



## 2017 Guidelines for Expansion Grant Applications

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Continuing to find ways to achieve positive change in our community is integral to our mission. One avenue for doing so is by considering opportunities to support work that expands or builds on prior or current grants funded by the John Rex Endowment. There are two types of expansion funding that we consider:

- Implementation grants that follow a planning grant. Grantees who have not submitted their final report to the John Rex Endowment may submit a letter of intent as long as their planning process is mostly or already complete. If the grantee is invited to submit a full application, however, the planning process must be complete and final report submitted prior to the application deadline.
- Planning or implementation grants that are identified as a result of learning from a current implementation grant. At times, grantees may have other needs or required improvements that if addressed would further the purpose of the original grant (i.e., filling in the cracks or strengthening the foundation of the work), or will identify an opportunity to take a successful project to the next step (i.e., adding new strategies to complement existing efforts). In such cases, a planning or implementation grant may be proposed. Applications may be submitted for this type of expansion grant at any time after a grant award is made; though typically applications are only considered in the final year or following the completion of a grant.

The John Rex Endowment is only accepting applications for expansion grants in our [Injury Prevention](#) funding area. Expansion grant applications must also reflect a strong fit with [our overarching strategies](#) and [our five-year plan goals](#). In addition, proposed expansion grants meeting the following criteria will receive priority in funding decisions:

- Applicants have consistent, strong performance as John Rex Endowment grantees and actively demonstrate continuous learning and improvement.
- The letter of intent shows the significant and compelling commitment of the applicant organization/s' leadership to the work. Further, at the application stage:
  - *For proposed implementation grants that follow a planning grant*, the John Rex Endowment will give priority consideration to those applications that include a match on dollars requested from the John Rex Endowment. This match can be made through in-kind contributions from the applicant organization/s and/or through funding or contributions received from other sources.
  - *For proposed planning or implementation grants that are identified as a result of learning from a current implementation grant*, the John Rex Endowment requires a match on dollars requested from the John Rex Endowment. Those applications with a meaningful match will be more competitive. This match can be made through in-kind contributions from the applicant organization/s and/or through funding or contributions received from other sources.
- For proposed planning or implementation grants that are identified as a result of learning from a current implementation grant only*, the evaluation from the current implementation grant demonstrates measurable progress in achieving outcomes.

Typically, the applicant for an expansion grant will be the organization that received the prior or current John Rex Endowment grant. However, in some cases, the applicant may be a different organization. For example, Organization A received a John Rex Endowment planning grant. In conducting the planning process, Organization A and Organization B (a key partner) determine that Organization B is better suited to take the lead on implementation. In this situation, it is allowable for Organization B to apply for the expansion implementation grant.

**Note:** Expansion grant applications are only relevant to prior recipients of planning or implementation grants. Organizations who have received a prior Nonprofit Capacity Building grant should apply under the [current Nonprofit Capacity Building funding opportunity](#).

**If you are interested in applying for an expansion grant in Injury Prevention,** please use the current Preventing Injury Request for Proposals as your guide for additional information and requirements. You will select the Preventing Injury application process via the online system.