

2025 MCFH Mini-Grant Submitted Questions

Questions pertaining to the opportunity posted at <https://philacityfund.org/2025-mcfh-mini-grants/> were due by February 21, 2025. Responses to the questions can be found below.

1. If a program is entirely grant funded, the University acts like a fiscal sponsor, but the program who wishes to apply does not hold their own separate tax ID number. The program budget is under \$5 million/year, but the University's is not.
 - a. Based on the information provided, this program would not be eligible to receive the grant funds, given the \$5,000,000 limit set for operating budget (for both organizations with and without a fiscal sponsor).

2. Can you specify the Operating Budget Maximum? If we apply, would it just be the program we are apply for would it be our hospital or hospital system?
 - a. Based on the information provided, you would not be eligible to receive the grant funds, given the \$5,000,000 limit set for operating budget (for both organizations with and without a fiscal sponsor).

3. Can you clarify MCFH's definition of annual operating budget? It has been my experience that some grant makers define this to mean the figure for operations while others define it as what is the "revenue minus expenses."
 - a. For this grant opportunity, we define the operating budget as operating expenses. Organizations with operating expenses of under \$5M are eligible to apply.

4. If our application is approved, could arrangements be made for Health Districts that serve the highest maternal morbidity areas to provide on-site access to space routinely during the program period?
 - a. No.

5. Would the grant period run from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026?
 - a. The grant period will run from when funds are received (anticipated on or by July 1, 2025) to June 30, 2026.

6. We were hoping to start a project to obtain the standard first trimester pre-natal screening labs and provide the patients with pre-natal vitamins and a follow-up appointment with our OB/GYN department. I think this meets the goals and objectives of the grant, but I am not sure if our institution would be eligible.
 - a. That project does sound like it would be within the scope of the grant. However, I assume the institution's budget is greater than the \$5,000,000 limit set for operating budget (for both organizations with and without a fiscal sponsor).