

SAFE Charlotte Grant Update

FEBRUARY 15, 2024



Overview

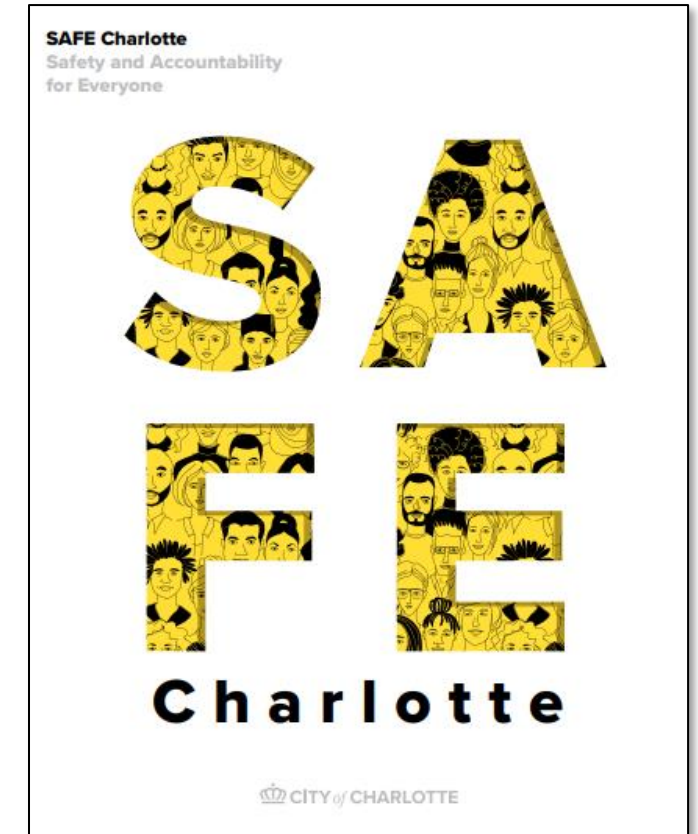
- ◁ **Introductions**
- ◁ **Program goals**
- ◁ **Timeline**
- ◁ **Administrative processes**
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SAFE Charlotte Grant

◀ Recommendation 1 of SAFE Charlotte:

- Provide \$1m from the city's current budget to help Charlotte-based nonprofits address violence in the community

◀ FY 2025 will be the third round of the grant



October 2020

Philosophy and Funding

- ◀ **Creating and sustaining a city where all residents feel safe requires:**
 - Collaboration, innovation, and holistic support for the community
 - Organizations to work together to create a stable, supportive environment that mitigates the underlying causes of violence and promotes economic mobility.
- ◀ **Grant term is FY 2025 (July 1, 2024) – FY 2026 (June 30, 2026)**
 - Capacity building period: \$30k – July 1, 2024 through August 15, 2024
 - Program period: \$400k – September 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026

What We are Looking For

◀ Collaboratives that include:

- One lead agency –
 - *501c3, at least \$800k annual budget, in operation for at least three years, history managing federal funds*
- One or two partner agencies
 - *501c3, at least two staff people, in operation for at least three years*

◀ Programs and Partnerships that:

- Layer services for one population, ideally in one geographic area
- Focus on Corridors of Opportunity
- Support youth and families

Capacity Building Period

- ◀ **Training and overview for lead and partner agencies on how to use federal funds - *Required***
- ◀ **Collaboration and planning service delivery**
 - Identifying necessary resources
 - Performance measures
 - Data to be captured
 - Developing timelines for projects
 - Needs and gap analysis
- ◀ **Up to \$30k reimbursement for this period**

Programmatic Period

- ◁ **Must do work in two of four program areas below:**
 - Youth services
 - Childcare services
 - Employment training (workforce development/job training)
 - Mental health and trauma informed care
- ◁ **Must work with populations under 80% of the Area Median Income who are City of Charlotte residents**
- ◁ **Up to \$400k in reimbursement**

Community Development Block Grant Overview

- ◁ **Federal funding source provided on a reimbursement basis**
 - Est. 30 days for payment after correct invoices have been processed
- ◁ **Must serve individuals under 80% Area Median Income**
- ◁ **Organizations must be registered on SAM.gov**

Not a comprehensive list of requirements. Selected organizations will be required to meet with city staff to review proposed program budget and understand invoicing process.

Key Dates and Process

Item	Date	Notes
Application Closes	March 15, 2024	
Awards Announced	May 6, 2024	
Begin Contracting	May 6 – June 30, 2024	City contracts with lead agency
Capacity Building Period	July 1 – August 15, 2024	Capacity building period
Contract amendment	August 15 – Sept 1, 2024	Amend contracts to include programmatic funds
Programmatic Period	Sept 1, 2024 – June 30, 2026	

Notes:

Grant reports will be required June 30, 2025 and June 30, 2026.

Periodic check-ins will be conducted with the city over the grant term.

General Questions:

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Appendix

Current Grantees

Lead Org	Partner Orgs	Service Area	Notes
CARERing	Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO)	Mental Health, Workforce Development	Focused on Central/Albemarle Corridor, city/county previously partnered with CEO who employees formerly incarcerated individuals
MeckEd	Heal Charlotte, Digi-Bridge	Youth Services, Workforce Development	Focusing on MLK Middle school in Sugar Creek/I85 area
Rebuilding Together	Digi-Bridge, She Built This City	Housing Stability, Youth Services, Workforce Development	Focusing on Sugar Creek/I85 corridor (Hidden Valley Elementary); housing rehab, elementary school programming, women workforce development