

**Texas Health Community Impact 2027-2028 Grant Cycle**

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<b>Question:</b>	<b>Answer:</b>
<p>When will the Texas Health Community Impact (THCI) Request for Proposals (RFP) open?</p> <p>When is the deadline to apply?</p>	<p>Applications for the 2027-2028 THCI grant cycle will open on April 13, 2026.</p> <p>The deadline is May 29, 2026, 11:59 p.m. Proposals submitted after May 29, 2026, will not be accepted.</p>
<p>Which ZIP codes or health priority areas are included?</p>	<p>The RFP specifies targeted areas and ZIP codes. Programs must target at <i>least one</i> of the priority ZIP codes and at <i>least one</i> non-medical driver of health impacting physical and mental health.</p>
<p>Who is eligible to apply for the RFP?</p>	<p>Examples, but a non-exclusive list: state, county, townships, independent school districts, public or state-controlled institutions of higher education, public housing authorities, non-profits having a 501© (3) status with the IRS.</p> <p>Hospital systems and hospital districts can be a part of a collaboration but <b>cannot</b> serve as the lead applicant.</p> <p>Organizations that applied for a previous THCI grant cycle and were <b>not</b> awarded <i>are eligible</i> to apply this cycle.</p> <p>Organizations previously funded <u>as lead agency for two cycles</u> are <b>not</b> eligible to apply under this funding opportunity.</p>

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What are the key requirements for funding?	Applications must fulfill <b>four</b> key requirements: (1) Propose an <u>innovative</u> approach, (2) Demonstrate a <u>collaborative</u> effort between two or more organizations, (3) <u>Align</u> with strategic priorities, and (4) Promote <u>sustainability</u> .
Are salaries allowed?	Yes, salaries are allowable within reason and consistent with grant responsibilities.
How much can I apply for?	RFP states total amount of funding available for each region. The amount of funding requested should be proportionate to the scope of work and/or within reach of the proposed program (i.e., number of priority ZIP codes listed in proposal).
When will a decision be determined?	Notification of grant awards is expected to occur by Dec. 18, 2026. Recipients of grant awards will be required to attend an onboarding session and meet with their assigned Texas Health Program Manager in January 2027.
When does the grant cycle begin and end?	The grant cycle begins Jan. 1, 2027, and ends Dec. 31, 2028.  <i>*Grant recipients must implement activities within four months of executed MOU.</i>
Is there a matching percentage?	This is not a matching grant.

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<p>Is capital equipment allowed?</p>	<p>Capital expenses, construction projects, and purchase of large equipment are not allowed. If the equipment is mission critical, the purchase may be considered by Texas Health Community Impact leadership.</p> <p><i>For example: Can funds be used towards the purchase of a van or vehicle for use by the program? This request would be considered by leadership based on need and budget.</i></p>
<p>Who can I reach out to regarding questions?</p>	<p>Email <a href="mailto:THCI-grants@texashealth.org">THCI-grants@texashealth.org</a> Deadline for all questions is May 4, 2026, at 5 p.m. CDT.</p>
<p>What are the indirect cost limits?</p>	<p>Not to exceed 10% of the total collaborative direct costs. Indirect costs are expenses that <b>do not</b> relate to a specific intervention or service such as overhead, utilities, accounting, or rent support.</p>
<p>Can you expand on the funding exclusion direct delivery of reimbursable health care services? Does that mean that healthcare services provided through the grant can only be given to individuals free of charge or at a fixed rate? Can we provide healthcare services to individuals with Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP using grant funds?</p>	<p>Reimbursable Healthcare Service is a service or program eligible for a provider of Medicare, Medicaid, WIC, or Commercial Insurance; those expenses <b>are not</b> eligible for grant funding. If a person is not eligible to receive the above-listed services, then that is an eligible expense.</p> <p><i>Example: If a local behavioral health authority receives government funding to offset costs for indigent counseling services, then that would be an ineligible expense.</i></p>

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Does the organization need to be located in a targeted ZIP code to be eligible to apply?	Organization(s) can be in another ZIP code, but the project is intended to serve the individuals of the target ZIP codes.
Is it possible for an agency to apply as the lead applicant and be a collaborating partner on another application?	Yes, an organization can apply as a lead and as a collaborating partner on separate applications.