

Greetings!

We are excited to announce a Request for Information (RFI) process to gather information to lead our work. This RFI will help us identify groups, coalitions, networks, and organizations (“groups”) doing deep and meaningful community-driven work in New Jersey. The purpose of the RFI is to conduct a landscape analysis of community organizing groups in New Jersey to guide the New Jersey Health Initiatives (NJHI)’s future resource allocation. The information gathered will allow NJHI - and other funders - to better align our resources with the needs of community organizing groups in the state.

NJHI works to create a healthier, more equitable New Jersey by investing in resident-led community groups and networks rooted in racial equity and centered on systems change. NJHI is managed through a collaborative relationship among the Community Foundation of New Jersey, the Community Foundation of South Jersey, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

To respect people’s time, we are releasing the RFI in a three-step process so that only eligible groups are asked to complete it (see “What is the process for the RFI?” below). Please learn more about the RFI process below and consider participating if eligible. If you, or a group you know, prefer to participate in this process in a language besides English or Spanish, please email us at agarcia@njjhi.org letting us know your preferred language and we will reach out with next steps. We appreciate your collaboration in sharing this widely.

Thank you for your interest and support!

What is the process for the RFI?

1. Complete the six **eligibility questions on this survey by Friday, April 12, 2024**. The eligibility questions are available in English and Spanish. To change languages, use the box with the down arrow at the top right of the page.



New Jersey Health Initiatives - Eligibility Questions

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The process is as follows:

1. Complete the 6 **eligibility questions** on this survey by **Friday, April 12, 2024**.

Immediately after you submit your answers, you will be informed whether you are eligible to continue (see "Who should answer these eligibility questions?" section below).

Use this link:

[ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONS](#)

If you are notified that you are eligible:

2. Complete the ten-question **organizational profile by Friday, April 12, 2024**, so we can learn more about your group and determine whether its work aligns with NJHI's priorities. (The eligibility questions and profile must **both** be submitted by April 12).

If you receive an invitation from NJHI to proceed:

3. Complete the **full Request for Information (RFI) by Friday, May 17**. Once you complete the RFI, you will receive \$1,000 to support your group's efforts.

Who should answer these RFI eligibility questions?

While we value the work of anyone working to improve their communities, we are interested in connecting with groups whose work is **led by** members of the communities they serve and who see their work as community organizing centered on racial equity.

For this work, we are defining community organizing as work done directly with residents in local communities in ways that honor relationship building, shared responsibility, and group action for systems change.

What will NJHI do with this information?

The information shared through responses to the RFI will help NJHI align its resources with the needs of community organizing groups.

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions for disseminating this to community-led groups throughout New Jersey, please contact Alma Garcia, NJHI Director, at agarcia@njhi.org.