

Richmond Memorial Health Foundation

Request for Proposals

Addressing Community Violence & Promoting Community Healing

March 2023

[Richmond Memorial Health Foundation](#) (RMHF) is requesting proposals from 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations that focus on improving/increasing community safety, supporting community healing initiatives, strengthening collective action efforts, including network building and accessibility to programs. Successful proposals will identify those most impacted including youth, families, Black, Brown and LGBTQIA+ community members and provide violence intervention, prevention and/or community healing services in the Richmond region.

Black and Brown-led grassroots organizations and other community-based entities are strongly encouraged to apply.

Eligible Organizations

501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply individually or as a lead organization of a collaboration. Collaborative partnerships can include, but are not limited to, nonprofit organizations, community members, community groups, and/or governmental agencies.

Nonprofit organizations must be located and provide services in the counties of Chesterfield, Goochland, Hanover, Henrico, Powhatan, and/or the City of Richmond to be eligible.

Description

A healthy community includes a safe community, and RMHF is a foundation committed to “fostering an equitable and healthy Richmond region” by advancing health and racial equity. To promote safety, the uptick in community violence and the associated trauma - particularly as experienced by communities of color, must be addressed so that everyone has an opportunity to thrive.

To increase efforts in promoting community safety and healing, RMHF Trustees have committed to support individual nonprofit organizations or collective action through collaborations that address community violence through intervention, prevention, and/or healing initiatives.

Funded proposals will be awarded on a rolling basis (with discrete timelines) until all funds are expended. The ranges for the first round of funding are as follows:

- \$15,000 - \$25,000 for individual organizations, and
- \$25,000 - \$50,000 for a lead organization with collaborative partnerships

If applying as a collaborative effort, the lead nonprofit organization must submit:

1. A list and short bios for all the nonprofit organizations, community members, community groups, and/or governmental agencies involved.

Goals for this funding opportunity include:

1. Reducing violence and increasing communal healing efforts for under resourced communities by addressing the factors ([social determinants of health](#)) in a community that increase the risk of violence.
2. Strengthening collaboration among community members, nonprofit organizations, and governmental agencies to support collective action efforts in preventing violence and promoting healing in underserved communities.
3. Supporting a broad spectrum of work to include a continuum of efforts from violence prevention and intervention programs to policy and advocacy actions.
4. Strengthening the organizational infrastructure of organizations that improve behavioral health services, reduce/prevent community violence and foster community healing.

Timeline

RFP Release	March 1, 2023
Proposals Due by 5:00 pm	March 27, 2023
Review and/or Follow-up with Due Diligence visits/Calls	April 2023
Awards Announced	May 31, 2023
2nd Round: Proposals Due by 5:00 pm	July 28, 2023
2nd Round: Review and/or Follow-up with Due Diligence visits/Calls	August 2023 - September 2023
2nd Round: Awards Announced	October 20, 2023
3rd Round: Proposals Due by 5:00 pm	September 29, 2023
3rd Round: Review and/or Follow-up with Due Diligence visits/Calls	October 2023 - November 2023

3rd Round: Awards Announced	December 15, 2023
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APPLY HERE [Application Portal Link](#)

Questions?

For questions concerning this funding opportunity, please contact [RMHF's Program Team](#).

For questions concerning the online submission process, please contact Lisa Bender, lbender@rmhfoundation.org, Learning Officer and Grants Manager.