

2019 Houston Methodist Grants: Frequently Asked Questions

Is my organization able to apply for both the Community Benefits (CB) and the Mental Health Innovation (MHI) grants?

Yes, we welcome organizations to apply for both the CB grant and the MHI grant. Requests must be for different projects, as the CB grant is not intended for mental health initiatives. If your organization is requesting financial support primarily for mental health services/operations, you must apply for the MHI grant.

Is my organization able to apply for operational support?

Yes, organizations are able to apply for operational/ overhead support, as well as program support, through either grant.

My organization has several innovative mental health projects planned. Could we submit requests for all of them through the MHI grant application?

Only one project may be submitted for consideration for the MHI grant. The project must be for a specific initiative aimed to enhance mental health access. Further, agencies requesting program support via the MHI can make a dual ask that would cover both the specified initiative and other general support for the overall mental health operations. See below for an example.

Example: Agency B traditionally provides counseling services to homeless men. Agency B also wants to add a new program to their overall counseling operations which targets homeless men who are veterans. Agency B applied for the MHI Grant and asked for \$25,000 in operational support to maintain the Agency's traditional counselling services to homeless men and asked for an additional \$20K to specifically support the new veterans program. Overall, Agency B is requesting \$45K from the MHI Grant.

Where can I find the grant applications?

Both grants can be accessed through the online grant portal. Organizations will be granted access to the online portal once their Letter of Intent has been reviewed and they receive an invitation to apply.

What are the steps to completing the grants?

On the portal homepage you will find instructions for logging in. Once you are logged in, you will complete the following:

- 1) An organizational overview to provide detailed information about your organization
- 2) Selection of grant type you have been invited to apply for (*Community Benefits, Mental Health Innovation, or both Community Benefits and Mental Health Innovation*)

What is the deadline for submission?

August 1, 2018 by 5 P.M.

Who do I contact for questions about the application process?

The Office of Community Benefits at communitybenefits@houstonmethodist.org