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Transform Youth Justice (TYJ) Ending Girls' Incarceration (EGI) Initiative: California Action Network

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Welcome to The Center's Transform Youth Justice (TYJ)

Ending Girls Incarceration (EGI) Initiative:

Ending Carceral Responses and Practices for Girls and
Gender-Expansive Youth
Proposer's Webinar

Funded by
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Background

- Brings people, a range of capacities and team, ideas and infrastructure together to create positive change in California
- Dedicated to health and racial equity
- Example: Managing entity of the Transform Youth Justice program in partnership with Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR)



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Agenda

- Program Background
- The Funding Opportunity
- How to Apply
- How to be Competitive



Purpose of the 2024 – 2026 Transform Youth Justice (TYJ) Ending Girls Incarceration (EGI) Initiative:

Support community-based organizations in Imperial, Los Angeles, Sacramento, and San Diego to implement community-based programming that will help keep girls and gender-expansive youth from being incarcerated.

This initiative will address race, gender and health disparities in the youth legal system and will promote the well-being of girls and gender-expansive youth in the community.





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Why End Girl's Incarceration in California?

In California, over 70% of girls' arrests, 70% of girls' petitions, and over 50% of girls' detentions were for misdemeanor or status offense charges in 2020.

This reflects what we see nationally: girls and gender-expansive youth are overwhelmingly in the carceral system for reasons:

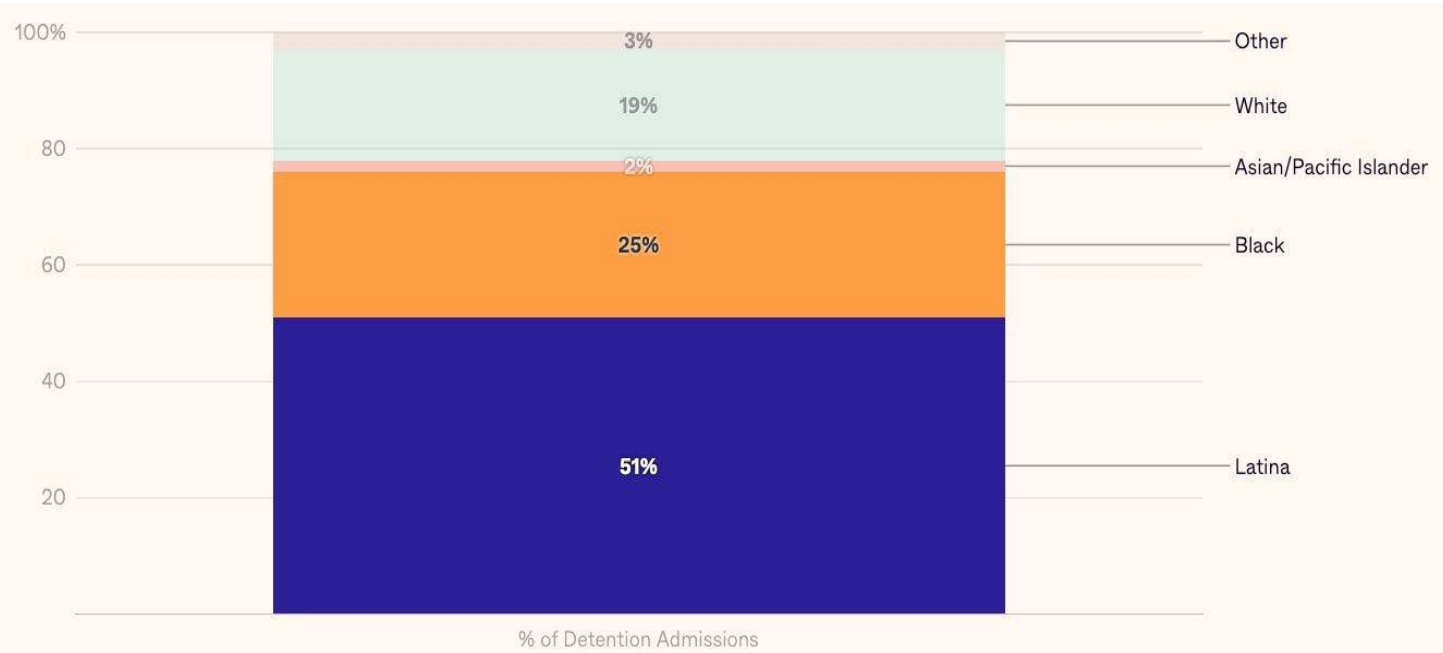
- That are not rooted in protecting public safety
- That are not in the best interest of children
- And for reasons that are not in service of healthy youth development or improved intergenerational life-course outcomes

California is now positioned to lead the country in taking the steps needed to further reduce—and ultimately end—girls' incarceration.



Racial Disparities in Detention Admissions for Girls

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**76% of girls detained
in California are Black
and Latinx/e girls**

Race	% of Detention Admissions
Other	3%
White	19%
Asian/Pacific Islander	2%
Black	25%
Latina	51%



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Expectations of Participating Counties

1. Support the implementation of community-based diversion programs in collaboration with the community-based organizations that are funded to provide services through this RFA.
2. Continue implementation of court-based policy and formal practice changes to reduce girls' incarceration.
3. Participate in collaborative planning with other local leaders in their community to develop medium and long-term priorities for continuing the work to get to zero. This will include collaboration in partnership with local government leaders, community members, direct service organizations, and directly impacted young people.



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EGI Initiative: Year 2 Goals

1. Implement gender-responsive diversion programming to keep young people in the community.
2. Promote in-community well-being, healing and safety of girls and gender-expansive youth through implementation of healing-based, gender-responsive and culturally appropriate diversion programs and through transformative relationships, engagement and accompaniment.



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RFA Values and Guiding Principles

The partnership between OYCR, Vera, and The Center is intentional about moving beyond closing facilities and moving towards in-community by-community solutions that provide young people with safety, healing, and opportunity in their communities and that address how race and gender discrimination lead to arrest and legal contact in the first place.

RFA Values and Guiding Principles continued

- Solutions must be rooted in best practice, lived experience, and on-the-ground expertise.
- Program staff should reflect the identities of girls and gender-expansive youth who are incarcerated.
- Principles of equity recognizing the need to strive for race, gender and health equity in program activities and outcomes.
- Programs and services are culturally responsive, trauma-informed, healing-based and linguistically appropriate.

RFA Values and Guiding Principles continued

- Programs and organizational priorities are informed by, and with youth involved in carceral systems.
- An intersectional approach to health equity.
- A commitment to youth and family engagement.
- Prevention and education that is tailored and utilizes stigma-reducing approaches.
- Principles of shifting power and agency to those who are closest to the problems and solutions.



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Glossary (RFA Document Page 25 - 26)

- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Capacity Building
- Community Based Organization
- Credible Messengers
- Gender–Expansive
- Gender Responsive
- **Healing-Based Practices**
- Intersectionality



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Glossary (RFA Document Page 28 - 29)

- Lived Experience
- **Net Widening**
- Organizational Sustainability
- Prevention
- Restorative Justice
- Social Justice Youth Development
- Somatic Practices
- Status Offences



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Glossary (RFA Document Page 28 - 29)

- Technical Assistance
- **Social Justice Youth Development**
- Thriving
- Transformative Justice
- Trauma-Informed Practices
- Youth and Transition Age Youth (TAY) Involved in
Carceral Systems
- **Youth Diversion**
- Wrap-around Services



Healing-Based Practices

Healing that involves a basic logic of transformation or transmutation from sickness to wellness enacted through culturally salient actions. Common healing practices include:

- The use of medicines (inclusive of traditional herbs and teas);
- Methods of getting things out to heal the body (inclusive of somatic practices);
- Manipulations of the body through touch and gestures or with specific materials (inclusive of acupuncture);
- Diagnostic or other practices that establish the nature of the affliction in terms of its causes, consequences, or some other classificatory scheme;
- The use of rituals and ceremonies incorporating words, music and other cultural devices

All may involve the afflicted individual or the healer alone, interaction between patient and healer, and/or the participation of a whole group or community.



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Transformative Relationships, Accompaniment and Mentorship

- Transformative Relationships that facilitate transformative mentorship and accompaniment are dynamic healing-centered spaces (land rematriation) and interactions that improve the quality of relationships and life experiences among people, thereby cultivating Beloved Communities in which people interact together in ways that catalyze individual-collective awareness, comprehension and healing from past-present-future traumas, harms and wounds.
- Transformative relationships draw on culturally-relevant practices and on the understanding of the potential intergenerational impacts of harms and serve as rooted catalysts for transforming cycles of harm and violence to create and generate new past-present and future possibilities for individual and community wholeness and well-being.
- How would you or your organization define transformative relationships in practice?



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Net Widening

Youth who pose minimal risk to the public, get pulled into the system. Best practice states that placing conditions, rules and requirements on girls and gender expansive youth is only appropriate when those young people would otherwise be arrested and prosecuted in the carceral legal system. Research shows that conditions and requirements are often imposed on youth who participate in youth diversion programming even in cases when they do not pose significant risks to public safety and who – if not for the existence of the diversion program – would otherwise be released by police with a warning or have their cases dismissed out of court. Subjecting low- and medium-risk girls to conditions of supervision as a stipulation to participate in diversion programming or requiring diversion programming when girls would otherwise be released, is net-widening.



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Youth Diversion

Generally, youth diversion refers to tailored interventions, which provide community-based services as an alternative to formal system involvement. This includes a wide range of interventions and supports across the entire spectrum of police and juvenile justice system points of contact and decision-making

Funding Program Overview

2024 - 2026

TRANSFORM YOUTH JUSTICE (TYJ)
ENDING GIRLS' INCARCERATION (EGI)
CALIFORNIA ACTION NETWORK

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

OCTOBER 2024



Eligible Counties:

Imperial, Los Angeles, Sacramento and San Diego



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Funding Opportunity

OYCR is investing \$4,000,000 over two years to fund youth diversion programming in: Imperial, Los Angeles, Sacramento, and San Diego. Up to \$1,000,000 per county will support one to three organizations in implementing gender-responsive programs to divert girls and gender-expansive youth from carceral systems. This funding is open to emerging grassroots CBOs, established CBOs, and Tribal organizations, including 638 Indian Health Services providers.

Four Selected Counties: These counties were selected to participate in the EGI-CA California Action Network (AN) in 2023 based on a competitive application process through which the selected counties committed to ending girls' incarceration and provided data demonstrating the possibility for impact in their counties and readiness to implement change.

Award Period: December 1, 2024, to November 30, 2026



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What We Will Not Fund

- Debt retirement
- Operational deficits
- Politically partisan activities
- Explicitly religious activities
- Activities that exclusively benefit the members of sectarian or religious organizations
- Purchase of vehicles (however, funds can be used for gas and mileage or other related transportation costs)
- Purchase, construction, or permanent improvement (other than minor remodeling) of any building, other facility, or land (however, funds can be used for expenses that are housing related costs, including rental assistance for program participants, not for the organization's operations, such as office space)
- We discourage any applications that propose the use of technologies shown to be harmful or that have been shown to increase the likelihood of system involvement



Examples of Potential Funded Activities

Indirect costs (up to 20%)

- Administrative and executive team functions that support multiple program areas.
- Purchases, transportation and staff expenses that benefit multiple program areas.
- Indirect rates are not allowable on capital expenditures, aid payments, other direct voucher payments, or any stipend, subsidy or expense paid on behalf of a client (e.g., security deposit, rental payment assistance, transportation vouchers, etc.).
- **Up to 25%** towards discretionary resources to meet the program participant's concrete needs, social determinants of health needs and/or wellbeing needs to reduce barriers and prevent systems involvement.
- **Up to 25%** towards minor capital expenses which can include leasing vehicles or leasing housing solutions for program
- **Up to 30%** towards other program-related expenses such as staffing.



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Eligibility Criteria

- Have a track record of office located AND/OR of work, in an eligible county that the organization is applying from. (Must demonstrate interconnectedness with existing ecosystem serving girls and gender expansive young people, and proposed programs must serve 100% in eligible counties)
- Must deeply engage with and reflect the communities disproportionately impacted by the juvenile and adult justice systems. Organizations should have a history of working with impacted communities, including representation on their board, staff and organizational leadership.
- Are a 501(c)(3) community-based organization or Tribal organization with established and trusted community relationships. Fiscal sponsorships are eligible.



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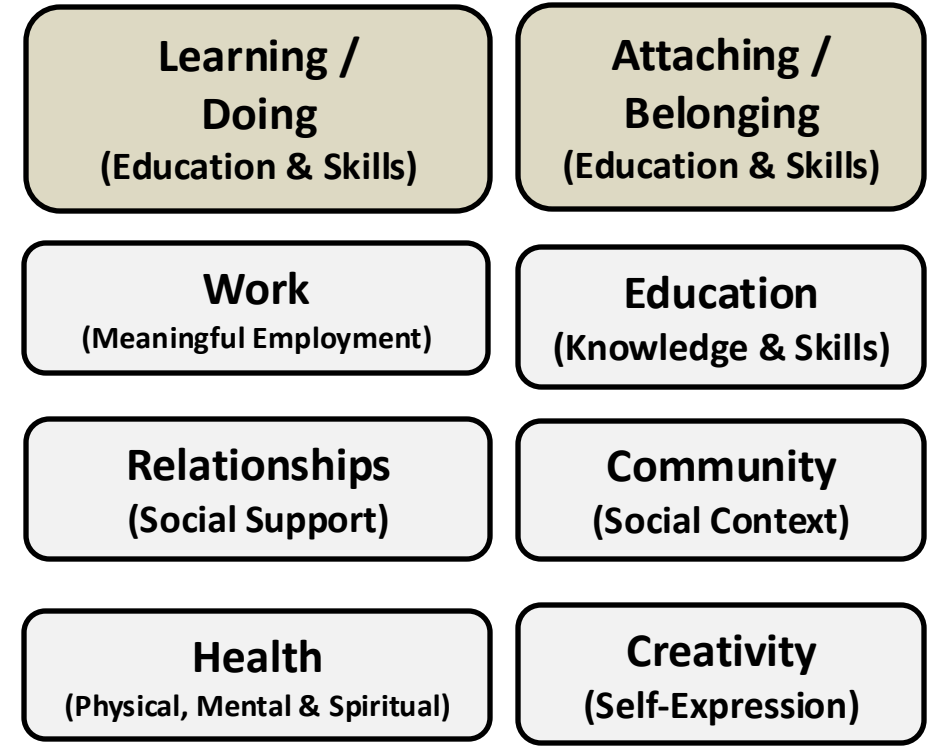
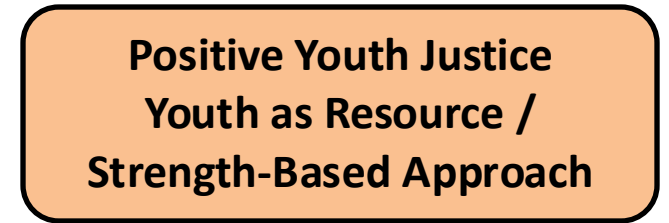
Eligibility Criteria continued

- Have staff and demonstrated experience partnering with the young people that are the focus of this funding opportunity.
- This funding opportunity is also open to coalitions of organizations and collaboratives, if the lead organization is an eligible applicant.
- Must have demonstrated evidence of inclusivity and shall not discriminate based on race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation or military status in any of its activities or operations.



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Rooting Framework Visual



(Social Determinants of Health)





Triangle Framework to Identify Programmatic Solutions

Using a Triangle Framework to Identify Programmatic Solutions

Investment that directly affects the number of girls entering custody (ex. Intake diversion programming).

Investment that indirectly affects the number of girls entering custody (ex. Services to prevent school pushout).

Investment that directly or indirectly affects well-being for girls at risk for custody (ex. Financial welfare programs).

← The top of the triangle represents direct investment the county can make to more immediately reduce the number of girls and gender expansive youth who are coming into custody AND decrease length of stay for these young people while they are in custody.



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This Funding Opportunity Intends to Challenge Systemic Inequities

Evidence shows that detaining girls and gender-expansive youth due to concerns for their individual safety or for immediate human service needs is completely out of step with best practices, that this exposes them to more harm, and it can exacerbate the very issues that brought them to court in the first place. Given this, proposals to this RFA will be evaluated based on alignment to the EGI initiative goals.



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Selection Criteria: Program Alignment w/ Initiative Goals

Proposals to this application will be evaluated based on alignment to the Ending Girl's Incarceration initiative goals:

1. Implement gender-responsive diversion programming to keep young people in the community.
2. Promote in-community well-being, healing and safety of girls and gender-expansive youth through implementation of healing-based, gender-responsive and culturally appropriate diversion programs and through transformative relationships, engagement and accompaniment.



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EGI Initiative: Outcomes

Improved knowledge and skills:

1. That maintain and strengthen (or develop) the implementation of community-driven gender and culturally responsive healing promoting programs that offer counties effective diversion options to incarceration for girls and gender-expansive youth.
2. That contribute to unwavering and transformative commitment in engaging and supporting young people through their programming.
3. In supporting the leadership of young people in generating possibilities towards systems change of local-regional juvenile justice system(s) through community and system-level engagement and collaboration.
4. That contribute to incorporating young people's perspectives on how the program is operating and serving youth.
5. To establish or maintain robust internal systems and processes oriented for sustainable program operations.



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Specific Program Priorities of Each Action Network Site/ County

The site-specific sections below outlines required components of programming specific to each county that applicants will be expected to be responsive to in their application responses. If programs are not able to fully meet every criterion, applicants are encouraged to address as many as possible.

- 1. Imperial County:** Gender-responsive programming with mobile services or transportation support.
- 2. Sacramento County:** Gender-responsive, transformative and self-determination mentoring.
- 3. San Diego County:** Gender-responsive, transformative and self-determination mentoring.
- 4. Los Angeles County:** Gender-responsive housing options and family support.



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Specific Program Priorities Imperial County

Seeking to fund: Gender-responsive programming with mobile services or transportation support.

The funded program will ideally include the following design components:

- Individual and group mentorship that encourage youth to develop positive relationships;
- Support for youth and families outside of “regular working hours” to reduce the amount of time spent in law enforcement custody following contact;
- Ability to serve youth without parental consent when permissible and/or take steps to receive permissions when parents will not provide their consent;
- A warm hand-off protocol to receive referrals from Probation;
- Ability to serve girls and gender-expansive youth with higher needs and demonstrated capacity to effectively engage LGB/TGNC youth;
- Provision of resources to caregivers and families to help families effectively maneuver systems;
- Ability to support youth and families in family-finding to avoid unnecessary detention



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Specific Program Priorities Sacramento County

Seeking to fund: Gender-responsive transformative mentoring program for girls and gender-expansive youth .

In addition, more intensive, holistic supports would ideally be provided by the program to help meet the specific needs of girls and gender expansive youth in Sacramento:

- Connect and facilitate warm hand-off to community services for young people and families;
- Ability to assist girls and gender-expansive youth through the family-finding process to identify safe family members or individuals a young person may stay with so that they do not have to be screened into detention;
- Support navigating the probation system, child welfare system, court system, and other child-serving systems for young people and their families;
- Transportation support to/from probation and service appointments in the community.

The funded program(s) may work with girls who are detained at the Sacramento Youth Detention Facility (YDF) to facilitate a smooth transition to programming upon release and may also respond directly to girls and gender-expansive youth at the Neighborhood Assessment Center (NAC), but all services are to be located and provided within the community.



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Specific Program Priorities San Diego County

Seeking to fund: gender-responsive, transformative and self-determination mentoring programming to holistically support girls and gender-expansive youth.

Other program design components that would ideally be included to help meet the specific needs of girls and gender expansive youth in San Diego:

- **Clear referral pathways.** Ability to accept referrals from probation, child welfare, mental health, the district attorney's office, school-based sources, etc.
- **A focus on increasing access to housing resources and supports.** Identified as a large need, particularly for CSE-impacted youth. May include assisting in family finding processes, working to identify respite options, conducting proactive safety planning, and/or offering gender-responsive education for parents.
- **Increased support for youth struggling to comply with programming requirements in the community.** Support providing transportation assistance to court hearings/community supports; working collaboratively to identify and address barriers; advocating on behalf of girls when the requirements that have been given are overly cumbersome and/or do not take girls' individual needs and circumstances into account, etc.



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Specific Program Priorities

Los Angeles County

Seeking to fund: Housing-related solutions that could prevent deeper system involvement, including detention and/or programming that offers family support.

housing-related solutions could include:

- Short-term placement with community members/families identified by a community-based organization with deep ties local community. Selected community members would be identified and cleared, trained, supported, and would receive a stipend.
- Short-term foster care home placement as alternative to detention paired with services individually tailored to the youth.
- Supplementing existing foster-care homes with more support, additional training, more intensive services and supports, and increased compensation and support.

Family supports could include:

- Parent peer coaches who are on call to provide support to families and assist with resource connection, system navigation, and crisis intervention.
- Mediation services for young people and their families to resolve more intense or ongoing conflicts.
- Communication skills training for young people and their families, specifically regarding conflict resolution.

EGI Initiative Goals, Outcomes and County Programming Priorities

Two EGI Initiative Goals

1. Implement Gender-Responsive Diversion Programming to Keep Young People in the Community
2. Promote In-Community Well-Being, Healing and Safety of Girls and Gender Expansive Youth

Five Outcomes Shared by All Counties

Improved knowledge and skills for:

1. The implementation of diversion programming that is gender-responsive and healing promoting
2. Unwavering and transformative commitment in engaging and supporting young people
3. Supporting the leadership of young people in generating possibilities towards systems change
4. Incorporating young people's perspectives in improving programs and practices
5. Establishing or maintaining robust internal systems for program sustainability

Imperial County

Gender-Responsive
Programming w/Mobile
Services or Transportation

Sacramento County

Gender-Responsive;
Transformative and Self-
Determination Mentoring

San Diego County

Gender-Responsive;
Transformative and Self-
Determination Mentoring

L.A. County

Gender-Responsive
Housing Solutions and
Family Support



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What to Expect if Awarded and Requirements

If Awarded: Responsive Payment Schedule

Payments will be issued to awarded organizations based on the achievement of a set of agreed-upon deliverables as defined in the agreement.

- Each agreement will be divided into a minimum of three payments:
 - 40% upon execution of award agreement and fulfilling of insurance requirements
 - 40% after demonstrating progress on the workplan to advance the two EGI Initiative Goals, and completion of Progress Report 1 due 3/31/25. **Date maybe subject to change*
 - 20% after demonstrating progress on the workplan to advance the two EGI Initiative Goals, and completion of Progress Narrative and Annual Financial Report (Year 1) due 3/31/26. **Date maybe subject to change*



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If Awarded: Requirements Upon Announcement

- Awarded organizations will be required to submit:
 - Budget and Budget Narrative
 - Work Plan
 - Quarterly Reports
 - Insurance



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If Awarded: Requirement - Workplan

Awarded organizations will be required to develop and submit a workplan. The Workplan must:

- Adhere to funding guidelines.
- Clearly link to the proposed project activities submitted in the application, to the two goals of this initiative, to the intended outcomes, and to the program priorities of the respective Action Network site.
- Have an indirect cost of no more than 20% of the direct costs.
- Advance the two initiative goals, the intended outcomes and the program priorities of the respective Action Network site throughout the agreement term.

If Awarded: Requirement - Quarterly Reporting

Awarded organizations will be required to submit regular quarterly progress reports responding to their respective workplan (which will be developed by the applicants that are selected for funding), as well as financial reports and detailed expenditures listing and describing actual expenditures of funding.

The Quarterly Reporting Questions can be found in the RFA.



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If Awarded: Reporting & Data Requirements

Partners will be required to submit quarterly reports responding to the performance measures identified in their grants and workplan, including financial reports and detailed expenditure listings.

Report	Period	Due Date to The Center
Workplan, Budget and Budget Narrative	Dec 1, 2024 – January 31, 2025	January 31, 2025
Progress Narrative and Financial Report	December 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025	March 31, 2025
Progress Narrative and Financial Report	April 1, 2025 – June 30, 2025	June 30, 2025
Progress Narrative and Financial Report	July 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025	September 30, 2025
Progress Narrative and Financial Report	October 1, 2025 – December 12, 2025	December 12, 2025
Progress Narrative and Annual Financial Report (Year 1)	December 13, 2025 – March 31, 2026	March 31, 2026
Progress Narrative and Financial Report	April 1, 2026 – June 30, 2026	June 30, 2026
Progress Narrative and Financial Report	July 1, 2026 – September 30, 2026	September 30, 2026
Cumulative Report and Cumulative Financial Report	Dec 1, 2024 – November 30, 2026	November 30, 2026



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EGI Initiative: Technical Assistance Offerings

Vera and OYCR will coordinate training resources for CBOs/providers in the Continuum of Practice to support implementation of program concepts funded through the RFA. Priorities for training will be informed by the needs of the grantee organizations to support their implementation of programming and may include best practice on gender responsive care, youth justice practice, and sustainable funding streams.

Vera and OYCR will facilitate meetings with local partners involved in the EGI-CA Action Network to align the implementation of the programming to the broader reform goals of county efforts to end girls' incarceration. This will include sharing data on girls' experiences in their county's youth legal system.

Community of Practice

The goals of the Community of Practice will be for CBOs:

- to learn from each other in a cohort setting,
- receive support with troubleshooting implementation challenges,
- receive training and technical assistance on funding streams that can support sustainability,
- and enhance practice related to ending girls' incarceration.

The cohort will provide a community of like-minded providers working to provide gender and culturally responsive services to young people and end girls' incarceration throughout the state.



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If Awarded: Insurance Requirements

- There will be insurance requirements under these funding agreements, the costs of which can be built into the project budget for awarded organizations. Once funds have been awarded, communication will be sent to awarded organizations to upload the insurance documents and demonstrate compliance with all insurance requirements. Payment will not be released until insurance compliance requirements are met.
- Resource: [CalNonprofits Insurance Services – CalNonprofits](#)



If Awarded: Insurance Evidence Requirements

- **Commercial General Liability**
 - Each Occurrence must be greater or equal to \$1,000,000
 - Coverage Trigger: Occurrence must be present
 - Insurance is written on an occurrence basis using ISO form CG 0001 or equivalent
 - General Aggregate must be greater or equal to \$2,000,000
 - Products/Completed Operations Aggregate must be greater or equal to \$2,000,000
 - Primary and Non-Contributory Endorsement must be present
 - Additional Insured Endorsement must be present
 - With Completed Operations language
 - Using a combination of ISO forms CG2010 10/04 and CG 2037 10/04 or equivalent
- **Professional Liability**
 - Each Claim must be greater or equal to \$1,000,000
 - Aggregate must be greater or equal to \$2,000,000



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If Awarded: Insurance Evidence Requirements

- **Improper Sexual Conduct & Abuse**
 - Each Occurrence must be greater or equal to \$1,000,000
 - Aggregate must be greater or equal to \$2,000,000
- **Automobile Liability**
 - Combined Single Limit (each accident) must be greater or equal to \$1,000,000
 - Coverage applies to Owned, Hired, and Non-owned Autos
 - Additional Insured Endorsement must be present
 - Using ISO form CA 2048 or equivalent



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If Awarded: Insurance Evidence Requirements

- **Additional Requirements**
 - Certificate Holder must read: Sierra Health Foundation 1321 Garden Highway Sacramento, CA 95833
 - A.M. Best rating of at least A-:VI
 - Description of Operations must read: The Center, Sierra Health Foundation, The State of California, their respective officers, directors, agents, representatives, constituent entities, affiliates, volunteers, officials, parents, subsidiaries, and employees shall be added as Insureds (“additional Insureds”) under each commercial general liability and automobile insurance policy. Agreement #23-30138 must be present.



If Awarded: Insurance Evidence Requirements

- **Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability**
 - Statutory Limits must be present
 - Employer's Liability Each Accident must be greater or equal to \$1,000,000
 - Employer's Liability Disease – each employee must be greater or equal to \$1,000,000
 - Employer's Liability Disease – policy limit must be greater or equal to \$1,000,000
 - Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement must be present



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Review of Applications and Timeline

Review of Applications and Recommendation of Awardees

- The Center, Vera, a community member from each of the selected counties, and a system stakeholder representative from each of the selected counties will serve as the Review and Recommendation Committee.
- Committee recommendations will be based on applicants that present the most complete and responsive applications, showing the most favorable mix of credentials, capacity, potential and cost. Applications will be judged on the overall strength of the implementation team and proposal.
- An application appeal process is not available for this funding opportunity.



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Review Criteria for Application

Applications will be reviewed using the following criteria:

- Organizational Experience and Track Record.
- Strong responses to Narrative Questions in alignment with:
 - Rooting Framework of this funding opportunity
 - Triangle Framework to Identify Programmatic Solutions
 - The two initiative goals
 - The five initiative outcomes
 - The required components of programming specific to each county



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Review Criteria for Application

Other factors that inform the final slate of awarded organizations include:

- Demographic diversity, underserved youth population, geographic coverage and programmatic approaches. OYCR holds final decision-making authority in selecting the funded projects.

Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Applications received after the above deadline will not be considered.



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Application Timeline

**At The Center's discretion, the timeline below is subject to change to best meet programmatic needs and funder requirements.*

- APPLICATION DEADLINE: **Thursday, November 7, 2024**, at 1 p.m. (Pacific Time)
- REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS: **November 11 – December 20, 2024**
- APPROXIMATE AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT: **Week of January 6, 2024**
- APPROXIMATE DATE SUBCONTRACTS ISSUED: **January 31, 2024**

NOTE: All funding will be backdated to **December 1, 2024**, even if subcontracts are signed after **December 1, 2024**,



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Application Checklist

- Initiate the funding application via our online portal through this link:
<https://sierrahealth.tfaforms.net/240?ftid=a0bPY000002SWrqYAG>

- Required application attachments:
 - Applicant organization's signed W-9
 - IRS Determination Letter.
 - Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement (if fiscally sponsored).
 - The most recent Organization's Annual Budget (approved by Board or Fiscal Sponsor or Advisory Board).
 - A proposed budget and budget narrative.
 - A signed document by the Executive Director (ED) - **Next Slide*



Application Checklist

A signed document by the Executive Director (ED). The signed Word or PDF document must include the ED's signature at the bottom as a commitment and affirmation of the below:

- Have executive support for the proposed project, as evidenced by a signed letter of support from the senior administrator, demonstrating willingness to commit staff time and resources to add new activities.
- Affirm the applicant's ability to submit data and financial progress reports on a specific set of measures.
- Affirm participation in activities of the external capacity building and TA efforts for the TYJ EGI program.



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Application Checklist

Applicant organizations will be required to submit a detailed cost budget and budget narrative that adheres to the funding guidelines.

Budget and Budget Narrative must:

- Be consistent and in strong alignment with the proposed project activities, the two initiative goals, the intended outcomes and with the program priorities of the respective Action Network site.



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Transform Youth Justice (TYJ) Ending Girls Incarceration (EGI) California Action Network:

Ending Carceral Responses and Practices for Girls and Gender-Expansive Youth

Application Process



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The Application: *Application Information*



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Yes

No

Next



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- Yes
 No

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The Application: *Application Information*

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The Application: *Application Information*

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Organization Information

Organization Name *

Street Address *

City *

State/Province *

Provide the two letter state or territory abbreviation.

Zip/Postal Code *

County (choose other if not in CA) *

Phone *

Website/URL (optional)

Facebook

Twitter

LinkedIn



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The Application: *Application Information*

Organization Financial Information

What is your annual budget amount? *

\$

Organization Tax ID # *

Legal entity: Please select the closest option for legal entity from the options below. This should match what the organization wrote in question 3 on the W-9: *

Please select...



Does the applicant organization have an annual financial audit? *

Yes No



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The Application: *CEO/ Director Contact Information*

CEO/Director of the Organization	
First Name	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>
Title	<input type="text" value="CEO / Director"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>
Office Phone	<input type="text"/>
Phone Extension	<input type="text"/>



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The Application: *Application Contact Information*

Application Contact Information

Choose one of the previously entered contacts to be the Primary Application Contact. Or enter an additional contact. This person will be contacted if there are questions or updates regarding the application. *

Enter An Additional Contact ▼

First Name *

Last Name *

Title *

Email *

Office Phone *

Phone Extension



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The Application: *Financial and Contract Lead Contact Information*

Would you like to provide contact information for a financial officer?

Yes No

Financial Officer of the Organization

The Financial Officer should be associated with the qualifying organization from the section directly above.

First Name

Last Name

Title

Email

Office Phone

Phone Extension

Would you like to provide contact information for a Contract Administrator?

Yes No

Contract Administrator of the Organization

First Name

Last Name

Title

Email

Office Phone

Phone Extension



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The Application: *Sponsored Entity Information and Contact from Sponsored Entity*

SPONSORED ENTITY INFORMATION

If applying for funds through a sponsoring entity, the sponsoring entity should be the applicant organization above. Provide information about the sponsored entity or project in the fields below and upload a signed MOU for Sponsored Projects in the project documents section.

Sponsored Entity Name	<input type="text"/>
Street Address	<input type="text"/>
City	<input type="text"/>
State/Province	<input type="text"/>
	<small>Provide the two letter state or territory abbreviation.</small>
Zip/Postal Code	<input type="text"/>
County (choose other if not in CA)	<input type="text" value="Please select..."/>
Phone	<input type="text"/>
Website/URL (optional)	<input type="text"/>
Facebook	<input type="text"/>
Twitter	<input type="text"/>
LinkedIn	<input type="text"/>
What is your annual budget amount?	\$ <input type="text"/>

Contact from Sponsored Entity

Please provide a contact from the sponsored entity who can answer questions about the project.

First Name	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>
Title	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>
Office Phone	<input type="text"/>
Phone Extension	<input type="text"/>



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The Application: *Project Description*

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Project Overview

Name of Project (20 words or less) *

Brief Purpose of Project Briefly describe the proposed services and who will be served. The description must start with "To." (100 words or less) *

Project Start Date *

12/01/2024

Project End Date *

11/30/2026

Amount Requested *

\$ 0

For this funding opportunity, each county will receive up to \$1,000,000.



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The Application: *Project Geography*

Project Geography

For the county or counties that the organization benefits, indicate your best estimate of the percentage of the project work that would take place there (best estimate). (Total must add up to 100.)

Alameda *

%

Alpine *

%

Amador *

%

Butte *

%

Calaveras *

%

Colusa *

%

Contra Costa *

%

Del Norte *

%

El Dorado *

%

Fresno *

%

Glenn *

%

Humboldt *

%

Imperial *

%

Inyo *

%

Kern *

%

Total Geography Percentage:

Total must equal 100%. Please adjust accordingly.



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The Application: *Urban/ Rural*

Project Population

Estimate the total number of people affect/served by the project.

Indicate whether the proposed project serves an urban area, rural area, or both

- Urban
- Rural
- Both



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The Application: *Project Race and Ethnic Group*

Project Race and Ethnic Group

Estimate in percentages the race and ethnic groups that will be affected (Total must add up to 100).

American Indian and Alaska Native (e.g., Navajo Nation, Blackfeet Tribe, Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government, Nome Eskimo Community, etc.):

%

Asian-American (e.g., East Asian, South Asian, Southeast Asian, or Asian American, etc.):

%

Black or African American (e.g., African American, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Somali, Afro Caribbean or Afro Latinx, etc.):

%

Hispanic or Latino (e.g., Mexican or Mexican American, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Salvadoran, Dominican, Columbian, another country of Latin America or Spanish origin, etc.):

%

Another race ethnicity, or origin not on the list:

%

Estimate the total number of people affect/served by the project.



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The Application: *Project Age Group*

Project Age Group

Estimate in percentages the age ranges that will be affected.

Age Range	<input type="text" value="Under 5"/>	Percentage	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%
Age Range	<input type="text" value="5-9"/>	Percentage	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%
Age Range	<input type="text" value="10-14"/>	Percentage	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%
Age Range	<input type="text" value="15-19"/>	Percentage	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%
Age Range	<input type="text" value="20-24"/>	Percentage	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%
Age Range	<input type="text" value="25-26"/>	Percentage	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%
Age Range	<input type="text" value="27-54"/>	Percentage	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%
Age Range	<input type="text" value="55+"/>	Percentage	<input type="text" value="0"/>	%

Total Percentage of Age

%



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The Application: *Additional Area of Focus*

Additional Areas of Focus

Select any of the following populations that are a primary focus of the project.

- Foster Youth
- 2S/LGBTQ+ Youth
- Youth with Disabilities
- Youth Experiencing homelessness/housing insecurity
- Immigrant Youth and Youth from mixed immigration status families
- Youth/Young Adult who are in county jail, state prison or juvenile detention, on state parole, on county probation, or under post release community supervision
- Youth with mental health disorder needs
- Youth with substance use disorder needs
- Youth with limited English proficiency
- Youth from low-wage families
- Uninsured and youth formerly enrolled in Medi-Cal
- Other:

If you selected "Other" area of focus (please specify).



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The Application: *Racial/ Ethnic Make Up of Board and Staff*

RACIAL/ ETHNIC MAKE-UP OF BOARD AND STAFF

For the racial and ethnic populations that make up the board and staff of the applying organization, provide your best estimate of the percentage of the total people of each population [able to choose multiple; Total must add up to 100]

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%

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%

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%

Hispanic or Latino (e.g., Mexican or Mexican American, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Salvadoran, Dominican, Columbian, another country of Latin America or Spanish origin, etc.): *

%

Total Percentage of Race and Ethnicity

%

Total must equal 100%. Please adjust accordingly.



The Application: *Narrative Questions*

- Organization Description
- Project Goal
- Project Description
- Unwavering Engagement
- Referral Process, Procedures and Protocol
- Program Learning and Evaluation
- Staffing Capacity
- MOU Experience
- Challenges and Barriers
- ***For Los Angeles Applications only:*** *If you are proposing to provide housing to minors, please describe the type of license you would use to offer housing. Please also provide a description of the physical space you are planning to use.*



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The Application: *Narrative Questions*

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Organization Description (500 word maximum)

Provide a brief overview of your organization (the entity that is carrying out the project) including: a) when it was established, b) its mission c) whom it serves, d) types of programs it operates and e) the geographic area the organization provides services to currently. If applying as a coalition, information about the coalition should be provided. (500 words maximum)

Enter response here

Word Counter

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If there is no text in the response the word counter will show an error.

The Application: *Attachments*

- Optional:
 - Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement (if fiscally sponsored)
- Required:
 - Fillable W-9
 - Form 1: Proposed Budget and Budget Justification
 - IRS Determination Letter
 - The most recent Organization's Annual Budget (approved by Board or Fiscal Sponsor or Advisory Board)
 - Support Letter



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The Application: *Required Attachments*

Required Attachments

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Only upload your files with the final version. Uploading the same file many times will cause errors. If you must upload a new version of the file change the file name.

Download the required attachments below.

- [Fillable W-9](#)
- [Form 1: Proposed Budget and Budget Justification](#)
- [Budget Guidance](#)

Attachment Title

W-9

Upload the applicant organization's W-9 in PDF format.

Upload here *

[Choose File](#) No file chosen

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Attachment Title

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The Application: Attachments

Other Attachments

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Attachment Title

Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement (if fiscally sponsored)

Upload the applicant organization's Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement in PDF format.

Submit the attachment?

Yes No

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Submit



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The Application: Review and Confirm Responses

Please review your response and confirm.

You **MUST click the confirm button** at the bottom of this page to finalize your response. If you want to print this page for your record, you may do it now.

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Organization Information

Organization Name

Antonia no test

Street Address

6 test rd

City

testland

State/Province

Ca

Zip/Postal Code

11111

County (choose other if not in CA)

Alameda County



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The Application: Make a Correction


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Attached Files:

TEST.pdf (16 KB)
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TEST.pdf (16 KB)
TEST.pdf (16 KB)

Confirm

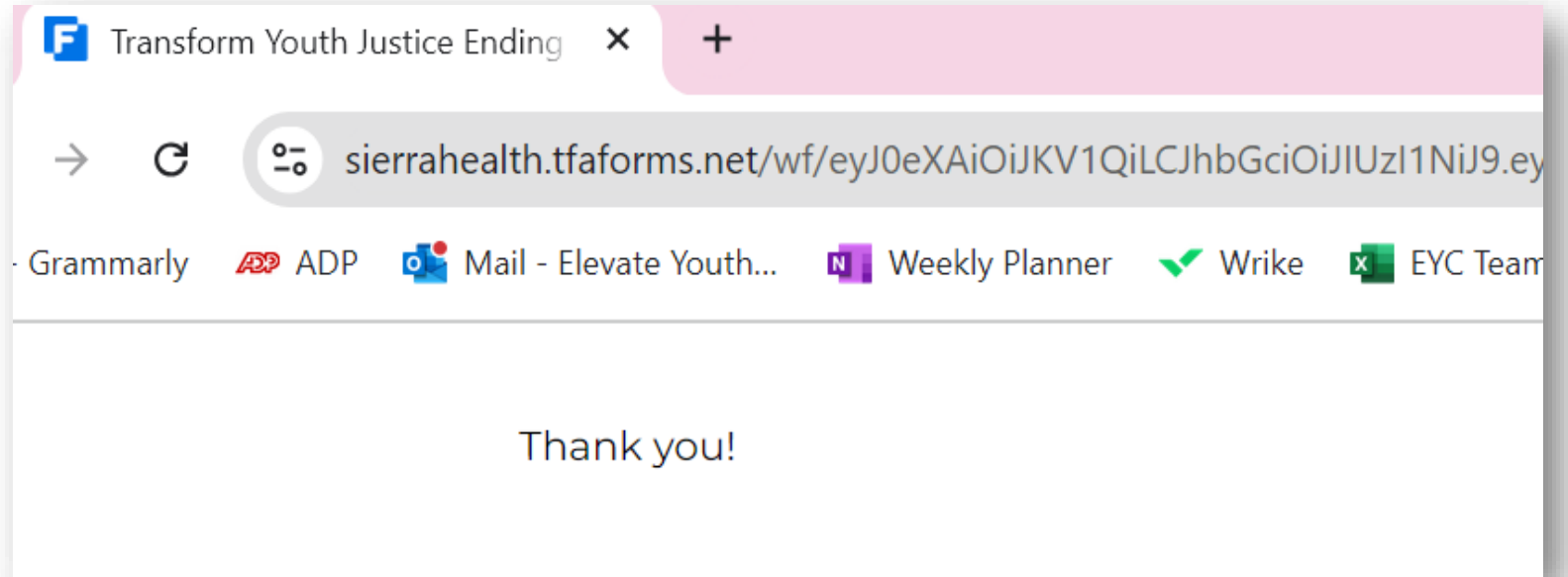
 [Make a correction](#)

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The Application: *Successful Submission*





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The Application: *Response Copy*

Thank you for your application to Transform Youth Justice Ending Girl's In...

 Response Report <report@formassembly.com>
To ● Antonia Gonzalez; ○ Transform Youth Justice

10:04 AM

 This sender report@formassembly.com is from outside your organization.

 Transform Youth Justice Ending Girl's Incarceration California Action Network 19177 10102024 095928...
94 KB

Thank you for your application to Transform Youth Justice Ending Girl's Incarceration California Action Network



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Questions?



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How to be Competitive

Competitive Applications Will:

- Present a complete and responsive application
- Clearly explain why the organization is the appropriate organization to implement the project, including, but not limited to, track record of engaging with community
- Utilize an innovative culturally responsive approach

Competitive Applications Will:

- Demonstrate the use of an equity framework that recognizes the need to strive for health and racial equity in program activities and outcomes
- Demonstrate commitment to social justice youth development to youth engagement
- Use an intersectional approach to health equity

Proposal Writing Tips:

- Read and follow application guidelines and instructions
- Verify your organization is eligible
- Answer questions clearly and provide enough detail about the proposed activities so that the reviewers can fully understand your plan
- Clearly explain your proposed project and what change will result from funding

Proposal Writing Tips:

- Check for consistency throughout your narrative, budget proposal and budget justification
- Have someone who is not involved in the project read your draft application and tell you what they think you are applying for
- Review the Attachments Checklist to ensure you have all required documents

Application Submission Tips

- Click the “Save my progress and resume later” button if you will not be active in the application (be sure to save the e-mail that is sent to your inbox and to write down or save the password somewhere that is secure)
- Submit the application before the deadline
- Write responses to the narrative questions outside of the grant portal, then copy and paste your responses into the appropriate fields
- As you write responses, track your word count

Application Checklist

- Review Application Instructions and Criteria
- Coalitions may apply, as long as one eligible organization is the applicant
- Complete the application in the online portal:
 - Application questions
 - Support letter from administrator/executive, or if you are applying as a coalition, support letter signed by each coalition member stating their role in the project and signed by that organization's executive



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