

2023 Excellent Emerging Organization Award Application Questions

1. Organization Name
2. Zip code
3. Website
4. Executive Director/CEO name
5. ED/CEO title
6. ED/CEO email address
7. ED/CEO number of years at organization
8. ED/CEO number of years in current role
9. Person to receive communication regarding this application name
10. Person to receive communication regarding this application title
11. Person to receive communication regarding this application email address
12. Person to receive communication regarding this application phone number
13. Year organization was founded
14. Organization mission statement
15. Subsector that best describes your organization
16. a) Number of full-time employees
b) Number of part-time employees
17. Current fiscal year dates
18. Budget size (include current and previous fiscal years' annual operating budget, endowment and cash reserves)
19. Percentage of total budget, largest single grant/donation and total number of grants by source (foundation, corporate, individual, government, earned income, other)
20. If you do not have your most recent Form 990, please provide an explanation.
21. Use the [Axelson Center's Hallmark's of Nonprofit Managerial Excellence](#) as a guide to illustrate 2 - 3 examples of how your organization excels in leadership, management and/or innovation.
22. Tell a brief story of one of your program participants and how your program made a difference to that individual.
23. How are volunteers utilized in your organization?
24. If your organization wins this award, what management or organizational topics do you believe are a priority to address?
25. a) Total number of individuals served.
b) Total number of organizations served.
26. Metrics (internal and/or external) used by your organization to measure your impact (specify dates). These metrics should be for results completed, not just what is projected. Include specific results for most recently completed fiscal year and compare with previous year. You may list up to five. The metrics you share should tie to the organization's mission.
27. Percentage of your board of directors that made a financial contribution (for any purpose) to your organization in the most recent fiscal year?
28. Is there a stated giving policy for your board of directors? (Y/N) If not, please explain. Describe your organization's giving policy for board members.
29. Is there a term limit policy in place for board members? (Y/N) If not, please explain. Describe your organization's term limit policy for board members.
30. Does your organization have a current strategic plan?
If yes, describe how the written strategic plan demonstrates that your organization is likely to emerge as a sector leader in the next five years.

If no, what process do you use to determine priorities for the organization and keep track of your progress?

31. Has your organization applied for this award previously? (Y/N)

Attachments:

- 501 (c) 3 letter
- a copy of your most recently filed Form 990
- a list of board members including their affiliation and years of service
- a copy of your organization's strategic plan and/or planning document