

# Grant Matching Fund Pilot Program

## Review Criteria

Though the review team is not evaluating an applicant's federal or nongovernmental organization grant proposal, it is evaluating the organization's suitability for matching funds based on their answers about their organization, the grant opportunity, and the applicant organization's proposed program. Each Grant Matching Fund (GMF) pilot program application is being evaluated on its own merit, and not competitively against other applicants. The review team will only be able to see the GMF pilot program application and the supporting documents.

The GMF pilot program manager will conduct a technical review to make sure that the information submitted in the application is complete and consistent. Applications that are incomplete or have inconsistent information will fail the technical review and will not be evaluated by the review team. The review team will use a scale ranging from excellent to unsatisfactory (excellent, strong, average, basic, weak, and unsatisfactory) to evaluate applications based on the following criteria:

- Understanding of the applicant's organization, services, and proposed goals and outcomes;
- Degree to which the applicant has demonstrated a need for GMF pilot program funding;
- Confidence in the applicant organization's ability to successfully implement, monitor and manage the proposed grant program;
- Degree to which the applicant's proposed grant program adds services in Nevada;
- Degree to which the applicant's proposed grant program aligns with the applicant organization's documented priorities;
- Degree to which the applicant's proposed grant program addresses the needs of underserved and/or frontier communities in Nevada;
- Degree to which the applicant's proposed grant program builds capacity for future grant opportunities;
- Degree to which the identified grant opportunity enables the applicant organization to sustain the program;
- Degree to which the application represents a sound investment of GMF pilot program award dollars; and
- Overall strength of the GMF pilot program application.