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Accessibility Expense Policy

Applicant organizations whose project focuses significantly on a specific community facing disproportionate barriers to inclusion/participation in the project may request funds in addition to the maximum grant award to cover costs associated with addressing such barriers. The goal of this approach is to address barriers to equitable participation, such as language or physical accessibility. Project costs related to items including but not limited to:

- Translation of written project materials;
- Interpretation services at project-related meetings or gatherings;
- Costs related to ensuring physical accessibility of project-related activities; and/or
- Transportation to project-related activities

may be requested in addition to the maximum grant award under this Accessibility Expense Policy. Funds requested under this policy may **not** be used to cover the costs of any accessibility accommodations that applicants are required to provide under state or federal law.

Accessibility expense funding is provided in addition to the total grant amount requested and may be up to 20% of the total grant request.

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