



The Dignity Health Community Grants Program is funded by contributions from our member hospitals. In awarding Community Grants, Dignity Health actively partners with non-profit organizations working to improve health status and quality of life in the communities we serve.

Grant funds are used to deliver services and strengthen service systems, to improve the health and well-being of vulnerable and underserved populations. The program is one way Dignity Health puts its mission and values into practice.

## CRITERIA

The Community Grants Program has established specific funding criteria to ensure that these charitable resources are deployed strategically to address significant health needs in ways that demonstrate accountability for impact.

Criteria embedded in the proposal review and decision-making process include:

- Proposed project addresses one or more prioritized significant needs in the local hospital’s Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) and Implementation Strategy
- People to be served include identified vulnerable or underserved populations, to help address health disparities
- Project proposal is from three or more collaborating organizations (an “Accountable Care Community”) playing distinct and complementary roles

## CRITERIA, continued

- Proposed project works with the Dignity Health hospital in the local community
- Proposed project integrates one or more of the following core principles:
  - Focus on disproportionate unmet health-related needs;
  - Emphasize primary prevention and address underlying causes of health problems;
  - Contribute to a seamless continuum of care;
  - Build community capacity; and
  - Demonstrate collaboration
- Specific and measurable target outcomes are identified, and will be evaluated and reported

## ELIGIBILITY & PARAMETERS

- Lead applicant in Accountable Care Community collaboration must be a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.
- Grant project awards are from \$20,000 to \$100,000. Individual hospitals may reduce the \$100,000 limit, depending on the availability of funds.
- Grant project performance period is January – December 2018.
- Projects can serve specific community and/or patient populations.
- Mid-year and final written reports are required.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Review the prioritized significant needs in the Dignity Health hospital’s CHNA report and Implementation Strategy (posted online).
2. Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact the Grant Representative to inquire about any specific grant topic priorities.
3. Request a Letter of Intent template from the Grant Representative.

After Letters of Intent are reviewed, full proposals will be invited from applicants whose projects best address the Community Grants Program’s priorities. The Grant Representative will provide the full proposal template.

| COMMUNITY GRANTS TIMELINE |  |
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| <b>June 30, 2017</b>      | Letters of Intent (LOI) due  |
| <b>July 24, 2017</b>      | LOI applicants notified whether they have been selected to submit a full grant proposal              |
| <b>Sept. 1, 2017</b>      | Invited full grant proposals due   |
| <b>Oct. 9, 2017</b>       | Local Grant Review Committee submits recommended funding decisions to Dignity Health’s System Office |
| <b>Nov. 20, 2017</b>      | Funding decisions announced  |

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## OUR MISSION & VALUES

Dignity Health is committed to furthering the healing ministry of Jesus. We dedicate our resources to:

- Delivering compassionate, high-quality, affordable health services;
- Serving and advocating for our sisters and brothers who are poor and disenfranchised; and
- Partnering with others in the community to improve the quality of life.

The Community Grants Program embodies Dignity Health's five core values:

- Dignity – Respecting the inherent value and worth of each person.
- Collaboration – Working together with people who support common values and vision to achieve shared goals.
- Justice – Advocating for social change and acting in ways that promote respect for all persons and demonstrate compassion for our sisters and brothers who are powerless.
- Stewardship – Cultivating the resources entrusted to us to promote healing and wholeness.
- Excellence – Exceeding expectations through teamwork and innovation.

## ABOUT DIGNITY HEALTH

Dignity Health is a vibrant, national health care system known for service, chosen for clinical excellence, and standing in partnership with patients, employees, and physicians to improve the health of all communities served.

Dignity Health is one of the largest health systems in the nation, with 400 care sites across a 22 state network, including 39 hospitals in California, Nevada and Arizona.

Learn more at [www.dignityhealth.org](http://www.dignityhealth.org).

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The Community Grants Program has awarded more than \$64 million to 3,285 community-based health improvement projects since 1991.

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For more information about the Community Grants Program, please visit:

[www.dignityhealth.org/communitygrants](http://www.dignityhealth.org/communitygrants)



# COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

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