

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO



2021 EQUITY INNOVATION FUND

RFP Briefing and
Applicant Q&A

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Background

San Mateo County has created the **Equity and Innovation Fund (EIF)** to:

- inspire applicants to explore solutions to housing and community development issues that are **outside of the traditional programs and projects**
- have the potential to **create new opportunities** to address community needs in innovative ways
- foster approaches that integrate greater equity into meeting the needs of the most vulnerable and diverse populations in San Mateo County.



Background (cont...)

Successful applications will principally benefit lower-income persons, support racial, ethnic, gender, and economic equity in San Mateo County through housing and community development efforts AND meet one or more of the following funding priorities:

1. Improving the capacity of governmental and private entities engaged in housing and community development work Connecting enterprises owned by Women and Minority persons (MBE/WBE) with opportunities
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3. Leveraging and complementing preexisting County investments and third-party sources of funding
4. Promoting housing stability in communities that have historically been subject to disinvestment.
5. Expanding supportive and transitional housing opportunities to underserved populations



Eligible Activities

Applications will specify one of the following four categories and DOH staff will determine which source of funding is most compatible with program design. This list it provides a spectrum of the more typical activities funded:

1. Legal Aid and Related Services (Measure K)
2. Capacity Building Supporting Equity (Measure K)
3. Analysis of legal and/or institutional barriers to access to housing and opportunities for underserved populations (Measure K)
4. Pilot Supportive and Transitional Housing Related Programs (PLHA and Measure K)

Available Funds

Funds come from two sources:

- Measure K (local)
- PLHA (State)

PLHA funds have additional restrictions in sue, are available only for housing programs that and has income requirements

Funding Category	Amount Available	Source
Legal Aid and Related Services	~ \$200,000	Measure K
Analysis of Legal and/or Institutional Barriers	~\$100,000	
Capacity Building Supporting Equity	~ \$300,000	
Pilot Supportive and Transitional Housing Related Programs	~ \$400,000	PLHA
Total (Pending Board Approval and PLHA Award)	\$ 1,000,000.00	



Timeline

RFP is for an 18 month agreement

Awards will be made on a 24 month basis after this initial agreement

EVENT	TARGET DATE
1. RFP Release Date	October 14, 2021
2. Deadline to Submit Written Questions	October 25, 2021
3. Release of Responses to Written Questions	October 26, 2021
4. Proposal Deadline – Proposals Must be <u>RECEIVED</u> by 4:00 p.m. on This Date	November 8, 2021
5. Formal Review of Proposals*	November 8, 2021- November 19, 2021
6. Panel interview	November 17 th , 2021
6. Announcement of Recommendation *	December 6, 2021
7. Protest Deadline*	December 10, 2021
9. Recommendation to Board of Supervisors*	December 2021



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