Several months ago, we shared tips on writing grant applications and had many positive responses. Wondering what in Cullen Foundation’s view are Characteristics of Strong Nonprofit Grantees? If so, keep reading!

Set your Organization up for Success as an Applicant by:

1. Learning about our eligibility criteria, financial statement requirements, and our focus areas by carefully reviewing the content on our website: www.thecullenfoundation.org
2. Asking for assistance and/or clarification should you need it. Utilize our staff member listing here: https://www.thecullenfoundation.org/about-us
3. Allowing yourself enough time to prepare a complete application by starting your application well before the deadline
4. Submitting the Application by the stated deadline
5. Following directions on grant applications and answering the questions clearly

Continue that Success as a Grantee by:

1. Carefully reviewing grant contracts, including any special conditions to understand the terms
2. Cash your Grant Check in a timely manner
3. Adhering to deadlines around Progress Reports, Final Reports, Contracts and other follow-up forms
4. Keeping your contact information up-to-date and letting us know if key contacts leave or join your organization
5. Communicating with us – share good news and setbacks, keep us informed of project milestones

If something with your Cullen-funded project goes wrong, please reach out to us immediately. There’s a chance we can help you get back on track, connect you with other resources or organizations with similar issues, or be a thought partner in solving the issue.

Other Tips for Nonprofits

Contact us with any questions. Cullen staff is here to help. If you’re uncertain about something, please reach out to a staff member using the contact information listed HERE

Join our Monthly Newsletter list to stay informed on upcoming grant cycles, news, and various program and sector updates HERE

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Have suggestions for us on being a strong Grantor and partner? Share them with us at fhope@thecullenfoundation.org and if we get enough responses, we can feature them in a future newsletter.