed by a peer review panel consisting of community partners/members and Cancer Consortium members.

Review Criteria

Significance (30%)

- What you wrote in your Introduction and the Goals & Objectives sections.
- Does the program address the needs identified?

Project Team & Approach (50%)

- What you wrote in your Collaboration and Methods sections.
- Is the project well planned?
- Does the project have a documented plan to evaluate program impact?
- Is the budget appropriate and realistic?

Overall Impact (20%)

- Will the project have an impact on the population selected?
- Does it serve as a pilot to establish knowledge for a larger project or grant?
- Are partnerships likely to be sustained after the project ends?

Contact

If you have any questions or inquiries while you are working on the application, please contact us at EndDisparities@FredHutch.org

Questions?

**Poll: How likely are you to
apply for a community grant this year?**