

2026 – 2027 IEHP Foundation (IEHPF) Healthy Communities Grant Summary Cycle 2

Healthy Communities grants provide funding and support to **nonprofit collaboratives, coalitions or networks addressing regional health needs, social drivers of health (SDOH) and systems change efforts** for Inland Empire community residents who are experiencing the poorest health outcomes in low-income communities, rural or remote areas and/or communities with a Healthy Places Index (HPI) score lower than 25. The grant focuses on supporting projects and activities that improve multiple organizations and/or network's capacity to effectively advocate for better health policies, strengthen regional workforce development efforts (especially in health, social services and for the purposes of Medi-Cal retention) and focus on improving population health outcomes that can be sustained beyond the one-year lifecycle of the grant.

Healthy Communities grants are awarded twice a year and have a one-year grant lifecycle. Awards will range from \$20,000 - \$75,000, although exceptions may apply. **This type of grant is aimed to support established, formal collaboratives, coalitions or networks.** Individual organizations are not eligible to apply.

Organizations may only apply once per calendar year and must address at least one of the IEHPF's priority [Vital Conditions](#). **Additionally, organizations cannot submit an application for a 2026 - 2027 Healthy Communities grant if they plan to submit a request for a 2026 - 2027 Healthy Organizations grant.**

To apply, networks and collaboratives will complete a brief Eligibility Quiz to determine eligibility and submit an application with a description of the project or activity they hope to fund with the Healthy Communities grant.

Please note that applicants are encouraged to submit their applications early to allow for greater time to complete an application, if invited. However, as long as an application is submitted by the deadline, the project will be evaluated and considered for funding.

2026 – 2027 Grant Cycles & Timelines

There will be two grant cycles for 2026 – 2027 IEHPF Healthy Communities Grants. Please see table below for key dates and deadlines pertaining to Cycle 2.

A Virtual Information Session will be held online on [August 5, 2026 at 11 am PT](#). Attendance is optional and a recording will be available on the IEHPF Website Grants page approximately 3-5 business days after the live session. There will be a live Question and Answer portion during each of the Virtual Information Sessions, so applicants with questions are encouraged to attend the live session. During the Virtual Information Sessions, additional information about the criteria for evaluation.

	Grant Cycle 2
Application Opens	Tuesday, July 14, 2026
Information Session	11am - 12pm on August 5, 2026
Application Closes	5pm PT on August 31, 2026
Final Selections Notified	Late September 2026
Grant Payments	Early November 2026
Grant Cycle	January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2027
Reports Due	5pm PT on February 4, 2028

How to Apply

- **Step 1:** Review the [Eligibility Criteria](#) to confirm your organization is eligible to apply.
- **Step 2:** Review the [Grant Goals](#) to confirm your organization's proposed project/use of funds aligns with these goals.
- **Step 3:** Submit application via IEHPF's [Grants Management Portal](#). Prior to submitting the application, you will need to complete a brief eligibility quiz to confirm your eligibility. More detailed instructions regarding this step will be available during the Virtual Information Session.
- **Step 4:** Applications will be reviewed and applicants will be notified of the grant request final status by the Final Status notification deadline listed above.
- **Step 5:** If approved, grant payments will be made within 10 business days of a completed grant agreement.
- **Step 6:** Submit a [Grant Impact Report](#) to provide an update about the use and impact of the grant funds.
 - Grant Reports will be due approximately 6 weeks after the completion of the grant cycle.
 - Organizations will not be eligible to apply for a 2027 - 2028 Healthy Organizations or Healthy Communities grant unless a 2026 - 2027 Grant Report has been submitted.

Communications

- Email communications regarding the status of your application will come from IEHP Foundation Grants <administrator@grantinterface.com> or grants@iehpfoundation.org. Make sure both these email addresses are marked safe on your server to avoid communications being blocked or sent to a SPAM folder.

Additional Questions

- For any additional questions, comments or accommodation needs, please email grants@iehpfoundation.org. Please allow 1 – 3 business days for a response.

What will not be funded

- Academic scholarships
- Endowments
- Individuals
- Major capital projects
- Private Foundations
- Retroactive funding
- Sabbaticals
- Vehicles