



Community Grants Funding Priorities & Evaluation Criteria

As a part of Central Eastside Together we are awarding grants to projects within the Central Eastside Industrial District. Grants are available to community organizations providing services in the district that support Central Eastside Together’s core values and goals. Below are our funding priorities and evaluation criteria.

Funding Priorities + Objectives:

Community Building, Environment & Citizen Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address safety and cleaning concerns in the district through creative, innovative and eco-friendly solutions. • Create public community events that engage and / or promote local business and inclusivity.
Placemaking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance the district identity and walkability. • Enhance district identity and awareness through innovative arts and cultural projects in public space.
Workforce Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement innovative workforce development programs that directly serve businesses in the Central Eastside. • Create work opportunities in the district for vulnerable populations.
Houseless Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support or improve community-based health and wellness programs. • Expand access to basic human needs including but not limited to housing, food, safe sleeping, etc. • Promote work-based innovations that resulting in additional opportunity for the houseless community.

Evaluation Criteria:

<p>Funding Priorities & Central Eastside Together's Goals</p> <p>(40%)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Are the goals of the project in line with the goals and funding priorities Central Eastside Together? ● Does the project reflect the values of Central Eastside Together?
<p>Feasibility & Budget</p> <p>(20%)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How feasible is the project based on the budget? ● Is the project matched from other sources? (Required) ● Can the project be completed based on both the timeline and budget?
<p>Innovation</p> <p>(20%)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Is the project bringing something new to the district? ● Does the project work to solve an issue in a creative and manageable way?
<p>Community Engagement</p> <p>(20%)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Does the project engage historically underrepresented and/or vulnerable populations? ● How much of the community will be engaged with the project? ● Does the project engage Central Eastside businesses?