

Field Review Criteria

Inspire! Grants for Small Museums: Lifelong Learning

| PROJECT JUSTIFICATION |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the project clearly explained? • Is the need, problem, or challenge to be addressed clearly identified and supported by relevant evidence or informed by current best practices? • Are the stakeholders and/or people who will benefit from the project clearly identified, and have they been involved in planning the project? • Are the ways in which the project advances the institution’s strategic plan specific, actionable, and measurable? • Does the project align with the goals of the Lifelong Learning project category? |
| PROJECT WORK PLAN |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are the proposed activities informed by appropriate theory and practice? • Do the proposed activities appropriately reflect the project’s maturity level? • Are the goals, assumptions, and risks clearly stated? • Are the proposed evaluation activities and performance measurements appropriate for the project? Will they result in valid, reliable, and generalizable findings? • Do the identified staff, partners, consultants, and service providers possess the experience and skills necessary to complete the work successfully? • Is the schedule of work realistic and achievable? • Are the time, financial, personnel, and other resources identified appropriate for the scope and scale of the project? • Is a clear methodology described for tracking the project’s progress and adjusting course when necessary? • Is there an effective plan for communicating results and/or sharing discoveries? |
| PROJECT RESULTS |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the applicant define what success means for the project and is the plan to assess progress reasonable? • Is the plan for collecting and reporting data corresponding to the Performance Measure Statements selected for the project well designed and feasible? • Are the project’s intended results clearly articulated, realistic, meaningful, actionable, and linked to the need, problem, or challenge addressed by the project? • Is the plan to effect meaningful change in knowledge, skills, behaviors, and/or attitudes solidly grounded and appropriately structured? • Will the tangible products be useful? • Is there a reasonable and practical plan for sustaining the benefits of the project beyond the conclusion of this award? • Will the project help build the capacity of the organization to achieve greater reach and/or impact in accomplishing its mission? |

APPLICATION OVERVIEW

- Option 1: Yes, this applicant makes a convincing case that the organization qualifies as a small museum.
- Option 2: No, this applicant does not make a convincing case that the organization qualifies as a small museum.