Grant-Readiness

Before an organization can apply for a grant, they should be "grant-ready."

What does this mean?

Grantmakers typically want to see that an organization is credible and has the support to carry out its mission. If an organization does not meet the basic tenants of grant readiness, applying for grants will not likely result in an award and valuable time and resources will have been wasted. Some of the features funders look for in grant applicants include:

- Strong leadership and infrastructure
- Clear case for support including mission statement
- Collaborative partnerships and community support
- Robust fundraising plan and finances
- Well defined project goals and evaluation strategy

Many grant makers request the submission of certain documents including IRS letter of determination, board roster, logic models, organizational and project budgets, and financial audits.

What is the process?

Viriditas Consulting will work with you to assess areas where your organization may be ready to take the next steps towards grant readiness.

- Initial meeting to discuss your needs and goals
- Your organization completes a grant readiness checklist
- Second meeting to review the checklist
- **Our consultants create a recommendation report as a road map to the next steps leading to grant readiness**
- We meet to discuss the report and plan for next steps

What are the benefits of a recommendation report?

The recommendation report is a tool that highlights problematic areas in an organization that may weaken its chances for winning a grant award. The report includes resources where applicable. Your organization can choose to work with us on these improvements, find a new consultant, or work internally to make changes. We are here to help your organization grow in any way possible.

To set up your initial meeting or ask questions, please contact:

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