

Early Childhood Mental Health Collective

2024 Request for Proposals

Frequently Asked Questions

How does the review and selection process work?

The Hall Family Foundation, along with the five early childhood center partners, will review all eligible applications and assess each using the scoring rubric. Some application follow-up may be required, which would include an individual conversation with the applicant organization and the review team. The review team will convene in mid-April to make a selection. Applicants can expect to be notified of their application status by the end of April.

Can my organization partner with outside organizations to submit a joint application?

We encourage projects involving a collaboration of multiple organizations. There will be one lead agency regardless of the number of partners involved, and this organization should complete the application and serve as the primary contact. Considering the expansive scope of work outlined in the RFP, we expect that multiple partners may need to be involved to deliver a robust set of services.

Do partners/collaborators/sub-grantees need to hold 501c3 designation for our application to be eligible?

While the primary applicant must be a 501c3 organization, grant funds can be used toward partnerships and collaborations with for-profit entities and contractors.

Can general operating support or salaries be included in the grant budget?

Operating support will only be considered if it is directly related to the project (e.g. staff capacity necessary to carry out the work). Salaries for staff working directly with the Early Childhood Mental Health Collective are an acceptable budget item to include in your request.

Can capital/renovation costs be included in the grant budget?

Capital expenses involving construction or renovation are not eligible as part of this funding opportunity.

Does my application need to address all items listed in the Scope of Work section of the RFP?

We recognize the Scope of Work outlines a number of complex activities and we are interested in applications that outline a project plan that is realistic within its context. Please include the portions of the scope of work you feel confident your organization could lead with fidelity and prioritize the activities you feel are the most crucial for successful outcomes. Organizations might also consider a phased approach to implementing the various project activities.

Will Hall Family Foundation offer support during the application process?

There are two opportunities to receive support while you develop your application. A [webinar](#) will be offered on February 21, 2024 at 10am CT to provide an overview of the RFP and to answer questions from participants. There will also be an opportunity to utilize by-appointment application assistance sessions the weeks of February 26, 2024 and March 4, 2024. Email Halley.french@hallfamilyfoundation.org to schedule a 30-minute one-on-one session.