

Grant Opportunities

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Upcoming Grants

The following grants have upcoming release dates. Learn more at <https://bha.colorado.gov/resources/funding-opportunities>

- **Career Pipeline, Round 2**- This RFA focuses on awarding grants to increase the number of behavioral health workers. The BHA initiates a second solicitation for Career Pipeline Grants. These grants must structure a pathway for individuals to enter the field, gain education and experience, and advance their careers. They'll provide services to those with mental health or substance use needs.
- **Work Based Learning Incentive** - These grants will support behavioral health apprenticeships, internships, and pre-licensure support. The aim of this effort is two-fold, to increase the number of people with appropriate training and recognized credentials, and establish stronger connections between employers and the emerging workforce.

Co-Responder Expansion

Deadline: November 13, 2023

Purpose: Co-Responder Programs create and foster partnerships between behavioral health professionals and law enforcement. The law enforcement officer and the behavioral health specialist's combined expertise aims to improve de-escalation of situations, deflect individuals away from involvement with the criminal justice system and/or unnecessary hospitalization, and link them to appropriate services.

The Colorado Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) is seeking applicants to create, modify, update, or maintain Co-Responder Programs in Colorado. BHA will provide funds to eligible applicants, including cities or county government agencies, to help Colorado continue and expand the Co-Responder Program.

The Co-Responder Program pairs law enforcement and behavioral health specialists to intervene and respond to behavioral health-related calls for police service. These teams utilize the combined expertise of the officer and the behavioral health specialist to de-escalate situations and help link individuals with behavioral health issues to appropriate services.

Areas of Focus: Criminal Justice

Amount of Funding: Allowable Uses of Funding: The Contractor may use program funds to support, with prior approval of the Colorado Department of Human Services (CDHS) - Behavioral Health Administration (BHA), items including but not limited to, the following:

- a. Program personnel and project management and community engagement.
- b. Temporary services and treatments necessary to stabilize a participant's condition, including necessary housing.
- c. Outreach.
- d. Direct costs for services.
- e. Specialized program training.
- f. Dedicated law enforcement resources, including overtime required for participation in operational meetings and training.
- g. Training and technical assistance from experts in the implementation of Co-Responder Services Programs in other jurisdictions.
- h. Collecting and maintaining the data necessary for program evaluation.

Project period: Through June 2024

Eligibility: [READ FULL ELIGIBILITY DESCRIPTION HERE.](#)

Eligible applicants include cities or county government agencies. Although cities and counties may select an agency to serve as a Project Manager in the implementation of the project, the applicant agency will retain the responsibility for the overall project administration including fiduciary oversight. Eligible applicants are limited to:

- a. Cities. Applications may be submitted by the City Council or the Administrative

Office of the City (e.g., City Manager) or police department. In cases in which the City is the applicant, only one (1) proposal per city may be submitted. However, more than one (1) City within a County may submit an application.

b. Counties. Applications may be submitted by the County Human Services Department, Public Health Department, Sheriff's Department or County Commissioners. In cases where a County agency is the applicant, only one (1) proposal per County may be submitted.

c. Other Government Entities. Includes other types of city or county administrative departments not included above.

Application Process: Email the application, Signature Page, and any other required documents in one zip file as an attachment to this email address: RFP_IBE.4s40gj7tnp0tebbn@u.box.com .

Link to grant: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dIYz8EjnxP8XZjDzGEhuH3sqfRmMPjz/view>

Sponsors: CDHS

Areas of Consideration:

- Speak with Sheriff Martin and other regional sheriffs
- In line with the Region's mission to increase peer support
- The region has not yet focused on criminal justice work
- Not a lot of time before the deadline

Behavioral Health Workforce Peer Support Professionals

Deadline: November 14, 2023

Purpose: The BHA is announcing a request for applications to distribute approximately \$5 million in grants to grow and support the Peer Support Workforce.

The BHA is implementing a Peer Support Professionals Grant to address the need to increase the number of peers in the state through certification, training, and career advancement opportunities. This opportunity will serve to expand the Peer Support workforce and grow professional and/or career opportunities for Colorado Peer Support Professionals.

Area of Focus: Recovery

Sponsors: BHA

Link: <https://bha.colorado.gov/resources/funding-opportunities>

Areas of Consideration:

- This is a great way to work toward the Council’s goal of increasing the number of peers in the region.
- Which organizations in the region can use additional peers?
- The Consortium is currently accepting applications for grant writing assistance services for the [Colorado Behavioral Health Administration](#) (BHA) RFA: Behavioral Health Workforce Peer Support Professionals – RFA #: RFP IBEH 2024000099
 - Application: <https://corxconsortium.org/grant-assistance/>

Reaching Rural: Advancing Collaborative Solutions

Deadline: December 15, 2023

Purpose: The Reaching Rural Initiative is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the State Justice Institute (SJI). The Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR) is releasing this solicitation on their behalf.

The one-year planning initiative is designed for rural justice and public safety practitioners; public health and behavioral health practitioners; city, county, and tribal leaders; and community groups. The planning initiative empowers rural practitioners to build deeper networks, particularly across sectors; adopt bold solutions to the persistent challenge of substance use and misuse in rural communities; and reimagine how diverse systems with different missions can engage with one another to more effectively serve justice involved individuals with substance use or co-occurring disorders.

[Read more](#)

Areas of Focus: Leadership/Management/Planning

Amount of Funding: At the conclusion of the planning period (the end of calendar year 2024), Reaching Rural fellows will have the opportunity to apply for an implementation grant of up to \$100,000 for up to 15 months to launch a project planned during the Reaching Rural fellowship.

Project period: February 2024- February 2025

Eligibility: All proposed activities supported under this solicitation are designed for rural communities. To determine if your community is defined as “rural,” use the Rural Health Grants Eligibility Analyzer, a tool maintained by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). We encourage anyone interested to apply, regardless of their previous level of experience or exposure to this topic. We aim to engage rural practitioners who do not have prior cross-sector strategic planning experience but are enthusiastic about the opportunity to participate in this effort with other practitioners from their

community and practitioners from other rural communities. [Additional eligibility information can be found here.](#)

Application Process: All application components must be submitted via online application: Cross-Sector Team application link here: <http://s.iir.com/d5a7RnpQ> Individual application link here: <http://s.iir.com/XbmG95w7> A PDF copy of the Cross-Sector Team application questions can be accessed at <http://s.iir.com/6hZdeuBH>. A PDF copy of the Individual application questions can be accessed at <http://s.iir.com/TzX9VUQU>. All required application components must be submitted via online application no later than 5:00pm ET on December 15, 2023. Applicants will receive a notice of submission upon completion of the online application.

Link to grant:

https://www.cossup.org/Content/Documents/Funding/Reaching_Rural_Advancing_Collaborative_Solutions.pdf

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Areas of Consideration:

- Applicant Webinar: November 14, 2023, at 1:00pm ET. Please register for the webinar at <http://s.iir.com/Reaching-Rural-Solicitation> and submit questions in advance of the webinar to COSSUP@iir.com no later than November 13, 2023. Emails containing questions should include the name, agency, and email address of the submitter
- Each planning team must, at a minimum, consist of four people from three different sectors: justice or public safety, public health, and behavioral health.
- It is important to review the time commitment associated with participating in this initiative to. View the commitment schedule on page 5 https://www.cossup.org/Content/Documents/Funding/Reaching_Rural_Advancing_Collaborative_Solutions.pdf

Supporting Coloradans in Recovery Through Non-Clinical Programs

Deadline: February 15, 2024, June 15, 2024

Purpose: The Colorado Health Foundation will provide grants for culturally- and linguistically-responsive programs that support individuals with mental health and/or substance use challenges in accessing non-clinical support services close to home, thus making recovery possible. Projects should focus on the purpose and community dimensions in Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA's) model of recovery. [Read More.](#)

Areas of Focus: Recovery

Amount of Funding: Not specified

Project period: Not specified

Eligibility:

- Eligible applicants include 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, government agencies, or projects partnering with a nonprofit fiscal sponsor, including:
- Preference will be given to projects that are:
 - Run by organizations that are peer-led or peer-driven
 - Led by or provided by peers such as a peer support specialist, peer navigator, peer coach, or recovery coach
 - Proposed by organizations who already have experience providing recovery services
 - Responsive to the needs of people in recovery and their families through trauma-informed programming
 - Providing support and resources for the mental wellness of peers and staff
- Organizations must provide non-clinical programs that fall under SAMHSA's purpose and/or community dimensions of recovery:
 - Purpose – Conducting meaningful daily activities such as employment, education, volunteering along with having the independence, income and resources to participate in society.
 - Community – Having relationships and social networks that provide support, friendship, love, and hope.

Application Process: A link to the [online application](#) is available on the [program website](#).

Link to grant: <https://coloradohealth.org/funding-opportunities/funding-opportunity-supporting-coloradans-recovery-through-non-clinical>

Sponsors: Colorado Health Foundation

Areas of Consideration:

- Region 4 organizations that have peer-led recovery programs
- Lots of time before the February round of funding

Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Utilizing Telemedicine or Other Remote-Based Platforms to Develop and Support Treatments for Substance Use Disorders

Deadline: January 8, 2024

Purpose: There is an urgent need for remotely delivered Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatments to reduce patient burden and for methods to conduct clinical trials remotely. The purpose of this NOSI is to

stimulate research to evaluate the safety and efficacy of telemedicine or remotely provided treatments for SUD, and to develop tools for remote collection of data in clinical trials of treatments for SUD.

Area of Focus: Treatment

Eligibility: NIDA encourages the submission of applications that will rapidly improve the ability to: 1) offer remotely-delivered SUD treatments to patients, including efforts to bring access to difficult to reach populations, and 2) conduct clinical trials of novel treatments using remote patient safety and clinical outcomes monitoring to reduce the need for in-person clinical visits.

Application Process: Submit applications for this initiative using one of the following funding opportunity announcements (FOAs) or any reissues of these announcement through the expiration date of this notice:

- [PA-20-185](#)– NIH Research Project Grant (Parent R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
- [PA-20-183](#)- Research Project Grant (Parent R01 Clinical Trial Required)
- [PA-20-195](#): NIH Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Program (Parent R21 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)
- [PA-20-194](#): NIH Exploratory/Developmental Research Grant Program (Parent R21 Clinical Trial Required)

Link to more information: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-DA-20-058.html?utm_campaign=OATannouncements20231003&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Sponsor: National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

Walmart Local Community Grants

Deadline: Quarter 4: November 1 – December 31

Purpose: local community grants are awarded through an open application process and provide funding directly from Walmart and Sam’s Club facilities to local organizations in the U.S.

Areas of Focus:

There are eight (8) areas of funding for which an organization can apply. Health areas related to the work of the Council include:

1. Health and Human Service: Providing medical screening, treatment, social services, or shelters for low-income individuals and families in the local service area
2. Public Safety: Supporting public safety programs through training programs or equipment in the local service area

Amount of Funding: \$250 to a maximum of \$5,000

Eligibility: Organizations applying must meet one of following criteria:

- An organization holding a current tax-exempt status as a public charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, listed on the IRS Master File and conducting activities within the United States, classified as a public charity under Section 509(a)(1), (2) or (3) (Types I or II); and CyberGrants FrontDoor verified.
- A recognized government entity: state, county or city agency, including law enforcement or fire departments, that are requesting funds exclusively for public purposes and CyberGrants FrontDoor verified.
- A K-12 public or nonprofit private school, charter school, community/junior college, state/private college or university; or a church or other faith-based organization with a proposed project that benefits the community at large, such as food pantries, soup kitchens and clothing closets and CyberGrants FrontDoor verified.
- NOTE: Non-charities, including organizations recognized as 501(c)(4)s, (c)(6)s, and (c)(19)s like homeowner's associations, civic leagues, or volunteer fire companies, are not eligible at this time.

Application Process/ Link to Grant: <https://walmart.org/how-we-give/local-community-grants>

Sponsors: Walmart

Areas of Consideration:

- These are very small grants, but organizations may submit a total number of 25 applications and/or receive up to 25 grants within the 2023 grant cycle

Rural Emergency Medical Services Training Grant

Deadline: May 1, 2024 (annual grant)

Deadline: May 1, 2023, May 1, 2024; May 1, 2025

Purpose: The Rural Emergency Medical Services Training Grant (Short Title: EMS Training) provides funding to recruit and train emergency medical services personnel in rural areas with a focus on addressing substance use disorders and co-occurring mental health conditions. [Read more.](#)

Areas of Focus: Treatment, Recovery & Harm Reduction

Amount of Funding: Award ceiling \$200,000

Project period: 1-year

Eligibility: Eligible applicants include rural emergency medical service agencies operated by local or tribal governments (fire-based and non-fire based) and nonprofit emergency medical service agencies.

Application Process: Links to the full announcement, [application instructions](#), and the online application process are available through [grants.gov](#). This opportunity has been issued as standing funding announcement that will remain open until May 1, 2025. Applicants can apply for funding in any of the three project periods, with the following due dates:

- May 1, 2024
- May 1, 2025

Link to grant: <https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/funding/4864>

Sponsors: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Areas of Consideration:

- A 10% non-federal matching contribution is required.
- Was there a rural emergency medical service agency in your region that applied for this in the last round of funding (May 2023)?
- Would a rural emergency medical service agency in your region want to apply for this and have the capacity to apply for this?