FY2021 Strategic Partnership Grants
Scoring Criteria (EVALUATION TO TAKE PLACE IN GRANT SOFTWARE AT WWW.BUNCOMBECOUNTY.ORG/APPLY)

	Proposal Evaluation On a scale of 1-5, please rate each application by the following criteria.	**Incomplete** 1 Point	**Poor** 2 Points	**Adequate** 3 Point	**Good** 4 Points	**Excellent** 5 Points
1	**Organization**: Tell us about your organization. What is your mission? Highlight two or three key facts and accomplishments that best define your organization.	Lack of clarity about the organization and what the goals and services are.	Limited info about the organization, what services it provides, and a record of success.	Complete info provided about the organization, what services it provides, and a record of success.	Clear and detailed information about the what services it provides, and a record of success.	Clear and detailed information about the organization's history, detailed services, proven experience and qualifications that are likely to facilitate success.
2	**Need**: What is the main issue this project is established to address? What data or qualitative factors/stories are available to show that need?	Presents no info regarding the importance of the project to the community at large.	Presents need but with little to no qualitative or quantatative evidence.	Presents need with stated qualitative or quantatative justification.	Presents significant need with a structured argument with stated qualitative or quantatative justification.	Presents significant need with a structured argument and multiple qualitative or quantatative justifications.
3	**Project**: Explain the project and how it will work. Include the overall purpose and any models or evidence-based practices that will be included. What specific activities and milestones are included in the project plan?	Project explanation is unclear and lacks mention of a specific goal.	Explanation is vague, project is looslely structured, and/or semi-related to the goals of the grant fund.	Project structure is clear, including model and implementation plans, and is aligned to the goals of the grant funds.	Project is well designed, based on proven model(s), includes implementation steps, and is well aligned with the goals of the grant funds.	Project is very well designed, based on proven model(s), includes implementation steps, and is well aligned with the goals of the grant funds.
4	**People Served**: How many people will be served by this project? Describe the people served, including demographics such as geography, income, race & ethnicity, age, etc.	Lack of clear info about what populations that will be served.	Info is provided but lacks details or clarity.	Clear info on who will be served.	Clear info on who will be served with consideration to those who are underserved.	Clear info on who will be served with emphasis on populations that reflect those who are underserved.
5	**Results**: What results do you hope to achieve with this project? Be specific about how much impact the project will have in line with Commissioner focus areas.	Little to no description of results.	Limited info about proposed results, and amount of impact.	Proposed results are clearly described and aligned to the goals of the grant funds.	Proposed results are clearly described and likely to have an impact in alignment with goals of the grant funds.	Proposed results are clearly described and likely to have a high impact in alignment with goals of the grant funds.

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6	**Evaluation**: How will you know you have succeeded? Explain the project evaluation process, including specific measures that will be tracked.	Project goals are incomplete and/or unrelated to grant priorities, and there is no clear system for capturing performance.	Project goals are un-testable or semi-related to grant priorities, and there is a limited system for capturing performance.	Project includes short and long-term goals and has an adequate system for capturing performance.	Includes detailed, measurable short and long-term goals and has identified a solid system or process for capturing performance.	Includes detailed, meaningful, measurable short and long-term goals with an advanced system for capturing performance.
7	**Collaboration**: List any formal and/or supportive partners. Describe their roles in the project. How will they make it stronger?	No partnerships that will benefit from the grant are associated with this project.	Project demonstrates limited collaborative effort.	Partnerships are in place, including explanation of collaborative structure.	Well-defined relationships are in place between collaborative partners.	Collaboration is an integral part to this project, and the expected contribution of each collaborator is clearly defined.
8	**Budget**: Download a copy of the budget form. Complete the form, and upload it using the button above. Explain how grant funds will be used, specifically what type of expenses will be covered by County funds. Describe other sources of revenue, including type of funding, source, restrictions and status. Requested funds should not be over 30% of organziation's overall budget.	Budget is incomplete, unrealistic, and/or poorly aligned with the budget narrative.	Budget has limited detail, is not well-aligned with the budget narrative, and or doesn't appear to support an effective project implementation.	Budget is clear, realistic, and reasonably aligned with the narrative and project plan.	Budget is detailed, realistic, comprehensive, and clearly aligned with the narrative.	Budget is detailed, realistic, comprehensive, and clearly aligned with the narrative and project plan. Financial proposal reflects a diverse mix of reliable revenue sources contributing to the overall project.
9	**Other County Funding**: List all other Buncombe County funding that is provided to your organization. For each item, list the project being funded, amount of funding, source (grant, departmental contract, etc.) and whether funding is to be renewed for FY2021.	Funded by Buncombe County for many other projects.	Moderate amount of funding from Buncombe County for other projects.	Some funding from Buncombe County for other projects.	Minimal funding from Buncombe County for other projects.	Organization receives no other County funding.
10	**Sustainability:** How will the project continue to succeed after the funding of the grant? Explain your plan for making this an ongoing effort.	No plan for sustaining the project beyond the lifecycle of the grant.	Unrealistic plan for sustaining the project beyond the lifecycle of the grant.	Basic plan for sustaining the project beyond the lifecycle of the grant.	Comprehensive plan with clear strategies for sustaining the project beyond the lifecycle of the grant.	Grant funding is a one-time need because strategies are already in place to sustain the project beyond the lifecycle of the grant.