



SOLICITATION AMENDMENT – 8/20/26

CFCI Care Grant (Care First Community Investment) Funding Opportunity – Year 5 Strategy 3 and Strategy 5

An amendment to the solicitation for CFCI Year 5 Care Grants has been issued effective Thursday, August 20, 2026. **Please note the following changes to related to this solicitation:**

- Application timeline (extended due date)
- Points/review criteria
- Budget template
- Submittable.com Application back-end changes (*specific to Strategies 3 and 5 only*)

Part 1 Updated Solicitation Language

The sections updated in this amendment replace the language provided in the original Solicitation. All other sections remain unchanged from the original Solicitation. Changes are shown in **red font**, and in some cases, strikethrough of original text is also shown.

A. Updated Application Timeline (Extended Due Date)

Activity	Date
Application Period Opens	Friday, July 24, 2026 at 9:00 AM PDT
Application Informational Webinars	July 29, August 5, August 12
Application Office Hours	July 30, August 4, August 6, August 11, August 13, August 18, August 19, August 25, August 27
Written Questions Accepted	July 24 – August 25 , 2026, 5:00 PM PDT
Application Period Closes *Updated	Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 4:59 PM PDT
Application Review *Updated	Wednesday, September 9, 2026 – Wednesday, October 14, 2026



Awards Announced *Updated	Thursday, October 15, 2026
Service Provider Contracts Signed *Updated	Friday, October 16, 2026 – Monday, November 16, 2026
Expected Contract Start *Updated	Tuesday, November 17, 2026 or Upon Approval
Contract Initiation Payment	Within 45 Calendar days from contract start date*

B. Updated Application Review & Scoring Criteria

Screening & Priority Points	Total Points Possible
Application is complete; organization is viable & eligible.	Pass/Fail
Organization has an annual revenue under \$1,500,000.	10 priority points
Organization has never received a Los Angeles County contract for services.	5 priority points
Organization services are provided in LA County in high-need, low service areas and populations.	10 priority points
If a current grantee, organization has performed well in its first round of CFCI funding *Removed	10 priority points
The organization's executive board and leadership live in Los Angeles County and at least 50% reflect the communities they serve. *Updated	15 priority points
Organization has never received CFCI funding in any funding opportunity round.	5 priority points
Organization has completed the Los Angeles County Incubation Academy (any cohort)	5 priority points
POINTS POSSIBLE *Updated	50 priority points

External Review	Points Possible
Organizational experience & capacity	
Mission of the organization ties directly to one or more services listed in the program area description	15 points



Years of documented experience in providing services that are reflected in the program area with max points reflecting 10 years or more. 2-4 years = 5 points; 5-9 years = 10 points; 10+ years = 15 points	15 points
Organization can demonstrate that it is a trusted provider, has a strong track record providing impactful services to the target population	15 points
Linguistic/cultural competence for serving the proposed target population	15 points
Program is achievable and relevant; budget is feasible and reasonable	
Population served is reflective of the program area target population	15 points
Proposed services are needed, and reflect at least one or more of the required services in the program area description	15 points
Project Impact to participants is clearly defined, outcomes are specific, and measurable (e.g., access to services, job placement rates, education enrollment, financial capability gains) and there is strong alignment with clearly identified disparities and community-needs	15 points
Budget reflects reasonable costs for proposed project (Examples of reasonableness include: salaries are according to nonprofit standards; benefits rates do not exceed 30% of salary totals; operational costs reflect service targets and proposed services; insurance costs are within industry standards; only costs necessary to achieve project are included; monthly rents are within the normal range for Los Angeles County; facility costs are within the typical range for the type of service provided; if consultants are used, these consultants are named, relationships with any of the staff members or board members are disclosed (such as family, friends or other business associates) and have professional skills and experience required to provide the service; all costs and calculations are described clearly and tie directly to the proposed services.) *Updated	15 points
TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE	120 points



Part 2. Explanation of the Revised Budget Template

To address errors in the budget form, clarifying updates have been made to the Budget Template Excel file and one question in the application. Please see the bulleted list below for the changes that were made. Applicants can choose to utilize either the original budget template file or the revised budget template file. Applications that have been submitted utilizing the previous version of the Budget Template file **are not required to be resubmitted** as the changes do not impact the actual amounts entered.

- The rounding formula in Cell E48 has been removed to match the formulas in Cells E94 and E140.
- The widths of Columns B and E have been widened to allow the data in Cells B3 and E142 to be viewed easily.
- In the "Read First" tab of the file, the text that is struck through has been removed: Row 142, Grand Total Project Budget Years 1 + 2 + 3, will total automatically. The total will also automatically populate in cell B3. ~~You will be asked for this amount in Section 3, Question 1 of the application.~~
- In the solicitation/application, the text that is struck through has been removed from the question pertaining to your specific program area:
 - "What is the total amount of funding over 36 months that you are requesting in this application? ~~This amount should be the same as Cell B3 in the Budget Form, "Total Amount for Entirety of Project."~~ NOTES: (A) You must ask for the same amount in each program year. (B) Program / Project Budgets may be adjusted by the TPA; your organization's formal agreement to the changes will be required in order to receive funding.

Part 3. Explanation of Updates to Submittable.com Application

Community Partners has implemented back-end changes to allow for several changes described below. If you have submitted your application by the time of this amendment, it will be opened for editing and you may update your response before the application deadline. These changes do not affect the substance of the solicitation, only the ability of applicants to fully answer the solicitation questions as provided in the original solicitation.

A. Community Characteristics of Board and Executive Leadership

The following question has been updated in the application for CFCI Year 5 Care Grant – Strategies 3 and 5 to allow for a multiple response answer rather than being limited to a single response:



- “Which community characteristics below best describe your organization's Board and Executive Leadership?”

B. Community Characteristics of Staff/Volunteers

The following question has been updated in the application for CFCI Year 5 Care Grant – Strategies 3 and 5 to allow for a multiple response answer rather than being limited to a single response:

- “Which community characteristics below best describe your organization's direct services staff/volunteers?”

C. Attachment #9 Additional Supporting Documents (Optional)

The upload field for additional supporting documents has been modified to allow for multimedia file formats such as video and images.

D. Attestation of Understanding of Solicitation Amendment

An attestation was added to the end of the application that the applicant understands that the Solicitation was amended. All applicants must check this attestation in order to submit the application.