# Community Transformation Program

Cohort #5 - Fall 2024



#### **Our Program Implementation Team**



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#### Agenda

- Background
- Focus and Eligibility
- Application Process
- Partner Requirements
- Q&A



### Background

Wellstar's Community Health Strategy: Moving from Needs Identification to Strategic Action



## Findings from Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA)

#### **Purpose:**

- In 2022, Wellstar embarked on a data-driven approach to better understand, identify, and prioritize the health needs of all the communities served by Wellstar Health System.
- Address the Gap:
  - The need for Access to Care and Social Support for disparate and underserved communities
  - The need for strategic partnerships that leverage evidenced-based initiatives and robust evaluation

#### **During COVID-19 Pandemic:**

- These same disparate communities are increasingly experiencing health disparities and gaps in support which has led to disproportionate mortality rates
- Community-based organizations are also increasingly in need of reliable and sustainable solutions to offer more virtual care and support



### Focus and Eligibility



## Increase Virtual Access to Care and Social Support

- Wellstar intends to collaborate with community partners to implement <u>sustainable</u> technology solutions that increase access to virtual care and social support, such as:
  - Cameras to facilitate web-based appointments
  - Installation of telehealth technology in a non-clinical setting
  - Enhancing community clinic server capacity to manage more EHRs
- 8 Partners across Wellstar service areas will be funded up to \$10K/each



#### **Eligibility**

- Georgia-area, non-profit, community-based agencies with demonstrated experience in improving and measuring health outcomes
- Ineligible organizations include: for-profit organizations; individuals; individual schools (excluding institutes of higher education); international causes or campaigns and political organizations.
- Priority will be given to applicants who focus their initiative on target populations experiencing health disparities as identified in Wellstar's 2022 Community Health Needs Assessment (https://www.wellstar.org/aboutus/pages/community-health-needs-assessment.aspx)

<sup>\*</sup> Current Cohort 4 grantees are not eligible to reapply for the 2024-2025 cycle; however, they will be encouraged to submit new proposals next year.



#### **Application Process**



#### **Application Requirements**

Step 1: Notice of Intent

Step 2: Full Proposal



**Funding Request** 



Project Description and Objectives



"At-risk" Location of Initiative



Alignment with Community
Health Domains

Description of past efforts to improve and measure health outcomes

Description of accountability sharing with partners

Description of how this project will meet the needs of the targeted populations

Description of performance monitoring

Budget clarity and appropriateness

Project activities and timelines

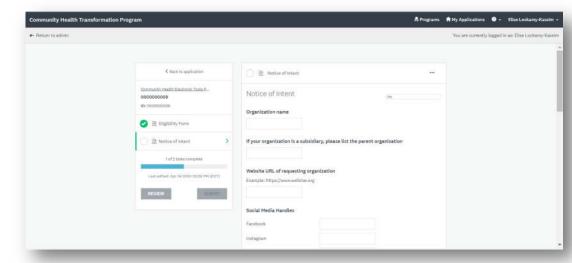
Project sustainability



#### SurveyMonkey Apply

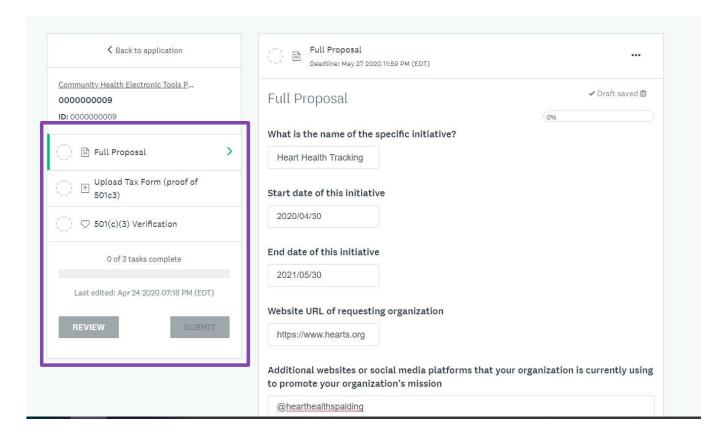
- The SurveyMonkey Apply platform allows for streamlined:
  - Application completion
  - Application review
  - Funding acceptance
  - Report completion







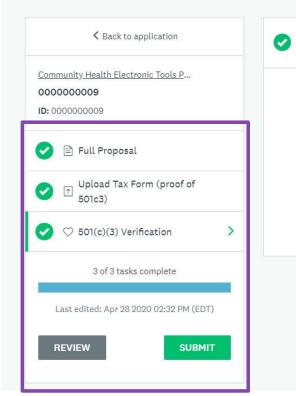
#### **Ensuring Application Submission**



Monitor your application progress in the left side bar. Completed sections will be indicated by a green circle with a check mark.



#### **Ensuring Application Submission**





Once all application sections are complete, hit the SUBMIT button to review your application and route it for review.



## Requirements



#### **Applicant Requirements**

- Create an account in SurveyMonkey Apply
- Complete all application requirements by deadlines
- If awarded, review and accept all award conditions
  - Commit to attend launch call
  - Commit to post-award monitoring and reporting
  - Commit to attend quarterly (virtual) ThinkTank meetings



#### **Partnership Accountability**

**Evaluation Plan** 

**Incubator Meetings** 

Site Visit

Mid-Period Report

Final Report



#### **Partner Performance Metrics**

Quantitative Process Metrics	Number of people served
	Number and value of resources purchased
	Number and value of resources used
Quantitative Outcome Metrics	Technology utilization rate
	Percent change in health care access
	Percent change in social support service access



#### **Cohort #5 Timeline**

RFP Submission Deadline	Oct 13, 2024
Full Proposal Invitation	Oct 25, 2024
Full Proposal Submission Deadline	Nov 8, 2024
Awardees Announced	December 3, 2024
2023 Community Transformation Summit/Cohort 5 Project Start Date	Dec 12, 2024
Funds Disbursed to Partners	TBD – Upon MOU Execution
First Org ThinkTank Meeting	March 7, 2025
Mid-Period Report Due	May 30, 2025
Second Org ThinkTank Meeting	June 6, 2025
Third Org ThinkTank Meeting	Sept 5, 2025
Final Reports Due	Nov 28, 2025
2024 Community Transformation Program Summit	Dec 12, 2025



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