



## **GRANT OPPORTUNITY**

### ***Organizational Capacity Building***

*Strengthening Operations and Building Organizational Health*

*Open from May 19 to June 6, 2025*

Capacity Building support is funding for activities that help strengthen strategically aligned partners' internal operations to achieve long-term performance and sustainability. It is not meant to support program expenses or service delivery.

Grant sizes will range from \$15,000 to \$50,000 and can be used over a two-year period.

Who is eligible to apply: 501(c)(3) nonprofit public charities of all sizes that serve the Qualla Boundary and 18 counties of Western North Carolina; fiscal sponsorship organizations; government and governmental organizations, faith-based organizations; colleges and universities

### **APPLICATION QUESTIONS**

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The following questions are asked as part of the Capacity Building application. They are included here as a preview. All applications must be submitted through Dogwood Health Trust's website at <https://dogwoodhealthtrust.org/grantmaking>.

1. Tell us about your organization's core work and how it contributes to the health and wellbeing of the people of Western North Carolina.
2. How do you stay engaged with and accountable to the community you serve?
3. From the list below, please select and rank the top three areas your organization would prioritize for a capacity building investment over the next 24 months. For each selected area, briefly describe how you would use capacity building funding to strengthen your effectiveness and deepen your impact.
  - Strategic Planning
  - Other Planning Efforts
  - Staff, Leadership and/or Board Development
  - Community Engagement or Increasing Access to Programs or Services
  - Learning and Evaluation
  - Advocacy Efforts
  - Improve Operations and Systems (accounting, legal, HR, IT, etc.)
  - Resource or Funding Development
  - Communications, Development or Marketing
  - Relationship Development or Increasing Collaborations/Connections
4. What do you hope will be different in your organization as a result of a capacity building grant from Dogwood?