

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA) COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SUPPORT GRANTS

RFP#2025-01

Date Issued:	May 23, 2025
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Deadline to Submit RFP Questions:	5:00 p.m. PT, June 3, 2025
Proposals Due:	5:00 p.m. PT, June 13, 2025

The Office of Civic Engagement & Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA) is pleased to announce the availability of funds and a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the RFP#2025-01 Community Engagement & Support Grants.

All RFP materials will be available electronically on OCEIA's website at <https://sf.gov/oceiagrants> on **Friday, May 23, 2025**. Alternative formats for persons with disabilities will be available upon request at (415) 554-0600 or civic.engagement@sfgov.org. **All proposals must be submitted electronically and received by 5:00 p.m. PT on Friday, June 13, 2025.**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SUPPORT GRANT AREAS:

1. LANGUAGE ACCESS COMMUNITY GRANTS

This grant opportunity is for non-profit and community-based organizations based in San Francisco to develop and implement a set of programs and services to increase community and City capacity to meet the language access needs of underserved vulnerable communities and monolingual or Limited English Proficient (LEP) individuals who live or work in San Francisco. Emphasis will be placed on 1) building community-based language access knowledge, capacity, and leadership through community outreach and education; 2) collaborative work to assess, evaluate, and address language access needs in the community and ensure City departments are effectively communicating with and delivering services to residents who speak languages other than English; and 3) building community capacity to deliver community-based interpretation and translation services.

- **CITYWIDE LANGUAGE ACCESS COLLABORATIVE**
- **FILIPINO LANGUAGE SERVICES & CAPACITY BUILDING**
- **SOUTHEAST ASIAN LANGUAGE SERVICES & CAPACITY BUILDING**
- **CENTRAL AMERICAN INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES SERVICES & CAPACITY BUILDING**
- **COMMUNITY INTERPRETERS CAPACITY BUILDING**
- **LANGUAGE SUPPORT SERVICES FOR FAMILIES IN THE TENDERLOIN**



2. NATURALIZATION SERVICES COLLABORATIVE

This grant opportunity is for non-profit, community-based collaboratives or coalitions to conduct an effective and innovative citywide campaign to motivate and support legal permanent residents (LPRs) in successfully navigating the naturalization process. Emphasis will be placed on collaboratives or coalitions that aim to increase the number of naturalized citizens in San Francisco by providing free immigration legal services and application preparation through group processing workshops.

3. FEE ASSISTANCE FOR IMMIGRATION-RELATED SERVICES

The purpose of this program is to provide fee assistance and financial empowerment initiative supporting folks applying for immigration-related applications and relief.

4. ASYLUM IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES, INCLUDING EXPERIENCE REACHING TRANSGENDER & GENDER-NONCONFORMING RESIDENTS

This grant involves expanding access for asylum immigration services and related legal services and representation to those in need, regardless of immigration status, including transgender and gender-nonconforming (TGNC) immigrants in San Francisco. This program aims to ensure that San Francisco's TGNC immigrants, regardless of immigration status, are able to navigate complex systems and application processes with culturally competent support.

Requirements

Proposers for all programs must be 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations based in the City and County of San Francisco (the City). Program activities must be conducted in San Francisco and will be focused on assisting individuals who live, work, or attend school in the City. Selected grantees must be City-compliant suppliers that demonstrate cultural and linguistic competence; have a history of assisting and serving San Francisco communities; demonstrate extensive knowledge of neighborhood services, issues, and resources; and demonstrate credibility and capacity to reach target populations.

How to contact OCEIA

If you have any questions regarding the RFP, please send an email to civic.engagement@sfgov.org with the subject line referencing the **RFP#2025-01**. All questions received by 5:00 p.m. PT on Tuesday, June 3, 2025 will be answered and posted on OCEIA's website (<https://sf.gov/oceiagrants>) by 5:00 p.m. PT on Thursday, June 5, 2025. OCEIA will not respond to questions after the above deadline. To ensure that all applicants have access to the same information, OCEIA staff members are not permitted to answer RFP content questions via telephone or in person.