

# 2025 San Diego Unity Fund Letter of Intent (LOI) Guidelines

## Proposed Program

United for San Diego is an unprecedented partnership among three of San Diego's largest foundations: [Prebys Foundation](#), [Price Philanthropies](#), and [San Diego Foundation](#). Formed in response to deep federal funding cuts, the partners are aligning their grantmaking to protect access to food, housing, and healthcare for families in need. San Diego Foundation created the [San Diego Unity Fund](#) to give everyone the opportunity to contribute directly to this vital community effort. Organizations can apply for a Unity Fund grant through this Letter of Intent.

Understanding that many organizations have downsized due to significant funding cuts, please explain how this grant will be used to help your organization provide direct support to community members in need during the next 12 months.

## How to Submit LOI

Eligible organizations can apply for a San Diego Unity Fund grant by submitting a Letter of Intent (LOI) through the SDF Online Grant Portal. [Click here](#) for a tutorial. [Click here](#) to register and/or submit.

## Applicant Information

### Organization Name\*

*Character Limit: 250*

### Tax-Exempt Status\*

Is your organization a nonprofit with 501(c)(3) public charity (or equivalent) tax-exempt status (or eligible fiscal sponsor)?

#### Choices:

- Yes
- No

### Tax ID (EIN) Number\*

This number will be used to confirm that your organization is a nonprofit with 501(c)(3) public charity status. Only nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) public charity (or equivalent) tax-exempt status (or eligible fiscal sponsor) are eligible to apply for this grant.

If you do not have an EIN, please enter "N/A." (*Character Limit: 50*)

### Applicant First Name\*

*Character Limit: 100*

*\*Required*

**Rolling Deadline**

**Applicant Last Name\***

*Character Limit: 100*

**Applicant Email Address\***

*Character Limit: 100*

**Program/Project Name\***

*Character Limit: 250*

**Total Amount (\$) Requested for the Program/Project\***

*Character Limit: 20*

**Which focus area(s) does your project address?\***

**Choices:**

- Food security
- Healthcare
- Housing instability

**What impact will your organization achieve?\***

Briefly describe your innovative approach. (*Character Limit: 1,250*)

**Problem Statement\***

Please provide a brief description of how the recent federal cuts are impacting your organization's ability to provide services. In your response:

- Document specific federal cuts affecting your community
- Quantify the gaps (people affected, services lost, etc.)
- Demonstrate urgency and deep understanding of the issue

*Character Limit: 1,250*

**Innovative Solution\***

Please provide a brief description of your organization's approach and solutions for addressing community needs during this period of federal cuts. Consider the following:

- What makes your approach unique or different from traditional methods?
- How does it specifically fill the gap left by federal cuts?
- Why is your organization positioned to implement this solution?

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**Implementation & Impact\***

Please provide a description of how your organization will deliver services if funding is received. Include the following:

- Clear timeline and milestones
- Measurable outcomes you'll achieve
- How you'll sustain the work beyond the grant period

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### **Organizational Capacity\***

Please provide a brief description of your organization's capacity to provide services to the community. Include the following:

- Your track record in housing/healthcare/food security
- Team expertise and partnerships
- Any pilot results or proof of concept

*Character Limit: 1,500*