

# **REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)**

For

Community Benefit Initiative Reinvestments (CBIR)

**Continuing Current Projects** 

**PROPOSALS DUE:** 

August 29, 2025, by 12pm PT

for Jan 2026 – Dec 2026 funding cycle

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# 1. Application Information

#### 1.1. Deadline:

1. **August 29, 2025, by 12pm PT** for Feb 2025 – Jan 2026 projects

All grant applications must be submitted through Smartsheet, a HIPAA compliant platform, at <a href="https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/8cd18149462149c2b4245b7007d8f3e1">https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/8cd18149462149c2b4245b7007d8f3e1</a> or via the QR code.

EOCCO will not accept or review applications submitted via email.

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# 1.2 Background

EOCCO is pleased to announce the availability of funds to support innovative projects that address priority health needs in Eastern Oregon communities. The Continuing Current Projects (CCP) fund offers an opportunity for 2025 CBIR-funded EOCCO projects to receive additional support to extend their impact. Priority will be given to projects that address one or more incentive measures the county is struggling to meet and that do not duplicate existing Opt-In opportunities.

Opt-In opportunities are available at <a href="https://www.eocco.com/providers/grants">https://www.eocco.com/providers/grants</a>.

# 1.3 Project Areas

# **Continuing Current Projects**

Funding is available for organizations continuing successful 2025 CBIR EOCCO projects. Applicants must show clear evidence of impact (quantitative and qualitative) and ensure projects are distinct from Opt-In areas and other 2025 proposals, both programmatically and financially. A sustainability plan is required. Funding is not available for THW or CHW trainings—contact THW@eocco.com for EOCCO-sponsored training opportunities.

Project	Funding Amount Available Per Grantee
Continuing Current Projects	Up to \$20,000

# 1.4 Eligibility and Application Requirements

- **Applicants:** Eligible applicants include any organization who was selected for CBIR funding in 2024 or 2025 and can demonstrate successful outcomes that were attributed to the project.
- Population: Preference will be given to projects that primarily benefit EOCCO members. If the proposal aims to target a specific age group, members in a certain geographic area, or other characteristics, those should be clearly defined.

<u>REALD/GI</u>: Projects that collect personally identifiable demographics information, e.g., name, date of birth, age, gender, race/ethnicity, will need to collect REALD/GI information. If awarded funding, your grant funding contract will provide details on how to report REALD/GI information on the EOCCO members your project served at the end of your grant funding period. If your organization currently has a process in place for collecting

this information, that may be used. A sample form is included in the **Appendix A REALD/GI Demographics Survey Questions** for those who do not have a data collection process in place.

- Outcomes Measurement: Proposals must define how progress towards the goals will be measured. All
  proposals <u>must</u> demonstrate the ability to quantify and/or track the number of EOCCO and non-EOCCO
  members impacted by the project. Please utilize the Outcomes Data Table template provided within this
  application. Contact <u>EOCCOGrants@eocco.com</u> for assistance populating the Data Table.
- Proposals: Proposals that substantially overlap in purpose and budget will not be considered for funding. A
  committee appointed by the EOCCO Board will make the final funding decisions, subject to Board approval.
- **Budget**: Proposals must define how funds will be spent on their projects.

#### Recommendations

- Contact <u>EOCCOGrants@eocco.com</u> for <u>1-on-1 technical assistance</u> to assist you in completing the Budget Table template provided within this application.
- Budgets will be more likely to be funded if the personnel and supervisory staff budget is low in comparison to the rest of the budget.
- o Include specific, detailed line items (for example, avoid "\$30,000 for staff"). Vague or incomplete budget tables will not be considered and may be returned for revision.

#### **Requirements -** Budgets <u>cannot</u> include these items:

- Medicaid-covered services.
- Indirect administrative costs cannot be requested for equipment or supply costs and are capped at 10% of other allowed costs.
- o Items or activities fully funded from another source.
- Staff positions funded by this project should not be primarily administrative. However, grant funds can be used to establish new roles within a community that are substantially devoted to improving the health and health care of EOCCO members.
- Generally, funds will not be provided for individual provider, Community Health Worker (CHW), or Traditional Health Worker (THW) trainings. Please contact <u>THW@eocco.com</u> if interested in learning about EOCCO sponsored training opportunities dedicated to CHW and THW trainings. Proposals requesting training intended to assist communities achieve CHIP plan priorities, health equity, healthcare interpreter, and incentive measure targets will be considered. Please contact <u>EOCCOGrants@eocco.com</u> if you would like to discuss specific training opportunities you are considering in your proposal.
- Current Projects grantees will be required to request decreasing amounts of funds over time and will not be awarded beyond three grant cycles. Expenses that have been reported separately, such as healthrelated services (HRS) or in lieu of services (ILOS)
- Proposals cannot include requests for capital construction, building renovations, or major non-medical
  equipment like vehicles. Proposals cannot include expanding SDOH services like food, housing, and
  transportation. If your organization would like to apply for funding to cover these items, please apply
  through the Supporting Health for All through Reinvestments (SHARE) application found here:
  <a href="https://www.eocco.com/providers/grants">https://www.eocco.com/providers/grants</a>
- Any covered services or benefits in Oregon's <u>Substance Use Disorder (SUD) waiver</u> (housing or employment supports for eligible members) or <u>1115 Medicaid waiver</u>, including Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) covered services and <u>Community Capacity-Building Funds (CCBF)</u> for eligible members

(beginning in 2024).

- **Sustainability:** Projects must provide a comprehensive and robust plan for sustainability beyond the end of the proposed grant period.
- **Financial Information:** Proposals must include one of the approved documents of good financial standing. See approved document types in Section 2.5.
- **Community Involvement:** Priority will be given to projects that demonstrate documented support from community partners. See **Appendix B: Letter of Commitment Template**.

# **1.5 Application Process**

• **Technical Assistance:** The EOCCO Grants Team is available to answer questions about the application process and to provide feedback on your project design. Applicants are <u>required</u> to obtain free technical assistance as they develop their proposal. Technical assistance will improve the quality of the applications and the likelihood of being selected for funding.

Applicants that do not receive technical assistance are automatically NOT considered. You must receive technical assistance to apply.

The following Technical Assistance webinars are scheduled to learn more about this RFA and answer general questions. *Please contact* **EOCCOGrants@eocco.com for 1-on-1 technical assistance.** 

- Monday, July 14 at 12-1pm PST | Register here
- Wednesday, July 30 at 12-1pm PST | Register here
- Thursday, August 14 at 12-1pm PST | Register here
- **Application Forms:** Please follow the directions in this Request for Applications (RFA). Applications should include the following:
  - Application Coversheet
  - Project Narrative
    - Application Questions for All Projects
    - Continuing Current Projects Questions
  - Outcomes Data and Budget Tables
  - Financial Information
  - Letters of Commitment (if any)
- Submission: Submit your application at
   <a href="https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/8cd18149462149c2b4245b7007d8f3e1">https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/8cd18149462149c2b4245b7007d8f3e1</a> by 12pm PDT on August 29, 2025.
  Please organize your application in the following manner:
  - Single consolidated PDF: Application Coversheet, Project Narrative, Financial Information and Letters of Commitment
  - Single Excel file: Outcomes Measurement Data Table and Budget Table (template provided below in application)

**Note:** The EOCCO Grants Team will confirm application submission within two weeks, via Smartsheet, as Eastern Oregon CCO via Smartsheet.

• **Funding Decision:** A committee appointed by the EOCCO Board will make final funding decisions, subject to approval by the EOCCO Board.

#### • Timeline:

- o Application deadline 12pm PDT on August 29, 2025
  - Award notification by December 2025
- Project cycle January 2026 December 2026

# 2. Community Benefit Initiative Reinvestments Application: Continuing Current Projects

# 2.1 Application Coversheet

Legal	Name of Applicant C	Organization:		
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	Title:			
	Organization:			
	Address:			
	Phone Number:		Email:	
	Has your organizatio	n submitted a grant applic	ation before? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
Name	_	ceive and Manage Funds:		
	Address:			
	Name of Employee N	Nanaging Funds:		
	Phone Number:		Email:	
Projec	t Title:			
Do yo	u intend to collect per	sonally identifiable demo	graphic data for the clients served l	by this project?
□ Yes	□ No	☐ Unsure		
Projec	t Summary (3-8 senter	nces)		

Total Amount Requested (\$20,000 limit for Continu	ing Current Proje	ojects): \$
Is your organization open to partial funding?	? □ Yes	□ No
•	•	rtial funding will be considered for projects that CO's sole discretion, based on the line items provided in
Signatures:		
I hereby certify that this proposal is fully approved be contained in this application are true and complete to condition of the grant the obligation to comply with and regulations.	to the best of my	ny knowledge and the applicant accepts as a
Signature of Organization Official:		
Name:	_ Date:	
Phone:	Email:	

# 2.2 Project Narrative

For the Project Narrative, all applicants must answer questions A-G.

Continuing Current Project narratives may be **up to 7** pages, including Project Specific Questions in Section 2.3 and excluding tables and graphs.

A. **Project Description:** Include a brief description of your organization and the services it provides, and a 3-8 sentence summary of your project (copy from application coversheet).

#### B. **Need for Project**:

- a. Describe the community need of your proposed project. When possible, use data showing this need.
- b. How does your project align with the community priorities identified in <u>EOCCO's Regional Community</u> <u>Health Improvement Plan?</u>

#### C. Target Group:

- a. Describe the target group of people who will benefit from your project.
- b. How many EOCCO members will benefit from your project? How do you identify the EOCCO members that receive these benefits?
- D. **Project Plan**: Provide a detailed description of the project plan and major activities. What will you do, when will you do it, and who will do it?

Please use the table below to outline the months you expect to achieve major steps or events in your project. Be detailed enough so that someone not familiar with the project can understand what will happen. Please add rows as needed.

Month(s)	Activity	Who Will Complete Activity

- E. **Personnel:** Please provide a bulleted list of the names and job title with a brief description of the qualifications of your project team. Any names in the Project Plan should be included here.
- F. **Barriers and risks**: What could cause your organization to have trouble with the project, and how could you reduce these risks?
- G. Sustainability: Describe how this project will be sustained after the funding period ends.

# 2.3 Project-Specific Questions

# **Continuing Current Projects**

- a. Describe the outcomes and data from your 2024 or 2025 project that supports continuing this effort in 2026.
- b. What changes do you plan to make to your project compared to 2024 or 2025, and what led you to these changes?

# 2.4 Outcomes and Budget Tables

The Excel templates to complete your Outcomes and Budget Tables can be found embedded below or on the EOCCO website at <a href="https://www.eocco.com/-/media/EOCCO/PDFs/grants/2025-Outcomes-and-Budget-Table-CBIR-New-Ideas.xlsx">https://www.eocco.com/-/media/EOCCO/PDFs/grants/2025-Outcomes-and-Budget-Table-CBIR-New-Ideas.xlsx</a>.



Save a copy of the Excel document and submit separately with the rest of your PDF application.

Applicants are <u>required</u> to obtain free technical assistance. We strongly recommend contacting <u>EOCCOGrants@eocco.com</u> to review and improve Outcomes and Budget tables. Applications that receive technical assistance will improve the quality of their applications and their likelihood of being selected for funding.

#### **Excel Tab 1 - Outcomes Table**

In the <u>first tab</u> of the Excel document, please indicate the number of EOCCO and non-EOCCO members you currently serve and the number you hope to reach through your proposed project.

Include baseline data and goals you will use to measure success. Please indicate the numerator, denominator, and percentage of the EOCCO and non-EOCCO members targeted for your activity. Baseline and goal measures can include but are not limited to your county's prior year EOCCO incentive measure rate, EOCCO incentive targets, and the estimated number of members needed to reach the EOCCO incentive target. The metrics you select should be relevant to your specific project. For example, you wouldn't provide a county rate for a program that only will impact one clinical site. If an activity does not have discrete EOCCO and non-EOCCO member data, please explain steps taken to either collect this data or other approaches to measuring your project's baseline and working toward goals.

# Excel Tab 2 - Budget Table and Budget Justification

In the <u>second tab</u> of the Excel document, include the proposed budget for your project. Please provide a <u>brief</u> narrative budget justification for each line item included in your budget. For personnel, describe any grant-related duties. For other expenses, describe what they will be used for and who will use them. If in-kind contributions are budgeted, please provide a list of the source of each contribution, the name of the organization providing it, and whether the donation is in cash or non-cash (e.g., labor, etc.).

#### 2.5 Financial Information

Please include one of the examples below with your application. Contact <a href="mailto:EOCCOGrants@eocco.com">EOCCOGrants@eocco.com</a> if your organization is unable to provide this financial information.

- a. A copy of the applicant's letter of tax-exemption determination from the Internal Revenue Service under sections 501(c)(3) or a statement explaining the organization's exemption status under 170(c)(1) as a public entity;
- b. A copy of the applicant's 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor;
- c. A copy of the balance sheet and income statement from the previous fiscal year;
- d. A copy of Form 990 or previous year audit history.

#### 2.6 Letter of Commitment

Add a letter of support from organizations that have agreed to help with your project or are in support of your project. See example in Appendix B: Letter of Commitment Template.

# **Appendix A: REALD/GI Demographics Survey Questions**

# **Demographic Data Collection Sample Form**

REALD data stands for race, ethnicity, language, and disability. GI stands for gender identity. REALD and GI data collection is the preferred way to collect demographic information by the Oregon Department of Human Services and the Oregon Health Authority.

Your answers will help us understand who we are serving and how we can improve our program.

The survey will take about 10 minutes to complete. If you prefer, you can also access the digital version of the survey at <a href="https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/ed811cefdcd545c8b21c98fb3354cc60">https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/ed811cefdcd545c8b21c98fb3354cc60</a> and the following QR code:



If you have any questions or concerns, please contact **EOCCOGrants@eocco.com**.

	All questions are optional.
Member Information Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Do you receive Oregon Health Plan benefits?	
If yes, what is your ID number?	- <del></del>
Who is completing this form?  □ Self	
☐ Parent, guardian or other family n	nember
☐ Interpreter or other support person	
☐ Other (please identify)	
Race and Ethnicity How do you identify your race, ethn	icity, tribal affiliation, country of origin, or ancestry?
Which of the following describes yo	ur racial or ethnic identity? Please check all that apply.
☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native	Pacific Islander □ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
☐ Asian	☐ White or Caucasian
☐ Black or African American	☐ Other
☐ Hispanic and Latino/a/x	☐ Prefer not to answer

# Language What is your preferred language? **Disability** Are you deaf or do you have serious difficulty hearing? ☐ Yes ☐ I don't know □ No ☐ Prefer not to answer Are you blind or do you have serious difficulty seeing, even when wearing glasses? ☐ Yes ☐ I don't know □ No ☐ Prefer not to answer Do you have serious difficulty walking or climbing stairs? ☐ Yes ☐ I don't know □ No ☐ Prefer not to answer Because of a physical, mental or emotional condition do you have serious difficulty concentrating, remembering, or making decisions? ☐ Yes ☐ I don't know □ No ☐ Prefer not to answer Do you have difficulty dressing or bathing? ☐ Yes ☐ I don't know □ No ☐ Prefer not to answer Do you have serious difficulty learning how to do things most people your age can learn? ☐ Yes ☐ I don't know ☐ Prefer not to answer □ No Do you have serious difficulty communicating (for example, understanding or being understood by others)? □ Yes ☐ I don't know □ No ☐ Prefer not to answer Because of a physical, mental, or emotional condition, do you have difficulty doing errands alone? ☐ Yes ☐ I don't know □ No ☐ Prefer not to answer Do you have serious difficulty with the following: mood, intense feelings, controlling your behavior or experiencing delusions or hallucinations?

☐ I don't know

☐ Prefer not to answer

☐ Yes

□ No

# Not required if patient is under twelve years old.

er Identity	
s your gender?	<u>_</u>
pronouns do you want us to use?	
Him	
/Her	
y/Them	
er	
n't know what this question is asking	
er not to answer	

# **Nondiscrimination notice:**

We cannot treat people unfairly in any of our services or programs because of a person's age, color, disability, gender identity, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation.

# **Appendix B: Letter of Commitment Template**

# **Agreement to Participate in EOCCO Project**

Dear I	Name	e of p	roject	director,
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We look forward to participating in the *Project Name* starting *date* and ending *date*.

Our organization agrees to *describe what the collaborating organization is expected to do, including any staff responsibilities*. We understand that we will receive *list any funds being provided to the collaborating organization*.

Thank you for including us in this important project.

Sincerely,

Signature
Name spelled out
Organization name
Email address
Phone number