

## Who's Eligible?

Any group or organization based within our six-county region may fill out a Letter of Interest (LOI) form. You do not have to have a history of participating in BHT's work to apply. **Organizations for which people of color make up at least 50% of the staff team and/or board will receive priority ranking in this first round of funding. At least 50% of an organization's leadership and/or board make up must include impacted populations\* to be invited to apply in person (via Zoom) in this first round of funding.** You do not have to have official 501-c non-profit or business status to apply, however you must have a partnership with an organization who can act as the fiscal sponsor and receive the dollars on behalf of your work.

## What is the proposed process for applying?

1. Organizations submit a Letter of Interest form indicating their intent to apply for funding
  - o Available by Word (below) to submit via email to [Vivian@betterhealthtogether.org](mailto:Vivian@betterhealthtogether.org)
  - o Or, via survey at this link: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CRF\\_LOI](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CRF_LOI)
2. Eligible applicants will be invited to present their idea in-person (virtually) to an evaluation committee comprised of BHT community partners, board members and staff.
  - o Any LOI submitters who were not eligible will receive notification of why, with an invitation to discuss feedback with BHT staff if requested.
  - o Presentations should address what the group or organization dreams they could accomplish with the funding, and how they plan to pull it off.
    - Accommodations such as technology rental, zoom tutorial, interpreter services, and more, are available to organizations with barriers to presenting via zoom.
3. Evaluation Panel scores presentations on pre-determined criteria and will select finalists.
  - o BHT staff are available to work one-on-one with applicants to support development of reasonable and gatherable process measures for proposed work as needed
  - o BHT will not require traditional grant reports, but instead offer a "reporting bonus" to groups that can take the time to have a 6 month, and 1 year follow-up interview with BHT on what the funding accomplished and lessons learned.

## What is the timeline?

7/31 - Post request for LOIs

8/31 - LOIs/proposal due

Week of 8/31 - All applicants notified if they are invited to next round

Week of 9/7 - Panel reviews of proposals takes place

Week of 9/14 - Final proposal notification

10/1- Contracts signed

## Letter of Interest Instructions:

You may submit your LOI to the following email: [Vivian@BetterHealthTogether.org](mailto:Vivian@BetterHealthTogether.org)

Or fill out via survey through this link: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CRF\\_LOI](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CRF_LOI)

We have included suggested character limits for each section, though there will be no penalty for exceeding. We encourage you to keep the narrative short, as we are just looking for you to introduce us to your group and your idea and will rely more on the in-person discussion to learn about your proposal. If you are submitting via email, you may fill out this form and attach to an email, or address the following in whatever format you choose:

## Contact Info

Applying organization or group name:

Fiscal Sponsor (if different):

Proposal lead point of contact(s):

*Name, email, phone*

## Tell us a little about who you are?

Describe the long term goals of your organization or work (recommend 500 characters max)

Describe who you serve? *What is the primary race/ethnicity? What is the geography? Any special population focus?* (recommend 250 characters max)

## Describe your proposal:

How much funding are you requesting and what will it be used for? (recommended 500 characters max)

How would awarding your organization this funding address and/or prevent the impacts of racism in the community you serve? (recommend 2000 characters max)

**Leadership Demographics:**

How many of your Staff and how many of your Board self-identify as the following:

Total number staff for this project

Total number of board of directors/  
advisory board members

*How many identify as...*

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- American Indian / Alaska Native
- Asian / Asian American
- Black / African American
- Latinx / Hispanic
- Pacific Islander / Native Hawaiian
- White
- Two or more races

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- Immigrant
- Refugee
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Currently or formerly houseless

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Veteran status

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- Foster Involved
- Justice Involved

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- Justice Involved

- Non-disabled
- People with disabilities

- Non-disabled
- People with disabilities

- Men
- Non-binary, genderqueer
- Transgender
- Women

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- Non-binary, genderqueer
- Transgender
- Women

- Lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer
- Straight

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If there are other relevant demographics or lived experience represented with in your team that were not mentioned above, feel free to describe here:

## **Commitment to Truth and Reconciliation:**

Better Health Together strives to be a multi-cultural organization that fosters a culture of belonging and stands against oppression in all forms by disrupting norms of white-supremacy culture. To do this, all our staff and board participate in critical workshop and education sessions on white-supremacy culture and anti-racist practices. BHT is committed to maintaining a staffing ratio where at least 50% of our staff identify as being part of an impacted\* population. Over the past few years, we have deepened our commitment by engaging our community and technical councils in program decisions before going to the BHT board for approval, in addition to a set of critical equity reflection questions that is included in the board packet with each decision.

We recognize that our organization still operates in white-dominant systems, and our board and executive leadership team currently remain majority white. We have blind-spots. We know we will make mistakes and aim to build structures to reduce risk of harm and hold ourselves accountable to our impact in the process. It is not the job of impacted populations to hold us accountable, however we humbly share that if you see opportunities for us to improve our process or can call attention to a harm we may be perpetuating in this work, we want to hear from you. BHT is also able to provide support and discuss accommodations to anyone needing additional capacity to apply. You can contact our Director of Equity Engagement, Hadley Morrow, directly at [hadley@betterhealthtogether.org](mailto:hadley@betterhealthtogether.org) or (509) 954-0831.