

Responsive Fund Sustainability Program

Background

Interact for Health is launching a Responsive Fund with up to \$2 million in support to respond to emergent needs in the nonprofit community. We recognize that the needs of our nonprofit partners are changing, and that opportunities to build resilience require dedicated funding.

Across our region, communities are navigating volatile conditions, sudden policy shifts, and rising demand for services. The organizations closest to this work are carrying more than ever, often with fewer resources and shorter timelines than the moment requires. Traditional funding streams and processes alone cannot keep pace with that reality.

The Responsive Fund is built to meet that gap. It allows us to respond when communities face urgent or unanticipated needs, sustain the civic infrastructure that holds the region together, and invest in the people behind the mission. Burnout is real, and the well-being of the staff and leaders doing this work is inseparable from the well-being of the communities they serve. Caring for our local nonprofit workforce is part of how we care for the community.

Sustainability Consultations and Capacity Building Support

Interact for Health will partner with trusted consultants to offer a new round of sustainability consultations for a small group of nonprofit organizations beginning in late 2026, with implementation starting in January 2027.

The program will provide up to 30 hours of individualized consulting support over approximately 6–8 months, focused on strengthening both short- and long-term financial and organizational sustainability. The process will be organization-led, with nonprofit leadership determining the priorities, direction, and format of the engagement. Meetings may be held virtually or in person, depending on organizational needs.

Examples of support may include:

- Scenario planning
- Strategic planning and revisions
- Exploring working together in partnerships and/or alliances, shared services, and/or mergers
- Diversified funding strategies and implementation
- Sustainability and development planning and implementation
- Legal support

Please note:

- *Partners may only submit one application for Sustainability Consultations and Capacity Building Support, and the application received first will be reviewed. Please coordinate the application internally. **The deadline to apply is Friday, July 31, 2026, 5 p.m.***
- *Organizations who can demonstrate organization readiness and leadership support in the application will be prioritized for this opportunity.*

Please reach out to our Responsive Fund Team with questions, responsive@interactforhealth.org

** Indicates required question*

1. Email *

2. Organization Name *

3. Organization Website

4. Contact Name *

5. Contact Phone Number *

6. Has your organization previously participated in an Interact for Health sustainability ^{*} program?

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☐ Yes

☐ No

7. What goals, projects, or organizational priorities would you like to focus on through ^{*} this engagement?

8. Does your organization currently have the leadership and staff capacity to actively ^{*} participate in the consulting process and implement recommended strategies or plans?

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☐ Yes

☐ No

9. What barriers could make participation in this program difficult for your organization? *

10. Please share how your organization serves our priority populations. *

For people in our region to have a just opportunity to live their healthiest lives, Interact for Health focuses our funding on groups that are facing the greatest barriers to health and well-being. Our priority populations include the following*

Black

Hispanic

Children and families with low incomes (200% Federal Poverty Level)

Rural (Low density/Low population)

People who identify as LGBTQ+

*For the purposes of this grant, immigrant and refugee communities will also be considered populations of focus.

11. Please share how your organization aligns with [Interact's mission](#) (advancing health justice and youth well-being) and values. *

12. Other local funders may be interested in supporting this initiative. Do you give Interact for Health permission to share this application with other local funders? *

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☐ Yes

☐ No

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