

Dear Family,

The Alternate Investment Fund (AIF) is designed to allow Foundation membership to nominate worthy organizations that are from a broader to a broader range of fields beyond the core mission of Early Childhood Development/School Readiness. However, the proposal must fit into one of the following categories:

- 1) Project Support Grants- Fund a particular program or project with expected outcomes.
- 2) Capacity Building Grants- Fund training for core organizational members to be more effective.
- 3) Challenge/Matching Grants- Provide funds to an organization on the condition that additional funds are raised from other sources.
- 4) Seed Grants- Provide startup funds for innovative programs that reframe traditional engagement.

At this time, we WILL NOT consider applications for the following purposes;

- 1) General Operating Funds- Grants that allow the grantee to decide how funds will be used.
- 2) Scholarships- Fund individuals for a particular purpose usually for travel or study.
- 3) Program Related Investments (PRIs) - Provide low-interest loans, loan guarantees, social investments, etc.
- 4) Capital Campaigns- Funds the purchase (or construction) of a building, land, or major equipment.
- 5) Endowment Funds- Builds an organization's endowment fund that can help a grantee to achieve financial stability

Thank you for support of the AIF and the time you are taking to review this year's proposals.

Sincerely,

Ellie, Kip and Hank

2014 Alternate Investment Fund (AIF) Proposal Review Form

Please use the following questions to help you review each proposal. After reviewing all of the proposals, please rank all of them (1 being the grant you would most like to see funded).

For each proposal separately:

Please answer the following questions on a scale of 1 (poor) through 5 (excellent).

1. Does the mission statement of the organization and/or the purpose of the grant proposal reflect the funding goals of the AIF ?

1 2 3 4 5

2. Does the proposal have a clearly defined vision/methodology towards reaching their proposed goals?

1 2 3 4 5

3. Are the intended outcomes and timeline that the grant proposes realistic?

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4. Does the grant proposal provide a clear way of measuring impact to demonstrate whether they are meeting their goals?

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5. Does the grant proposal outline a project that provides significant community and/or global impact?

1 2 3 4 5

6. Overall, how would you rate this grant? (10 being a grant that should definitely be funded and 1 being a grant that you would prefer not be funded by the Foundation.)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Please provide a 1-3 sentence narrative below about the grant proposal, including strengths or weaknesses of the proposal and any thoughts you may have about it.

For all the proposals overall:

Please rank the grants that you have read. Number 1 being the grant that you would most like to see funded this year.

- 1.
- 2.
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