Early Learning Grant Cycle
Inquiry Stage Questionnaire

1) What is your mission statement? Please explain how the project you are proposing aligns with your mission statement.

2) In a single short paragraph, what are you proposing? Include these three elements: your project is doing what - for whom - and what result do you expect?

3) Please describe the project elements in detail. A complete response will specifically address how the requested dollars will be used (e.g., staffing, capital, evaluation, consultants, etc.). Also include audiences that your project serves, how many you will reach, and how frequently. Please explain any anticipated differences between Year 1 (Jan.1, 2021 – Dec. 31, 2021) and Year 2 (Jan. 1, 2022 – Dec. 31, 2022).

4) The outcomes for each of the four Early Learning priority areas are described below. Outcomes are simply the changes you expect to see as a result of your project. View our Early Learning Path to Impact.

**Family Engagement**
More families are equipped with best practice parenting tools and understand the importance of early childhood development. This leads to more families providing a level of care and interaction with their child that supports optimal development and learning.

**Provider Effectiveness**
More pre-K providers receive education, technical assistance, and training regarding effective instruction, classroom environments, and child interactions. This leads to more pre-K providers delivering effective instruction and high-quality classroom environments/interactions.
Affordable High-Quality Enrollment
Providing scholarship resources towards efforts to make high-quality learning environments more accessible to families. (This priority area is linked to the periodic availability of State funds and is not open for application at this time.)

Academic Supports
More students K-3 who are at risk of not meeting academic milestones participate in remedial reading and math enrichment activities. This leads to more students K-3 developing grade-appropriate reading and math skills.

Please describe
a. Which of the outcome(s) listed above are directly addressed by your project
b. How does your project address the outcome(s)

5) Please enter the total project cost to your organization for each year (be sure to include everything it takes to run the project).
a. Year 1 Total Project Cost
b. Year 2 Total Project Cost

c. Year 1 Total Request
d. Year 2 Total Request

The following question is optional; however, your response will help us better understand the capacity building needs of your organization and the nonprofit community.

7) Strong nonprofit organizations have effective leaders (board and staff), creating lasting impact within their service sector, the larger nonprofit sector, and the community. With this in mind, what are the areas of greatest strategic growth and developmental need for your organization that would equip the organization to more directly bring about the outcomes you desire? (e.g., evaluation plan development, consultant-based assistance with board development, strategic planning, etc.).

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