

# Grant Application Guide

Use this template to application instructions for [grant program].

## Template Metadata

Field	Details
Category	Government
Owner	[Team or owner]
Version	[Version number]
Effective Date	[Date]
Review Cycle	[Monthly / Quarterly / Annual / Event-based]
Status	[Draft / In Review / Approved]

## Program Overview

Describe the grant program, its purpose, funding source, total available funding, and individual award range.

Item	Details	Owner	Status
[Item or requirement]	[Describe the relevant detail, evidence, or decision]	[Owner]	[Open / Complete]
[Item or requirement]	[Describe the relevant detail, evidence, or decision]	[Owner]	[Open / Complete]

## Notes

[Add context, assumptions, exceptions, evidence links, screenshots, calculations, or reviewer comments.]

## Eligibility Criteria

List who can apply and who cannot. Include organizational type, geographic, and programmatic eligibility requirements.

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### Notes

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## Application Components

Provide a checklist of all required documents and forms. Specify page limits, font requirements, and formatting rules.

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## Budget Guidance

Explain budget categories, allowable and unallowable costs, matching requirements, and indirect cost rates. Include a sample budget table.

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## Narrative Requirements

Describe each narrative section the applicant must write, with page limits and what reviewers are looking for.

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## Evaluation Rubric

Present the scoring criteria in a table with point values, so applicants understand how proposals are evaluated.

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## Timeline

List all key dates from application opening through grant closeout. Use checklists, tables, and numbered items. Include tips and common mistakes to avoid.

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## Review and Signoff

Document review conclusions, approvals, unresolved items, and next review date.

Role	Name	Date	Notes
Preparer	[Name]	[Date]	[Notes]
Reviewer	[Name]	[Date]	[Notes]
Approver	[Name]	[Date]	[Notes]