

MISSOULA PROJECT FOR NONPROFIT EXCELLENCE

Eligibility Criteria



At this time we are accepting applications for Assessment Awards to conduct a comprehensive organizational assessment, and to determine priorities for improving organizational effectiveness. Awards will be available to organizations that meet the following criteria:

1. Existence for at least three years with 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status (i.e. 3 years past the date on the IRS advance-ruling letter).
2. Maintain their primary office within Missoula County and provide a majority of services to people within Missoula County.
3. A demonstrated track record of providing services needed by the community.
4. Demonstrated readiness to undertake capacity building.
5. Adopted or are willing to adopt LGBT-inclusive nondiscrimination policies in employment, volunteer and board recruitment and in providing services (sample policies available upon request).
6. Preference will be given to organizations with annual expenditures of less than \$1,000,000.
7. Participation in the last 12 months in other capacity building activities, including one or more of the following:
 - a. Membership in a state or professional association that addresses issues of governance, leadership and management. Examples include the Montana Nonprofit Association, Missoula Nonprofit Network, Western Montana Fundraisers Association, Missoula Executive Directors Roundtable or a professional association related to the work of your organization.
 - b. Participated in a conference, workshop or other learning opportunity that addressed issues of nonprofit organizational development
 - c. Worked with a consultant to address an issue related to your organizational development needs.

Note: The MPNE core funders will consider applications from organizations that have not participated in on of the above activities if there is a clear and compelling need, such as an internal or external event or change that leads the organization to consider capacity building at this time.

