

Basic Needs Fund Grant Review Criteria

1 Is a 501(c)(3), a 509(a) or a governmental, tribal, school, or public entity, or has a fiscal sponsor.

2 Provides services primarily to Western Slope residents and has staff residing on the Western Slope.

Services are strongly aligned with the purpose of the Basic Needs fund:

food (food banks and pantries, meal services, food-related equipment & delivery vehicles)

housing - temporary (emergency shelters, safe houses)

3 immigrant/indigenous/LGBTQ+ support (legal assistance, resource & referral, direct services, community integration)

multi-need (case management, family resource centers)

safety (child advocacy, domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking services)

transportation (medical, dial-a-ride vouchers, bus passes)

4 Has a system for collecting and reporting demographic information for the people served.

5 The people served reflect the characteristics of that geographic area.

Primarily serves a specific underserved, marginalized or vulnerable population. (people with physical,

6 intellectual, or developmental disabilities; uninsured people; non-English speakers; LGBTQ+ people; migrant, immigrant, & refugee communities; indigenous people)☐

7 Has clear outcomes that demonstrates positive impact for the people served.

8 Has measurable indicators and tracks progress toward outcomes.

9 Regularly seeks input from participants and modifies services based on participant feedback.

10 Is aware of and works with other services in the area to enhance client outcomes.

Is fiscally stable:

Board reviewing financials on a regular basis

11 Outside fiscal review appropriate to budget size (compilation, review, audit)

Close to break-even annual budget or good reason why not

Some reserves